

# The Town Crier

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## NEWS FROM MOUNTAIN LIONS SNOWSLED CLUB



boundary of the Village of Dannemora to the Rail Museum in Lyon Mountain. Currently, **Boeschlager Lumber is in discussion to sell a Recreational Lease** to the State of New York. While Boeschlager will retain actual ownership of the trail, the permitted usages and responsibilities for repair and upkeep are all in question.

To this end, a meeting between State personnel and **members of both the Mountain Lions Snowsled Club AND the OutbackRiders ATV club** was held at the Town Hall on the evening of December 12, 2018. Elected members of both clubs have been busy preparing important questions regarding the future use of the rail bed.

**Monthly meetings** of the Mountain Lions Snowsled club are held on the **first Thursday of the month** at the **Saranac Town Hall** at **7:00 pm**.

Additionally, the club now has a **Facebook** page at <https://www.facebook.com/pages/category/Nonprofit-Organization/Mountain-Lions-snowmobile-club-138476236947262/>. Please come out and learn how we can continue to keep our trails the best in the area!

**By Dennis DelGrosso**  
*Club Secretary*

The local snowmobile club, which **manages trails in the Saranac area** to include the old D&H Rail bed, has **acquired approval to re-establish the S-86 trail from the rail bed to Hi Falls Restaurant** via access over three parcels of land owned by the **Perry family**. This trail had been blocked a few years ago due to new land owners who restricted snowmobile access to the area. **MANY thanks and much appreciation** to the Perry family for allowing the creation of an access trail across their properties. While not physically accessible yet, the club is actively **working to cut back brush and dead-fall**, and to **place signage** along the route to make sure that riders **STAY ON THE TRAIL!**

The quickest way for a club to lose trail access is for careless riders to ride off of the marked trail – PLEASE stay on the trail!

The club performed **major brush and tree limb cutting** from the **old Lowenburg Ski area to Lyon Mountain** in early October. Thanks to **Al and Dennis** for their work in cutting the branches and to **Greg** for the cleanup of the cut material. Also, thanks to **Bobcat of Plattsburgh** for their discounted rental rate to assist the club in this vital effort.

There is a **significant change in the wind for our primary trail, C8A, also known as the rail bed**. This segment of land, which is 99' plus/minus the center of the rail bed, is owned by **Boeschlager Lumber** and managed by **Chazy Resource Management**. The land extends from the

### Town Officials

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518 - 293 - 8251

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518 - 293 - 8082

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Nick Carter  
518 - 293 - 6666, ext. 1

**MARK YOUR  
CALENDAR:  
TOWN BOARD  
MEETINGS**

**Organizational Meeting**  
of the Town Board is Monday,  
**January 7, 2019.**

Meetings at the **Town Hall** begin  
at **7:00 pm** and are **open to the  
public.**

Monday, **January 28**

Monday, **February 25**

Monday, **March 25**

**NEW YEAR'S DAY**

Tuesday, **January 1**  
**Town Office Closed**

**MARTIN LUTHER  
KING JR. DAY**

Monday, **January 21**  
**Town Office Closed**

**GROUNDHOG DAY**

Saturday, **February 2**

**VALENTINE'S DAY**

Thursday, **February 14**

**PRESIDENTS DAY**

Monday, **February 18**  
**Town Office Closed**

**DAYLIGHT SAVINGS  
TIME BEGINS**

Sunday, **March 10**

**ST. PATRICK'S DAY**

Sunday, **March 17**

**SPRING BEGINS**

Wednesday, **March 20**

**HISTORICAL  
HAPPENINGS**

By Jan Couture  
*Registered NYS Historian*

Seldom have I seen so many individuals and groups urging people to vote. The **background on voting** in the United States is quite interesting, especially for women.

In **1917**, women could finally vote in New York State. This was the result of a fight that began in the **1840's**, led by **Elizabeth Cady Stanton**. Most of us remember learning about the fight for women to vote in our history classes. I know I did. What I didn't learn, though, was the origins of the fight.

Stanton grew up in the **Mohawk Valley** and had several **Iroquois** relatives. She was familiar with their ways and heritage. This familiarity led her to question the role of women in the

'**white man society**'. She was very aware of the rights an Iroquois woman was born with.

In the Iroquois way, women were revered. They took part in all decisions of their tribe and in the **Iroquois Confederacy**. Women and men both worked for consensus within their tribe, elected their clan mothers, and the clan mothers elected the Chief.

Women were in control of their own possessions and did not need permission of the husband to trade or sell what belonged to them.

