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Fair Trade Shop

June is the month for Father's Day, graduations, bridal showers, engagement parties, weddings, to name a few. We have gifts as cool as Dad. Shop for Pop! Father's Day is June 21st, 2026. Quality that speaks for itself and meets affordability!

Keep track of all your musings, from the silliest to the most philosophical, in our Intertwining Ideas Journal from India. This journal features an embossed leather cover, handmade paper pages, and a metallic closure.

Our gorgeous Acacia Wood Round Magnetic Chess Set from India is a showstopper! Handmade from acacia wood, the pieces are magnetic, making this compact set perfect for travel. It makes a wonderful gift for the chess-lover or frequent traveler in your life!

You will never see a glow like this, ever. Our Phoenician Glass Candleholder from the West Bank is one-of-a-kind. The creation starts with recycled soda bottles that are smashed into pieces, then melted in high-temperature ovens. The molten glass is blown using a steel pipe called a kammasha, while "secret family recipe" elements that are added allow the glass blowers to craft each piece with unrepeatable patterns.

These and many, many more uniquely handcrafted gift items from 38 different countries can be found at our Fair Trade Shop, Stone Presbyterian Church, 8 So. Park Row, Clinton. Our regular hours are 10am to 4pm every Thursday, SECOND Saturdays, at the Farmer's Market on the Village Green every Thursday starting June 4th, 2026, and by appointment by calling 315-853-1070.

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Mohawk Valley Chapter Trout Unlimited

Come out to Grow Brewing Company in the village of New Hartford, to learn about fly tying or just have a refreshment and talk fishing and water conservation at the Mohawk Valley Trout Unlimited summer gathering on Tuesday, June 9 at 6:00 PM.

On Sunday June 14, from 6 PM to 8:PM there will be a Fly Casting Clinic for all ages at the Town of Paris Park pond in Sauquoit. No equipment necessary. If you would like to learn how to fly cast, come out and get some pointers on techniques and equipment from our local experts.

May and June are busy months for the Mohawk Valley Chapter of Trout Unlimited. The 'Trout in the Classroom' students are preparing for the annual trout release field trips. Over 25 area classes will be visiting local trout streams to release the brook trout they raised in their classes since last fall and learn about stream macroinvertebrates and habitat. If you're an area teacher who would like to learn more about this unique aquatic ecosystem education program, please contact mohawkvalleytu@gmail.com.

In addition, the Mohawk Valley Trout Unlimited River Keeper (MVTURK) project will be kicking off our second year of surveys throughout the summer. We will be visiting area streams, including Sauquoit and Oriskany Creeks once a month from May through October to evaluate water quality and habitat. If you are interested in learning more about monitoring the health of a local Mohawk Valley watersheds, please visit www.mohawkvalleytu.org.

NHFD Holds American Red Cross Blood Drive
 The New Hartford Volunteer Fire Department will host an American Red Cross Blood Drive on Thursday, June 18, 2026, from 1pm to 5pm at the fire station. Reservations may be made by calling 1-800-RED CROS (1-800-733-2767). Reservations are appreciated and walk-ins are always welcome.



NYS Approved Defensive Driving Classes
 New York State approved defensive driving courses for insurance and point reduction programs, to be given by AARP in June and July.
 On June 10th, class will be held at the Kirkland Senior Citizens Center in Clark Mills from 9:30am-3:30pm.
 On June 30th and July 28th, classes will be held at the New Hartford Public Library from 9:30am-3:30pm.
 For registration and other information please contact Mary Merritt at (315)724-0096, call early classes fill fast and are open to all ages.

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The Furniture Industry Secrets Most Customers Don't Know

Why Quality Still Matters More Than Ever

Most people don't buy furniture every year. In fact, many families may only shop for major furniture pieces once every decade or two. Because of that, many customers walk into stores not realizing just how dramatically the furniture industry has changed over the last several years.

At first glance, many sofas, recliners, dining sets, and bedroom pieces can look nearly identical online or even in a showroom. But behind the fabrics and finishes are major differences in construction, durability, comfort, and long-term value.

One of the biggest industry secrets? Not all furniture is built to last anymore.

Over the years, mass production and fast furniture have flooded the market. Many lower-end manufacturers now use particle board instead of solid wood frames, thinner foam cushions that break down quickly, and imported materials that may look attractive initially but struggle to withstand daily family life.

Customers are often shocked when a sofa that looked beautiful online begins sagging after only a short time or when a "leather" recliner starts peeling within a few years. What many people don't realize is that there are enormous differences between genuine top-grain leather, bonded leather, and synthetic materials.

The same goes for fabric performance. Not every "performance fabric" is truly designed for pets, children, spills, or heavy use. Some fabrics are engineered for real-life durability, while others are simply marketed well.

This is where shopping local — and shopping with experienced professionals — truly matters.

At Grace Furniture, we spend countless hours carefully selecting manufacturers that prioritize craftsmanship, comfort, and long-term quality. Many of our collections are still built the United States by skilled American craftsmen using hardwood frames, higher-density foam cushions, and customizable fabrics designed to fit a customer's lifestyle.

Another secret most customers do not know is that



True eight-way hand-tied construction remains one of the highest standards in upholstered furniture craftsmanship. Each spring is individually hand-tied for superior comfort, support, and long-term durability — a level of quality still found in many of the American-made collections available at Grace Furniture.

furniture comfort is incredibly personal. A sofa that feels perfect to one person may feel completely wrong to another. Height, cushion density, seat depth, back support, and even fabric texture all play a role in long-term comfort.

That is one reason why buying furniture online without trying it first can sometimes lead to disappointment. A photograph simply cannot tell you how a recliner supports your back, how a sectional fits your family, or whether a dining chair will still feel comfortable after a two-hour holiday dinner.

At Grace Furniture, customers are encouraged to take their time. Sit in the furniture. Compare comfort levels. Ask questions. Bring fabric samples home. Measure properly. We believe furniture shopping should feel exciting, not rushed.

The truth is, quality furniture is still being made — but customers need to know where to find it.

As a locally owned business, Grace Furniture has built its reputation by focusing on honest guidance, dependable service, and products we truly stand behind. Our team understands that furniture is not just another purchase. It becomes part of family memories: holiday dinners, movie nights, first homes, new babies, retirement downsizing, and everything in between.

In today's world of quick shipping and disposable products, there is still tremendous value in craftsmanship, personal service, and furniture built for real life.

And sometimes, the biggest secret in the furniture industry is this:

The less expensive option is rarely the one that lasts the longest.

For generations, families throughout the Mohawk Valley have trusted Grace Furniture because they know quality when they see it — and because they know we stand behind what we sell.

That is something no online photo can replace. Come visit us 9785 River Road, Marcy. Call us (315) 735-0732, shop us www.gracefurniture.com.

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Instagram: [new_hartford_public_library](https://www.instagram.com/new_hartford_public_library)

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NHPL Board of Trustees 2026 Meetings

All meetings are held at 4:30 in the Sammon Room at the library on the 3rd Wednesday of each month, unless otherwise designated. Our next meeting is June 17th.

Mid York Library System App

Download the Mid York Library System App from your app store to search our catalog, place holds, view your account, and even see what's happening at any Mid York library!

The app allows you to log in with one or more Mid York library cards, search for items, place holds, see library locations, check out OverDrive books, read OverDrive books, check out OverDrive magazines, read OverDrive magazines, search and filter library programming, bring up a digital library card, and much more. The app is available in the Apple App Store as well as the Google Play Store.

Community Outreach

We are hitting the road and would love to come to your organization! Are you involved with a preschool, daycare, summer program or assisted living center? We would love to come to your organization and share more about our upcoming programs, issue library cards and provide programming to your facility. For more information, please contact our library Director, Anne 315-733-1535.

Display Case Booked

Interest in use of the display case at the New Hartford Public Library continues to grow, with all twelve months in 2026 reserved by community non-profits, clubs and service organizations. We're pleased that exhibitors want to share their stories with the community and want to thank groups who continue to express interest in using the case at the main entrance to the library. We also want to thank all exhibitors in 2026. We're looking forward to hearing from groups who want to use the display space in 2027.

Strike Up the Band!

Celebrate the history of the New Hartford Community Band during the month of June at the New Hartford Public Library. The band's history will be the subject of an exhibit in the display case at the library's main

entrance. The exhibit, sponsored by the New Hartford Historical Society, will trace the story of the band, established in 1913. It has performed free summer concerts on the New Hartford Village Green.

Upcoming Blood Drives

The American Red Cross will be at the New Hartford Public Library on the following dates for blood drives:

7/23 12-4 PM

10/8 12-4 PM

12/10 12-4 PM

To register, please visit www.redcrossblood.org.

Sit and Stitch

With the Mohawk Valley Quilt Club

Date: The first Monday of the month

Time: 12:30 to 2:30 pm

Where: Corasanti Room, New Hartford Public Library

Bring a project of your own or learn to quilt with us, all experience levels welcome.

Heritage Doll Club

The Heritage Doll Club meets on the third Saturday of the month at the New Hartford Public Library. Meetings are held every month except May, July, August and December, at the library beginning at 10:30am. Interested guests and new members are welcome to attend.

Tech Help

We have a volunteer at the library each Tuesday from 11:00am-2:00pm to assist patrons with all their tech questions. Our volunteer will no longer be here on Fridays. There will be NO TECH HELP June 16th.

In Person Story Time

Mondays (group A), Tuesdays (group B) and Thursdays (group C) 10:30-11:00 for preschool aged children. Join us for stories and crafts. Aimed towards preschoolers – but all are welcome. An adult must accompany the child. All story times are held in the Children's Area/Corasanti room.

Themes:

June 1, 2, 4: Rainbows

June 8, 9, 11: Construction Trucks

June 15, 16, 18: Watermelon

June 22, 23, 25: Summertime

Senior Yoga Class

Senior Yoga takes place every Monday at 3:00pm in the Sammon Room with Bill Skinner. For those wishing to participate at home, we do offer a Zoom link for this class. Please call 315-733-1535 to get the link. There is no charge for this class.

Chair Yoga Class

Join us on Monday mornings from 10:30am-11:30am and Friday mornings from 11:00am to 12:00pm for Chair Yoga in the Sammon Room. There is no charge for this class. There will be NO CLASS on 6/22.

Mat Yoga Class

Mat yoga will take place Thursdays from 10:30-11:30 AM in the Sammon Room.

