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# **Village of New Berlin releases** new text alert system

ZACHARY MESECK GAZETTE STAFF WRITER

NEW BERLIN - The Village of New Berlin recently announced that it has completed a text-based information distribution service with sign-up information available on its website.

According to Village of New Berlin Mayor Terry Potter, New Berlin is now providing residents a textbased information service that will allow the village board to send out updates for local projects, community events, severe weather, and more.

Potter said those who are interested in signing up for the service can fill out information on the village website, thevillageofnewberlin. org/. He said updates will be sent out to cell phones through text messages as needed.

"If the way things are now happens to be the new norm, this will be a great way to get the

one in our community," said Potter. "We started this communications project a little over a year ago, and our board member Dave Smith has put a lot of effort into making sure we got the right program at the best price."

"We came up with the idea while working on a couple of projects last year; we wanted to invest in a way that we could quickly update residents on how different stages of our projects were progressing."

Potter said another goal of the new system is to keep communication lines open with the residents of New Berlin especially during times like the current pandemic. Potter added that the system has a variety of different uses from weather warnings to community events.

"During the winter months I think it's important that we're able to share weather advisories from the county as well," he said. "It's another way that people can stay in tune

message out to every- with what's going on in our community as we move forward with this new norm."

> Village of New Berlin Board Member Dave Smith also spoke on the system, and said the text alert system was chosen after extensive testing and cost comparison by board mem-

> Smith said signing up is easy, and all that is required is the phone number the alerts will be sent to.

> "All you really need to do is enter your phone number, it does have a place for a first and last name but that's not really required," said Smith. "We're hoping people take advantage of this opportunity to stay up-to-date with what's going on in New Berlin, and anyone with questions can visit the village website or send us an email."

Those who are interested in signing up for the service may visit thevillageofnewberlin.org/ for additional information.



The Friends of Rogers nonprofit is doing a Tesla Model S raffle to promote education on electric vehicles and to raise money for the Rogers Environmental Center. (Photo by Zachary Meseck)

# Friends of Rogers raffles Tesla as main fundraiser for 2020

SHERBURNE - The Rogers Center's managing organization, Friends of Rogers, is raffling off a Tesla S as their main fundraiser, and representatives of the organization said raffle tickets are selling for as low as five dollars.

According to Friends of Rogers Communications Director Heather Tehan, Friends of Rogers started an Electric Car Raffle on Thursday, May 14.

**Sherburne-Earlville School District names new** 

Tehan said the Electric Car Raffle is a new fundraiser for Friends of Rogers, featuring a prize of a 2015 Tesla Model S valued at approximately \$35,000, and it will be available on-site at the Rogers Center in front of the Visitor Center for people to see, as staff is available, until the buildings are reopened.

She said the raffle will run until 6 p.m. on October 14, and the drawing will be held at noon on October 21, at Rogers Center and will be open to the public. She added that tickets are five dollars each, five tickets for \$20, and for those who would like more, other bundles are available. All details and rules for the raffle can be found on their website, www. FriendsofRogers.org under the "Win a Tesla" tab.

"We hope to introduce people to the electric vehicle while

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has announced that Robert Berson has been appointed as district superintendent, effec-

tive July 1. According to a statement from the school, Berson will succeed Eric Schnabl, who has led the District for the past six years. Representatives said Berson is currently serving as Superintendent of Schools for the Otselic Valley Central School District.

They said his leader-

SHERBURNE - The ship process involves Sherburne-Earlville a high level of team-Board of Education work combined with personal investment in the school's greatest resource: its students, staff, and community.

They added that this investment process begins with instilling belief in oneself, building trust, and demonstrating a commitment to keeping promises and fulfilling dreams. Behind this investment is respect for and belief in the value of everyone's diverse and meaningful contributions to the school com-



Robert Berson munity.

As Superintendent, Berson implemented a collaborative strategic planning process that helped lead the district into academic good standing. This process also helped literacy needs of all position the district for students. One notable greater success relative to social-emotional growth through support of mindfulness practices, while simultaneously building the foundational framework for implementation of a true professional learning community.

Under his leadership, the district prioritized literacy initiatives such as Language Essentials for Teachers of Reading and Spelling (LETRS), and professional support for all teachers to serve and meet the outcome was a substantial increase in student achievement on yearend assessments.

