

# The Town Crier

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## NEWS FROM DANNEMORA FREE LIBRARY

### By Elaine Rice *Dannemora Free Library*

The 2016 **Summer Reading Program** at Dannemora Free Library was a definite "On Your Mark – Get Set – Read" success. An average 18 young people attended each Monday session held from July 11 through August 15. The last Monday of the six-week program was highlighted by a demonstration of a **trebuchet** by **Raymond Chamberlin** from New Hampshire. Those present were fascinated by this medieval-style catapult.

**Grants Awarded**  
Library Director, **Eileen Cody**, represented the library at Harmony Golf Club when **Dozerfest**

**Grants** were awarded. The library received \$1,200 to be used for furniture updates in the children's area. The Library Board extends a most sincere thank you to **Kiwanis Breakfast and Graymont** for this generosity.

**Demonstrations**  
Featured at the **October 20<sup>th</sup> Coffee, Chocolate, and Chat** will be **Maria Roberts** demonstrating basic knitting stitches and practices. The session begins at 6 pm. **November's presentation** will focus on **upcycling**. Check the electronic sign for the date and presenter.

The **Library Book Club**, which meets the **first Tuesday** of each month, will be discussing *We Are*

*All Welcome Here* by Elizabeth Berg on October 4, *My Notorious Life* by Kate Manning on November 7, and *In the Unlikely Event* by Judy Blume on December 4. Anyone interested in attending is welcome.

**Storywalk**  
By the time you are reading this, the **storywalk** on the fence behind the Community Center should be in place. Readers of all ages can enjoy a story while taking a short walk in the fresh air. The storywalk's arrival has been posted on the electronic sign.

You are cordially invited to visit the library to see all that it offers, participate in its events, and respond to a survey seeking your input.



**Barber's Roadside Stand**, operated by **Judy and John Barber**, is open for business, sunrise to sunset, through October. Located at **73 Bucks Corners**, they have potted herbs, bouquets of sunflowers in a Mason jar, pumpkins, gourds, and cornstalks, labeled and sold on the Honor System. Call 518-593-3019 with questions.

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR: TOWN BOARD MEETINGS

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

Monday, **October 24**, 2016

Monday, **November 28**, 2016

Monday, **December 19**, 2016

**Minutes** from past meetings may be found on the Town website at:

[www.townofsaranac.com](http://www.townofsaranac.com)

### ROSH HASHANA BEGINS

Sunday, **October 2**, 2016

### COLUMBUS DAY

Monday, **October 10**, 2016

### YOM KIPPUR BEGINS

Tuesday, **October 11**, 2016

### STANDARD TIME RESUMES

Sunday, **November 6**, 2016

### ELECTION DAY

Tuesday, **November 8**, 2016

### VETERANS DAY

Friday, **November 11**, 2016

### THANKSGIVING

Thursday, **November 24**, 2016

### FIRST DAY OF WINTER

Thursday, **December 22**, 2016

### CHRISTMAS DAY AND FIRST DAY OF HANUKKAH

Sunday, **December 25**, 2016



**Sunday, October 16,  
2016  
3:00 pm  
Gloria Chien, Piano**

United Methodist Church  
Saranac, Route 3

**Pianist Gloria Chien** has been picked by the *Boston Globe* as one of the **Superior Pianists of the year**, "... who appears to excel in everything." Richard Dyer praises her for "a **wondrously** rich palette of colors, which she mixes with **dashing** bravado and with an uncanny **precision** of calibration... Chien's performance had it all, and it was **fabulous**."

Gloria made her orchestral debut at the age of 16 with the **Boston Symphony Orchestra**, and has subsequently appeared as a soloist with many top orchestras. She is a **prize winner** of the **World Piano Competition, Harvard Musical Association Award**, and the **San Antonio International Piano Competition**. She has presented concerts at the Alice Tully Hall, Library of Congress, Gardner Museum, Phillips Collection, Jordan Hall, Philadelphia Chamber

Music Society, Savannah Musical Festival, Dresden Chamber Musical Festival, Kissinger Sommer, Salle Cortot in Paris, and the National Concert Hall in Taiwan.

Gloria began playing the piano at the age of five in her **native Taiwan**. She has a **Doctor of Musical Arts, a Master's, and an Undergraduate Degree from the New England Conservatory of Music in Boston**. Gloria is an **Artist-In-Residence at Lee University in Cleveland, TN**, and is on the roster of the prestigious **Chamber Music Society of Lincoln Center**. Gloria is a **Steinway Artist**.

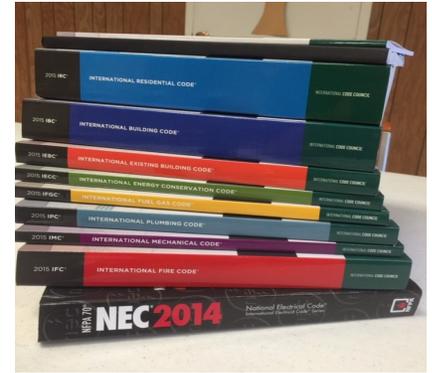
Her concert will feature the **Bach/Busoni Chaconne, Debussy's Suite Bergamasque**, and selected works of **Chopin**.