Meditation Class

12:30-1:30pm Mondays

Ages 18+

Class is limited to 20 people.

If you've ever wondered about meditation and how people can achieve stillness, now is the time to take this introductory class. We will learn breathing techniques and other practices to keep us in the present moment. This assists with anxiety, blood pressure and stress.

The class is led by Laureen Violante, CMT, CYT. She is a certified meditation teacher and has taught yoga and breathing techniques since 1995.

No prior experience is required. Registration is suggested.

Touch The Trucks: NEW LOCATION

Saturday, June 13th, 10:00-12:00. Join us again this year for one of our most popular programs! To accommodate more parking and even MORE TRUCKS we will be at the New Hartford Recreation Center. This is a fun event for the young and young at heart truck lovers. Come see and explore some of the great vehicles that make New Hartford run. The New Hartford Highway Department hopes to make this even bigger and better than ever! The NHFD and NHPD will also be attending!

Healthy Eating for Your Family

Join Certified Nutrition Coach, Ella Costa, at the New Hartford Public Library on June 7 at 2 PM for a free family nutrition workshop focused on making healthy eating realistic, simple, and stress-free for busy families.

She will cover balanced meals using the hand method, easy ways to "eat the rainbow," supporting kids with healthy eating without pressure, family-friendly meal ideas, creative school lunches, and simple pantry swaps you can actually maintain in everyday life.

Hosted by Thrive With Ella — Real food. Real life. Real simple.

The Mammo Van is Back!

Upstate University Hospital's Mammography Van will return to the New Hartford Public Library at 2 Library Lane in New Hartford, on Monday, June 15, 2026. The screenings will be available between 10 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Appointments are recommended for women who want to get a mammogram, to ensure they will be seen that day.

Board Books and Babies Will Return in September

We will be pausing Board Books and Babies during the summer, see you in September!

Lego Club: From Book to Block

Back by popular demand...Lego Club!

Each month a passage from a book is read aloud from a pre-selected book. Using their imagination, children are asked to build what they see when visualizing that scene. This club meets on the 1st Saturday of the month at 10:30am.

(Geared for 7-12yrs)

Period Party

Monday, June 15th at 4pm the New Hartford Public Library will be hosting their very first Period Party. We're here to give you all the details of biology, explain menstrual hygiene options, and answer all your questions, even the gross ones. This event is for those anticipating or recently experiencing a period and their adults, and for anyone else interested in learning more about the menstrual cycle. Light snacks and beverages will be provided. It will conclude with a beaded period tracker bracelet craft and a take home baggie of products to try at home.

Diamond Art Painting

Join us for a fun Diamond Art Project on Friday, June 19th, 1:00-3:00. Bernadette, a Diamond Art enthusiast and creator of beautiful designs, will walk you through how to create a festive 4th of July project. Relax and get creative with us! All materials provided. Class size is limited and registration is required. Please call 315-733-1535 to register.

Summer Reading Sneak-Peek

Will we see YOU this summer at the library?

Join us July 6th to August 22nd as we explore the theme "Unearth A Story".



We are excited to announce NEW programming for all ages this summer!

Children, Young Adults and Adults now will have a summer packed full of fun at the library!

Classic Reading Logs will be available at the circ desk. By completing this log can pick out 1 (one) free book from our Friends Book Sale room, or SRP table between 8/17/26 and 8/29/26. Limit one per patron.

NEW "Library Dinosaur Tracker" encourages weekly visits throughout the summer for a prize after completing 6 (six) stamps and earn a special prize! Tracker is located on the Classic Reading Log paper handout. Prize redeemable 8/17/26-8/29/26. Limit one per patron.

NEW: Register using our Summer Reading for All. QR Code shown. Please register for any interest you have in our programs & performers. See Library Staff for detail/help



By registering online; patrons (Children, YA, Adults) of all ages will be eligible for their summer reading pizza reward. Must register by July 3, 2026 for eligibility. Limit one per patron.

More information and dates to follow. Stay up to date with all upcoming summer events and activities on our website, Facebook page and in the Town Crier.

Preschool Playdate

Designed for Preschool age children and under. Join us in the Children's Area for some little library users fun! There are plenty of toys, puzzles, educational tablets and of course friends to play with. Stop in Monday, Tuesday, or Thursday at 10am before Story Time to partake.

Community Rooms

Community Rooms will be available for groups and organizations to use. You can find more information on our website (<https://newhartfordpubliclibrary.org/reserve-a-room/>), by calling 315-733-1535, or by visiting our circulation desk at the library.

"Basketball is for Everyone" Initiative

Thanks to Red & Blue Girls Hoops and their Basketball is for Everyone initiative, our library now has basketballs and pickleball racquets with balls available for checkout! Red & Blue, founded by New Hartford Girls' Basketball alumna Elizabeth Cavic, is all about

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Thanks to your generosity, fundraisers like The Bill Bonsted Indoor Miniature Golf Tournament, The Annette Barber Used Book Room, the Ice Cream Social, the Joshua Turner Fund, Hannaford Bloomin' 4 Good Program, and donations and membership, we were able to purchase new toys and furniture for the children's area, update computer hardware, sponsor performers for the children's summer reading program, park passes and raise our nation's flag with the addition of a new flagpole and flag. Thank you for your continued support.

building skills, teamwork, and community for young athletes. Their generosity helps ensure every child has access to the joy of active play both on and off the court.

Stop by the library and borrow some equipment today, because play belongs to everyone!

Book Clubs

Are you interested in joining a book club, currently in a book club, or looking to start one? If your club needs to order books or if you are interested in starting a book club, please call the library and ask to speak to our Book Club Coordinator, Danielle. 315-733-1535

>Mystery Book Club: They meet on the second Saturday of the month at 11am. For more information, please contact the library.

>TBR Book Group: Are you on Facebook? Are you always looking for your next book? We have the perfect group for you. We have created a group called the To Be Read (TBR) Book Group where readers can comment on what they're reading and look for suggestions for their next book. With over 100 members, you will never wonder what you should read next!

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>NHPL Silent Book Club: Are you feeling a bit of cabin fever? Want to get out and chat about books with fellow readers? The Silent Book Club is for you! Join us the second Friday every month in the Corasanti Room.

This book club is designed for those that wish to be among readers but would love to read their own book of choice while still being able to hear about what others are reading. This is a great way to find new books and authors that you may not have read yet. Bring your current read, read solo for a bit and then if you feel up to it, share your book. This is a very informal book group....just show up and chat if you'd like or read among fellow readers. The choice is yours!

>Sapphics Book Club

Join us for our NEW summer book club! Starting June 20th, the New Hartford Public Library will be hosting a Sapphic Book Club on the 3rd Saturday of the month in June, July and August.

June Book Choice: I Kissed Shara Wheeler: by Casey McQuiston. Copies will be available to pick up at the circ desk.

Come and discuss the book, share book recs and even join in on our silly Book Tier list. Light refreshments will be served. All summer books will fall in the YA category for a more general audience. For questions, please speak to Cheryl at the library.

Park Passes Are Back!

Once again, the Friends of the New Hartford Public Library are supporting our Park Pass Program. Through their generosity, we will be allowing our patrons to check out the following park passes which will allow

our patrons a discounted entry rate:

- Utica Children's Museum
- The Wild Center
- Fort Rickey Children's Discovery Zoo
- Adirondack Experience
- Munson (formerly Munson Williams Proctor Art Institute)
- Utica Zoo
- Empire Pass

Passes must be placed on adult library cards and must be returned to the New Hartford Public Library circulation desk. Please call 315-733-1535 for more information.

Friends of the New Hartford Public Library

Coffee with Friends

June 5th starting at 10 am in the cafe. Come share new ideas, programs or projects and learn more about the library, its future, and how you can assist. See you there!

Friends of the NHPL Meeting

The Friends of the NHPL will be meeting on June 11, 9 am, large study room. Please enter at the top door (not the lower parking lot area). The left side door will be open.

Save These Dates

- August 29. Ice Cream Social.
- September 15: Central NY Ghost Hunters, Inc. very exciting program
- September 26: Bill Bonsted Indoor Miniature Golf Tournament..... fun, fun

Annette Barber Used Book Room

ACCEPT: hardbound and paperback books, magazines as well as records, DVDs, children's books, puzzles.

DO NOT ACCEPT: moldy/damaged books (WE have to throw them out!!!), textbooks, medical books, National Geographic Magazine, Reader's Digest, multi-volume book sets. No longer accepting audio cassettes, VHS tapes and computer games/books or CDs.

The library and community greatly appreciate your "gently" used books but please limit your donations to one box/bag at a time and drop them off at the circulation desk.

PLEASE DO NOT DROP THEM OFF IN THE HALLWAY, AT DROP BOXES, OR OUTSIDE WHEN THE LIBRARY IS CLOSED. THANK YOU.

Programs and Meetings

Please look under The Friends on the library's website for the latest updates of programs the Friends will be offering as well as meeting dates.

50th Anniversary

We were very delighted to meet and greet you as you came through the door to attend each scheduled event of the 50th Anniversary Celebration of the New Hartford Public Library and to share the "I remember when" and the pride we all feel for our outstanding community treasure. Your raffle ticket purchases raised \$1,160 and will assist the library financially in necessary needs that arise. Thank you for your generosity and support and a very special thank you to those who enthusiastically filled the basket with heartfelt thoughts.



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2-Jun	4:15 PM	Lacrosse (Girls)	7th/8th	Myles Elem FH/LAX Field
2-Jun	4:30 PM	Lacrosse (Boys)	7th/8th	Perry JH Football/Lacrosse
9-Jun	4:30 PM	Lacrosse (Boys)	7th/8th	Perry JH Football/Lacrosse
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LIONS Club News

The New Hartford/New York Mills/Whitestown Lions Club was recently honored to welcome Kathy Lloyd as a guest speaker at our monthly meeting. Ms. Lloyd spoke on behalf of the Make-A-Wish Foundation in memory of her nephew, John Lloyd.

In support of this meaningful cause, our club has become a Gold Sponsor for the upcoming Make-A-Wish golf scramble, which will be held at Twin Ponds on June 13, 2026. Please find the attached photo from our meeting featuring Lions Club President Gail Hardy, Treasurer Nick Montesano, and Ms. Lloyd.