Berson's collaboration and partnership building with the wider community led to successful passage of a capital project, and an award of \$400,000 from the New York State Regional **Economic** Development Council (REDC) 2019 Grant, helping to establish a municipal share

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we raise money for our environmental education programs to continue," said Tehan. "We are facing a year without the Spring Frolic and the cancellation of the school field trips and outreach programs. so that makes this our main fundraiser for the year."

Tehan said this works as a great educational opportunity to showcase the benefit of electric vehicles as well as address some concerns people with "range anxiety" might have.

"We wanted to do an electric car raffle, and introduce people to the electric vehicle option, especially here in the State of New York," she said. "People are afraid. There's something called range anxiety where people worry because they think if they take an electric car around they may be stranded without a fuel station."

"With a Tesla like this, there's a cord that comes with it, allowing people to charge it from home, making it a better option, especially with everything going on right now - this is something that you can charge at home and never have to touch a gas station pump handle again."

Tehan said for those who want to charge the Tesla on the go, Sherburne has a free to use electrical charging station which is compatible with the vehicle as well, and that a single charge lasts up to around 240 miles.

She said that if brand purchased new, the Tesla would approximately cost \$80,000.

She added that even though programs and field trips have been cancelled, the number of people going to Rogers Center is up from last year.

Executive Director of raffle.

Rogers Environmental Center Simon Solomon. spoke on the increased number of visitors and said,"We are excited to see so many people enjoying the property with their families, the kind of numbers we usually see in mid-summer."

He added, "It is nice to see that the community is still relying on us as a place to get outside and enjoy nature even with the buildings being closed at this time.'

Solomon said due the coronavirus, the center's buildings and restrooms remain closed until further notice. Solomon added that the trails are open and fish food are available in the dispensers near the trout ponds.

Those who are interested in learning more about the Tesla raffle may visit the Friends of Rogers Facebook page at friendsofrogers.org/



Pathfinder Village resident Casey B. has started training for the Virtual Splash Path 5K and Fun Walk on Saturday, May 30. The residential community and services provider is hosting an online run and walk to encourage friends, fans, and family members to enjoy the outdoors and to safely walk and run during ongoing COVID-19 safety measures. (Photo from Pathfinder Village.)

# Pathfinder to host Virtual Splash Path 5K on May 30

EDMESTON – Going strong for seven years, Pathfinder Village will host a virtual version of its popular Splash Path 5k and Fun Walk on Saturday, May 30. This event is free and will encourage participants to run or walk in their own neighborhoods. Registration is now open through the online running site, Race Roster at https://raceroster. com/events/2020/ 3 1 3 2 3 / virtual-splash-path-2020.

"It's spring and eager everyone is to go outside," said Monica Clark, chair of Pathfinder's signature 5k event. "Our May 30th event honors Pathfinder Village residents and is free to all, thanks to key sponsor Brown and Brown of New York. This is our way to say thank you to all our past supporters who have helped raise over \$80,000 for community inclusion and health projects through earlier Splash Path events."

Pathfinder Village is a residential community and service provider for those with Down syndrome and other disabilities. Due to ongoing group size restrictions and prevent the spread of COVID-19, Pathfinder is closed to visitors and has postponed its traditional 5k color runwalk event for athletes of all abilities until later in the year.

"We invite everyone to start exercising in a fun and safe way," Ms. Clark added. "We also encourage friends to share selfies and videos of their Splash Path walks and workouts at our Facebook event page and on Race Roster. Then, on May 30th, people may share their walks, runs and personal color bursts with confetti, colored water, or wearing colorful running costumes. Unleash your imagination."

Pathfinder Village is now partnering with ASICS-Runkeeper and Race Roster so that participants may keep track of and share their progress as they train for the fall 5k event. Details of that event will be announced at a later date.

# **Sherburne-Earlville School District** names new superintendent —

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with the Town Georgetown benefiting both district transportation and the Town Highway Department.

During his eightyear tenure at Otselic Valley, Berson tially served as the Principal and Business Administrator. Prior to Otselic Valley, he served as Executive Director at Iglesia Educational Center, was co-owner of Color Me Happy Childcare, and was the Middle School the Hannibal Central School District.

Berson completed Superintendent Development Program through the New York State Council of School Superintendents LEAF Future Superintendents Academy, The Leadership for Educational Achievement Foundation, Inc., NYSIR, and Capital Region BOCES in May 2017. He acquired his School for District Certification from

the SUNY Cortland, and his School District Administrator Certificate from New York State in 2006. He earned his Masters Education from the SUNY Oswego and his Bachelor of Science in Business Administration from Houghton College in 1997.