Unlike white families, the family lineage passed through the mother. When a couple married, the man took on the tribe of the woman and the children took on the tribe of the mother.

It was fascinating to speak

with the woman of **Akwesasne** about women's rights. So, when women voted in the 1917 NYS elections, and the 1920 US elections, and ever since then, they can thank the **Haudenosaunee** (Iroquois) women for inspiring the women of the 1840's to pursue the rights of women.

By the way, the very women who inspired women's suffrage didn't receive the right to vote until **1924** when they were granted US citizenship!

I write this knowing many people in our area have some roots to the **Haudenosaunee** (Iroquois) people and might find this tidbit of history interesting.

Feel free to contact me at [saranachistorian@yahoo.com](mailto:saranachistorian@yahoo.com) or 518-293-8251 with any questions, concerns, or ideas.

**SARANAC RECREATION DEPARTMENT**

By **Cullen Coryer**  
*Park Manager and Recreation Leader*

**Sports Season Update**

The **soccer** season was very successful with great participation. A big "**thank you**" to all who participated, coached, and helped. **Basketball** season is in full swing and the participation here is exceptional, as well.

**Pool and Park Update**

We are currently working on **additional improvements** to the pool and park for the summer of **2019**. We are planning a **Park**

**Work Day** in the spring and would love to have **volunteers** help with our projects. More on this day and the projects we have planned will be coming toward the end of winter.

Thank you, again, to everyone for their support and backing.

**Stay Up-To-Date**

On **Facebook**, use the **Saranac Rec Dept** page as the source for all sports, programs, and happenings connected to the Town of Saranac Recreation Department and visit **townofsaranac.com**.

# DANNEMORA FREE LIBRARY HOURS OF OPERATION

Monday 11:00 - 4:00

Tuesday 2:30 - 8:00

Wednesday 11:00 - 4:00

Thursday 2:30 - 8:00

FREE WiFi is available  
whenever the building  
is open.

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## UPDATING OUR MAILING LIST

If your name or address  
needs to be corrected or you  
know of a neighbor or friend  
who did not receive a copy  
and would like to be added  
to the mailing list,  
please write to:

Nick Carter, Supervisor  
P.O. Box 147  
Saranac, NY 12981

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## SUBMITTING STORIES TO THIS PUBLICATION

If you would like to send a  
photo, report about issues or  
events that affect our  
community, or write a brief  
article or story to publish in  
*The Town Crier*, please send  
your material to:

ndow4934@yahoo.com

# 2018 – A BUSY YEAR AT THE TOWN HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

By James Waldron  
Highway Superintendent

### GRANTS RECEIVED

After working with **David Wilford**, District Technician of Clinton County Soil & Water Conservation, we were granted **\$3075.20** to prevent flooding and erosion on **True Brook Road**, where the brook crosses the road, west of # 37 Road.

After talking with **Assemblyman Billy Jones** on the **Square Dashnaw Bridge** that washed out in summer of 2013, I spoke with the Town Board about applying for the **Bridge NY Grant**. The decision was made to have our consultant, **Liz Tedford**, complete an application for the grant. In November, **Paul A. Karas**, Acting

Commissioner, sent notification that **NYS DOT** approved the grant in the amount of **\$1,326,398**.

### WORK COMPLETED

1. Plowing and sanding of Roads.
2. Ditching and installing a sediment trap on the True Brook Road to prevent icing and Flooding.
3. Installing culvert pipes.
4. Sweeping roads.
5. With 6,088 tons of asphalt, we paved a total of 6.07 miles of roads.

We are planning on 5 miles of paving in 2019.

- A. 1 mile on Nashville Road
- B. 1.86 miles on Canning Road
- C. .53 miles on Napper Road

- D. 1 mile on Clark Hill Road
- E. 1.25 miles on Farrell Road
- F. .08 miles on Wallbee Road
- G. .2 miles on Church Street
- H. .15 miles on Clinton Street
- 6. We backed up 2/3 of our new blacktop and plan on finishing Clark Hill and Farrell Roads in the spring.
- 7. Cut brush, trimmed trees, and mowed road Sides.
- 8. Stockpiled 12,000 yards of sand, mixed with 800 tons of salt.

### NEW EQUIPMENT

1. 2018 Ram 3500 Crew cab
2. 2019 Freightliner
3. 1988 Screening plant



# SARANAC COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Cindy Waldron  
Outreach Worker

Monday - Friday  
8:30 am - 4:00 pm  
518 - 293 - 6661

www.jceo.org  
SaranacOR@jceo.org

Volunteers are Welcome

Donations Accepted

All Services are  
Confidential

# SARANAC GENEROSITY GROUP

Cheryl Wiley  
Saranac, Dannemora,  
Redford, Cadyville

A place where residents can  
give and receive.