Sharon Rankins-Burd joined us at our May meeting representing Upstate Caring Partners. She provided us with a fascinating presentation about the services that they provide. Our club provided a donation in support of their programs. Pictured are Lions Club President Gail Hardy, Treasurer Nick Montesano and Ms. Rankins-Burd.

The New Hartford/New York Mills/Whitestown Lions Club meets on the second Tuesday of each month at Sloppy Joe's Pizza in the New Hartford Shopping Center. Our meeting start at 5:30 pm. Visitors are always welcome!



Lions Club guest speaker Ms. Rankins-Burd



Lions Club guest speaker Ms. Lloyd



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NH Chamber and NH Rotary Joint Networking Mixer

The New Hartford Chamber & New Hartford Rotary held a joint networking mixer at Tony's in Washington Mills on May 13th. Another collaborative way to pull some of our organization's members & guests to share ideas & projects that we can work on as we move forward. Both organizations are planning another event later in 2026. They were joined by New Hartford Village Mayor Don Ryan and assemblyman Brian Miller (not pictured).

Volunteer for the 2026 Boilermaker Road Race
Sunday, July 12, 2026

Be a Part of One of America's Premier 15K Road Race

Boilermaker fever is here! The snow has melted, and warmer weather means runners are out training for our iconic 15K race.

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Join Our Volunteer Team!

The Boilermaker Road Race relies on the dedication of volunteers to ensure its success. We need enthusiastic individuals to assist in various roles:

- Green Team at Post Race Party
- Packet Pick-up at the Health & Wellness Expo and Race Morning at Start Line
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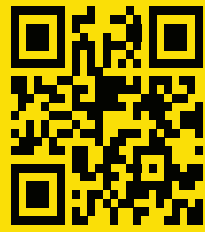
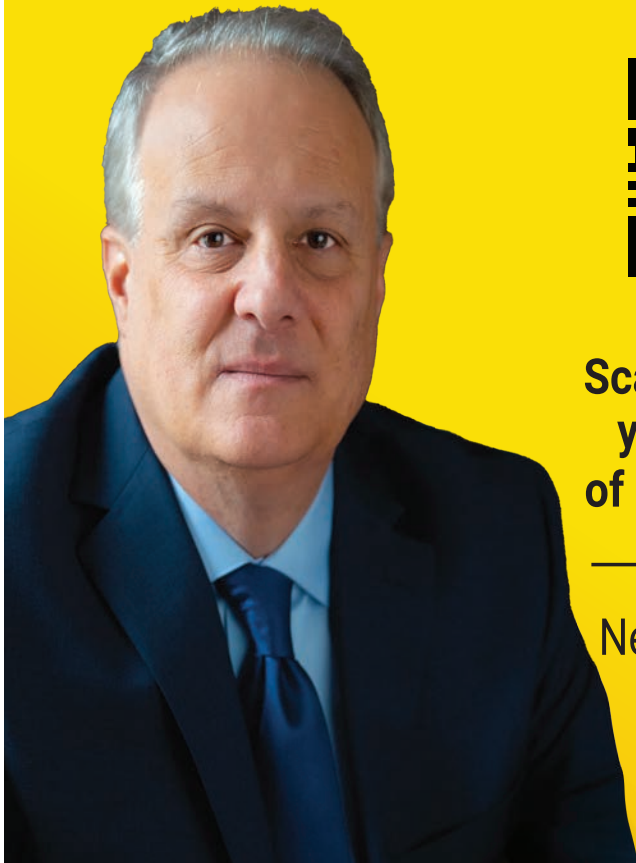
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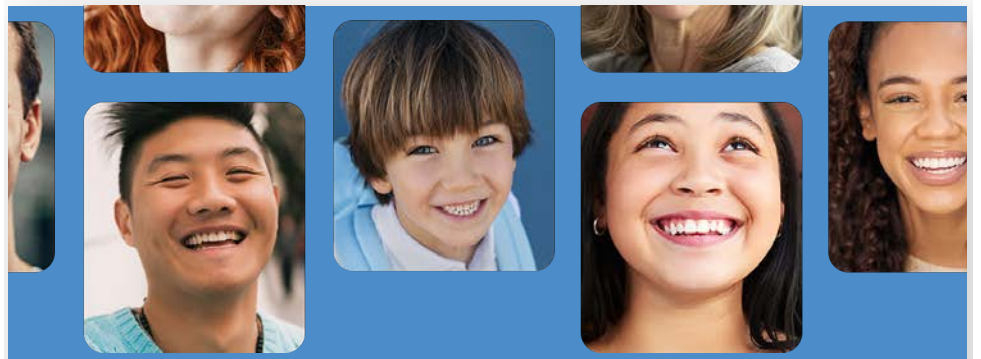
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NHFD News

Your New Hartford Volunteer Fire Department responded to 76 alarms during the month of April 2026 as indicated by the monthly call report listed below by category:

- Fires = 2
- EMS = 38
- Hazardous = 7
- Service Type = 10
- Good Intent = 13
- False Alarms = 16
- Overpressure = 0
- Mutual Aid = 0
- Weather Related = 0
- Other = 0



Practice the plan twice a year. Run the drill at night at least once — smoke and darkness change the picture entirely. Make sure children can wake to the sound of the alarm. If they don't, someone needs to be assigned to wake them, both in drills and in a real emergency.

When any alarm sounds: get out, stay out. Do not go back inside for pets, phones, or belongings. Call 911 from outside. If someone is missing, tell the dispatcher — the firefighters responding to your home are trained and equipped for exactly that — trust them to handle it.

We hope this is a good opportunity to have these conversations before an emergency. The time you invest today — around the kitchen table, walking through your home, making sure everyone knows the plan — is time well spent on behalf of everyone under your roof. For more information please visit- www.nhfd.com

Total Calls for the Month of April 2026 = 76.

Of the 76 alarms, 62 were in the town and 14 were in the village and no mutual aid alarms.

Total alarms year-to-date through April 30, 2026 = 392.

Some of the calls listed above - such as Fires, EMS, and Hazardous - are self-explanatory. Others such as Service, Good Intent and Other Alarms are not. Service Calls include water or animal problems, public assistance or standbys. Good Intent refers to responding but did not find anything or canceled in route. Other alarms include explosions, carbon monoxide, smoke or sprinkler detector activations.

From the New Hartford Fire Department's Chief Thomas Bolanowski's desk...

Have a Plan Before the Alarm Sounds

A working smoke alarm buys you time. A practiced escape plan is how you use it.

When a fire breaks out, you may have as little as one to two minutes to get out safely once the alarm sounds. That is not enough time to figure out a plan. It must already exist — and everyone in the home has to know it.

Start by walking through your home with your household and identifying two ways out of every room, including windows. Make sure doors and windows open easily and that escape routes are clear of clutter. Choose a meeting place outside — a mailbox, a neighbor's front steps, a light pole — somewhere fixed, a safe distance from the house, where everyone goes after they get out. Mark it on your plan.

A few things that make the difference: smoke alarms and carbon monoxide detectors on every level of the home — interconnected models are ideal, but any working alarm is far better than none; a specific person assigned to assist anyone who needs help — a young child, an elderly resident, someone with a mobility limitation — with a backup assigned in case the first person isn't home; and doors closed behind you as you leave, which slows the spread of fire and smoke.

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NHFD Holds American Red Cross Blood Drive

The New Hartford Volunteer Fire Department will host an American Red Cross Blood Drive on Thursday, June 18, 2026, from 1pm to 5pm at the fire station. Reservations may be made by calling 1-800-RED CROS (1-800-733-2767). Reservations are appreciated and walk-ins are always welcome.

Butterfly Release Celebration

The Hospice & Palliative Care, Inc. Events Committee warmly welcomes you to participate in our Annual Butterfly Release Celebration on Friday, July 10, 2026.

This heartfelt event offers you a gentle and symbolic way to remember someone you love or celebrate someone who has touched your life. Whether your loved one received hospice care or not, you are welcome. Each butterfly you release represents peace, transformation, and enduring love—a simple yet powerful way for you to say, "You are remembered."

As Event Co-Chair Jan Corn shared, "It's a truly special way for families and friends to come together in remembrance and love." We hope you will be part of this special moment.

You can make this experience your own. You may choose to release your butterflies in a place that holds special meaning to you—a favorite park, a garden, or even your own backyard. Or, if you prefer, you can entrust our team to release them on your behalf with care and intention. Everyone who purchases butterflies will receive a commemorative program with their loved one's name in it, if their order is placed by July 3.

Butterfly Pick-Up Locations (July 10):

- Hospice & Palliative Care, Inc.,
New Hartford | 12:00–6:00 p.m.
- Nunn's Home Medical Equipment,
Rome | 12:30–4:30 p.m.
- Herkimer Chamber of Commerce,
Herkimer | 3:00–6:00 p.m.
- Oneida Health Cancer Care (Radiation Oncology
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- Adirondack Bank Center at the Utica Memorial
Auditorium | 3:00–6:00 p.m.
- Boilermaker Health & Wellness Expo (MVCC Utica
Campus, Jorgensen Center) | 3:00–6:00 p.m.

Butterfly Options:

- \$25 per butterfly
- 5 butterflies for \$100

When you participate, you are also supporting compassionate hospice care, palliative services, and bereavement support for families throughout Oneida, Herkimer, and Madison Counties.

We encourage you to order early, as butterflies are limited, and we do sell out each year. To reserve yours, you can print and mail the order form to Hospice & Palliative Care, Inc., or simply call 315-735-6484. To ensure your loved one's name appears in the program we will need to receive your order no later than July 3.

Let your love take flight. When you take part, you are honoring a life, cherishing a memory, and celebrating the connections that continue to shape you—one butterfly at a time.

We hope to share this meaningful experience with you.

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Questers Wants You!

The Questers is an organization with members who are interested in history, preservation and antiques. The J. Schoolcraft Sherman Chapter #1519 meets monthly except July & August at the New Hartford Library the first Monday of the month at 4:30 p.m. We usually have a presenter at each meeting and Show & Tell where members bring an item to share with the group. New members are always welcome! Email me at vjfariello@gmail.com for more information.

Victor J. Fariello Jr. is a lifelong resident of New Hartford and has been a collector and dealer of antiques for many years. He is a past officer and member of the New Hartford Historical Society and is the President of the J. Schoolcraft Sherman Chapter #1519 of The Questers, an International organization for people who love antiques and have a commitment to preservation. Questions on anything related to antiques can be sent to him at PO Box 194, Washington Mills, NY 13479 or by email to vjfariello@gmail.com. Any photos submitted will be returned upon request.