**Suggested donation:** \$15 general; \$12 students/seniors; Kids under 12 attend free.

**For More Information:**  
Call Angela Brown and Kellum Smith at 293-7613

Email [hillholl@hughes.net](mailto:hillholl@hughes.net)

[www.hillandhollowmusic.org](http://www.hillandhollowmusic.org)



## NEWS FROM THE CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

By **Nancy Dow**  
*Town Crier Editor*

Starting **October 3, 2016** the **new 2015 International Building Codes** are in effect. These new codes encompass 12-13 years of Code changes. Keep in mind, these Codes are the **minimum** amount. You can do more.

**Mr. Perry, Town of Saranac Code Enforcement Officer**, provided an example of one of the **significant changes** to the **Property Maintenance Code** for motor vehicles.

"Except as provided for in other regulations, **no** inoperative or unlicensed motor vehicle shall be parked, kept, or stored on any premises, and no vehicle shall at any time be in a state of major disassembly, disrepair, or in the process of being stripped or dismantled. Painting of vehicles is prohibited unless conducted inside an approved spray booth."

To reach **Mr. Perry**, please call the office at 293- 6666, ext. 5 or phone his home at 293 - 8510.

# A NEW LOOK AT OLD SARANAC

## NEWS FROM OUR DOG CONTROL OFFICER

Mark Plumadore

### ⇒ Dog Concerns

If you have any **dog complaints**, please call the Town Hall at 518 - 293 - 6666, Ext. # 8 and leave a message. You may also try Mark's cell phone at 518 - 293 - 5218.

### ⇒ Please Be Advised

Cell phone coverage is insufficient at times, so make sure you leave a **message** on the Town **voicemail** for the Dog Control Officer, as well. Your call will be returned as soon as possible.

Please show **consideration** to your neighbors by keeping your dogs **quiet** and on your **own property**.

If your dog comes up **missing**, please contact me directly and give a **detailed description** of your dog. It is much easier to connect a report of a stray dog with the **rightful owner**.

**State Law** requires any dog over the age of **4 months** to be **licensed** with the **Town Clerk**.

518 - 293 - 6666, Ext. # 8  
Saranac Town Hall

or

518 - 293 - 5218  
Private Cell Phone

## Life & Times In Olde Saranac

Photos of Saranac's Past

Book #2



A Second Photo History Collection  
by Sylvia Newman

Cover Photo: 1943-1944  
Carter Homestead, Chazy Lake Road

Front Row - Herb Carter, Ted Canning, Fred LaMora,  
Lloyd Carter, Sr., James Campbell, Bat Boy, Dick Coffey  
Back Row - Ray Carter, Martin Campbell, Leslie Bressette,  
John Coffey, Bernard Canning

By Nancy Dow  
*The Town Crier* Editor

Book #2

Sylvia Newman spent three years of research to write her first book,

*Life & Times in Olde Saranac, Photos of Saranac's Past, A Photo History Collection,*

in 2014. She believes it is "important to capture history through pictures to preserve them for future generations to enjoy and explore."

Sylvia has done it again, completing a second photo history collection. She feels very fortunate to have found enough photos and stories to produce another book.

During the two years to finish the book, she spent many hours researching the stories that accompany each photo.

There is so much history in Saranac, from mining, to farming, to the people.

### Most Interesting

Sylvia pointed out two sections, in particular, that she found extremely fascinating.

**1. The Order of Odd Fellows**, a benevolent and social society, once had a hall in Saranac. She has included a copy of the **Grand Lodge Degree** presented to **A. Lincoln Lobdell** as **Noble Grand** in 1936. In addition, Sylvia has provided information about the history of the Odd Fellows.

**2. Wayne Chase** shared several photos of the **Town Green** in Picketts Corners, current location of Saranac's Sunday Green Market, as it appeared in the **1970's**. A contractor from Utica, NY was hired to rebuild Route 3 between Cadyville and Saranac. He went bankrupt and left the area, leaving all his equipment behind. Wayne Chase, a teacher at the time, brought his classes to the site to catalog each piece of equipment. **Three notebooks** were shared with the Town Board, using this evidence to pass a **Junkyard Law**, leading to selling the scrap metal and cleaning up the mess.

**Copies Available for \$15**  
You can find copies virtually "everywhere", including **Windover's, Tedford's, Saranac Country Store, Cornerstone Bookstore, Lake City Bookstore, Pennysaver, Clinton County Museum and Clinton County Historical Society**. You may also contact **Sylvia Newman** at **518 - 293 - 7337**.