Find us on Facebook

# SARANAC BOOK CLUB

Gina Doty  
518-293-1355  
dotygl@charter.net

September - June  
Saranac High Library  
Third Wednesday  
7:00 - 9:00 pm

New members welcome!

# YOUR DFL

By Elaine Rice  
Dannemora Free Library

As 2018 comes to a close, **Dannemora Free Library** peeks backward and looks wide-eyed ahead.

Returning to those warm summer days, participants in the **Summer Reading Program** recorded **549 books read** during the six-week count. In **September**, the library hosted an **Appreciation Breakfast** to **thank those who offer support** with their interest, time, and donations. Among those who stopped by for some morning coffee and conversation was **Assemblyman Billy Jones**.

Looking ahead, **Love Your Library** month will be celebrated in **February 2019** with a month-long **amnesty period**. Any overdue books? Return them, **fine-free**, in February.

During the school break, on **Thursday, February 21**, a **Love Your Library evening** will offer **crafts, stories, and edible treats** from **6:00 – 8:00 p.m.**

**Coffee, Chocolate, and Chat** will continue into the New Year with a full slate of presenters. On **January 17**, **Nicole Mathews, a 46-er**, will share experiences of hiking in the Adirondacks. As we look forward to spring and prepping for the growing season, on **March 21**, the **CCE** will feature a **Master Gardener presentation**. **April 18** will focus on the **Adirondack Harvest**. Do you sometimes wonder where you can buy local dairy products, meats, vegetables, fruits, jams, and syrups? Plan to attend the Adirondack Harvest discussion to learn about the many North Country food sources.

Upcoming **Book Club** reads will include Amy Tan's **Saving Fish from Drowning** in **January** and in **February The Nightingale** by Kristin Hanna. New members are always welcome.

The **2019 Summer Reading Program** will be developed around the theme of **A Universe of Stories**. Dannemora Free Library **thanks you for your support** in 2018 and welcomes you in 2019!



## Defensive Driving Course

**Todd Rabideau, Additional Training Services**  
Just one bad day on the road can make a long-term impact. A Defensive Driving Class could help you avoid days like this.

ATS will be providing reduced-price, DMV-monitored, 6-hour **Defensive Driving Courses** at **Saranac Town Hall**

**January 26, and March 23, 2019**  
**Champlain Town Hall**  
**February 23, 2019**  
**9:00am - 3:00pm**

The cost this year remains at the area's lowest price - **just \$29.00**. No need to pre-pay either, as other providers require. Just bring your Driver's License, a pen, bag lunch, and payment the day of class. You will need to call or email to confirm you have a reserved seat.

Call: **518-578-9626** or send an email to: **signup@additionaltraining.com**  
Come to the Town Hall and we will help you **SAVE LIVES & SAVE MONEY!**

Saranac residents may attend these courses or take advantage of our **ONLINE** Course for \$29.00, where you can break the time up into sessions, as long as you complete the 6-hours online within 30 days. *The NYS Approved ONLINE IPIRP option can be found at: [www.additionaltraining.com](http://www.additionaltraining.com)*

## DEFENSIVE DRIVING



**Our Defensive Driving Classes Held in Your Area Provide You With 10% Reduction On Your Auto & Motorcycle Insurance For 3 Years and a Reduction of Up to 4 Points On Your DMV Driver's License Point Total**

The Class Cost is ONLY \$29.00

IF attendees prepay 72 hrs or more in advance.

(All others pay \$29.00)

**518-212-STOP**  
**ADDITIONAL TRAINING SERVICES**  
**signup@additionaltraining.com**

CONTACT US TO ATTEND A LOCAL CLASSROOM COURSE OR TAKE THE ONLINE OPTION AT **WWW.ADDITIONALTRAINING.COM**

# TOWN HALL OPEN SKATING

Looking for an outdoor activity this winter?

The **Town of Saranac** will once again have a skating rink, located behind the **Town Hall**, under the **pavilion**.

The rink is **open all day**. If you go in the **evening**, there's a **light switch** on the post. Please, just make sure you **shut it off** when you leave.

Use of this facility is **at your own risk**. Users are strongly encouraged to **wear helmets** and other **protective gear**. Please skate in control and **be considerate** of others.

