

October 2025

# The Town Crier

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## SUPERVISOR NAPPER'S TOWN NEWS

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518 - 572 - 6201

**Town Justices:**  
Perry J Lawton  
James E. Facticeau  
518 - 293 - 8082

**Town Supervisor:**  
Tim Napper  
518 - 293 - 6666, Ext. 1

### Resident Input and Volunteers Appreciated

Fall is here again. We just had our second **Field Day and Parade**. Mother Nature wasn't very cooperative. Rain heavily impacted our activities. The **fireworks** on Bowen Road at dusk were impressive. It is discouraging to put in the effort and then have it rain. We are sorting through the future of the event and **considering earlier dates or a possible rain date**. We still want **resident input and volunteers are always appreciated**.

### Increased Walkability

With some help from **Clinton County**, we are trying to **increase the walkability of our town**. The **sidewalks on Ganong Drive** have seen significant repairs. By the time you read this, **Bowen Road** should be **repaved with a designated walking lane**. We are also changing part of **McCutcheon Lane to one way and altering its intersection with Picketts Corners Road** to make the area safer, especially for walkers. As I write this, we expect to be paving this month, some of it is still FEMA-related.

### Increased Costs

With the new system of obtaining **Commercial Driver's licenses**, keeping our **Highway Department adequately staffed** has become much harder. This, of course, makes getting all the summer projects completed more difficult. As Clinton County has been reluctant to compensate us for the increased costs associated with plowing their roads, we, along with a number of other towns, may no longer be responsible for maintenance of County roads in the winter. An example is the **increased cost of trucks**. A truck ordered in **2018** would cost **\$211,000** and would probably be delivered in **eight months**. A similar truck ordered **today** would cost **\$336,000** and it would take **2 years** to get. From 2018 to last winter, our compensation for plowing county roads **increased 15.3%**.

### Preparing a Budget

We are currently **preparing for the 2026 Budget**. The Town Board expects to **raise less revenue** for the items we control than we did in 2022. **Electric rate increases** will probably necessitate an increase for those in lighting districts. As a previous budget cut those taxes, they will probably just go back to the levels of a few years ago.

### Election Season

**The 2025 election is coming soon**. This is a very unusual year. There will be **more county-wide races** than usual because both the **County Treasurer and County Clerk** positions have been vacant for some time. There will also be a race for **Assemblyman**. For local races, **Albany mandated changes to even year races**. This means some races will be for 1-year terms, some for 3-year terms, and one for a 4-year term. Supervisor, Highway Superintendent, and Town Clerk will be 1-year terms. Councilors and Tax Collector will be 3-year terms, and Justice of the Peace will be a 4-year term. **In 2023, Saranac had the highest voter turnout in Clinton County**. I hope we can do it again.

**Voting is one way to get people involved**, but we would like to **hear from our residents** on a regular basis. Our **Board meetings normally attract few people**. Several of our Town races have no formal opponents this year. Going forward, it is **important that more people become involved**. As always, **we want to hear your concerns and your ideas**.

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## MOUNTAIN LIONS SNOWMOBILE CLUB NEWS

### Dennis and Bonnie Wright

Our club recently lost another President, **Allison Tucker**. He was president for many, many years, participating right up until he fell ill last winter. Allison loved the sport and rode sleds into his eighties. He was respected and dedicated. We are grateful to him for his dedication to our club and our deepest condolences go out to his family.

On a happier note, we hope everyone enjoyed their summer and are looking forward to the fall and winter. **Preparations have already begun** for this season. Members have been busy putting in **five new bridges** that are now complete. Four were on the **S88 trail (Owlyout trail)** and one on the **S86 trail in Saranac**. The club also **rented an excavator** to make the improvements needed on the S88 trail. This trail is heavily traveled, and these upgrades should make a **safer and more enjoyable ride** for all.



Our meetings are the **first Thursday** of every month at **7:00 pm** starting in September at the **Saranac Town Hall**. We are **hoping to see new faces** at the meeting; getting younger people to become involved is critical to keeping our club alive. We are **hoping for a safe and snow-filled season!**

**Josh Fleming**, who is chairing the **2025-26 raffle for a new Skidoo**, has been busy, as well. With the help of **Robert's Sports**, we will be raffling a **new 2026 Skidoo MXZ 600** again this year. He has been busy getting the permit, tickets, and ordering the posters. **Tickets should be available soon** and our goal this year is to surpass last year's sales. **The raffle winner will be drawn December 22, 2025**. All net proceeds are used to support our grooming operations.