This June, he and his wife, Lisa, will celebrate their 20th wedding anniversary. They are Principal at Kenney Building and School blessed with two amaz-Leadership ing children, Aeden age 17, and Alayna age 11.

# May is building safety month Reminder to obtain construction permits

CHENANGO

COUNTY - Our region is now in phase one of the New York Forward opening plan. This to obtain one for a new Annual Building Safety phase allows for many project, please call the Month, a worldwide industries to reopen including construction, wholesale trade, manufacturing, certain retail, agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting.

The Chenango County Health Department Codes Division wants to remind builders, contractors, and the public to file their plans to build at this time. Building permits are required for most construction projects. It is important to act now so there is time for plan review and the approval process, ahead of the actual project start

If you have started a project early on without a permit or need Enforcement Office at 337-1796 to schedule an office visit at this time. You must call ahead for an appointment time slot before enter the building. We are encouraging residents to act now.

We understand that it may have been difficult for some customers to obtain a permit application or to acquire information regarding a project due to the restricted access to the building during the COVID-19 pandemic. The office has been

acting on applications by mail and answering questions by phone.

May is the 40<sup>th</sup> campaign presented by the International Code Council, its members and partners to promote building safety. This year's campaign, "Safer Buildings, Safer Communities, Safer World," highlights the importance of building codes for providing a strong and resilient built environment, and regularly updated codes that ensure that communities are protected in the face of disasters.

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DCMO School District	Students	Staff
Afton	June 17	June 17
Bainbridge-Guilford	June 15	June 19
Delaware Academy at Delhi	June 16	June 16
Downsville	June 12	June 15
Franklin	June 15	June 17
Gilbertsville-Mount Upton	June 17	June 17
Greene	June 15	June 15
Hancock	June 12	June 15
Norwich	June 17	June 18
Otselic Valley	June 15	June 15
Oxford	June 18	June 18
Sherburne-Earlville	June 12	June 15
Sidney	June 12	June 12
Unadilla Valley	June 17	June 19
Unatego	June 15	June 15
Walton	June 17	June 17

The above list shows last day of school dates for DCMO School Districts. (Graphic by DCMO BOCES)

# Last day of school set for **June**

By Tyler Murphy GSXRTTE MANAGING EDITOR

CHENANGO District Superintendent Perry Dewey announced last week that school districts in the the region have set tentative dates in June for the last day of the 2019-2020 school year

for students and staff.

"County closures related to the COVID-19 pandemic, remaining snow and emergency days, and independent school calendars, helped determine the specific last day of school dates for each of DCMO's 16 component districts," said Dewey.

Dewey cautioned that all dates listed could be subject to change and need to be approved by each district's board of education. He also said the tentative dates could change if health guidance from the the state is changed before June.

# Reminder to take care of your routine health care needs

From the Chenango County Health Department

CHENANGO **COUNTY** The Chenango County Department of Health wants to tell residents that it is important to continue to take care of yourself during this global health crisis. Some people have expressed fear about leaving their house even when they need immediate medical

We want to encourage you to reach out to your provider if you doing hundreds of have urgent healthcare needs or health issues that you may be neglecting due to COVID-19. If you have missed an appointment or a routine visit with your doctor, please call them to reschedule. Children should still be going to their pediatricians for regular care and scheduled immunizations. If you have a new healthcare concern that needs attention, it is important to address

There are many measures in place for patients not dealing with COVID-19 to safely see or talk to are important. Regular

their provider. United Health Services, Bassett Healthcare and other providers have implemented several changes in order to continue seeing patients.

Physical distancing precautions along with continuous cleaning and sanitizing are in place at provider offices. Some hours may have changed, but most locations are still open to see patients.

**Practitioners** are on-line virtual/ video provider visits. Some patients do not have the right technology or internet access to do a virtual visit so they would require an in-person visit. These types of appointments are still being done.

Our area providers have safety procedures in place in order to protect patients when they are seen, including screening for upper respiratory symptoms and fever, the wearing of masks, frequent hand washing and much more.

Regular check-ups

health exams, screenings and tests can help find problems before they start. They also can help find problems early, when your chances for treatment are better. By getting the right health services, screenings, and treatments, you are taking steps toward a healthier life. Don't ignore your health during this time. Call your provider and ask them what type of visit might be best for you. Always call ahead before visiting any office.

For more information you may call or visit online resources:

Bassett COVID-19 hotline: 607-547-5555; www.bassett.org/ covid-19.