**The rink is closed when posted, due to weather or ice conditions.**

**No hockey sticks or pucks allowed on the ice rink.**

# WWW.TOWNOFSARANAC.COM

By **Michele Petrashune**  
*Town Board*

## Water

The **Standish Water District** major upgrade is well underway and will continue through early spring. The project includes **drilling a new well** to allow for an additional water source, **larger water storage facility** and **upgraded water disinfection facility**.

At least one Town Board member attends the **bi-weekly meeting** with the contractors, engineers and grant staff to receive updates on the progress of the project.

I would like to hold a **Public Information Meeting** regarding our water districts. More information will follow on the exact date, time and location.

I am still looking for anyone interested in **volunteering** to

serve on a **Water District Board**. As Board members move on and employees change, it is important to **pass the knowledge** about our water system operations to others.

I have listed a few projects that that would make the operation of the districts easier:

- Update By-laws for each water system
- Review and update standard operating procedures, as needed
- Find and mark curb stops and document in each district
- Compile contact information on each user for quicker notification of repairs and Boil Water Orders

If you are interested in helping with any of these projects, please contact me at 518-726-0397 or councilman3@townofsaranac.com.

## Communication

The Town of Saranac website, **www.townofsaranac.com**, is one of the ways we get information out to all of you. I encourage everyone to **take a look** at the website and give us feedback about what you would like to see.

With your input, we can work to make the website a wealth of information and an easy go-to guide of services offered.

## Open Government

Town Board meetings are **open to the public**; I urge residents to come and see what is going on in your Town. Meetings are generally the **second and fourth Mondays of the month**. Exact date and times are posted on the Route 3 Town sign board prior to each meeting, as well as the Town Website.

## Village of Dannemora Community Center of Events

**Kelli Rose**

*Village Deputy Clerk*, Village of Dannemora  
40 Emmons Street  
Dannemora, NY 12929  
518 - 492 - 7000  
9:00 - 4:00 Monday - Friday

A **Calendar of Events** is always available on both our website:

<http://www.villageofdannemora.com>  
under *Village Community Center Calendar of Events*.

Visit our **Facebook** page, **Village of Dannemora**, and find our Calendar of Events, along with photos, and much more.

## 911 ADDRESS SIGNS

Available from your local **Fire Department**

Stop by **Monday evenings**, between **6:00 and 8:00 pm** to complete paperwork

You may also call **518-293-8290** to place an order over the phone

The cost for a sign is **\$15**

## DANCING IN THE RAIN PRESENTS CHAKRADANCE CLASSES



**Day:** Wednesday, starting January, 2019  
**Time:** 3:45 - 5:15  
**Location:** Saranac Town Hall, Route 3  
**Amount:** \$15 per class  
**Bring your own yoga pillow, if you own one**

**Chakradance** is the balancing of your energy (chakras), which keeps you vibrant, healthy, and alive. It is a meditative dance that is followed up with a **Mandala Art and Integration Meditation**. As the facilitator, I narrate so participants know where to direct focus and the color of the chakra focal point.

Please join me to learn more about the chakras and to **help keep yourself healthy mentally, spiritually, and physically**. If you have any questions, feel free to ask. Call or text **518-897-6148**. You may also contact me at **danceintherainhealing@gmail.com** or on **Facebook** at **Dance in the Rain Healing**.

Hope to see more students at these classes. Please note, I also hold classes at *Shady Grove Farm and Wellness Center*, Route 22B in Schuyler Falls, as well as *Earthshine Yoga Studio*, Saranac Lake .

## HILL AND HOLLOW MUSIC PRESENTS

### French-Canadian Music and Dance

**Saturday, February 2 at 7:30 pm**  
**Sunday, February 3 at 3:00 pm**  
**Saranac United Methodist Church**  
**Route 3, Saranac NY**

**Nicholas Babineau and Alexis Chartrand**, dynamic young **Quebeckers** on two **fiddles**, **foot-percussion**, and **guitar** have performed authentic traditional Québécois music throughout Québec, the Maritimes and across Canada, New-England, and Sweden.

Their first album, *Gigues à deux faces*, was nominated Best Traditional Album at the Canadian Folk Music Awards. Nicholas and Alexis will perform an extravagant array of **reels** and **traditional fiddle music** from the east of Québec and Francophone communities of the Maritime provinces of Canada, including Chicoutimi, Gaspésie, Cape-Breton, and Newfoundland, as well as some of their own original music.