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POLITICAL  
COMMITTEES:

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Tuesday & Thursday  
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dannemoraor@jceo.org  
www.jceo.org

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**Mark Your Calendar:****BOARD MEETINGS****Regular Meetings**

Monday, October 13

Monday, October 27

Monday, November 17

Monday, December 15

**6:00 pm Saranac Town Hall  
Open to the Public****COLUMBUS DAY**

Monday, October 13

**HALLOWEEN**

Friday, October 31

**DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME  
ENDS**

Sunday, November 2

**ELECTION DAY**

Tuesday, November 4

**VETERANS DAY**

Tuesday, November 11

**THANKSGIVING**

Thursday, November 27

**FIRST DAY OF WINTER**

Saturday, December 21

**HANUKKAH BEGINS**

Sunday, December 14

**CHRISTMAS**

Thursday, December 25

**NEW YEAR'S EVE**

Wednesday, December 31

**SUMMER SURE ZIPPED  
BY FAST....****Lisa Racette**  
*Saranac Town Historian*

**Kid's Day** was great! The weather was perfect and the kids had a blast! Our **Field Day**- again- Mother Nature seems to rain on our parade, literally. But, I want to give a **huge shout out to Sylvia Newman** for organizing the parade. **She is The Best!!**

I want to thank **vendors** who came to the Field Day and stuck it out. I also want to thank the **bands** who came: **The Terry Mountain Boys and Pickin' in the Peaks** (a young group of kids). WOW! If you ever get a chance to hear them, they are fantastic! **Kiel Love** also performed.

We can't forget our **Food Trucks!** Even the **State Police** were in attendance with the **Seatbelt Convincer!** The night ended perfectly with **spectacular fireworks!**

We will hold a **Trunk or Treat** event again this year- **Saturday, October 25<sup>th</sup>, 1:00 – 3:00 pm.** Please let me know if you would like to join our afternoon of fun. And parents, bring your littles for a safe and fun time.

Saranac 7<sup>th</sup> Grade  
Fundraiser

**BOTTLE DRIVE  
&  
CAR WASH**

**Saturday  
October 4<sup>th</sup>  
9 am- 2 pm**  
\$10 minimum donation

Drop off your returnables!  
We will also be collecting  
throughout the district.  
You can even leave  
donations at the end of your  
driveway or near your  
mailbox for easy pick up.

Saranac Middle School  
70 Picketts Corners Rd

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## MOUNTAIN LIONS SNOWSLED CLUB

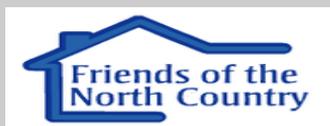
Seasonal Monthly Meetings  
On the First Thursday  
September through April  
7:00 - 8:30 pm

Saranac Town Hall  
Dennis Wright  
Club President  
518 - 572 - 7008

## GIRL SCOUTS OF NORTHEASTERN NEW YORK



For information,  
please contact  
Crystalle Burnell  
518 - 335 - 7705



Friends of the North Country, Inc. (Friends) is a not-for-profit agency dedicated to helping our neighbors address their affordable housing needs.

If you are having trouble paying your mortgage or rent payments, or need assistance with your home repairs, please call.

**Crystal Narducci**  
*Executive Director*

1387 Hardscrabble Rd.  
Cadyville, NY 12918  
518 - 293 - 5045

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

## FRIENDS OF THE NORTH COUNTRY, INC. (FRIENDS)

Crystal Narducci, *Executive Director*

We are here to help our neighbors - especially during these difficult times!

### Grant Programs

To help our low-to-moderate income neighbors address their housing needs, Friends applies for and administers affordable housing grants. **Friends is currently accepting applications for the following affordable housing grants:**

**NYS and HOME Manufactured Mobile Home Replacement Programs** (throughout Clinton and Franklin Counties). Each of these programs are designed to replace mobile/manufactured homes with significant health, safety and building code violations.

**HOME Rehabilitation Program** (throughout Clinton and Franklin Counties). This program is designed to address health and safety issues, building code violations, and improve energy-efficiency.

**Access to Home** (throughout Clinton and Franklin Counties). This program includes accessibility modifications that will improve quality of life for disabled and frail/elderly residents. Typical modifications include egress ramps, widened doorways, low-lip showers and grab bars.