The June Antique Show at Bouckville will feature a variety of antiques and collectibles. There's something for everyone!

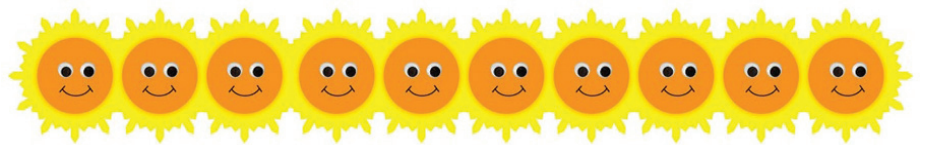
Bouckville June Show

The Madison Bouckville June antique show is June 5-7. This is the smaller of the Bouckville shows but still a great show and worth the short trip down Route 20. The show hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily and there is no admission charge. There is plenty of free and paid parking as well. As a reminder, the August Antique Week at Bouckville is August 9-15. This is the large show with 2,000 dealers.

From the Mailbag On Tap for July

We will answer reader's questions in another edition of From the Mailbag. You can submit your questions on any aspect of antiques or collectibles by emailing me at vjfariello@gmail.com or dropping a line to me at the address below. I look forward to hearing from you!

Happy collecting!



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What the History ((WTH))!

My Top Five Eureka Moments

submitted by Dennis Webster

When you least expect it, history can be made, and the result can be a multitude of wondrous items from silly putty to the light bulb. Since human beings received their mental fire from the Greek Titan Prometheus, they had used their newfound inventing ID to experiment

and create many wonders of the world with some of great benefit and others to great taste, or amusement. Just when we think everything that has been invented has been invented, someone sticks two things together that had never been stuck before, and you have something that is revolutionary that we cannot live without.

The word "Eureka" is always synonymous with an invention, and this phrase was uttered by the ancient Greek inventor, Archimedes, who submerged into his tub full of water and discovered the mass of his body replaced the water in the tub thus displacement had been discovered. He celebrated this by running naked and wet through the street yelling, "Eureka!" I have researched, dear reader, and have come up with my top five Eureka moments. These are in no particular order of importance, and there are thousands of these I could choose, but these are my favorites.

1. The Microwave Oven: Percy Lebaron Spencer was fiddling around in his lab in 1945 and used his magnetron to melt a chocolate bar. This led to the first microwave that was six foot tall, weighed six hundred pounds and cost five thousand dollars.
2. Post It Notes: Who doesn't love using these canary yellow sticky note pieces of paper for leaving all kinds of reminders stuck to a bunch of places. Dr. Spencer Silver was a scientist working for 3M and discovered what was considered a useless glue. It wasn't until people in the lab started to affix this glue to pieces of paper and stick notes to the walls that 3M realized they had a winning invention.
3. Penicillin: The world's first antibiotic was invented by a memory lapse as Dr. Alexander Fleming had accidentally left cultures of staph in petri dishes sitting out on the counter of his lab. Three weeks later he discovered that a mold called penicillium notatum had arrested the growth of the staph.
4. Potato Chips: Is there any more popular snack on the planet than crispy and salty slices of fried potatoes? I think not and it was Chef George Crum at the Moon Lake Lodge Resort in Saratoga who in 1853 got angry at a customer criticizing his mushy fried potatoes so out of spite he sliced them very thin, fried them in oil, and slathered them in salt. A legend in snackary was launched!
5. Bubble Wrap: Believe it or not, bubble wrap was not invented for your hand popping amusement but was originally sold as wallpaper. When that didn't work, the inventors/engineers, Alfred Fielding and Marc Chavannes, tried to sell it as greenhouse installation. When that failed, they marketed it as packaging material and the world has never been the same. Now, let's all be sure we find random items in our homes and fiddle with them, and stick them together, as you never know, you could invent the next potato chip and change human tongue taste buds forever.

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Resistance Exercise

submitted by Jim LaFountain, All American Fitness Center

Resistance Exercise has gotten a boost recently. Credible research (data) has found, resistance exercise, in the form of weights, machines, rubber tubing and a few less popular modes, is as essential as cardiovascular exercise. Particularly in the older adult population, female and male. Let's explore the pluses and minus' of each mode of resistance exercise:

Weights: Weights, in the form of barbells and dumbbells have been around since Ancient Greece. I trained with weight's exclusively from age 13-19. There's something visibly special about loading heavy plates on both dumbbells and barbells and moving them through a range of motion.

Using dumbbells identifies one's asymmetry (Strength or weakness of individual limbs). Dumbbells also provide a greater range of motion around individual joints. Athletes, in particular, must maintain range of motion, in order to perform at an optimal level.

Barbell training is very popular for several reasons. Again, the visual stimulation of moving weights through a range of motion is a big motivator. "How much can you lift," is a common question among weight trainers. A barbell trainee knows his 1RM (1 rep maximum) in every lift.

Gravity is a vertical resistance endeavor. Since all weight movements require movement through a range of motion, where anatomical advantages and disadvantages exist, the vertical pull of gravity provides an inaccurate resistance.

Machines: Machines are convenient and require minimal skills. Trainees, with different and challenging jobs, a family and an all around hectic lifestyle prefer machines. Easy and quick weight adjustment, performing one set to momentary muscular failure and you're done and on your way home.

Variable Resistance Machines: Variable resistance machines are a much different story. Regardless if machines use a cam to vary resistance or a lever, varying resistance to accommodate an anatomically adjustable joint, intensifies each repetition of each set. I, personally, have experienced far more muscular gains, using variable resistance equipment than any other mode of resistance training. With far less training, I might ad and with less joint disruption.

Rubber Tubing: Rubber tubing also provides variable resistance, but with less accuracy. As we stretch the chord through a range of momentum, it increases its resistance. It also provides far less resistance while the chord is barely stretched. Again, this is a less accurate method for varying the resistance, but very convenient because it travels well in a backpack or duffel bag. It's small, light weight and provides some degree of variable resistance.

Calisthenics: Using your own bodyweight to generate resistance is the most convenient way to train. Varying resistance is not a factor, as it's nearly impossible to do so using your own bodyweight. It is, however, the ultimate convenience and also absolutely inexpensive. One major factor, especially as you get stronger, calisthenics becomes more of a muscular "endurance" mode of training. Developing muscular hypertrophy (muscle building) training involves a resistance that allows you to complete a set to the point of momentary muscular failure at around 8-12 repetitions. As your strength surpassing 8-12 repetitions, you enter into a muscular endurance phase, where repetitions exceed 12 reps.

Recent research involving cardiovascular and resistance training in combination, holds the key to overall, optimal fitness. By combining cardio with resistance training, we can significantly increase our results in both. My favorite combination is performing three minutes of "intense" cardio followed by a pair of resistance exercises, usually addressing opposing muscle groups, i.e., Chest & Upper Back. By continuing this sequence for 30 minutes, you optimize the benefits of both. Those who are short on time enjoy the efficiency of this type of training, often referred to as Interval Resistance Training (IRT).

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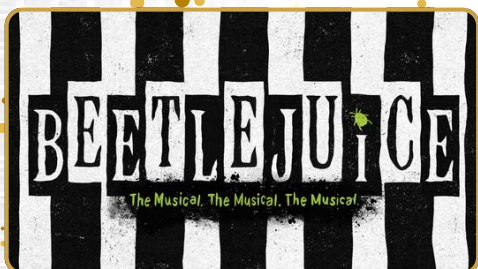
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They were just four guys from Jersey, until they sang their very first note. They had a sound nobody had ever heard... and the radio just couldn’t get enough of. But while their harmonies were perfect on stage, off stage it was a very different story – a story that has made them an international sensation all over again. The show features all their hits including “Sherry,” “Big Girls Don’t Cry,” “Oh What a Night,” “Walk Like a Man,” “Can’t Take My Eyes Off You,” “Beggin’” and “Working My Way Back to You.” Go behind the music and inside the story of Frankie Valli and The Four Seasons in the Tony Award® winning, original Broadway sensation, **JERSEY BOYS**. From the streets of New Jersey to the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame, this is the musical that’s too good to be true.



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After losing what matters most, a young man jumps a moving train unsure of where the road will take him and finds a new home with the remarkable crew of a traveling circus, and a life—and love—beyond his wildest dreams. Seen through the eyes of his older self, his adventure becomes a poignant reminder that if you choose the ride, life can begin again at any age. Tony Award-nominated director Jessica Stone’s “huge, heart-filling” production (The New York Times) features a book by three-time Tony nominee Rick Elice adapted from Sara Gruen’s novel, and a soaring score by the acclaimed PigPen Theatre Co. So, step right up to the “spellbinding entertainment” (Variety) at **WATER FOR ELEPHANTS**, “the best new musical on Broadway” (Theatermania).



MARCH 30-31, 2027 • WEDNESDAY/THURSDAY

It’s showtime! Based on Tim Burton’s dearly beloved film, this hilarious musical tells the story of Lydia Deetz, a strange and unusual teenager whose whole life changes when she meets a recently deceased couple and a demon with a thing for stripes. With an irreverent book and a score that’s out of this Netherworld, **BEETLEJUICE** is “SCREAMINGLY GOOD FUN!” (Variety). And under its uproarious surface (six feet under, to be exact), it’s a remarkably touching show about family, love, and making the most of every Day-O!



APRIL 6-7, 2027 • TUESDAY/WEDNESDAY

In 1969, The Who created a rock opera that changed the course of music history. And now, it’s back in a dazzling all-new production that feels more relevant than ever. Myth and spectacle combine in this fresh reinvention that includes the unforgettable anthems “I’m Free,” “See Me, Feel Me,” “Sensation” and “Pinball Wizard.” After witnessing his father shoot his rival, the young Tommy Walker is lost in the universe, endlessly and obsessively staring into the mirror. An innate knack for pinball catapults him from reticent adolescent to celebrity savior. Tony Award-winning composer Pete Townshend and Tony Award-winning original director Des McAnuff find powerful resonance reexamining this classic story for today.



JUNE 1-2, 2027 • TUESDAY/WEDNESDAY

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B Sharp Musical Club 2026 Scholarship Competition Winners' Recital

The B Sharp Musical Club presented its 2026 Scholarship Winners Recital at 2:00 PM on Sunday, May 3 at Munson in Utica. Prizes were awarded in four categories: Piano; Voice; Strings; and Winds, Brass, & Percussion, with up to four prizes given in each category.