**Jake Liberty is a true asset to the Town. I would like to acknowledge him for his time, dedication, work, and help this summer.**

**By Cullen Coryer**

*Picketts Corners Park Manager*

### Pool Attendance and Usage

We had **well over 1,700 people** use the pool in an abbreviated summer, July 8 – August 23. I would like to thank the people of Saranac for their **patience and understanding** as we battled problems throughout the summer (pump break downs, chlorine problems, etc.). Swim lessons were very successful. A big thank you goes to our **Swimming Lesson Instructor, Allison Fink**.

### Special thanks to Jake Liberty!!!

Jake Liberty, as in the past, organized and put together a **great end-of-the-year party** for all the children and their families who attended the swim lesson program. **Allison Fink, Lydia Miner, Austin Duquette, Hunter Williams, Griffen Williams, and Josh Liberty** all helped and **donated their time** with this event. These young people, led by Jake, took the **initiative to do this and own the whole thing**. They held a **barbeque**, including a **piñata, scavenger hunt, and free swim**.



### Lifeguards Go Above and Beyond

I am very **proud and pleased** with my excellent team of young lifeguards. They were very **professional, trustworthy**, and did an **all-around superb job** this year. They are also responsible for **painting the deck** of the pool white, giving the pool a cleaner, friendlier look and feel. Thank you to the lifeguards, led by **Logan Williams**, for accomplishing that.

### Work Accomplished and Planned

1. We are working toward replacement of all the pumps, filters, and aged pool equipment so that next year we won't have the issues we experienced this year and, hopefully, can open earlier.
2. **New picnic tables** and four **Adirondack chairs** have been added around the pool area.
3. **Jake Liberty, Rick St. Louis** and myself cut down all the **overgrown cedars** and we have been proudly flying an **American flag** at our park.
4. Through the hard work of **Dan Carter**, Town Councilman, we

secured a **Grant** to create **two beautiful Pickleball courts** that, in the future, we will be taking great advantage of for the community.

5. We are working on some **other big improvements** to the Park.

### Deepest Gratitude

I want to thank **Rick St. Louis** for all his help this summer. He is a true **unsung hero** of the Town and is an **invaluable resource**.

I would also like to thank the **Nick Carter** and the **Town Board** for giving me this opportunity.

### Looking Forward

This Park was a huge part of my childhood and having the chance to restore it to its **previous glory and beyond** is an honor!!!

Again, thank you to the **residents** of the Town for their support, patience, and understanding.

With one year under my belt, there has been much learning this summer. I assure a much smoother second year.

## MORE FROM HILL AND HOLLOW



**Delmoni-McCarty-Thomas STRING TRIO**  
**Sunday, November 20, 2016 at 3:00 pm**  
**United Methodist Church Saranac, Route 3**

The superb and renowned **violinist Patricia McCarty**, who now **claims the Adirondacks as home**, has a return engagement, making this the third annual event featuring her, and highly anticipated by all who have heard her in the past two seasons. Her well-matched ensemble mates will be **Arturo Delmoni, violin** and **Ronald Thomas, cello** for a program of Mozart's *Divertimento in Eb Major, K563*; Beethoven's *Trio in C Minor, Op. 9, No. 3*; and Dohnanyi's *Serenade, Op. 10 in C Major*. This is guaranteed to be an **intense and exciting program** with BIG playing - these guys are at the top of their game!

All three artists have performed as **featured soloists** and members of **major orchestras** and **chamber music ensembles** on the world's important stages and on the recordings of major labels. Aspen, Marlboro, Tanglewood, Lincoln Center, Spoleto, Blossom, Music @ Menlo are only a few of the major festivals in which they have participated. **Patricia McCarty** now **teaches viola and coordinates and coaches the chamber music program at the Meadowmount School of Music**. **Arturo Delmoni** is concertmaster of the **New York City Ballet Orchestra** and **teaches at New York University**. **Ronald Thomas**, formerly principal cellist of the Saint Paul Chamber Orchestra and **co-founder and artistic director of the Boston Chamber Music Society**, has **taught at MIT, Brown University, and the Peabody Conservatory** and is **currently affiliated with the New School/Mannes**.

**Suggested donation:** \$15 general; \$12 students/seniors;  
 Kids under 12 attend free.

**For More Information:** Call Angela Brown and Kellum Smith at 293-7613  
 Email [hillholl@hughes.net](mailto:hillholl@hughes.net) or visit [www.hillandhollowmusic.org](http://www.hillandhollowmusic.org)

## SARANAC HIGH SCHOOL OUTDOOR CLUB

**By Joan Seidel**  
*Club Advisor*

On June 5<sup>th</sup>, 10 students hiked **St. Regis Mountain** in Paul Smith's NY, the first of six mountains in the Saranac Lake area to hike in order to earn the **Saranac Lake 6er patch**. In January, students climbed all three of the mountains making up the **Tupper Lake Triad** to receive the **winter patch**. Led this year by high school senior and Adirondack 46er, **Chad Canning**, the Saranac Outdoor Club provides opportunities for students to experience the Adirondacks via hiking, paddling, skiing, and snowshoeing.