**CDBG Rehabilitation Programs** for the following municipalities: Bangor, Belmont, Chateaugay, Clinton, Constable, Town and Village of Malone, Moira, and Saranac. These programs are designed to address health and safety issues, building code violations, and improve energy-efficiency.

**We still have openings in Clinton County for all four grants. Saranac residents, please apply!**

### How to Contact Us: 518-293-5045

(To request an application for affordable housing grants or for Housing Counseling services)

**Bethany Roberts**, Housing Counselor ext.135  
[broberts@friendsofthenorthcountry.org](mailto:broberts@friendsofthenorthcountry.org)

**Christina Girouard**, Counseling Manager ext. 125  
[cpiercy@friendsofthenorthcountry.org](mailto:cpiercy@friendsofthenorthcountry.org)  
1387 Hardscrabble Road, Cadyville  
8:00-3:30 Monday - Friday  
Appointment recommended  
[www.friendsofthenorthcountry.org](http://www.friendsofthenorthcountry.org)  
[info@friendsofthenorthcountry.org](mailto:info@friendsofthenorthcountry.org)

## COURT CLERK

MARGARET  
SHUTTS

- **Court Phone**  
518 - 293 - 8082
- **Fax Number (New)**  
518 - 704 - 2956
- **Email**  
[mshutts@nycourts.gov](mailto:mshutts@nycourts.gov)

3668 STATE ROUTE 3  
(NEXT TO THE TOWN HALL)

Saranac Town Court is  
open **MONDAY'S only.**

We are closed on **ALL**  
State and Federal  
holidays, or their  
observance day,  
if it is a Monday.

Court normally begins  
about **4:30 pm,** unless  
you are otherwise  
advised by the Court or  
your attorney.

The Clerk is at court  
**starting at 2:00 pm to**  
**collect fines and provide**  
**general information.**

We have no set closing  
time; when our calendar  
is cleared, we do our  
paperwork and close  
for the night.

If Court is closed due  
to an unexpected  
emergency, there will  
be a notice posted on  
the door. You should  
contact the Court, or  
your attorney if you  
have one, to get a new  
return date.

# WARM DAYS, COOL NIGHTS.... FALL IS HERE!

With summer behind us, there are a lot of great things that happened in our town that deserve mention. **Swimming lessons** served just under 200 kids and our new **WSI, Miss Abbey**, did a great job in her first year of instructing.

Kiddos **hip hopped and painted** their way through our **Fitness in the Park** summer offerings. Our tiny humans **kayaked** the waters of the Saranac River, learning how to maneuver and paddle their boats.

**Baseball** and **Softball**, along with **T-Ball**, had amazing weather and great seasons. **Soccer season** also has just about come and gone, with games wrapping up by the second week of October. Time sure flies when you are having fun!

**Basketball** signups are **available online** and will be **available until DECEMBER 14**. Check out [townofsaranac.com](http://townofsaranac.com) or find us on Facebook for all your registration needs.

We would like to take the time to **recognize those who give themselves, their time, and their experience to coach our kids**. None of this happens without YOU!

Baseball: **Joe House, Otis Rabideau, Jennifer Facteau-Rabideau, and Jackson Coryer**

Softball: **Rebecca Bertrand and Amie Luton**

T-Ball: **Santanah Dodd, Casey Gould, Haydin Fountain, and Jon Merrihew**

Bantam Soccer: **John Foppert, and Jen Drucker**

Peewee Soccer: **Travis Cayea, Shayne O'Neill, Jackie Stewart, Kayla Barber, and Amie Luton**

Mites Soccer: **Luke Tyrrell, Amanda Menard, Erica Johnson, and Alyssa Wilson**

Mini Mites: **Wendy Rascoe, Izzy McGraw, Alex and Jasmine Holtsclaw**

We thank you for the opportunity to do what we love: **help our kids and our community be active and involved**. As always, if you have **ideas for programs** or creative ways to make things happen, **please contact us**.

**Jaki Carter**  
*The Rec Human*

## **SARANAC AMERICAN LEGION POST 1618**

I am sorry to report there will not be an article in this issue of The Town Crier. The American Legion, including Legionnaires, Sons of the American Legion, Legion Riders, and Legion Auxiliary, regrets there isn't enough time to properly report. They have been busier than ever hosting a recent Honor Flight, Tuesday music with the Terry Mountain Boys, parade participation, fundraisers, barbeques, their Labor Day Steak, Chicken, and Clam Bake, Harvest Dinner, and so much more.