UHS phone line: 607-763-5555; www. nyuhs.org/about-us/ whats-new/2020/ covid-19-information/

COVID-19 NYS hotline: 1-888-364-3065

Upstate University Hospital CYN triage phone line: 315-464-

# **Unemployment nightmare** needs to be addressed **immediately**



**NY State Senator** 

Health concerns and economic issues continue to plague New York State in the wake of the COVID-19 pan-There are a demic. number of complex matters that will continue to receive attention, both in the short term and for weeks and months down the road. One particularly troubling issue that needs to be resolved, and resolved quickly, is the breakdown of the Department of Labor's unemployment benefit system.

At a time when individuals and families need the state to come through for them they are instead left hurting and in the dark. Many people have been waiting weeks, even months, for essential unemployment benefits to feed their families and maintain some semblance of a normal life. The inability of the Department of Labor to process these claims is nothing short of a disaster. This is a crisis we cannot tolerate any longer.

Every day my office hears from constituents, many in tears, who have no idea where to turn. They have made hundreds of calls to the Department of Labor, filled out online forms, and are still waiting to receive essential benefits that they deserve. Many of these individuals have drained their savings and have bills that are piling up. They want to get back to work, but in the interim, they should not be left feeling desperate and helpless because of the state's failed response.

While the state has reportedly spent nearly \$88 million on highend firm Deloitte to overhaul the DOL call system and for 200 firm employees, desunemployed perate New Yorkers still cannot get through or have legitimate filings stuck in the system.

I have joined with members of the Senate Republican Conference in calling for the following immediate steps to be taken:

The governor must streamline application certifications and allow applicants to "certify" upon application, while still providing appropriate safeguards to help ensure that benefits only go to eligible New Yorkers;

In addition to the 3,000 employees currently working phones, the DOL must collaborate with other state agencies to train thousands more of the state's workforce, who are staying at home, to rapidly field calls and help New Yorkers file to receive benefits immediately;

New York State Comptroller DiNapoli, who oversees payments, contracts, and finances in the state, should be empowered to provide emergency oversight and assistance to DOL;

Comptroller DiNapoli should conduct an immediate. fast-track audit of the DOL's procedures and administration of the program; and

A state legislative joint committee should conduct an immediate review and investigation into DOL's failed handling of unemployment benefits throughout the pandemic.

Earlier, I joined with

other legislators in a bipartisan effort calling for an audit by the State Comptroller and a State Legislative Joint Committee investigation into the state Department of Labor's handling of unemployment benefit applications in the wake of the coronavirus pandemic. The findings of the comptroller and the joint legislative committees need to be made public to ensure that not only has the issue been addressed, but also that the state can put in place the necessary procedures to resolve those issues so that moving forward such missteps can be avoided. It is imperative that given the dire warnings that another wave of COVID-19 infections is a real possibility that we are prepared in the future.

As we prepare to re-open our economy, I continue to support a commonsense regional approach. Local officials and business owners are hard at work structuring plans that take into account the specifics of their communities they know and understand. The governor's office and Empire State Development need to take these carefully developed proposals as we move forward. Health and public safety guidelines also must be implemented as we make this transition.

As always, you can review health guidelines and other key updates to state regulations on the New York State Health Department website at https://coronavirus. health.ny.gov/home.



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# Child abuse reports fall while hotline calls rise

By Zachary MESECK

GAZETTE STAFF REPORTER

CHENANGO COUNTY - With many schools and other child care facilities closed due to the pandemic. the number of complaints filed by mandated reporters involving child abuse has decreased.

The number of abuse reports made to Chenango County Department of Social Services is down, while the number of people making domestic abuse hotline calls has drastically climbed.

Chenango County Department of Social Services wants residents to stay vigilant and report acts of abuse against children and adults. The department reported domestic abuse hotline calls are up more than 160 percent since January, despite an overall downward trend in child abuse reports.

According to Chenango County Department of Social Services Director of Services Elizabeth Beers, the COVID-19 pandemic has led to a difficult and distressing trend; abuse and maltreatment reports have declined sharply due to the need for

from each other and the closing of school districts, which are primary sources for abuse and neglect reports.

"While reports have diminished drastically, we know that difficult and even dangerous situations still persist for children in our county, and further, the added strains and isolation caused by the pandemic, both economic and social, may actually be increasing the risk of neglect," said Beers

Beers said school personnel have historically been the largest abuse reporting demographic, and in 2019, 58 percent of all reports were made by a mandated reporter. Beers added that of that 58 percent 39 percent were school personnel.