The young musicians in this annual competition must be in grades 9 through 12 and attend high school in Oneida, Herkimer, or Madison counties, or they must study with a B Sharp club member. This year's scholarship award winners are:

Piano:

- Ethan Lin, 1st place: Vivien Harvey Slater Award
- Brian Chang, 2nd place : Donna Marie Mungari Award
- Charlotte Gale, 3rd place: Margaret Johnson Award
- Julia Peck, Honorable Mention: Sally Blatt Award

Voice:

- Marlee Winfield, 1st place: Joanna LaFaro Moore Award
- Danniella Rivera-Litz, 2nd place: Cynthia Grantham-Wright Award
- Jake Carey, 3rd place: Nicholas S. Priore Award

Winds/Brass/Percussion:

- Elise Diesing, 1st Place: B Sharp Musical Club Award
- Eli Conner, 2nd Place: Edward Behen Bradley Award
- Catherine Brown, 3rd Place: B Sharp Member Memorial Award
- Felicia Huang, Honorable Mention: Utica Music League Award

Strings:

- James Cooper, 1st place: Dr. Joseph Witt Memorial Award
- Heim Park, 2nd place: B Sharp Musical Club Award
- Ethan Lin, 3rd place: Veturia I. Wiley Memorial Award
- Holly Buchanan-Wise, Honorable Mention: LuAnn Bowen Memorial Award

The B Sharp Musical Club was founded in 1903 and supports music and the arts in the Greater Utica Area by hosting free concert programs, mentoring young musicians, awarding scholarships, and providing outreach to underserved communities. Since the competition's inception over 75 years ago, B Sharp has awarded thousands of dollars to talented high school musicians from Oneida, Herkimer, and Madison counties. Next year's auditions will be held on Saturday, May 22, 2027 at Munson in Utica. Please visit www.bsharpmusic.org for more information about our programs and scholarships.

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NEW HARTFORD PAST TIMES

June 2026

NEW HARTFORD HISTORICAL SOCIETY



First Baptist Church of New Hartford ends 171 years of Service

On May 12, 1855, nine men and ten women met in a building near the corner of South Street (now Oxford Road) and Genesee Street and formed themselves into the New Hartford Baptist Society. They rented the vacant Universalist Church on the corner of Capron Road (now Richardson Avenue) and Genesee Street. In 1856 a lot on the corner of the Burr Stone Road (now near where Campion Road is today) and Genesee Street was given to the Society, a church was erected, and they worshipped in this building for nearly 30 years.

In 1885 property was purchased on the corner of South Street (now Oxford Road) and Mill Street. The house was moved next door and the church built on the corner. The house became the parsonage and later sold in 2007. The church was built by the then minister, Rev. Jacob Gray, who was also a carpenter and builder, and the primary Sunday School met in a small room in the rear.

Somewhere in the early 1900s the tower and bell were removed and the entrance moved to the center of the church. In 1919 a four-room addition was built at the rear of the building, replacing the chapel. In 1923 the present Sunday School building was erected by a church member, Mr. Fred Rand. The latest and extensive renovation was approved and resulted in the present appearance of the church on the outside, with extensive interior changes.

Seven members of the church entered the ministry, and two were missionaries in Africa for many years. In August of 1949, Rev. Charles B. Capper would be appointed Pastor. Seven months later he would be elected as the 1st Chaplain of the New Hartford Vol. Fire Department. He would serve 2-1/2 years. Rev. Capper would leave in the fall of 1952 to take over the ministry of the Oakfield-Alabama Baptist Church outside of Batavia. He was succeeded by the Rev. Abram C. Brokaw. On Sunday April 5th, 2026, the church would hold its Easter service. It would also be their very last service. After just shy 171 years, and with the congregation down to just 17 families, the burden to continue was just too large to overcome.



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The Town of New Hartford

MAY 2026

Town Hall Highlights



Public Hearings Set for June 3: Residents Invited to Weigh In

An Important Message from Supervisor Messa Regarding Local Laws. Term Limits, Local Truck Traffic

Submitted by Jim Messa, Town Supervisor

At the May 6 Town Board meeting, several items were discussed that reflect both the work currently underway in New Hartford and the decisions still ahead.

Term Limits. The Board continued discussion on a proposed local law that would establish term limits for the Town Supervisor and Town Council positions. In the original proposal, I called for a limit of two consecutive terms for Supervisor and Town Council. During discussion, a suggestion was made to allow three consecutive terms for the Supervisor, with additional discussion about applying a three-term limit to all Town Board seats covered by the proposed law.

After discussion, the Board voted to move forward an amended version of the proposed local law to public hearing. That public hearing will be held on Wednesday, June 3, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. at Town Hall.

Local Truck Traffic. A second public hearing has also been scheduled for June 3 regarding proposed "No Truck Traffic" signage for Andover Avenue. This issue was also discussed at the May 6 meeting and was moved forward for public input.

Public hearings are an important part of local government. They give residents the opportunity to hear what is being considered, ask questions, share concerns, and offer opinions before final decisions are made. Town Board members are elected to represent the community, and public hearings help make sure those decisions are informed by the people who live here.

PUBLIC HEARINGS GIVE RESIDENTS A VOICE.

"Town Board members are elected to represent the people, and public hearings help ensure their vote reflects public sentiment." - Jim Messa

Your Voice Belongs in the Room.

Whether you support a proposal, oppose it, or are still forming your opinion, your presence matters. Local government works best when residents are informed and involved. Public hearings are one of the clearest ways for the community to **take part in decisions before they are made.**

The Town Board meeting and public hearings for Term Limits and Local Truck Traffic will be held: Wednesday, June 3, 2026

Fireworks are back! The Board also discussed plans to bring fireworks back to New Hartford as part of the America 250 celebration. The event is planned for Sunday, July 5, at Sherrillbrook Park, with food trucks, music, and fireworks at dusk. No vendor fee for this event, vendors are asked to apply online through the Town Clerk's Office. Additional details, including parking and shuttles, will be shared as planning continues.

The new playground is open. Progress also continues in New Hartford's parks. The new playground at Sherrillbrook Park is now open, giving families another reason to enjoy one of the Town's most-used public spaces.

Crews have also been working on additional park improvements, including upgrades at Sherrillbrook Park, Washington Mills Athletic Park, and Donovan Park in Chadwicks that shape New Hartford.



Highway News

From Highway Superintendent Richard Sherman

Submitted by: Richard Sherman

June will be a busy month for your Highway crew with several projects underway. Our work continues with the ongoing Roman Road storm water project detention pond which is almost completed. The ongoing work in Chadwicks of sidewalks, curbing, catch basins, landscaping and decorative lighting will be going out for bid in the near future.

There are many upgrades happening at Sherrill Brook Park. The crew will continue work on the dog park, installing the new bridge over the creek by the gazebo. The new softball field is just about finished, just waiting for roofing to be installed on the dug outs and some landscaping. The Veteran Memorial banners have been installed on the poles like last year. The banners will be flying proudly through Veterans Day.

We are in full swing with our Curbside Brush Collection. We understand that, because of all the rain, people are mowing their lawns more frequently. It is very important that you containerize your loose green waste items (grass, hedge clippings, flowers and small piles of branches). Please follow the guidelines outlined in the brochure that was mailed to each resident. If you didn't receive a brochure, you can call our office to receive a copy, or you can find it on our website. Please don't place green waste and brush over the catch basins. This will stop the water flow in a rain event.

We have started mowing the town and county road shoulders and rights-of-ways. Please use caution when you see the mowing ahead signs out.

Your Highway Department with the New Hartford Library will be hosting the very popular "Touch the Truck" event on June 13th at The New Hartford Rec Center. This location gives more room for event parking and attendee safety and adequate space for the Highway trucks and equipment, and for the New Hartford Fire Dept. and Police Dept. demonstrations.

COME! ASK QUESTIONS, SHARE INPUT, AND BE PART OF THE DECISION-MAKING PROCESS.

PUBLIC HEARING: WEDNESDAY, June 3, 2026 6PM TOWN HALL

There will be several pieces of highway equipment for kids to see and sit behind the wheel. Hard hats will be handed out to the kids by Highway Superintendent, Richard Sherman and Foreman, Chris Moran. Hope to see you there – come rain or shine!

Call the Highway office with questions or concerns: (315) 733-7500, or contact me personally at: (315) 534-2998 or rsherman@townofnewhartfordny.gov.



Town Clerk, Michele Moran:

Summer is here. June is a Busy Month in New Hartford

Submitted by: Michele Moran

Garage Sales - June is prime garage sale season. Town Code section 72-2 requires all residents holding a sale to complete a no-fee license with the Town Clerks office. The form is available on our website under [Town Clerk > Forms]. Filing helps keep neighborhoods organized and safe. Please follow local signage and parking rules, and remove all signs after your sale.

Dog Licensing - Warm weather means more pets outside, so it's a great time to check that your dog's license is current. Renewals can be done by mail or in person. Online renewal is coming soon as we update our software. New this year; NYS now allows residents to make an optional shelter donation when renewing a license. This is voluntary and does not replace the licensing fee.

As always, please contact the Town Clerk's office at 315-733-7500 with any questions. **Happy Summer.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS & EVENTS

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The Town of New Hartford

NHPD News & Notes
Officers Complete Specialized Crisis Intervention Training

The New Hartford Police Department commends four of its officers who have completed a specialized crisis intervention training program aimed at improving responses to mental health emergencies.



Led by the Utica Police Department's Crisis Intervention Team, and coordinated by The Oneida County Department of Mental Health the program recently graduated multiple police officers from agencies across the region. More than 100 officers in Oneida County have now completed the training, supporting a coordinated approach to mental health response. The training equips officers with skills to recognize behavioral cues, de-escalate situations, and work alongside mental health professionals. These techniques help New Hartford Police Officers on a daily basis while responding to emergencies across the Town.

"The New Hartford Police Department remains committed to strengthening public safety through continued training and collaboration. Crisis intervention training is critical because it equips our officers with the skills to de-escalate situations, protect lives, and connect individuals in need with the right support, while also making these encounters safer by giving officers the tools to recognize warning signs and respond appropriately."

-Chief of Police Ronald Fontaine.