Our community is so **fortunate** to have such **active** and generous groups in our neighborhood. We are **full of gratitude**.

**Nancy Dow**  
*Town Crier Editor*

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**October 18th, 2025**

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## RURAL PRESERVATION COMPANY (RPC) OF CLINTON COUNTY, INC.

**Jennifer Amell**  
*Executive Director*

**Jolita Aubin**  
*Program & Properties Director*

We are a not-for-profit dedicated to help improve housing conditions of low-income families within Clinton County. RPC uses grant funding, as well as donations, to help homeowners with necessary or emergency repairs.

RPC is also ready to **help find other agencies** willing to assist homeowners who may not qualify for available grants. If you, or someone you know, need help with emergency home repairs, please reach out.

**(518) 293 - 7569**  
**48 Ganong Drive, Suite 1**  
**Saranac, NY**  
**M - F 8:00 - 3:30**  
**rpc@clintonrpc.org**  
**www.clintonrpc.org**

## DANNEMORA MUSEUM

**Larry Seney**  
**Town Historian**  
**and Colleen Seney**  
**518 - 293 - 7025**

**Open By Appointment**

**April - November**  
**1st Saturday**  
**10:00 - 2:00**

**Photo Gallery**  
**Please Stop By**

## RURAL PRESERVATION COMPANY (RPC) OF CLINTON COUNTY, INC. HOW CAN WE HELP?

### GRANT AVAILABILITY

RPC still has availability on the following grants: **Access to Home** (Accessibility Needs), and **HEROES** (Disabled Veteran Home Repair and accessibility needs). These repairs could include, but are not limited to, roofs, heating systems, foundations, electrical, plumbing, as well as accessibility needs such as ramps, grab bars and walk-in showers. Grants can take the burden off for years to come. If you have questions, feel free to reach out.

### SMALLER EMERGENCY HOME REPAIRS

RPC's EHRF (Emergency Home Repair Fund) offers a one-time emergency home repair for income-eligible homeowners in Clinton County. This fund is made possible with **donations from foundations, local businesses, and citizens**. Last year we were able to help numerous homeowners with frozen pipes, leaking roofs, plumbing and septic issues, electrical problems, etc. Before stressing over an emergency home repair, call and see if we may be able to help.

### RPC IS NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR SENIOR HOUSING!!

Saranac Valley Housing (SARANAC), Twin Oaks Senior Housing (ALTONA), Centennial House (SARANAC), and Beekmantown Senior Housing (WEST CHAZY) are all managed by RPC and apartments frequently come available, so it is best to be on the list for when they do. Information and applications can be found on our website.

### CONTRACTORS

RPC is **still seeking licensed contractors!!!** If you have Workers' Compensation insurance, you are EPA Certified and would like to be added to our contractor list to bid on grant projects, give us a call. All our grant projects are located in Clinton County.

### JUST HAVE QUESTIONS?

Feel free to stop in or contact our office at **518-293-7569** **M-F 8:00 to 3:30 pm** for more information or visit our website at **www.clintonrpc.org**. We also post regular updates and office closings to our **Facebook** page so remember to **LIKE** and **FOLLOW** us on Facebook.

### DONATIONS

REMEMBER, even if you don't need help with repairs or accessibility needs, it is always nice to help others. So, if you would like to help, **monetary donations for the Emergency Home Repair Fund are always welcome**. Since RPC is a registered 501(c)3 non-profit organization, **all donations are 100% tax deductible!**

## VILLAGE OF DANNEMORA COMMUNITY CENTER

40 Emmons Street  
P.O. Box 566  
Dannemora, NY 12929

518 - 492 - 7000

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**Calendar of Events**  
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**Visit our Facebook page,**  
***Village of Dannemora***

## DANNEMORA FREE LIBRARY

### Hours of Operation

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**Saturday 11:00 - 4:00**

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## SARANAC CUB SCOUTS Grades K-5 Boys and Girls

**For more information,**  
**please call:**

**Jen Drucker**  
**518 - 569 - 1978**

**Louis Plante**  
**518 - 578 - 8609**

**Jane Cannon**  
**518 - 492 - 3058**

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Raymond LeDuc Jr., *Code Enforcement Officer*