She said in April of 2019 Child Protective Services (CPS) had 113 reports filed and in April of this year there were 66, a drop of 42 percent. She added through May 10, 2019 CPS had 55 reports and this year there were 20, a drop of 64 percent. Beers said schools accounted for seven filed reports between April 1 and May 10 of this year.

"During the same

the public to isolate time period last year witnessing domestic financial hardships." intakes (filed reports) were made by school personnel," said Beers. "If I thought this dramatic decrease in CPS reports was at all indicative of an actual decline in child maltreatment, I'd be elat-

Beers said the concerns over the current situation making services and other professionals "blind" has been mentioned during the weekly COVID updates Dr. Scott Cohen hosts, including the need for community members to be aware and alert.

Beers added that there are some common underlying factors that lead to child maltreatment, including but not limited to substance misuse, poverty, mental health, domestic violence, and stress.

She said when these factors become heightened the occurrence of child maltreatment domestic increases. violence and child maltreatment often occur in families.

"Often people will not report domestic violence while a child is present in the home, because the child was not injured or involved in the act of violence," she added. "However, we know that a child

violence in the home has a negative long term emotional and psychological impact on them."

"The hotline calls to our domestic violence provider have increased by 165 percent since January."

Beers said when there are child welfare issues COS wants to be involved early before the situation becomes so dire that a child is injured or that the problem has become so out of control that they have to seek alterinterventions. nate Beers added that the reality that everyone is currently living in, is isolating children from mandated reporters and other adults that they trust to share their story.

"Children that are being abused or maltreated are living with people that are the perpetrators of the abuse and neglect who are already under a great deal of stress and lack coping skills," she said. "There's no outlet for the children and very few outlets for the adults."

"On top of the normal stressors families have to deal with, the pandemic has added isolation, homeschooling, and additional

She said there are only two ways child welfare can help families and they are if the family asks for help or a CPS report is generated.

She added that the number of CPS intakes they received during the month of April and so far in May have declined at an alarming rate and is not an accurate representation of the abuse or neglect occurring in Chenango County.

Beers said CPS has two primary functions with its top priority being to ensure the safety of children, and its second is to keep families together whenever possible.

"There is a lot of work and gathering of information to accomplish both these tasks," Beers added. "The department receives reports from the State Central Registry of Abuse and Maltreatment (SCR), and if a reporter has a concern and they call the SCR."

"If a report is generated, it gets sent to the local Department of Social Services for investigation."

She said that during the course of the investigation, the CPS worker gathers information and assesses

child safety and risk of future abuse and maltreatment with every contact they have.

She added that a CPS worker engages with the family to resolve any areas of concern during the course of the investigation, and that substance misuse also often co-occurs with child maltreatment.

"The very last thing we want to do is separate a child from their family," Beers said. "In fact it's very rare that this occurs."

"Any time a child is separated from their family the Family Court makes the final decision, and when we are not equipped to help the family resolve whatever issue warranted child welfare involvement, we'll refer families to various services that are equipped to assist them."

She said CPS is here to help and assist the families of Chenango County, and reporting acts of abuse can help victims get away from their abusers if necessary.

She added that anyone can reach out to the CPS hotline at 1 (800) 342-3720 for additional information.

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# The Early Files

### WEEK #21 THIRTY YEARS AGO

May 31, 1990

What a week – rain all the time and chilly.

A tractor trailer loaded with 7,000 chickens from Ike Vibbard'w went over a bank, strewing contents and injuring driver and passenger.

Due to an inability to get Broadway players, many familiar faces appeared at Theater de Chase.

My face in the mirror isn't wrinkled or drawn. My furniture is dusted, the cobwebs are gone. My garden is lovely and so is my lawn. I don't think I'll ever put my glasses back on!

### FORTY YEARS AGO May 29, 1980

Friday temperatures were in the 90s and Monday there was a frost.

Ralph Rood, 45, died from an automobile accident.

In spite of the fanfare over trout, salmon and bass, more good meat is provided by the brown bullhead.

The Pittsfield Fire Dept was called to Harold Camp's home by a chimney fire.

### FIFTY YEARS AGO May 28, 1970

Mr. and Mrs. Stanton Clum purchased the Davisson house near the river bridge, formerly occupied by Merlin Black, who moved into another Davisson house across the river.

Miss Brenda Jones had a very happy birthday party at her home.