New Hartford Police Activity
April 2026

- 906 Police Incidents / Calls for Police Service
- 53 Arrests
- 61 Motor Vehicle Collisions Investigated
- 296 Vehicle & Traffic Stops
- 253 Vehicle and Traffic Law Tickets Issued
- 4 Mental Hygiene Law Calls
- 8 Domestic Incidents
- 448 Supplemental Neighborhood patrols
- 3 Community Policing Details Completed
- 10 Animal Control Incidents
- 6 Animal Shelter Intakes

Board Meetings

Town Board Meeting	06/03	6:00pm
Planning Board Meeting	06/08	5:30pm
ZBA Meeting (Rescheduled)	06/22	5:30pm

Visit the website for schedules, agendas and minutes. Meetings are subject to change.

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~ Curbside locations and Times ~

<p>Herkimer Chamber of Commerce (3:00-6:00pm) 420 E. German St. Ext., Herkimer NY</p> <p>Oneida Health Cancer Care Radiation Oncology Affiliate of Roswell Park Care Network (3:00-6:00pm) 601 Seneca Street, Oneida NY</p> <p>Adirondack Bank Center at the Utica Memorial Auditorium (3:00-6:00pm) Labatt Blue Entrance Parking Lot, 400 Oriskany St W, Utica NY</p>	<p>Hospice & Palliative Care (Noon-6:00pm) 4277 Middle Settlement Road, New Hartford, NY</p> <p>Nunn's Home Medical Equipment (12:30-4:30pm) 41340 Floyd Ave. Rome, NY</p> <p>Boilermaker Health & Wellness Expo - MVVC Utica Campus - Jorgensen Center (3:00pm-6:00pm) 1101 Sherman Dr. Utica, NY</p>
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If you need an order form or an additional one, go to hospicecareinc.org or for more information call 315-735-6484

All butterflies will need to be released the day of pick up at least 30 minutes before sunset! It is helpful to bring a small cooler to keep the butterflies cool.

Hospice Butterfly Release Celebration Order Form 2026

Deadline to have names in the program: Friday, July 3rd. Butterflies are limited--orders filled on first come first serve basis

Step 1: Your information

Name _____	Phone number _____	Email _____
Street Address _____	City _____	State and Zip _____

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<p>Step 5 (Optional): Please send an acknowledgement of my butterfly gift to:</p> <p>Name _____ Street _____ City, State, Zip _____</p> <p>_____ _____ _____</p> <p><small>(If additional space is needed, use the back of this form)</small></p>	<p>Step 6: Payment Information</p> <p>Credit Card:</p> <p>Card Holder Name _____ Billing Address (if different) _____</p> <p>Card Type: <input type="checkbox"/> Visa <input type="checkbox"/> Mastercard <input type="checkbox"/> Discover</p> <p>Card Number: _____</p> <p>Expiration Date: ____/____</p> <p>3-Digit Security Code: _____</p> <p>Or make checks payable to: Hospice & Palliative Care, Inc.</p>
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It was, in fact, the very best kind of memorial – one that brought comfort and healing to others. Hymen, Clara and Florence would be shocked to see what their project, their gift of love and giving back, has grown into today.

The "home" that started in 1951 with six residents soon grew to 30, providing personalized, compassionate care. Again, the need increased exponentially, and so did Sitrin. By 1992, Sitrin's campus was home to more than 170 residents of all faiths and backgrounds. And, as it served an increasingly wide-ranging community, Sitrin led the way in offering services and capabilities never before available in the area, including the community's first medically affiliated Adult Day Health Care program, followed by residential housing for medically complex individuals with intellectual disabilities.

Again, to answer the need, Sitrin opened a child care center in 1995, serving 24 children aged six weeks to 5 years. Among its most significant achievements, Sitrin established the first Comprehensive Outpatient Rehabilitation Facility (CORF) in the tri-county area of Central New York in 1997. Soon after came the Dental Clinic, serving hundreds of patients each month. In 2001, the Sitrin STARS made their debut, offering a variety of adaptive sports for people with physical disabilities. In 2003, Sitrin opened its new child care center, now able to accommodate 64 children.

In 2009, Sitrin restructured its long-term care program, rightsizing a portion of beds to Assisted Living Services at Cedarbrook Enriched Housing and Assisted Living complex, offering 44 one- and two-bedroom apartments. Also, that year, Sitrin debuted a new model of long-term care not widely offered in New York State; residents were moved to spacious, homelike quarters in one of nine Cape Cod-style houses with large, individual rooms.

Shortly thereafter, Sitrin renovated the inpatient medical rehabilitation unit to 46 private rooms for short-term care.

In the years following, Sitrin launched a military program, treating post-9/11 veterans and injured service members at no cost to the patient, established additional homes for medically complex adults with developmental disabilities, and opened one of three NeuroCare Units in the state treating patients affected by ALS and Huntington's disease.

Hymen would be proud of what has transpired over the past 75 years. In providing comfort for one generation, Sitrin has grown to comfort the generations that followed.

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The League of Women Voters Utica-Rome Metro News

The League of Women Voters (LWV) Utica-Rome Metro was awarded a grant from LWV National to engage prospective young voters and under-represented communities in taking part in the political process through civic education and engagement. As an initial step we wanted a slogan that might resonate with the audience and promote the mission. A young lady from New Hartford, NY was asked her opinion and after some thought came up with the slogan, "You have a voice. Use it - Vote!" Bristol Jasiewicz, a sophomore and student newspaper editor, was that young lady. Her slogan is being used for bracelets which are given to students who participate in discussion groups or register to vote. It is also on postcards that will be sent as reminders to vote in the upcoming general election in November 2026. Bristol attended the general membership meeting on March 28, 2026 to be recognized and given her own bracelets and postcard. She also registered to vote with her mom, Amanda Humphrey, looking on!

Any schools wanting to engage their students in civic education and engagement - either in discussion

groups with clubs or with a voter registration drive at the school or a school event - can contact Lu Blanchard, President and Chair of the Youth Voter Grant committee - leaguetucarome@gmail.com.

The League of Women Voters is a non-partisan, grassroots advocacy organization that focuses on voting rights, voter education and civic engagement. We never endorse or oppose political parties or candidates but do defend democracy and democratic ideals. We are committed to diversity, equity, inclusion, access, and welcome all persons, 16 years of age or older, to become a member.

the historic Baird and Frank families circa 1795. His presentation will reflect on family history, resilience, and the enduring impact of African American heritage in the region.

Guests will also enjoy:

- Live music by the Doc Woods Ensemble
- A special presentation by Dr. Jan Amicis of the Oneida County Freedom Trail Commission
- A featured presentation from the Oneida County Black History Archive

The event is presented by For the Good, Inc., with proceeds benefiting the Study Buddy Club, a youth-centered initiative supporting education and enrichment opportunities. Organizers say the banquet is designed not only as a celebration, but also as an opportunity to bring generations together through storytelling, music, food, and reflection.

"Thirty years of Juneteenth celebrations in Utica represents more than an anniversary—it represents community perseverance, education, and cultural pride," organizers noted.

Tickets and sponsorships are available in increments of \$30. Community members, organizations, and local businesses are encouraged to support the event through sponsorships and attendance.

For additional information, sponsorship opportunities, or ticket purchases, contact For the Good, Inc. at forthegoodinc@gmail.com.



Juneteenth Utica Celebrates 30 Years with First Annual Soul Food Banquet

Juneteenth Utica will celebrate 30 years of community commemoration (1996-2026) with a special evening of culture, history, music, and fellowship during its First Annual Soul Food Banquet on Friday, June 19, 2026, from 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM at the North Utica Senior Center.

The celebration honors the legacy of Juneteenth while recognizing the rich African American history and contributions within Oneida County and the Mohawk Valley region.

The evening will feature keynote speaker Gary Frank, representing one of the oldest African American families in Oneida County, with roots tracing back to



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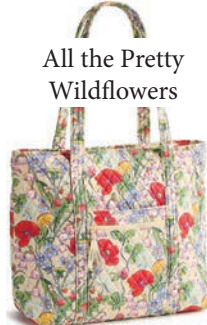


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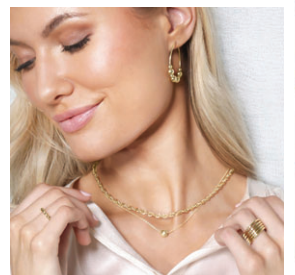
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by Raymond J. Durso, Jr.
President/CEO, The Genesis Group

A Community Keeps You Striving

A community is a unified body of individuals, defined by shared geography, interests, culture, or goals, often characterized by a sense of belonging, interaction, and common identity.

In times of challenge, a community stops being a nice-to-have and becomes something you need. Communities and people join together. Neighbors organize and look for ways to help. Local businesses become resources. Faith communities open their doors. People who had never spoken before find themselves standing shoulder to shoulder. They do so because proximity and shared humanity turn out to be more powerful than the forces working to divide them. During moments of tension or crisis, what becomes visible is not just solidarity but agency. People realize they can act together, they are not isolated individuals navigating instability on their own. That sense of shared capacity strengthens resilience.

The math of community during hard times is also surprisingly personal. When you lose a job, community provides the network to find another one and the emotional support to keep going. When a loved one dies, it shows up with the presence of friends and family. For older adults, community can be the difference between a health scare and a catastrophe; it's the neighbor who notices you haven't picked up your mail, the friend who drives you to the appointment, the person who just calls.

So I ask, do you know your community? Do you know your neighbors? Perhaps you need more community in your life. Attend a local school board meeting, a library

event or a neighborhood association gathering. How about volunteer work? There are many community groups that need volunteers. The Genesis Group was established by volunteers and to this day, volunteers are the backbone of the organization. I believe when you get involved, you're benefiting and contributing.

I also believe one of the fastest ways to strengthen community is to notice someone who seems to be missing from it and reach out. Strength is in numbers, the more people who get involved, the more impact to be made.

We all have our ups and downs because life is full of challenges. We need one another to help get through the difficult times. I admire our community because we have so many people who care about others.

Yes, the community can keep you striving, it can be your best friend. We shouldn't need hard times to realize that.

A Message to Mohawk Valley Graduates

by Raymond J. Durso, Jr.
President/CEO, The Genesis Group

It seems like just yesterday when you were off to kindergarten. Now, years later, you're among nearly 4 million American high school graduates. Congratulations!