518-293-6666 Ext. 5

[codeofficer@townofsaranac.com](mailto:codeofficer@townofsaranac.com)

**WE HAVE UPDATED BUILDING PERMIT REQUIREMENTS, INCLUDING RATE CHANGES, EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 1, 2025. PLEASE CONTACT ME WITH ANY QUESTIONS.**

## **BUILDING PERMIT REQUIREMENTS**

Building permits are required for all building structures, including alterations and additions. There will not be a charge for non-residential structures under 144 square feet in total size that do not require electricity and plumbing. General repairs and household maintenance do not require a permit unless there will be structural alterations done to the building. Any permits not listed below will be assessed based on the anticipated cost of inspections at \$50 per hour. All permits will require a filing fee and all other applicable fees to be paid prior to a permit being issued. A permit application must be filled out and submitted to the Code Enforcement Officer with the necessary details of the project. All projects must meet the Uniform Fire Code Standards and New York State Building Codes Standards. Inspections will be conducted at different phases of the project; **IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE PERMIT HOLDER TO CONTACT THE CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER WHEN THESE PHASES ARE COMPLETED SO AN INSPECTION CAN BE SCHEDULED WITH THE CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER.** Upon completion of the project, a Certificate of Occupancy or a Certificate of Compliance will be issued to show the project is completed. The Town of Saranac follows the Adirondack Park Agency's zoning laws, and most projects will need jurisdictional approval from the Adirondack Park Agency prior to a Town Building Permit being issued.

### **Junk Yard Permits**

The Town of Saranac will not consider any Junk Yard Permits until the applicant acquires, in writing, approval from the New York State Department of Conservation or NYSDEC, to operate a Vehicle Dismantling Facility. They must comply with all NYSDEC's regulations prior to applying for a Junk Yard Permit. Once all NYSDEC regulations are met, the applicant can submit for a Junk Yard Permit, and they must appear before the Town Board to petition for the Board's approval for a Junk Yard Permit. If Board approval is given, all permit fees must then be paid before a Junk Yard Permit is issued.

### **Demolition Permits**

Demolition Permits, before being issued, will require a site visit be conducted. If the structure was built prior to 1980, it will be required to have an Asbestos and Lead Screening Test completed. If asbestos or lead are found in the structure, a plan for removal will need to be submitted and approved prior to a Demolition Permit being issued.

### **Town of Saranac Permit Fees**

- \* Filing Fee - \$30.00
- \* Residential Permit - \$0.20 per total square footage home
- \* Manufactured Home Permit - \$0.20 per total square footage of home
- \* Accessory Structure Permit - \$0.15 per total square footage of structure
- \* Commercial Building Permits - \$0.40 per square footage of building
- \* Permit Renewal – **WILL BE YEARLY** – 25% of original / minimum of \$50.00
- \* Demo Permit - \$50.00
- \* Stove/Chimney/Heating Unit Permit or Inspection - \$50.00
- \* Rehab/Remodel Permit - \$0.15 per total square footage / minimum of \$50.00
- \* Pool Permit - \$50.00
- \* Solar Panels/System Permit - \$15.00 per panel / minimum of \$75.00
- \* Cell Tower Permit - \$200.00
- \* Business Sign Permit - \$50.00
- \* Junk Yard Permit - \$1000.00
- \* Fire Inspection Fee - \$50.00 per hour
- \* Inspections on Demand Fee - \$50.00 per hour / minimum of \$50.00
- \* Records Search – Residential \$30.00 / Commercial \$50.00 (plus copy fee)

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**PELLERIN**

**Office Hours**

9:00 am to 1:00 pm

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**THE IRON WORKS AT IRONDALE.**

While on a visit to H. A. Wood's at Irondale, Clinton Co., we visited the Iron Works belonging to Hon. A. Williams, which is doing a fine business. It is all under the charge of H. A. Wood, who is competent and well qualified for the business. The forge is running four fires, two tours a day, and averages thirty-two loads or four tons every twenty-four hours. While we were there they were making iron from ore taken from the bed of the river, (when the Trombly sieve was in use a good deal of ore was lost and washed down the river.) It made very good iron but a great deal of cinder.