## KUDOS TO THE PICKETTS CORNERS PARK UPGRADES

**By Marcia Newcombe**  
*Town Resident*

This summer, I was very pleased to see the upgrades at the **Picketts Corners Park** and Saranac town pool. **Cullen Coryer** dedicated much of his summer trying to improve various areas of the **town gem**. New this year: a **portable tent** that provided wonderful shade from the sun at the pool, **Adirondack chairs**, picnic tables and benches, new **signage**, and **painting upgrades** to the playground.

In addition, Cullen Coryer sought **feedback** from various families who frequent the park as to what type of alternate playground equipment would be ideal to request using **Grant** money.

**Jacob Liberty, Allison Fink**, and the other **lifeguards** did a fantastic job with the kids participating in **swimming lessons** and it seems like **numbers were up** this year, indicating that more families are taking advantage of the unique opportunity afforded in our Town teaching our youth valuable safety skills.

Cullen, Jake, and the lifeguards also made the children feel **very special** by concluding the "season" with a **cookout**, complete with a piñata and scavenger hunt. **Kudos to a fantastic summer at the park and pool!**

## DANCE IN THE RAIN PRESENTS ZUMBA CLASSES AT SARANAC TOWN HALL

**Wednesday 4:30-5:30**  
**Adult Zumba class, ages 11 up**  
**Thursday 3:30-4:30**  
**Adult Zumba class, ages 11 up**

Wednesday 3:30 - 4:15 Kid's Zumba, ages 5 - 11. This class will start October 5th if there is enough interest. Email me at [DanceintheRainhealing@gmail.com](mailto:DanceintheRainhealing@gmail.com) and let me know that you would like to commit to this time and class for your child. As an Occupational Therapist, I am very open to children and adults with special needs joining my Zumba classes.

**Class fees: \$5 dollars a class or \$20 a card.**

# CORNELL COOPERATIVE EXTENSION OFFERINGS

By Jolene Wallace

*Horticulture Program Educator*, CCE Clinton County

**Wreath-making workshop on Saturday, December 3 from 10:00 am to Noon.** Each participant will be provided with a 14-inch dried grapevine wreath and a wide assortment of cones, pods, nuts, and other natural ingredients. A large assortment of ribbon will be available, as will glue guns and other supplies needed. If you have something you would like to incorporate into your wreath, bring it along. You will leave with a beautiful wreath, as well as a new appreciation for your own creativity. There is a **\$20 fee** for this class and **space is limited** to a small number of participants.

Our **Nutrition Educators** are holding several classes this fall on **canning** and **freezing** fruits and vegetables, choosing and **cooking** some of the local foods that are in abundance, and other topics of interest to residents of Clinton County. The schedule will be posted on our website as it becomes available at <http://blogs.cornell.edu/cceclintoncounty/gardening/news-2>

**Cornell Cooperative Extension** is located at 6064 State Route 22, Suite 5 in Plattsburgh. We are always available to tailor a gardening, home, or landscape-related program or presentation to any audience. Email [jmw442@cornell.edu](mailto:jmw442@cornell.edu), or call Jolene at 561-7450, and let us know how we can help you.

## HISTORICAL HAPPENINGS

By Jan Couture

*Registered Town Historian*

### Round and Round

I'm continuing to work on the **historical markers** for the **Redford Picnic** and the **Merry-Go-Round**. While doing research, I discovered there were often merry-go-rounds at various picnics throughout the area, as well as at the Clinton County Fair. The story behind Redford's Merry-Go-Round continues to grow beyond the common belief that it was either left by the bankrupted owner or it was purchased by Charles Hoey and given to the church.

Last week I received a call from **Barbara Barry**, daughter of Rita Boire Banks. Barbara said her mother remembers seeing the carousel in her (Rita) father's (Victor Boire) garage when she was a little girl. Barbara said every year, at Redford Picnic time, her mother would tell her that the carousel was brought to

Redford by wagon and later by truck for the picnic. Eventually, it was left at Redford. The mystery of the carousel is a charming story and just adds to its interest. As an historian, I am content to let the merry-go-round continue its unique story.

### Saranac Mini Museum

**Cycle Adirondack** was a fun day for me! Over 300 cyclists from all over the country pedaled over Burnt Hill and saw our valley on a beautiful summer day. A rest stop was stationed for them at the park. While they had snacks and a break (several even took a dip in the river), they viewed a mini-museum of Saranac. I had interesting conversations with many of the participants as I filled them in on where they had biked from (Keeseville) and what they would see (cemetery, Glass Factory Hill, sites of iron forges) on their way to their lunch stop at Taylor Pond. Many were amazed to discover the rich history in the Saranac Valley.