Now you'll face new challenges and opportunities. It will bring fun, heartbreak, frustration and joy. The world you are entering is far different from decades ago. Back then, there were no cellphones or personal computers. The internet was a dozen years away. Social media was in newspaper classified pages. People used Yellow Pages to find businesses and bought vinyl rock 'n' roll albums.

Today's world is a lot different. As you journey through the next phase of your life, here are a few things to keep in mind: (The following content was discussed at a recent community round table with Educators, Students and Business Leaders).

- Think. Don't be rushed into doing something you don't want to do. If you are unsure, take a personal time-out and think about what's right. In your heart, you will know what to do.
- Have fun. You're only here once. Make the most of it and enjoy each day.
- Try new things. Explore the world. Taste different foods.
- Don't be afraid to fail. Through failure, you learn. Through learning, you find new paths forward. If you don't fail every now and then, you won't grow.
- Ask questions. Don't accept everything at face value.
- Listen. Slow down and really hear what other people say. You'll be surprised how much you can learn — and grow — just by listening.
- Use common sense. Too many people seem oblivious about too many things. Whenever you are at a decision point, examine it practically and use common sense to figure out the best choice.
- Listen to your gut and ask for advice.
- Laugh. Don't take things too seriously. Some drama you have today probably will be forgotten by next year.

Enjoy life. Laugh at it and yourself. A good sense of humor will take you a long way.

• Make new friends. Find good people throughout your life and learn from their perspectives.

Graduates, your community is proud of you! We wish you well in your future endeavors. Special thanks to all Teachers, Administrators and Staff for all they do for our students.

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Basement and Attic Mold:

Several factors can influence a mold growth in a basement or attic area.

Attics and basements are one of the most common areas of mold growth in the home. Attics tend to have the perfect conditions for mold growth (hot, humid, and an abundant food source consisting of the wood framing and sheathing). Most homeowners may go up in their attic seldom if ever so the mold problem is allowed to grow undisturbed sometimes for years! Basement mold is a common problem in many homes due to ground water seepage mainly at the base of the walls around the perimeter of the basement.

What Are The Signs of An Attic Mold Problem:

Dark black staining on wood surfaces, both the underside of the roof sheathing and also the framing lumber itself. If the wood in your attic shows any dark discoloration, a spotty or solid pattern the problem has moved beyond moisture and you may have mold that should be removed.

What are the Signs of a Basement Mold Problem:

Several factors can influence a mold growth in a basement area. Basements with finished walls are susceptible to moisture intrusion at the ground level. Trapped moisture due to lack of air flow between the finished wall and the exterior foundation wall is an ideal environment to facilitate mold growth. A dark appearance showing on the face of the finished wall should be investigated further. Unfinished basement will typically show signs of mold growth at the base of the foundation spreading upwards over time. Although there are a few different reasons this particular area of the structure is problematic, ground water seepage along with lack of air flow and improper dehumidification are generally the cause.

Do I Need a Water Mitigation Company and What Does a Water Mitigation Company Do:

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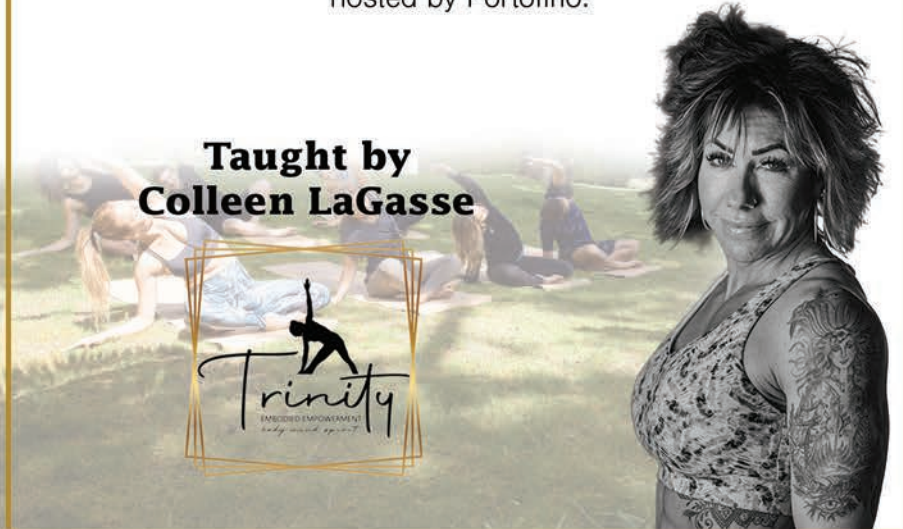
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- Wed - June 10 - Isaac French
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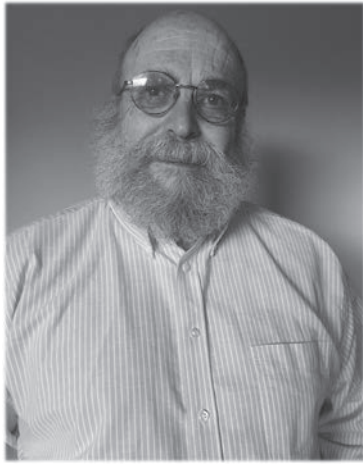


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Celebrating James Joyce at the Irish Cultural Center of the Mohawk Valley on Bloomsday, Friday June 19, 2025

The Irish Cultural Center of the Mohawk Valley and the HARP Museum will be transformed into Dublin for one day on Friday, June 19th at 4 PM, as they host their eighth annual "Bloomsday" event.

In James Joyce's monumental classic "Ulysses", June 16 is the date that the book's protagonist, Leopold Bloom, undertakes his one-day sojourn through the streets of Dublin. Since the first two-man Bloomsday celebration in 1954, that date (or as near as practicable) continues to be celebrated throughout the world, with a range of cultural activities including readings and dramatizations of scenes from the novel, (as well as the responsible partaking of adult beverages.) And this year Utica, NY, will once again play host to its own Bloomsday event.

The event will consist of a presentation of the Dublin sites visited by Bloom at different locations throughout the building, each accompanied by dramatic readings by accomplished local actors and scholars, interspersed with traditional Irish music performed by the Craobh Dugan-O'Looney chapter of Comhaltas Ceoltoiri Eireann. Theme-appropriate refreshments will also be available and don't worry, none will be from Bloom's breakfast!

The \$15 registration fee will cover the program and a Bloomsday 2026 glass to ferry your favorite beverage, first one included with the registration, throughout Dublin city. All those interested in attending are asked to register at <https://bit.ly/4uIcYnI> or leave a message at (315) 733-4228, Ext 6. The H.A.R.P. Museum is located on the second floor of the Irish Cultural Center of the Mohawk Valley, 623 Columbia St, Utica. All are welcome to attend this program and the museum is wheelchair accessible.

Lunch & Learn - Who Put the Bally in Ballyjamesduff: Deciphering Irish Place Names

The Irish Cultural Center of the Mohawk Valley's highly acclaimed Lunch & Learn program scheduled for 11 AM Wed June 10, 2026 will take you on a journey through Ireland where you will learn about Irish place names.

If you've ever thumbed through an Irish travel magazine or were actually travelling through Ireland, you've seen them - the bilingual, Gaeilge and English, road signs that may just take you to your destination. Some make perfect sense while others may just leave you scratching your head.

The journey will take you through some of the most well known destinations like Dublin a.k.a. Baile Átha Cliath and Derry, not Londonderry, as well as to lesser known spots like Horse and Jockey and Ballyjamesduff. Seasoned Irish traveller and forever Irish language student Michael Hoke will be your tour guide.

A \$20 registration fee will cover the program and lunch; meal tax and gratuity are included. Please register at this link, <https://bit.ly/4eD9VbO>, or leave a message at 315-733-4228 Ext 6.

You can attend this presentation at the H.A.R.P. Museum located on the second floor of the Irish Cultural Center of the Mohawk Valley, 623 Columbia St, Utica. All are welcome to attend this program and the museum is wheelchair accessible.



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10 Reasons Why Beneficiary Designations are Important

Beneficiary designations can provide a relatively easy way to transfer an account or insurance policy upon your death. However, if you're not careful, missing or outdated beneficiary designations can easily cause your estate plan to go awry.

We often complete these designations without giving it much thought, but they're actually important and deserve careful attention. Here's why: Beneficiary designations take priority over what's in other estate planning documents, such as a will or trust.

For example, you may indicate in your will you want your assets to pass to your spouse after your death. However, if the beneficiary designation on your life insurance policy still names your ex-spouse, he or she may end up getting the proceeds.

Where you can find them

Here's a sampling of where you'll find beneficiary designations:

- Employer-sponsored retirement plans [401(k), 403(b), etc.]
- IRAs
- Life insurance policies
- Annuities
- Transfer-on-death (TOD) investment accounts
- Pay-on-death (POD) bank accounts
- Stock options and restricted stock
- Executive deferred compensation plans
- In several states, so-called "lady bird" deeds for real estate

Because you're asked to designate beneficiaries on so many different accounts and insurance products, it can be difficult to keep up. However, it's worth the effort; failing to maintain the beneficiary designation on that 401(k) from three employers

ago could mean that money will go to the wrong place.

When you first set up your estate plan, go over all the designations you previously made and align them with your plan. After that, you should review and update them regularly — a least once a year.

10 tips about beneficiary designations

Because beneficiary designations are so important, keep these things in mind in your estate planning:

1. Remember to name beneficiaries. If you don't name a beneficiary, one of the following could occur:

- The account or policy may have to go through probate. This process often results in unnecessary delays, additional costs, and unfavorable income tax treatment.
- The agreement that controls the account or policy may provide for "default" beneficiaries. This could be helpful, but it's possible the default beneficiaries may not be whom you intended.

2. Name both primary and contingent beneficiaries. It's a good practice to name a "back up" or contingent beneficiary in case the primary beneficiary dies before you. Depending on your situation, you may have only a primary beneficiary. In that case, consider whether it may make sense to name a charity (or charities) as the contingent beneficiary.

3. Update for life events. Review your beneficiary designations regularly and update them as needed based on major life events, such as births, deaths, marriages, and divorces.

4. Read the instructions. Beneficiary designation forms are not all alike. Don't just fill in names — be sure to read the form carefully. If necessary, you can draft your own customized beneficiary designation, but you should do this only with the guidance of an experienced attorney or tax advisor.

5. Coordinate with your will and trust. Whenever you change your will or trust, be sure to talk with your attorney about your beneficiary designations. Because these designations operate independently of your other estate planning documents, it's important to understand how the different parts of your plan work as a whole.