They run six coal kilns near the forge and four above Cold Brook. There are four at Cold Brook belonging to the Clayburg works but which they buy. The mine or ore bed is one and three-fourth miles from the forge. The ore is conveyed to the forge by two teams mostly, it was formerly run to the river by cars and from there to the forge by a large boat, capable of carrying about thirty-two tons, but the present arrangements are far the cheapest. They have built a new plank and cinder road most of the way.

The mine is one hundred and fifty-seven feet deep perpendicularly, and about sixty feet wide. We had the pleasure of making the descent, which is tedious, being upon ladders nearly perpendicular, attached to each other by ropes and chains; it is a cold, dreary, dismal place. The ore taken from this mine is said to be the best in that section of the country. The iron made from it is nearly all disposed of, notwithstanding the hard times.

They employ seventy-five men by the day, besides those who work by the job.

We drove over to the Clayburgh works, which is also owned by Mr. Williams, and is under the skillful management of W. F. Davidson. They have built the forge over new, besides making other improvements.

8/27/1875 NICKRAL.

**CLINTON COUNTY  
CONVENIENCE STATIONS**

Saranac  
802 Ore Bed Rd.

Tuesday  
9:00 am - Noon

Saturday  
9:00 am - Noon

518 - 293 - 8149

Lyon Mountain  
4353 Route 374

Wednesday  
9:00 am - Noon

Saturday  
9:00 am - Noon

518 - 425 - 6823

Schyler Falls  
335 Sand Rd, Morrisonville

Tuesday  
9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Thursday  
9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Saturday  
9:00 am - Noon

518 - 425 - 6823

## DOG CONTROL OFFICER,

**LOU PLANTE**

All **DOG** calls are through Town of Saranac 518-293-6666, ext. 8

Please leave your **name, phone number, date** and **time** of your call, **address relating to the issue, and a detailed message to describe the nature of the complaint or concern. DO NOT personally contact Tri-Lakes Animal Shelter.**

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

**Local Law** - It shall be unlawful for any owner of any dog to permit or allow such dog to engage in habitual howling, barking, crying or whining or to conduct itself in such a manner as to unreasonably and habitually annoy or disturb any person other than the owner of the dog, regardless of whether or not the dog is on the owner's premises.

**Missing Dog** - If your dog is **missing** or you pick up a **stray**, aside from leaving a voicemail message, **posting a photo on Facebook** helps get owners and pets reunited.

## SARANAC BOOK CLUB

The Saranac Book Club meets at the Saranac Fire Department the 3rd Wednesday at 7:00 pm (&/or a virtual option is possible).

September: Patriot, a Memoir by Alexei Navalny

October: Middlesex by Jeffrey Eugenides

November: Reflections on a Father and His Son by local author James Howard Jr.

December: The 13th Gift by Joanne Huist Smith

New members are welcome and may contact Marcia ([mnewcombe728@gmail.com](mailto:mnewcombe728@gmail.com)) for updates.

## PAUL SMITH'S COLLEGE OFFERING FREE STREAMSIDE PROPERTY ASSESSMENTS

Paul Smith's College Adirondack Watershed Institute (AWI) is **extending** its offer of **free streamside property assessments** for landowners in the Saranac River watershed, available **now through October**.

The assessments are part of **Stream Wise**, a voluntary program that helps landowners protect and enhance stream health. Participants receive expert guidance on strengthening their property's resilience to flooding, erosion, and property loss while improving water quality and wildlife habitat.

"Stream Wise gives landowners practical tools to make a real difference for both their property and the watershed," said **Sara Kelly, AWI Research Scientist**. By acting now, landowners can help protect the Saranac River and the larger Lake Champlain Basin. Each assessment includes **mapping, a site visit, and a customized report with recommendations**. Properties that qualify may also receive up to **\$150 in reimbursement** for plants or erosion-control materials.

Assessments are open to streamside landowners in the Saranac River watershed, including parts of Santa Clara, Harrietstown, North Elba, St. Armand, Brighton, Franklin, Black Brook, Saranac, Beekmantown, Dannemora, and Plattsburgh. For more information or to schedule a free assessment, contact AWI at [info@adkwatershed.org](mailto:info@adkwatershed.org), call (518)-327-6054, or visit [www.adkwatershed.org/stream-wise](http://www.adkwatershed.org/stream-wise). Funding for Stream Wise is provided by the Lake Champlain Basin Program (LCBP).