### New Presentations

In conjunction with the **Clinton County Historical Association**, I have prepared four Clinton County PowerPoint presentations on **Travel and Tourism, Industry and Immigration, Conflicts in Clinton County, and How Clinton County Came to Be**. Each program includes a group hands-on activity, as well as a woman's costume from the

time period. Groups and classroom teachers are welcome to use one or all presentations. I will also make available to groups a PowerPoint on **the 6 soldiers from Clinton County who helped capture John Wilkes Booth**. I am willing to present this to any group or classroom. If you are interested, just let me know. 293-8251 or [saranachistorian@yahoo.com](mailto:saranachistorian@yahoo.com)

## NEWS FROM SARANAC HOLLOW JAMMERS

Tuesday Night  
Town Hall, Route 3, Saranac

Covered Dish Dinner  
Begins at 6:00 pm

Followed by Music  
Round and Square  
& Line Dancing  
7:00 - 9:00 pm

Admission?  
A non-perishable food item  
Donated to your local  
Saranac Food Pantry

Open to the Public  
New People Are Welcome!

For more information:  
Contact  
"Lib" Rizzie-Adams

293 - 7056

## NEWS FROM THE COURT CLERK

CAROL PLUMADORE

293 - 8082

### • Hours

Every Monday  
(excluding holidays)  
Beginning at 6:00 pm, until  
the calendar is cleared

### • Judges

Judges work alternate  
Mondays

### • Call

Please call Monday evening  
for assistance

### • Weekends

Leave a message and, when  
possible, your call will be  
returned

## LATEST NEWS ABOUT OUR WEATHER STATION

By **Jerald Brotzge, PhD**  
*Program Manager,*  
*New York State Mesonet*

As part of our Mesonet team, we continue to strive to keep you informed of all the latest developments regarding the Mesonet. Once the network is fully operational, we will begin a quarterly newsletter to all our site hosts and partners; however, until then, we will do our best to share information with you as the system develops.

### Several New Developments

1. We now have **77 sites** operational and continue to add about one site per day to the network.

2. Site hosts have **free access** to your Mesonet station data. For more information to access Mesonet data, please see: <http://nysmesonet.org/partners/sitehosts>.

3. **Precipitation data** will be coming online for many sites in a few weeks. We had a factory recall on our precipitation gauges, many of which had to be switched out. We are now working through a second bug with the gauges, which we hope to complete soon. Thank you for your patience!

4. Some sites do not have **soil data** listed. For those sites installed last winter, the soil gauges could not be installed due to frozen ground. We are scheduling those to be completed soon. Many of our rockier sites may not have a soil sensor installed at the 50 cm depth, due to the shallow soil layer; however, they should have 5cm and 25cm sensors. Also, we are not reporting soil moisture yet, as we're completing our soil analysis which is needed for an accurate soil moisture estimate. However, we are recording data from the field.

5. Some have asked about our **camera protocol**. DHSES has asked that we blur out any signage, etc. intentionally placed in the image. The Mesonet will also blur out any homes that are in the image.

6. Once the network becomes **fully operational (Jan 1, 2017)**, we will **implement regular site visits**. However, as we're now busy deploying new sites, our vegetation maintenance for existing sites may not be as regular as we would like.

7. Finally, please visit our website at <http://nysmesonet.org>, as well as our **Facebook** and **Twitter** sites. We continue to add to and update the website, and we would like your feedback! If you have any questions or comments, please feel free to call me at 518 - 442 - 6372 or email [jbrotzge@albany.edu](mailto:jbrotzge@albany.edu).

## PLATTSBURGH SENTINEL, SEPTEMBER 9, 1873

*Courtesy of Johnny Tedford*

### Incidents in the Early History of Saranac *The First Man*

We are not going to take our oath as to who was the first man that settled in the town of Saranac. But as far as our knowledge extends the question of seniority lies between two gentlemen, named Lyon and Johnson. The first range of mountains that meets our vision as we gaze westward from Plattsburgh, is the

Johnson range, named in honor of the aforesaid Johnson of early fame. Clinton prison nestles at the foot of this range of mountains. Beyond this range is another of equal dimensions, we should judge, known as Lyon Mountain, in honor of a man named Lyon, who in about the year 1800 left the scenes of his childhood among the granite hills of New Hampshire, and penetrating this inhospitable wilderness, the home of catamounts, wolves and

Indians, quietly settled at the south end of this range of mountains, which now bears his name. When inquiry was made why he went way up there to live, the reply was "Why he is a New Hampshire man, and don't you know New Hampshire men always point for the highest ground?"

Between Johnson and Lyon Mountains rests the beautiful body of water, the Chazy Lake.

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## 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

WiFi is available when the building is open.

## 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

## UPDATING OUR MAILING LIST

### A Note From The Supervisor

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

By Nick Carter  
*Town Supervisor*

### Town Pool and Park

I cannot start my note to my Town without first **thanking Cullen Coryer** for his Herculean effort in support of our successful pool season. Pool attendance was up this year and I hope you all noticed the improvements. Your Town Board is committed to additional improvements and needed maintenance to the pool. I want to remind all, thanks to a Grant from the CVPH Hospital Foundation and Laurie Williams, we have a **new pickle ball court**. Stop by and see what pickle ball is all about. From all I have heard, the **Fitness in the Park Program** was a complete success.