FOR SALE: 1969 Rambler American, 2 dr, 6 cyl, std, 6 seat belts, 7200 miles. \$1200. Guy Van Pelt

# SIXTY YEARS AGO

June 2, 1960

Charles Dart received the highest award possible for a Future Farmer in NYS.

Ray Chapin, 68, died at his home on May 29.

Clifton Tamsett and James Preston earned senior scholastic honors at SNBCS.
SEVENTY YEARS
AGO

June 1, 1950

Community action now is the only way to lick the elm beetle.

Dr. Joseph Head purchased the Howard Saunders farm as a summer home.

NBCS 8th grade honor roll: Mary Lou Church; Shirley Kania; Helen Chase; Lois Carey; Lee Cooper; Elizabeth Webb; Foster Button.

Clinton Burdick was injured when his team ran away, dragging him for some distance.

SWEETNESS & LIGHT: In view of the mass of news reports regarding traitors to the government, pilfering and thieving racketeers in every large city in the land, and connivance of Communists at home and abroad, it is hard to believe that the world is really getting any better.

# EIGHTY YEARS AGO

May 29, 1940
A proposal for an

A proposal for an addition to the Oxford Veterans Home was approved by the American Legion.

Fire caused considerable damage to Blackman's store and the theater in Edmeston. It is thought to have originated from a box of matches in the back room and was confined to a small space, but the loss of stock was due to water.

Henry Schworm sold his meat market I to Hampton Miles of er. Sherburne.

Uncle Ab says an hour spent when the weeds are small will save a day when they grow tall.

NBCS Grade 2, 100% average for the term: Marilyn Brown; Doris Chapin; Marion Davis; Doris Huckabone; George Hudson.

Margaret Benedict entered second grade. We now have a registration of 37.

For control of the forest tent caterpillar a lead arsenate spray is recommended.

# NINETY YEARS AGO

### May 29, 1930

Mrs. Hattie Halstead died at her home on Genesee street. She had been in poor health for a long time and the end was hastened by a series of slight shocks.

Alma Walling won the honor of valedictorian and Albert Shatzel, salutatorian, for New Berlin.

The only living Civil War veterans in New Berlin are Lewis Haight and Ed Adams.

The consumption of bread fell 20% last year and they say the dieting fad is responsible.

Dwight Beardslee purchased a new black team.

One sure way of cutting down on wheat acreage would be to teach more farmers to play golf.

For the firstr time in years the housewife is now able to buy a pound of coffe, a pound of sugar, a pound of butter, a dozen eggs and a loaf of bread for a dollar.

The death of Charles E. Reed, well-known and respected resident, occurred at his home after seven weeks of illness from a commplication of diseases. He is survived by his niece, Nellis Peet, of Edmeston.

FOR SALE: A bay mare 9 years old, kind and gentle. Mrs. Orval Edick, above the Cardtown school house.

### HUNDRED YEARS AGO May 29, 1920

Ideal growing weather.

A Binghamton woman attempted suicide by jumping into the Chenango river. A fisherman witnessed the act and made a cast at her. The hook caught in her dress and she was towed ashore.

LeRoy Steere is now a sales agent for Insyde Tyres, "the inner armour for auto and motorcycle tires.".

Mr. and Mrs. James Bell and daughter Mary, Dr. E.A. Hammond and Mr. and Mrs. Hoyt Shawler motored to Clifton Springs on Friday. Miss Mary Bell remained there for

# By Peggy Finnegan

treatment nd her many friends hope that she may be greatly benefited and soon restored to perfect health.

C.A. Phelps sold his house on Genesee street to H.F. WSatufday evening from a week's trip to Ithaca, Horseheads and Watkins Glen. They visited their son, Warren, who is attending Cornell University and were present at the Annual S;pring Day festivities and boat races between Cornell and Harvard.

Saturday night's movie will be "Mrs. Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch."

Since New York adopted the daylight saving ordinance, which was strongly supported by the press, the measure has swept across the country despite the national veto.

The girls' half hour sewing class was led by Mrs. Jewett Marvin.

IN MEMORIUM: In loving memory of Rose Anna C. Johnson, died May 16, 1904, and Charles DuBois Johnson, died May 10, 1919. May their souls rest in peace. Their Children

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FOR QUICK SALE: I

# **Obituary**

# **WILLIAM D. EMHOF**

William D. Emhof, 88 yrs. old of New Berlin, NY passed away on May 18, 2020 at Chase Memorial Nursing Home, New Berlin.