6. Think twice before naming individual beneficiaries for particular assets. For example, you may establish three accounts of equal value initially and name a different child as beneficiary of each account. Over the years, the accounts may grow or be depleted unevenly, so the three children end up receiving different amounts — which is not what you originally intended.

7. Avoid naming your estate as beneficiary. If you designate a beneficiary on your 401(k), for example, it won't have to go through probate court to be distributed to the beneficiary. If you name your estate as beneficiary, the account will have to go through probate. For IRAs and qualified retirement plans, there may also be unfavorable income tax consequences.

8. Use caution when naming a trust as beneficiary. Consult your attorney or CPA before naming a trust as beneficiary for IRAs, qualified retirement plans, or annuities. There are situations where it makes sense to name a trust — for example if:

- Your beneficiaries are minor children
- You're in a second marriage
- You want to control access to funds

Even in cases like these, you should understand the tax consequences before you name a trust as beneficiary.

9. Be aware of tax consequences. Many assets that transfer by beneficiary designation come with special tax consequences. It's helpful to work with an experienced tax advisor to help provide planning ideas for your particular situation.

10. Use disclaimers when necessary — but be careful. Sometimes a beneficiary may actually want to decline (disclaim) assets on which they're designated as beneficiary. Keep in mind that disclaimers involve complex legal and tax issues and require careful consultation with your attorney and CPA.

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An Adult Study Group also meets at 9:30 on Sunday morning and on Tuesday mornings at 11. The Group will break for the summer after the June 14 and 16 sessions.
A fellowship/coffee hour for everyone follows each Sunday morning worship service.
A quiet, meditative Taize service is held at 7 p.m. on the first Wednesday of each month; in June it will take place on the 3rd.
NHPC's annual congregational picnic will be held immedi-

ately following worship on Sunday, June 21, at the Sherrill Brook Town Park.

The Oneida County Senior Lunch Program will be held at NHPC at 12 noon on Monday, June 22.

Unless otherwise noted, regular Church Office hours are 8:30 a.m. until 3 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 8:30-11:30 a.m. on Friday.

The June schedule:

6/2 — 11 a.m. Adult Study Group
6/2 — 7 p.m. Deacons mtg
6/3 — 10 a.m. Sew 'n Sews
6/3 — 6 p.m. 4-H mtg
6/3 — 7 p.m. Taize Service
6/7 — 9:10 a.m. Choir Rehearsal
6/7 — 9:30 a.m. Sondag Club & Adult Study Group. Last session for Sondag Club before summer break.
6/7 — 10:30 a.m. Worship, Communion
6/8 — 6:30 p.m. NHP Women's mtg
6/9 — 11 a.m. Adult Study Group
6/10 — 10 a.m. Sew 'n Sews
6/10 — 12 Noon, Members & Friends Lunch. Last before summer break.
6/12 — New Hartford Presbyterian Nursery School Moving Up Ceremony
6/14 — 9:10 a.m. Choir Rehearsal
6/14 — 9:30 a.m. Adult Study Group. Last gathering before summer break.
6/14 — 10:30 a.m. Worship
6/16 — 11am Adult Study Group. Last before summer break.
6/17 — 10 a.m. Sew 'n Sews
6/17 — 2:30 p.m. Farmer's Market on the Village Green
6/19 — NHPC closed for Juneteenth
6/21 - 9:10am. Choir Rehearsal. Last before summer break.
6/21 — 10:30 a.m. Worship
6/21 - 11:45am Congregational Picnic, Sherrill Brook Town Park
6/22 — 12 Noon, Oneida County Senior Lunch
6/23 — 7 p.m. Session mtg
6/24 — 10 a.m. Sew 'n Sews
6/24 — 2:30 p.m. Farmer's Market on the Village Green
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June 17 - Book Group at 1:00 p.m., The Personal Librarian by Marie Benedict & Victoria Christopher Murray
June 21 - Guest Pastor: Deacon Patsy Glista
June 28 - Guest Pastor: Rev. Imani Olear
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Wednesday Lunches at 12:30 PM

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Conversations with Father John | 2nd Weds at 1:30 PM

Join us for conversations about faith hosted by Father John LaVoe.

Caregiving Support Group | 3rd Mondays at 2 PM

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Grief Support Group | 3rd Fridays at Noon

St. Margaret's continues to host a peer facilitated grief support group for anyone experiencing loss - new members are welcome to join.

Coffee and Conversation with Rev. Deacon Jean | 4th Wednesdays at 1:30 PM

Join The Reverend Deacon Jean Skinner for conversations about faith. Please consider bringing a few cans of food for our food pantry as a donation.

Monthly Dinners: Dine In at 5:30pm and Take Out at 6pm
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June 16th -

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July & August no dinner

September 15th -

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National Shrine of the Divine Mercy, Stockbridge, MA | June 8th at 8:30 AM

Experience the beauty of the Berkshires and the serenity of the National Shrine of the Divine Mercy—a perfect day of prayer, reflection, and renewal. We will meet at St. Margaret's for an 8:30 AM departure and arrive at the Shrine around 11:30 for a four-hour visit. We will then depart at 3:30 PM for a group dinner, returning to St. Margaret's around 8 PM. Cost per person is \$125 and includes: Round trip motorcoach via Hale Transportation, a visit to the National Shrine of Divine Mercy, and group dinner at Michael's of Stockbridge. Gratuity for drivers is separate.

Joshua at Sight & Sound Theatre, Lancaster, PA | Overnight, July 27th at 7:30 AM

Experience one of the most redemptive stories of the Bible as it comes to life in this brand-new original stage production. We will meet at St. Margaret's to hop on the bus, which will depart at 7:30am on July 27th, and return to St. Margaret's the following day around 8:00 PM. Prices include transportation, lodging, and most meals: \$465 twin; triple \$445; quad \$435; and single \$550. \$100 deposit due upon registration. Gratuity for drivers is separate.

Book Club with Judy | Alternating Mondays and Thursdays, 10:30 to Noon

Please register one week prior to each session. Feel free to bring a snack to share!

Thursday, June 11: Tailor Made: Discover the Secret to Who God Created You to be by Alex Seeley

Monday, July 13: Now and Not Yet: Pressing in When You're Waiting, Wanting, and Restless for More by Ruth Chou Simons

Thursday, Aug 13: Grit Don't Quit: Developing Resilience + Faith When Giving Up Isn't an Option by Bianca Juárez Olthoff

Monday, Sept 14: Life Lessons from St. Thérèse of Lisieux by Joseph F. Schmidi and Marisa Guerin

Emmaus House Open House | Friday, June 12th 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM

Join us for Emmaus House's annual Open House at 1215 Kemble Street. Learn more about the house and its mission to provide emergency housing to women and children. There will be a raffle basket fundraiser as well.

Summer Fun for Children and their Parent/Grandparent | July 9th, July 23rd, August 4th, August 18th all from 9:30 - 11:30 AM

We're inviting children of all ages, along with their parent/grandparent to join us on the dates listed above for a special fun activity, snack, and a chance to take part in a service activity for people or animals in need in our community. Activities will be geared towards spending quality time with your special adult. And we know that giving back to others in need is ALWAYS a great way to spend time together. We'll provide any/all necessary materials and you'll do the work together. We're appreciative of Stewart's Holiday Grants Foundation for helping us fund these activities.

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Divine Liturgy Sundays and Feastdays 9:30AM
Potluck lunch following Sunday Divine Liturgy.
Our Patronal Feast Day will take place on Saturday November 1st. The greeting of the Bishop will take place at 9:30 AM, followed by the Hierarchal Divine Liturgy (with the Procession of the Cross, weather permitting).

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June 7 – Dr. Stephen Wechsler: It’s a Mystery! It’s a mystery how a kid who grew up stuttering, slothy, and scared, broke free to be able to share from the world the mysteries of life. Dr. Steve will describe his journey that started right here at home, to the spiritual meccas of India and Egypt. For most of his life, Dr. Steve has not only devoted himself to his chiropractic and holistic healing practice, but also to his and others’ fulfillment of our human potential. With an open heart and a tendency for being of service, Dr. Wechsler has an unquenchable curiosity and a drive to make the lives of everyone around him better.
June 14 – Ace Morreale: Community is a Verb . We explore what it means to be an LGBTQ+ supportive community, not just in name, but in action. We are challenged to consider what it means to do the courageous work of radical welcome, even in difficult times. Ace Morreale is founder and President of

the Oneida County Pride Alliance and serves as the Upstate Coordinator for Social Workers for Justice – NY

June 21 – Pilgrimage to the Unitarian Church of Barneveld No Sunday service will be held at UUUtica on June 21, as area Unitarian Universalist churches join together for this annual pilgrimage. The Barneveld Unitarian Church was organized in 1803. This annual celebration of liberal religious heritage has been called the region’s oldest Mohawk Valley tradition. Schedule includes music on the lawn at 10AM and Service at 11AM followed by a luncheon at Unity Hall. The church is at 100 Park Ave in Barneveld.

June 28 – UUA General Assembly Streaming Service from UUA General Assembly This largest annual gathering of Unitarian Universalists in worship will be viewed in a delayed livestream from Galt House in Louis. Rev. Jen Youngsun Ryu will lead this powerful and communal Sunday Morning service. Rev Jen who found Unitarian Universalism as a young adult in Baltimore, “was drawn to a faith that honors both the tough mind and the tender heart.” Our UUUtica member recognition “awards” will precede the GA Service, and we will have an expanded hospitality hour beginning at 10:30 AM.



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RPEA Mohawk Valley Chapter Annual Picnic

Thursday, July 9th
The Roselawn
446 Main St. New York Mills, NY 13417
11:30 AM – 2:30 PM

Door Prizes - 50/50 Raffle - Basket Raffles
Menu: Grilled BBQ Chicken, BBQ Pulled Pork, Pasta Salad, Tossed Salad, Salt Potatoes, Baked Beans, Corn on the Cob and Beer, Soft Drinks and Coffee
\$25.00 per person

Reservation Deadline: June 30, 2026
Mohawk Valley Annual Picnic Reservation Form:
Name: _____
Address: _____
Phone: _____
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Make Checks Payable to: Mohawk Valley RPEA
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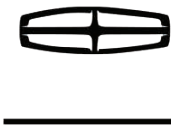
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