They will be joined by guest artist **Mélessandre Tremblay-Bourassa**, a classical ballet-trained, traditional québécois dancer and choreographer. Recently nominated for a Grand Prix Desjardins, her résumé includes two years with the Cirque du Soleil, among other highlights.





## The Ray Vega Latin Jazz Sextet

Saturday, March 9 at 7:30 pm  
Sunday, March 10 at 3:00 pm  
Saranac United Methodist Church  
Route 3, Saranac NY

**Jazz standards and originals** in a wide variety of styles, plus **Afro-Caribbean rhythms and Samba and Bossa Nova** from Brazil equal fun-funky danceable grooves!

**Ray Vega** has performed and recorded with many of the greats as a multi-talented trumpeter, percussionist, composer, and arranger. Considered one of the innovators of the international Jazz and Latin music scenes, Ray presents Jazz from a refreshingly original and contemporary perspective.

"Vega is a hornman with deep roots in Latin music and Afro-Cuban Jazz"  
*(New York Daily News).*

"The trumpeter's instrumental artistry lies in consistency, well-connected phrases, command of all registers, and good taste"  
*(Owen Cordle, Jazz Times).*

"A dean of golden tones and elegant, melody-respecting improvisational development"*(Jazziz).*

"One of the best in the Latin-Jazz playground" *(Jazzusa.com).*

Band-mates are **Mike Hartigan**, piano; **Giovanni Rovetto**, bass; **Caleb Bronz**, drums; **Scott Dean**, congas and percussion; **Brian McCarthy**, alto saxophone; **Ray Vega**, trumpet and flugelhorn.

Suggested Donation \$15 at the door.



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## THE NEW LAND TRUST

**7th Annual Cock-A-Doodle-Shoe and 5th Annual Kid's Snowshoe Scramble 1/2 Mile**

**January 20, 2019**

The Cock-A-Doodle-Shoe has something for everyone, whether it's the beautiful scenery or the fun and balanced course.

Proceeds from the event will once again go to race host, the New Land Trust, to help fund all the great stuff they do.

To learn how to register and to get important information, visit [cock-a-doodle-shoe.com](http://cock-a-doodle-shoe.com) or go to Kinetic Running, 77 Margaret St., Plattsburgh, NY.

The New Land Trust, **287 acres and over 28 trails** dedicated to developing and sustaining the health of the environment and the enjoyment of the public, is located at **236 Plumadore Road Saranac, NY.**

You need not be a member to enjoy a picnic, walk, run, snowshoe, cross country ski, or bird watch. NLT is open from dawn to dusk.

**Overnight Campers, Groups, and Night Visitors**

Please contact **Hal Moore** 518 - 570 - 5375 to coordinate your visit. There is **No** camping allowed in the Clubhouse.

[www.newlandtrust.org](http://www.newlandtrust.org) or follow NLT on Facebook

**THE SARANAC  
DOG CONTROL  
OFFICER  
MARK  
PLUMADORE**

All dog calls must go through  
Town Voicemail  
**518 - 293 - 6666**  
extension #8

Voicemail is checked **twice**  
**daily, Monday through**  
**Friday.**

When leaving a message on  
the Town Hall Voicemail,  
please leave your **name,**  
**phone number, a detailed**  
**message, the date, and time**  
of your message.

**Missing Dog**

If your dog is missing or you  
pick up a stray, aside from  
leaving a message on the  
voicemail, we are finding that  
**posting a photo on**  
**Facebook** has helped get  
owners and their pets  
reunited, so please get the  
word out there so we can get  
these dogs home.

**Please Note**

**State Law requires all dogs**  
**4 months of age or older**  
**MUST be licensed in the**  
**Town of Saranac with the**  
**Town Clerk.**

**Outside Dogs**

If you have dogs who stay  
outside, please make sure  
they have **adequate shelter,**  
**fresh food, and water every**  
**day.**

**AWAITING APPLICATION APPROVAL**

**By Laura Lacey Curler**  
*Executive Director,*  
*Rural Preservation*  
*Company*

With their help, RPC  
submitted **undeniable proof**  
that we need these funding  
sources in our Town.

septic, electrical or plumbing  
issues.

We created this fund to assist  
homeowners in our service  
area of Clinton County when  
we do not have other funding  
available.

**Applications Submitted**

In November, RPC  
submitted **two grants** for  
Town of Saranac low-  
income homeowner's  
rehabilitation work. One  
application was a **\$400,000**  
**Community Development**  
**Block Grant** and the other  
was a **\$400,000 HOME**  
**Grant**. Both intend to  
**leverage Weatherization**  
**funding** so we can make  
much-needed, long-lasting  
improvements to homes.