Bill was born on November 9, 1931 in Columbus, NY the son of Adolf & Veronica (Derochie) Emhof. His childhood was spent in the New Berlin area. He was a graduate of New Berlin Central School, served in the US Air Force from 1952-1956 and attended SUNY Delhi for 2 years.

On September 29, 1961 he married Shirley VanWarner Emhof in the United Methodist Church of New Berlin.

He was employed by BF Goodrich of Norwich and worked in maintenance part-time for NBT bank for 26 years.

Bill loved to build and was a very good carpenter who could fix anything. He loved roller skating at the local rinks, skating at Interskate 88 in Oneonta every Saturday for 30 plus years. He was considered one of the best skaters and was just one of the kids. Everyone loved him. He was still skating at 85 years old.

He is survived by his wife Shirley of New Berlin and his daughter Jolene Emhof of Hamilton, NY. He was predeceased by his son James Emhof.

A graveside service was held on Thursday, May 21, 2020 at the Edmeston Union Cemetery, Edmeston, NY, with lay minister Penny Harrington officiating.

Memorial donations may be made to the SPCA or the New Berlin Fire Department.

Arrangements are by the Dakin Funeral Home LP, New Berlin, NY.

Condolences may be expressed to the family at www.dakinfuneralhome.com.

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# **CLUES ACROSS**

- 1. Common request
- 5. Department in France
- 10. Fungi cells
- 14. Famed inventor
- 15. Hillsides
- 16. Cold wind 17. La Tar Pits, Hollywood
- 18. Resembling a doddering old woman
- 19. Geological periods
- 20. Assists
- 22. Comedienne Gasteyer
- 23. Jewish spiritual leader
- 24. English soccer club
- 27. Body art
- 30. No (Scottish)
- 31. Clumsy person
- 32. Swiss river
- 35. Belittled
- 37. Luxury car
- 38. Single sheet of glass in a window
- 39. Monetary units

- 40. Supervises flying
- 41. Indian term of respect
- 42. Breezed through
- 43. The bill in a restaurant
- 44. Flower cluster
- 45. Moved quickly
- 46. Shooters need to do it
- 47. High schoolers' test
- 48. Split pulses
- 49. Salts
- 52. Breaking Bad actor \_\_ Paul
- 55. Set ablaze
- 56. Semitic Sun god
- 60. Nervous system cells
- 61. Tourist destination Buenos
- 63. A way to bind
- 64. Behave uncontrollably
- 65. Feels concern
- 66. Sportscaster Andrews
- 67. Subway dwellers
- 68. Astrological aspect
- 69. You may take one

# **CLUES DOWN**

- 1. Swedish rock group
- 2. Serbian
- 3. Away from wind
- 4. Actor Oliver
- 5. Helps little firms
- 6. Intricately decorative
- 7. American state
- 8. Type of tumor
- 9. Midway between east and southeast
- 10. On a line at right angles to a ship's length
- 11. Fruit of the service tree
- 12. Grouch
- 13. Romanian city
- 21. Units of loudness
- 23. British Air Aces
- 25. Small amount
- 26. Hem's partner
- 27. Turkic people
- 28. Member of the banana family
- 29. Liam Neeson franchise
- 32. Expressed pleasure
- 33. Inward-directed part of psyche

- 34. Insurgent
- 36. Unhappy
- 37. Gateway (Arabic)
- 38. Fundraising political group (abbr.
- 40. Well-known
- 41. Satisfies
- death do us part
- 44. Jailhouse informant
- 46. French river
- 47. A cotton fabric with a satiny finish
- 49. Drenches
- 50. Clouds
- 51. Companies need to make them
- 52. Created from seaweed
- 53. One's school: mater
- 54. A type of act
- 57. Member of Russian people
- 58. Neutralizes alkalis
- 59. Monetary unit
- 61. Play a role
- 62. Midway between south and southeast