## DANNEMORA BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE IS BUSY PLANNING UPCOMING EVENTS

Greetings and happy fall from the Village of Dannemora! We would like to thank everyone for their support during our summertime events. The **Village Beautification Committee** meets the **3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday** of every month at **6:00pm** in the **VBC Room at the Community Center**. We are **always looking for volunteers** to join our committee and help with events...stop by for a meeting and see what it is all about!

Mark your calendars and bring your ghosts and goblins to the annual **Trunk or Treat** which will take place at the Community Center **Sunday, October 26th, from 1:00 – 3:00 pm**. Come early and grab some lunch or grab dinner after. **Bunz on the Run** will be in attendance for all your food truck needs! This event will take place **rain or shine!** Keep an eye out for **sign-up sheets** if you would like to enter a trunk and distribute candy. It is always a fun time to see all the costumes who come through and the smile on the faces of the participants.

Our **Annual Tree Lighting at the Gazebo** will be held on **December 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm**. Come enjoy some **cocoa and cookies** with our community and who knows, maybe get a visit in with **Jolly Old Saint Nick himself!**

The Village Beautification Committee is **always planning!** So far, we have the following events scheduled for next year and would love your help:

**Easter Egg Hunt - March 29, 2026, 1:00 – 3:00 pm**, at the Community Center in Dannemora.

**Mainly Lobster Fundraiser Dinner - February 9, 2026, 4:00 – 7:00 pm**. Be sure to watch for tickets – they will be on sale soon! Come enjoy some great food with some great company. It's always fun to enjoy a meal with friends!

Our annual **Village Fest**, which will celebrate the **125<sup>th</sup> Birthday of the Village**, will be **July 17 – 19, 2026**. Plans for events throughout the weekend are in the works and details will be released later. Be sure to sport your **Red, White, and Blue!**

Be sure to **mark them on your calendar** and stay tuned for further details!

# HILL AND HOLLOW MUSIC

## SLAVIC SOUL PARTY!

Sunday, October 12 at 3:00 pm

Strand Theater, Plattsburgh

Tickets: \$20-\$30-\$40. available at the box office or online ([strandcenter.org/theatre-events](http://strandcenter.org/theatre-events))

Fiery Balkan brass, irresistible beats, Roma (Gypsy) accordion wizardry, and virtuoso jazz chops make Slavic Soul Party NYC's official #1 brass band for Balkan Soul, Gypsy and Funk. Nine musicians pump the sounds of New York life through a Balkan brass filter, making new music out of immigration, integration, and ingenuity. The band's Tuesday night residency in Brooklyn – running for over 20 years – has become a destination for music fans from around the world, famous for “delivering a great time” (*New York Times*). In two decades of touring North America, Europe, and beyond, SSP! has performed everywhere from Serbian schoolyards to prison courtyards, Turkish palaces to Russian baths, dive bars to Carnegie Hall, from Amsterdam to Zacatecas and Austria to Zimbabwe.



“Of all the NYC dance bands that draw on Eastern European music, Slavic Soul Party! is the coolest. Its members seem acutely aware of the common principle that unites the traditions they borrow from: music ought to move you.” (*TimeOut NY*)

## ENSEMBLE LA FOLIA

Sunday, November 23 at 3:00 pm

Saranac Methodist Church

Admission \$20 at the door; open seating

A gorgeous program of baroque music, entitled “The Still Point of the Turning World,” offers works by Vivaldi, Biber, Buxtehude, Telemann, Bach, and Handel performed by top early music artists Dorian Bandy and Catherine Cosby on violin and viola with Hank Knox, harpsichord.

Canadian harpsichordist Hank Knox is a luminary on the international baroque music scene and has influenced generations of musicians as head of the Early Music Program at McGill University in Montreal for more than three decades. Knox is a founding member of Montreal's Arion Baroque Orchestra and has released solo recordings devoted to Scarlatti, Bach and Frescobaldi, duos by J.S. Bach and Antonio Vivaldi.