### Cycle the Adirondacks

You may have noticed a large

group of about **300cyclists** at Pickets Corners Park on August 23<sup>rd</sup>. They were part of Wildlife Conservation Societies' "**Cycle the Adirondacks**" riding event from Keeseville, through the Adirondacks, and back again. They contacted **Gerald Delaney** and, coordinating with **Cullen Coryer**, set up a rest stop at Picketts Corners Park. The riders came into town over Burnt Hill and everyone I spoke with raved about the beauty of our Town.

### Farmer's Market

Finally, the **Farmer's Market** was a complete success and will be back bigger and better next year. On a side note there is a **Facebook** page called *Charming Saranac*. I want to remind everyone that *Charming Saranac* is **NOT** in

any way affiliated with the Town of Saranac governing Board and does **NOT** represent any official Town policy or Town notices.

**Projects We Are Working On**  
Ganong Drive and McCutcheon Lane **bridge construction** should begin in the spring, 2017. Dashnaw bridge designs should be complete by the end of December. The County expects to have the True Brook bridges done by November. We are waiting on Health Department approval of the pool filter and chlorine system and hope to install that system during the winter.

As summer begins to fade into fall, remember, use care around school buses and intersections our children may be crossing.

## SARANAC HIGH SCHOOL KEY CLUB

By Joan Seidel  
*Club Advisor*

### **Donate Time and Money**

The Saranac High School Key Club was busy this past Spring. Key Club members organized a **Saranac Elementary Movie Day** for over fifty 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> grade students, providing theme-based activities around the animated movie, *Inside Out*. Money **donated** to the event was given to the **Saranac Elementary Playground Fund**.

In addition, Key Club members donated money to the **North Country Mission of Hope** to assist with the **medical expenses** of a young woman critically injured in an accident. This money was

donated in honor of three former Saranac Key Club presidents, **Megan Harris, Sara LoTemplio, and Amy LoTemplio**, who have each volunteered during their February breaks while in high school for the organization in Nicaragua.

Key Club also donated money to help a **local family** who lost their home in a **house fire**. Club members ended the school year volunteering for the **Saranac Elementary Block Party**. Students assisted with arts and crafts, played games, and served snacks to elementary students.

### **2016-2017**

Beginning in early **October**, Key Club members will

begin collecting items for our **Thanksgiving Meal Basket** campaign. Each Fall, we collect **turkeys, canned vegetables, canned fruit, potatoes, stuffing, gravy, and dessert items** to assemble meal baskets for **families in our community** to ensure they have a complete Thanksgiving meal. We work closely with **Cindy Waldron** at the **Saranac JCEO Outreach Center** to make sure we provide enough meals to families in the greater Saranac community.

If you would like to donate food items or money to this much needed cause, please contact Key Club advisor, Joan Seidel, at the Saranac High School. (565-5800).

## NEWS FROM THE NEW LAND TRUST

**Fall Fest**  
Saturday, October 1

**Cock-A-Doodle-Shoe  
Snowshoe Race**  
Sunday, January 15

**Chili Fest**  
Saturday, February 18

### NEW NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION

**By Barbara Martin**  
*Chazy Lake Resident*

#### Protect Chazy Lake

To all who enjoy Chazy Lake, the **Chazy Lake Environmental Committee** has formed the **Chazy Lake Watershed Initiative, Inc.**, a **non-profit organization** to help **protect** Chazy Lake for future generations.

In addition to dealing with **Eurasian milfoil** and **water quality** issues, we hope this new organization will help protect our lake from **other invasive species** and **threats** that may arise in the future.

#### For More Information

If you would like to **learn more** about the Chazy Lake Watershed Initiative, please contact **Mark Denicore** at [denicore@msn.com](mailto:denicore@msn.com).

**Joe Gerardi**

A few weeks ago, I reflected back on my time as Supervisor and I mulled over **two concerns**. Separated by eight years from when I first served, **I found my last term more complicated and complex**. Maybe the tax cap added some difficulty. Too, along with other laborious issues, the various big projects that piled up (Standish Federal Grant, FEMA washouts, State grants, etc.) that included consultants, State forms, and electronic-only correspondences might have made the job feel more complicated. There were more time-consuming deliberations with a new Union in the Town. None of these, in and of itself, was overwhelming or problematic; but, overall, I found the job more demanding.

Secondly, in the near future **the Town will be losing a valuable asset**: Bookkeeper and Secretary to the Supervisor, Patti LaMora. Patti has served the town for 33 years and will retire in the near future. While no one person is irreplaceable, her specific knowledge about how the Town handles its business – formal and casual

office dealings, payroll, banking regulations and procedures, budget nuances and distinctions – cannot be taken for granted. As witnessed by the Comptroller's Report, she handles her duties using exemplary methods. She has been the mortar between all the town pieces for decades. When she leaves, whoever is Supervisor will have to step it up.