If funded, and as a  
condition of the  
applications, we will  
continue to **reach out to**  
**additional eligible**  
**homeowners during the**  
**two-year time frame** of  
these programs.

**My Gratitude**

Although this list is not  
exclusive, I would like to  
**personally thank** the  
following people for their  
extraordinary help with  
these applications:

- **Jenny Monty**
- **Karen Racette**
- **Nancy Dow**
- **Bernard LaVarnway**  
**from LaVarnway**  
**Construction**
- **Mike Aubin from**  
**Aubin's Contracting**
- **Bruce Barbell from**  
**Duquette Bros.**  
**Construction.**

**More To Come**

In early 2019, **RPC of**  
**Clinton County** will also  
submit an **Access to Home**  
for accessibility issues and  
another **RESTORE**  
**(Residential Emergency**  
**Services to Offer (Home)**  
**Repairs to the Elderly**  
application in our Clinton  
County service area.

These applications will be  
stronger if we can **show need**  
by having people **fill out**  
**applications with our office.**  
We encourage anyone with  
**accessibility issues and**  
**emergency home repair**  
**work** to contact the office at  
**518-293-7569.**

**Letters of support** are  
extremely helpful with all  
applications. We encourage  
concerned residents to **help**  
**us submit competitive**  
**applications** by sending us a  
letter of support (email to  
**rpc@clintonrpc.org** is fine).

**Funds Available**

RPC has some **funding**  
**available** through the newly-  
developed **Emergency Home**  
**Repair Funds**. Several **local**  
**businesses donated money**  
toward this fund to provide  
up to \$300 for emergency,  
unaffordable expenses  
needed in qualified low-  
income homes. Eligible  
expenses include, but are not  
limited to, frozen pipes,

**Seek Contractors**

We continue to **seek**  
**qualified contractor**  
**applications** for the rehab  
work we will perform, once  
any funding is approved. To  
help with this effort, **RPC**  
**will hold RRP training** in  
December (for lead safe work  
practices).

If there is enough interest  
after the December training,  
we may hold training in  
**January or February**, so  
please contact the office, if  
interested.

**Find Us on Facebook**

Please join our **Facebook**  
group page **Rural**  
**Preservation Company of**  
**Clinton County (RPC)**, as  
we continue to preserve our  
rural communities.

We have thanked businesses  
that have contributed toward  
our Emergency Home Repair  
Fund on this page and you  
can also keep updated on the  
funding applications.

**Happy New Year,**  
**Town of Saranac!**

# TOWN CLERK

## MARY BELL

### Office Hours

9:00 am to 12:00 noon

Monday - Thursday

293 - 6666, ext. 3

townclerk

@townofsaranac.com

- **Notary Public**

At no cost, Town residents may get documents notarized.

- **Marriage License**

Couples planning to marry may contact the Town Clerk to set up an appointment.

- **Dog License Renewal**

All dog license renewals are mailed at the beginning of each month. Owners have until the end of the month to pay in full. Please return the renewal by mail, or stop by the office during posted hours.

- **Payment Options**

Cash, check, money order, or credit cards, including American Express, Master Card, Visa, Discover, and Debit, are accepted (a small fee will apply)

## CORNELL COOPERATIVE EXTENSION OF CLINTON COUNTY

By **Jolene Wallace**

*Consumer Horticulture Program Educator*

### Upcoming Workshops

**Saturday, January 19** from **10:00 am till noon**, we will be holding a workshop at our Plattsburgh office on **Winter Care of Houseplants and Growing Herbs Indoors**. Cold weather, lack of light, too much water, or pests can take a toll on our houseplants. Come learn how to give them the winter care they need to thrive. Is your houseplant having a problem? Bring it with you! Fresh herbs can be grown on a sunny windowsill for use during the cold months, or dried to be stored for future use. Bring your questions or share your experiences.

**Saturday, February 16**, from **10:00 till noon** the theme of our monthly workshop will be **Bringing Nature Home**. There has been a significant decrease in insect populations in the world. Lack of habitat adequate to provide food and shelter means fewer pollinators. One of the ways we can do our part is by using native plants. Join us for this informative and interesting workshop on insects and plants and share your ideas with us. **Pre-registration** is required and there is a **\$5 fee** for this workshop. Contact **Jolene** at **jmw442@cornell** for more information or call the office at **518 561-7450**.

### Message from Amy Ivy

After 31 and a half years with CCE I've decided to retire; January 4, 2019 will be my last day. My grandchildren and children in Austin are calling and I have a million projects at home to work on, as well. Maybe someday my gardens will be lush and well-weeded!

