

SPRINGWATER PARTY LINE

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Remember that the Foodlink truck is scheduled to arrive this Saturday in Springwater on St. Patrick's Day, March 17th. Volunteers should contact Teresa Langhorn ([585-245-1223](tel:585-245-1223)) and plan to arrive no later than 8 AM. The truck will arrive at 9 AM and the line will start going through as soon as everything is ready. This is an excellent opportunity for anyone to obtain an amazing amount of food donated by businesses in our region, for which we are grateful.

Pat Granger writes news of the Springwater United Methodist Church. "It was great to be back to church this week to worship with our friends and neighbors. I would like to share with everyone something that our Bishop wrote, 'The doors, hearts, and minds of our churches are open to all, and we invite you - whether you are a long time church member or someone seeking a church family - to join us for worship.' If you are one of those seeking a church please come and visit us. Our services are on Sunday at 11:00 AM and we have coffee hour after the service. The coffee hour is a great time for fellowship. We are still having services out in the fellowship hall next to the fireplace. Starting on Easter Sunday, April 1, we will be back out in the sanctuary until next winter. Just a reminder that Lenten Bible Studies are still going on and this will be the 4th week. Pastor Dawn Merritt's birthday was on Sunday, February 25th, and she never told us. Her mom told us that day. So this past Sunday we surprised her with a belated Happy Birthday cake during coffee hour. It was enjoyed by all."

A few weeks ago, I remember asking if anyone would share what they do for a birthday with their grandchildren. Pat wrote me that she took her youngest granddaughter, who is turning 12 in another week, shopping for her birthday and then out to supper. They had a great time. This sparked me to inquire if my granddaughter, who is turning 15 in a little over a month, could do the same with me. We shall see . . .

The president of the Wayland Cohocton Central School Parent Teacher Student Association, Sarah Hart, has asked that you turn out to enjoy the University of Rochester YellowJackets A Capella group on Saturday, March 24, 2018 at 7 PM in the WCCS Auditorium. This is an all male group that performs without instruments, as "a capella" is from the Italian words meaning in chapel style, since many times, years ago, there were no organs in churches, and people performed without musical instruments. Presale tickets are \$10 each, \$12 at the door. Tickets are available for purchase in the school offices or send an e-mail to ptsa@wccsk12.org. This is a family fun event! I hope to see you there.

Julie A. Oliver of the Perkinsville Saint Peter's United Church of Christ <perkinsvilleucc@gmail.com>, County Rt 90, Perkinsville, NY 14529 sent this information: "Rev. Jerry Fontaine will be leading services on March 18th, 9:30 AM; Katrina Macaluso will be here on Palm Sunday, March 25th, 9:30 AM; and Rev. Duane Bartz will be here Easter Sunday, April 1st, 9:30 AM. Please do your best to hear each of them deliver their message as we prepare to choose who we would like to move forward with as our pastor."

Do you crochet? If so, please consider joining with others to crochet poppies. In honor of the 100th year of Veterans Day coming in November 2019, Livingston County Veteran Outreach would like to honor each of the 7000 veterans in our county with a poppy. Volunteers are needed to help with the effort by crocheting a few poppies. All that is needed is your time for this project. Yarn and directions will be provided. Those that have already agreed to crochet are students from Geneseo, Senior groups from Avon, Nunda, and Webster's Crossing. Thank you for considering helping. If interested, please contact Linda Hopkins at [585-678-1757](tel:585-678-1757) or give me your name and contact information and I will pass it on to her.

Mark hosted the 7 snowshoers and hikers Sunday (3/11) in Schribner Valley, a change from the Bristol Branch of the Finger Lakes Trail because of the deep snow cover and length being impossible to traverse in the span of 2 hours, as several pre-hikers found out earlier in the week (hike planners generally do a pre-hike prior to the Sunday hike to check out the time and conditions of the proposed trails). Everyone stayed together as our group was small and capable of the Climber / Tourist hike plan, and was accompanied by forester Ron, who gave educational comments along the way regarding the many trees. The weather was crisp and the scenery beautiful with last week's snow still covering everything. Come join Springwater Trails this coming Sunday, March 18, when Springwater Trails, Inc. is having their hike followed by a social and annual meeting program presented by John Larysz on his trip to Barcelona, Spain. More details can be found at <https://SpringwaterTrails.org> or ask a regular hiker.