**For these two reasons**, I suggest that this, and future Town Boards, think about hiring a **full time Town Manager** when Patti retires. The position would be an 8-4 job and would be the first line manager of all functions of the Town and report directly to the Supervisor and Town Board. Hopefully, the person hired would live in the town and would serve for many years. He or she would manage – to list just a few examples -- insurance policies and claims, banking functions, OSHA concerns, water districts, Department Heads and their programs, payroll, Employee Handbook, building needs, website, grant writing, Policy Handbook, and all the other work-a-day oversights that strain a "part-time" Supervisor. And he/she would be the Budget Officer.

The Board would have the final say in all of these matters, but the Town Manager would follow the Board's directions and then present the details and options for the Board's decisions.

The full-time salary would be made more budget-friendly by lowering the Supervisor's and Secretary's salaries (the Secretary would be part-time) and adding the Budget Officer's pay into that line. (At \$15,400, The Supervisor's salary has not changed since 2005. The pay for that "part-time" job should be more, but I was always reluctant to vote for raising the salary because someone might be motivated to run for the office primarily for the money. The job would be more "part-time" if there were a Town Manager position.)

**The Supervisor will still be the Supervisor**: Chairman of the Town Board, Town Executive, and Fiscal Officer. Having both ears to the public and a hand on the pulse of the Town is the Supervisor's duty. The buck stops at the Supervisor's desk and at the Town Board; final responsibility of Town concerns is statutorily obligated.

## SARANAC ELEMENTARY BLOCK PARTY



# COURSES OFFERED

## NEWS FROM SARANAC COMMUNITY OUTREACH

**Cindy Waldron**  
Outreach Worker

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

[www.jceo.org](http://www.jceo.org)

**Volunteers are Welcome**  
**Donations Accepted**

## NEWS FROM SARANAC VALLEY HOUSING

**56 McCutcheon Lane**  
**293 - 8518**

**Karen Racette,**  
Site Manager

[manager@svhousing.com](mailto:manager@svhousing.com)

- ◆ **Federally Subsidized (USDA Rural Development) Housing Project**
- ◆ **Persons 62+ And Disabled Persons Are Eligible**
- ◆ **Rent-Based On Income**
- ◆ **Economical Utilities**
- ◆ **Pet-friendly With Restrictions And Pet Deposit**

**ADDITIONAL TRAINING SERVICES** will be holding Defensive Driving Courses again this fall at the Town Hall on October 22nd from 9:00am until 3:00pm. *The cost is ONLY \$29.00.* Course offerings have expanded over the years, as well, and they now offer a comprehensive list of training classes, including the Nationally-recognized leader in safe driving, "**I Drive Safely**" and their classroom and Internet-based home defensive driving courses.

The majority of course offerings are held from **mid-fall thru mid-spring** each year. However, with the **online option** now available in New York State, unlike traditional classroom courses, there is complete freedom for you to receive the insurance and license benefits any time throughout the year. You can take the course according to your time schedule. Spend a few minutes in the morning, a half hour in the afternoon, or a more lengthy session in the evening. How long you are online is really up to you, as long as you complete the 6 hours of Online Instruction with 30 days of starting. And with our exclusive *Memory Recall* technology, you will always return to the New York Defensive Driving course right where you left off. No need to go back and study a lesson you have already completed. Simply log on to our site using your username and password and you will resume the course.

Firearms safety and proficiency are more important than ever as the population grows and diversifies. **National Rifle Association (NRA)** Firearms Safety classes are provided to fill the needs of new purchasers, as well as more seasoned shooters. Rifle, shotgun, pistol, range safety, personal protection in the home and more are offered as ½ day classes.

Learn to utilize the excellent resources that the **American Red Cross** and the **American Safety and Health Institute** have put together for both Community / Lay Rescuer and Professional Rescuers. Whether it is First Aid / CPR with AED training, or additional components such as Wilderness Safety, Oxygen Administration, Pet First Aid or others, there are local classes available! If you are in need of a class designed specifically for laypeople they will be offering that course here at the Town Hall this winter. This program is an excellent choice for both the community and workplace setting, and is based upon the **International Consensus on Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation** and evidence-based treatment recommendations.

This program is an excellent choice for individuals who do not work in the healthcare field, but are occupationally-required to, or desire to, have CPR knowledge and skills, such as:

- Emergency response teams
- School bus drivers
- Adult residential care personnel
- Child care workers
- Teachers
- Parents

2-year certifications are typically 2-3 hrs. Additional specialized training is available on Bloodborne Pathogens, Emergency Oxygen, or Wilderness Safety for hunters, fishermen, campers, hikers and other serious outdoor enthusiasts are available upon request.