Dorian Bandy's performances—praised for their “impressive emotional scope” and a “virtuosity [that is] relentless, precise, and, above all, dazzling” (*The Whole Note*)—have taken him to venues including London's Wigmore and Cadogan Halls, Amsterdam's Concertgebouw, and New York's Symphony Space. Catherine Cosby's performances, described by *Strad Magazine* as “polished, radiant, and incisive,” have taken her to venues and festivals across the US, Canada, and Europe, including the Kennedy Center, Carnegie Hall, Ottawa Chamber Fest, Detroit Chamber Music Society, Esterhazy String Quartet Festival, and Festspiele Mecklenburg-Vorpommern. Catherine was awarded the Gold Medal and Grand Prize at the Fischhoff National Chamber Music Competition

October 2025

## THE NEW LAND TRUST

236 Plumadore Road  
Saranac, NY

### After Dark Policy:

For night visiting or  
overnight outdoor camping,  
contact **Hal Moore**  
518 - 570 - 5375  
No camping allowed  
in the Clubhouse.

For events, updates, photos,  
and a printable map, visit:  
[www.thenewlandtrust.org](http://www.thenewlandtrust.org)  
or contact by email:  
[newlandtrust@gmail.com](mailto:newlandtrust@gmail.com)

## 911 ADDRESS SIGNS

Visit your local Fire  
Department, **Monday**  
**evenings**, between **6:00** and  
**8:00 pm** to complete  
paperwork or call  
**518-293-8290**  
to place an order  
over the phone

## OUTBACK RIDERS INC. ATV CLUB

Monthly meetings are held  
year-round every second  
Monday, 7:00 pm

Clinton County Fairgrounds  
Fish and Game Building

Alfred Chapple  
Club President  
518 - 566 - 9571  
[Outbackridersinc.org](http://Outbackridersinc.org)

Membership is open  
to the public

# HERE'S WHAT'S COOKIN'

Nancy Dow  
*Town Crier Editor*

Typically, my main challenge in preparing this newsletter is to figure out how to format and organize the submissions to fit. In the 12 years I have volunteered as Editor, I have only needed to fill empty space a handful of times.

Guess what? I have empty space. Seems like a good time to share a recipe that is always quite popular with family and guests.

## Ratatouille

1 - 2 lbs. sweet or hot sausage ( I use 1 lb. each)

1 onion, chopped

1 pepper, cubed (I use colorful sweet peppers)

28 oz. tomato puree

28 oz. diced tomatoes

1 zucchini, leave skin on, diced into small chunks

Salt and pepper, to taste

Cook sausage, onion, and pepper until done. Add tomatoes and zucchini. Simmer until zucchini is cooked, about 30 minutes.

This is a really easy recipe to double for a large gathering, for leftovers, or a potluck.



4<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL  
**TRUNK OR  
TREAT**

**WHERE:** CHURCH OF THE ASSUMPTION  
PARISH CENTER PARKING LOT

**WHEN:** SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2025

**TIME:** 12:00PM-2:00PM

If interested in decorating your trunk and passing out treats,  
please contact Mary at (518)570-5422 or (518) 293-5168  
to reserve your space!



**KIDS ORNAMENT &  
CRAFT DAY**

**ALL ARE WELCOME**

**WHERE:** CHURCH OF THE ASSUMPTION  
PARISH CENTER GYM (THE OLD REDFORD SCHOOL)

**WHEN:** SUNDAY, DECEMBER 14th, 2025

**TIME:** 12PM-2PM

If interested in sponsoring & running a table, please contact the  
parish center at (518)293-5168 or Ron at (518)570-8024

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## A NOTE FROM PARADE CHAIR SYLVIA NEWMAN

I want to **thank all the participants in the parade** on September 6<sup>th</sup> for the **Saranac Field Day**. It was a cool, rainy day and the brave people who showed up were amazing. **Pipes and Drums of Plattsburgh bagpipers** showed up but could not play because of the rain; so sad.

Following the parade, a **dedication ceremony** of the new **Town Clock** on the Town Green, donated **by the Saranac American Legion Post 1618**, was held. The clock is dedicated to **veterans of the Town of Saranac**. I want to thank members of the Legion for their **generosity**. It is a **beautiful addition** to our Park on the Green.

So, thanks to everyone who turned out for the parade.

Sylvia



Saranac United Women in Faith Fundraiser

### Spaghetti Dinner



Saturday  
 October 18, 2025  
 4 pm ~ 7 pm

Take-outs  
 Available  
 518-293-8142

Spaghetti, Garden Salad, Rolls, Coffee, Tea, & Cake

Adults ~ \$10.00 Age 5 - 11~ \$5.00 Under 5 ~ Free

White Elephant Sale Table

Saranac United Methodist Church  
 8 UMC Road, Saranac