It's been wonderful to work in so many different programs and capacities in both Clinton and Essex Counties over these many years. I began in Essex County in 1987 and added Clinton County in 1998. One of the things I have loved the most, in addition to all the people I've met, is how much I have learned, and continue to learn! There are always new discoveries, new varieties, and new ways of doing things. I feel so fortunate to have found a job I loved so much.

**Thank you** to all my co-workers and the fabulous Master Gardener Volunteers I've gotten to know and work with. And special thanks to **Jolene Wallace**, who has kept our horticulture program thriving. Happy gardening, everyone!!



**Amy with her grandchildren, Theo and baby Laurel**

### 2018 Wrap-Up

Our **Clinton County Master Gardener Volunteers** contributed close to **2,500 hours** of their time to work with residents from pre-school age to advanced age. Our **hands-on programming, off-the-ground raised beds, and grow lights** are helping folks to help themselves to fresh, healthy foods. Each year we try to expand our programming, which is at no cost with the exception of inexpensive workshops, to help you to garden efficiently while protecting our environment. If you have a plant or insect question or need an identification, bring it in to our Plattsburgh office or contact **Jolene Wallace** at **518 561-7450** or email at **jmw442@cornell.edu**.

# SARANAC HOLLOW JAMMERS

Every Tuesday Night  
Saranac Town Hall,  
Route 3

Covered Dish Dinner  
Begins at 6:00 pm

Music and Dancing  
7:00 - 9:00 pm

### Admission?

A non-perishable food item  
donated to your local  
Saranac Food Pantry

New People Are Welcome!

Patricia Wolf  
518- 293-7106  
Cletus Heywood  
518-563-1008

# IT IS THAT TIME OF YEAR AGAIN ...TAX TIME

By Mark White  
*Saranac Town Tax Collector*

I will collect **Property Taxes** from **January 1 through April 30, 2019**, at which time unpaid taxes are returned to the Clinton County Treasurer for collection.

Taxes may be **paid by mail** and sent to:  
**Mark White, Tax Collector**  
**P.O. Box 183**  
**Saranac, NY 12981**

Taxes may be **paid in person** at my home at **3492 Rt. 3, Saranac.**

Tax Collection Hours are as follows:

**Monday 10:00 am – 8:00 pm (January only)**  
**Wednesday 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm (January only)**  
**Saturday 3:00 pm – 6:00 pm (January only)**

**Wednesday 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm (February, March, April) or by appointment**

For more information, you may call me at **518-293-6427**.  
Information online will be available at [egov.basny.com/saranac](http://egov.basny.com/saranac)

## 5TH ANNUAL NORTHERN ADIRONDACK DELTA WATERFOWL BANQUET

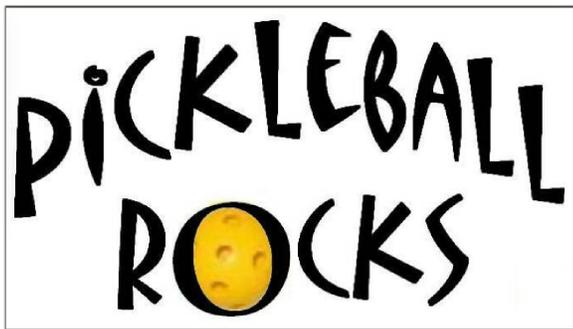


**Saturday, February 9, 2019**

**5:00 pm**

**Rainbow Banquet Hall**  
**47 Woods Falls Road**  
**Altona, NY 12910**

Come join us for a **great evening with good people, excellent food, and lots of great items and prizes!**  
For more information, contact **Josh Eggleston** at  
**518-802-0580** or [joshegg@yahoo.com](mailto:joshegg@yahoo.com)



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Tues & Thurs- 11:00-2:00

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## COURT CLERK

CAROL PLUMADORE

The Court Clerk is normally available on **Monday evenings**, beginning at **4:30 pm** for fine collection and general information.

**Court begins at 6:00pm**, unless otherwise advised.

If the Court is **closed due to** Court staff having a family **emergency**, there will be a **sign on the door** directing you when to reappear.

If the **weather is bad** and you aren't sure if Court is open, call **518 - 293 - 8082**. If it is **before 4:30**, leave a **message** and the Court Clerk will call you back.