If you would like to sign up for any of these classes, if you have a small or even a larger social organization or business that needs to augment their staff training, or if you are part of a government agency seeking to bring in very reasonably costing, specialized in-service training from an outside source with nationally certification ... **ADDITIONAL TRAINING SERVICES** is ready to provide high quality programs with flexible scheduling options. Call or email Todd Rabideau at Additional Training Services for information at 518-212-STOP or email [signup@additionaltraining.com](mailto:signup@additionaltraining.com)

## NEWS FROM TOWN CLERK

### MARY BELL

#### • Office Hours

9:00 am to 12:00 noon  
Monday - Thursday

#### • Phone

(518) 293 - 6666, ext. 3

#### • E-mail

townclerk  
@townofsaranac.com

#### • Marriage License

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

#### • Dog License Renewal

All dog license renewals are mailed out at the beginning of each month. Owners have until the end of the month to pay in full. For your convenience, you may mail in the renewal or stop by the office during posted hours.

#### • Notary Public

As a free public service, town residents may get documents notarized.

#### • Hunting/Fishing License

Please visit Adirondack Archery to purchase hunting, fishing, and trapping licenses.

Tracy Eggleston  
*Town Board*

#### Learning Experience

This is my first time writing in the *Town Crier* since being elected to the Town Board, so I would like to take this opportunity to thank the voters of the town of Saranac for electing me into office.

The first several months of the year have been a learning experience and it is just the beginning. The veteran Board members have been very good to work with and I look forward to the continued effort of the Board in the upcoming months as the budget process will be starting soon. I believe this will be the most important part of the Board's job.

I will be focusing on trying to keep our taxes to a minimum while continuing to make the town of Saranac a great place to live and visit.

#### Time and Effort

Cullen Coryer and Dan Carter have worked extremely hard over the summer months to open the Town's pool and park area. It took a lot of time and effort on their parts to maintain the park and to keep the pool open. They had several setbacks with equipment failures which needed to be fixed in order to keep the pool and park operating properly. I would like to thank them for their hard work at the park.

#### Long-term Planning

The Board is in the beginning process of trying to get a long-term Capital Planning Agreement. This will be a very long and difficult process, but I think it will be well worth it. The Town needs to have a long-term plan to be able to maintain the Town's assets. This will be an ongoing process in

conjunction with the budget. Our Highway Department is probably our biggest asset, which includes the employees, equipment, and our highways. Capital Planning will allow us to plan several years out as to what the Town will need to replace. This will include all of the Town's assets.

#### Truck Replacement

We are also in the process of replacing one of the Highway Department pickup trucks, as one of the trucks has been taken off the road and the one ton dump is also off the road, due to mechanical problems.

#### Ongoing Projects

I look forward to working with the Board in the next several years on numerous ongoing projects, like the three bridges we are trying to repair, the Standish Water Project, extending broadband to more areas of the Town, and all new business.

## REASONS TO VISIT NEW LAND TRUST IN AUTUMN

**Fall Foliage** - We have a variety of forest types; almost all species of Adirondack trees can be found.

**Photography** - It's no secret that Autumn is one of the favorite times of year for photographers. Don't miss the view of Whiteface Mt and the Adirondack High Peaks from the meadow.

**Wildlife** - Cooler weather and shorter days bring an increase in wildlife activity as animals busy themselves preparing for Winter. It's also a great time for birding, as many species prepare for the journey South. Remember, NLT is a No-hunting zone.

**It's Healthy** - Whether it's hiking or walking, the benefits of staying active can help you lose weight, reduce heart disease, and slow the aging process. It also offers mental health benefits by reducing stress and anxiety. There is nothing more refreshing than breathing fresh air. You can walk for a few minutes or for hours.

**It's Cheap** - Compared to just about any other sport or activity, the cost of a visit to NLT is minimal (donations always welcome). Comfortable shoes, a few pieces of appropriate clothing and a pack, and you're pretty much ready to go.

**It's Real** - Getting outdoors with family and friends is a great way to connect with others.

**NLT is open from dawn to dusk. For night visiting or overnight outdoor camping, contact Hal Moore at 518-570-5375. There is NO camping allowed in the Clubhouse.**

Hal Moore   Joe Licari   Doug Yu   Jim King   Stu Douglas   Libby Yokum

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## BEST OF SHOW : 100% PURE SARANAC MAPLE SYRUP

By Nancy Dow  
*Town Crier Editor*

**Mazzotte's Maple Syrup**, located at 71 Cold Brook Road in Saranac, NY, in the hamlet of Riverview, produces **100% all natural pure maple syrup**, made from sap boiled on his **wood-fired arch**, without using reverse osmosis.

He recently competed in the **2016 Clinton County Fair** in July, taking home **three ribbons**, including **Best of Show**, for his pure maple syrup. He also attended the **2016 New York State Fair** with his local maple syrup, placing **4th**. He was told it was actually **the best**; however, his homemade label, as quaint as it was, lowered his overall score. Next year he will be prepared!

**Congratulations!!**

You may find his maple syrup at **Farmhouse Pantry** or call **518 - 293 - 7808**.