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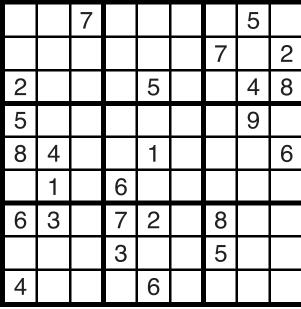
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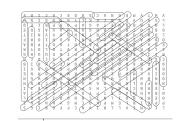
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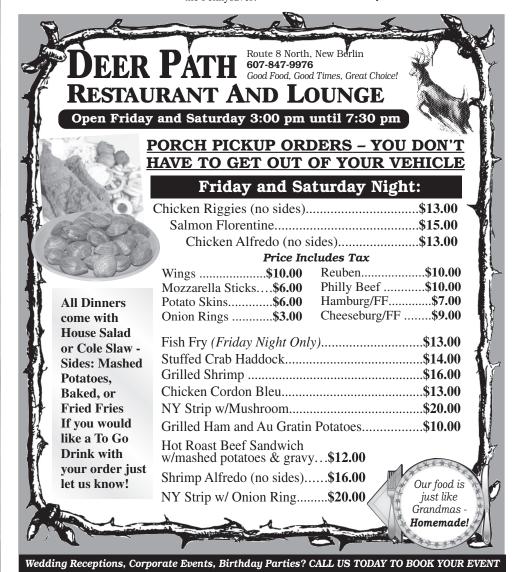
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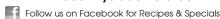




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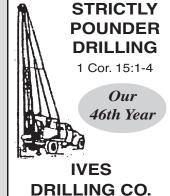
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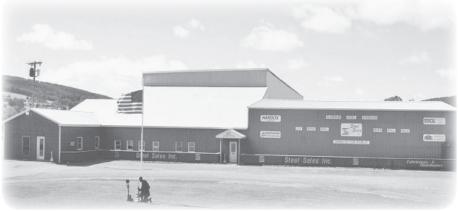
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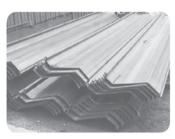
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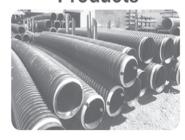
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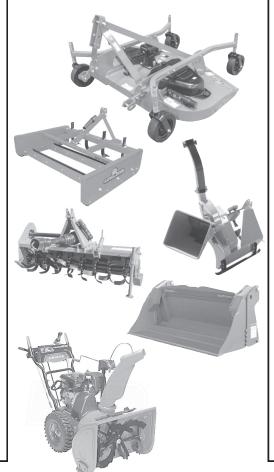
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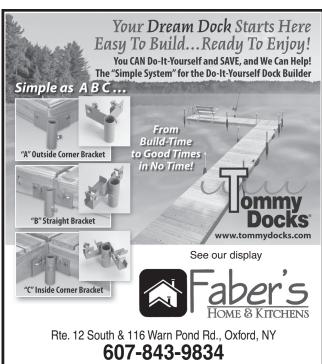
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# **Chenango Blues Association postpones 2020 events**



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NORWICH – It is with a great deal of sadness that organizers of the Chenango Blues Festival announce the postponement of this year's NBT Bank Free Thursdays concert series, originally scheduled for July and August.

The series has become a staple of summer evenings in downtown Norwich, drawing thousands of attendees to shows featuring nationally touring artists.

Also postponed is the Preferred Mutual Chenango Blues Festival, making it the first time in twenty-eight years that the Chenango Blues Association has not presented a show. Issues around the COVID-19 virus made planning and hosting the events impossible. Without the ability to ensure the safety of artists, volunteers and music fans the volunteers who organize and run all the events could not in

good conscience move forward.

"We were all incredibly disappointed to have to pull the plug on all this year's concerts" said Eric Larsen, the group's President. "but we really had no choice given the risks large gatherings pose. We are grateful for the ongoing support of NBT Bank, the R. C. Smith Foundation and the Greater Norwich Foundation for the Free Thursdays and Preferred Mutual for the Blues Fest. With their support, and the support of all the great music fans who attend the events we will be back bigger and better than ever next year."

The Chenango Blues Association has been working with artists scheduled for this year's concerts and the festival to rebook them for next year. Festival artists were to include Jimmie Vaughan, Kingfish Ingram, Mr. Sipp and Doug MacLeod, among

others. Free Thursdays artists were to include Asleep at the Wheel, Shemekia Copeland, Tuba Skinny, Garcia Project and Shinyribs. So far about three-quarters of the artists have agreed to reschedule for next year with more pending. "We thought it was our strongest lineup, top to bottom, ever" said Steve Palmatier, "so we are very excited it looks like most, if not all, of them will be back. These shows definitely mean as much to the artists as they do the fans."

The Chenango Blues Association is all-volunteer run group with no paid staff. Most of their events are free for everyone because of the generous support they receive from foundations, businesses and individuals. Information on all the events can be found on the group's website at www.chenangobluesfest.org.