Thanks to everyone that attended or participated in "A Night of Jazz" presented by the Little Lakes Community Association the evening of March 9th at the Jack Evans Community Center in Hemlock, NY. Featured was the Honeoye Senior High Jazz Ensemble – Honeoye Central Jazz Alumni, directed by Grace Woods, well known Honeoye Music School director.

The next Spaghetti Dinner and Music Jam by donation at Webster's Crossing United Methodist Church is Thursday, March 22 starting at 4:30 PM and we hope to see you. Arrive early for a piece of Anna's Carrot Cake with Cream Cheese frosting or Sylvia's delicious Chocolate Cake to go along with the tossed salad, assorted dressings, Italian bread with or without garlic butter, assorted desserts, beverages, tomato sauce, spaghetti and meat balls, and parmesan cheese. Ralph Hamilton is back from Texas to play his guitar in the Music Jam, as he was missed last month.

Experience the taste of pure New York maple syrup at sugar houses and maple farms on Maple Weekends March 17-18 and 24-25. The closest open house to Springwater / Webster Crossing will be 10 AM – 3 PM Saturday, March 24 at Lagom Landing on 7699 Reed's Corners Road in Sparta. This is an educational event and more details and cost can be found in the March Lake Country Weekender or at Lagom Landing on Facebook. Although not hosting any Maple Weekends, don't forget that you can purchase maple syrup from "Goose Run Maple Farm (Jim & Pati Clark). 7868 Wheaton Hill Road. Springwater, New York 14560. [\(585\) 704-2722](tel:585-704-2722). 100% Organic Handcrafted Maple Syrup and value added maple products made the old fashion way from the trees of Springwater, NY."

Child Safety Seat Checks (Child must be present.) are being held March 31 between 10 AM and 2 PM at the Lakeville DOT, 5543 Lakeville Road in Geneseo, sponsored by

Cornell Cooperative Extension of Livingston County Traffic Safety Education Program. Contact person is Katelyn Sanders, [585-991-5420](tel:585-991-5420) or [585-335-1752](tel:585-335-1752) or e-mail to kis334@cornell.edu.

This past Thursday, March 8, I had the opportunity to take a “Art Culture” themed tour of the northern part of Livingston County on a Motor Coach Familiarization “FAM” tour sponsored by the Livingston County Chamber of Commerce. There were nine places on the map, starting with the Livingston County Chamber & Tourism, [4635 Millennium Drive, Geneseo](#) starting at 8 AM and ending at 5 PM. Presenting was our leader, Elissa Lauer, Director of Tourism and Marketing Elissa@LivingstonCountyChamber.com. Fruit and pastries were out for snacks to begin the day; however, Elissa had a lot to say about the events sponsored by the Chamber as outlined in the 2017 Visitor’s Guide. Copies of the 2018 guide will soon be available. There is much to appreciate about our county in every one of the guides they have authored for over 25 years. Guides are available at the Chamber and also at all the New York Thruway stops. The total benefit from Visitors to our country as published by Tourism Economics <http://www.tourismeconomics.com> in 2015 was \$79.3 million and in 2016, the latest figures available, at \$84.3 million. Tourism is the second largest economic impact to our county, and agriculture is the first. The Farmer/Neighbor Dinner on Friday, March 23rd is the place to be to find out the economic impact of agriculture in our county. I hope to see you there. In the next few weeks I will tell you about the 8 other places we visited on this tour on March 8. The Chamber hosts these tours regularly.

Birthdays:

March 15 – Rodney Holden, Chris Sackett, Sarah Hart

March 16 – Carly Miceli

March 17 – Zack Smith, Robert W. Hill, Sr.

March 18 – Brandan Willard, Alexis Carnrite, Cheyenne Carnrite

March 20 – Margaret Ryan, Elaine Nadeau

March 21 – Emery Drake, Rory Banaszak

March 22 – Tyler Forrester, Jennifer Shutt, Ira Langhorn

Anniversaries: Congratulations!

March 17 – Ron & Sally Brown #62, Jerry & Barbara Carney #62, Dwayne “Smitty” Smith & Renee Smith

March 22 – Dave & Carolyn Caron #49