- **Court Phone**

518 - 293 - 8082

- **Fax Number**

518 - 293 - 7706

- **Email**

cplumadore@nycourts.gov

Or

cplumadore @  
townofsaranac.com

**3668**

**STATE ROUTE 3**  
(NEXT TO THE TOWN HALL)

# A TIME OF REFLECTION

By **Nick Carter**  
*Town Supervisor*

I write this as our country says good bye to one of the greatest of our generation, and who also happens to be the **41<sup>st</sup> President of the United States of America**. For me, this is a day to reflect, so I will begin with a look back at **2018**. I begin with the **ten goals I set for myself last January**.

1} **Advance Broadband**. Thanks to financial support from the State, there has been progress. Broadband is slowly expanding. This is a very important issue that still needs work and is still on my Goals list.

2} **Reorganization of Water Districts**. Like Broadband, more research and work are required.

3} **LED Conversion**. No progress to report.

4} **Standish Water District Upgrade**. This is approximately 80% complete. Hopefully, it will be up and running in the next two months.

5} **County Wide Shared Services**. This project is complete.

6} **Dashnaw Bridge**. Finally, with help from the State, the Town will be able to replace the bridge. Thank you, Bridge New York.

7} **Records Inventory and Upgraded Storage Room**. This project is complete.

8} **Park and Pool Upgrade**. Much progress has been

made, with continued support by **Jerry Delaney** and **Assemblyman Billy Jones**.

9} **Review the Town's Comprehensive Plan**. This item is on hold.

10} **Update Town Policies and Procedures**. This will be a project for 2019.

I feel like just a little over half of my goals have been met. I am either setting too many goals or the part-time position I fill should be full-time.

This is also a time to **count blessings**. I will start by embarrassing my secretary. **Patty LaMora** is, by far, one of the best employees I have had the pleasure of working with. I can depend on her to keep me moving forward on Town business and reminding me of appointments, while doing her best to keep my mistakes to a minimum. This Town is blessed to have her.

Our Town maintenance guru, **Rick St. Louis**, just simply goes about his work keeping the Town Offices neat and clean, not to mention mowing, plowing, keeping heating and plumbing working, along with all the other "little projects I come up with".

Saranac is blessed with a **dedicated, hard-working Highway Crew...** They are on the front line keeping roads clear and maintained. As I write this, the Highway Department is **looking for additional manpower**. Contact **Jim Waldron**, Highway Superintendent, at **518-293-7707**.

Thank you all, (**including the volunteers**) who keep the Town government functioning. It is a pleasure to be a small part of Saranac's hard-working work force.

### Issue Updates:

The towns of **Black Brook, Dannemora, and Saranac** are working to develop a plan to provide **Emergency Medical Services** to our area, as the village of Dannemora and The Saranac Fire Department will no longer provide EMS after 2019. This is a complicated issue and will require many meetings and professional support. This is why we are beginning work now. Our overall goal is to provide our towns with quality EMS service at a reasonable rate. Many more updates to follow.

The **State DOT** is continuing to **drill new wells** for the contaminated wells along Route 3 at **Moffitsville**.

We are going to **request bids** to replace the aging roof on the old **Town Garage**. The roof suffered extensive damage from wind last summer.

We are continuing work at the old Fire House to convert it into a larger work space for the **Maintenance Department** and give the **Picketts Corners Park** additional space.

Finally, I invite everyone to come to a Town Board meeting. The 2019 meeting dates will be on the web site. Thank you all for your support. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from your Supervisor.

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## AREA 6 NEWS

**By Patty Waldron**  
*Area 6 County Legislator*

The newly-expanded **Plattsburgh International Airport** is now open and ready for business. Concessions include a retail space for **Taste of New York**, and the **Rendezvous Restaurant**.

Seats are filling up on the **Skywest** (United Airlines) **flights to Dulles**. We are actively engaged in **marketing for International flights** to choose our airport for flights out of the country.

I would also like to **thank United Airlines** for continuing the **Honor Flights** for our veterans.

**Sales tax** has exceeded projections again this year, so we

will **remain within the tax cap**, securing a healthy budget. Many thanks to our wonderful **Department Heads in Clinton County**, as well.

Closer to home, the **High Banks Bridge** is now open and the **Cold Brook Bridge** is due to be completed by the time winter fully kicks in. I would like to **thank my fellow legislators** for their understanding of the challenges of rural travel and detours that hinder emergency calls.

I will continue to **work in a bi-partisan manner** so that our District and the County can move forward in a positive direction.

Thank you all for your continued support. Feel free to contact me at **[Koffeekat13@live.com](mailto:Koffeekat13@live.com)** or **518-645-4687**.