

SPRINGWATER PARTY LINE
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The snow day on Sunday the 20th had many of us staying home and doing things around the house, shoveling, or reading a good book. I find it amazing how God works to give us a time to stop doing the usual and take time to focus. No church and no Springwater Trails hike for me. Instead, I made a Lentil Soup and delivered some to friends. Pastor Dorothy Hotchkiss suggested that we read Ephesians 2:6 -10 "For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do." Pastor Dorothy suggested that we question ourselves like this "Who can you pray for or help today? Who might God put in your path? Has God arranged for you to "bump into" someone who needs a word of encouragement today or has given you an opportunity to offer someone a helping hand? All we have to do is respond and share love with others as God has loved us." Sharing gives me joy.

Thursday January 24th, is the day to be at Webster's Crossing United Methodist Church on Route 15 between Conesus and Springwater to take advantage of a good meal and joyous music. Starting at 4:30 PM you can have a delicious Spaghetti Dinner for a donation and then stay on into the evening for music donated by musicians that wish to bring their instruments and share their talents. I hope to see you there.

Pat Granger writes: "Dave Holmes' funeral service was well attended on Saturday, January 12. The fire department did a very beautiful meaningful service & tribute to David. The Springwater Fire Department is putting on a Memorial Benefit Spaghetti Dinner and Basket Raffle on January 27th from 3:00-5:00 PM at the suggested minimum donation of \$6 for the dinner. Sunday worship at Springwater Methodist Church on January 20th was cancelled because of the weather. Please keep the following people in your thoughts and prayers: Amy Goodwin and Scott White are having surgery this week; Rene Canute's family; and Hoppoughs, as we were informed that William (Beverly) Hoppough of Hemlock passed away on Saturday, January 19th. Bill and his wife were dear friends of the Church. I want to remind everyone that if you have elderly neighbors please remember to check on them."

The Springwater Community Food Pantry (SCFP) is open on Wednesdays from 6:30 PM-8:00 PM and Saturdays from 9:00 - 11:00 AM except when there is a Food Link distribution. Although the temperature was cold on Saturday January 12th, we did have a good turn-out (100+ served). The Food Link truck is scheduled for February 23rd, March 23rd and April 20th at the parking lot of the Springwater Fire Hall. Volunteers are needed to help distribute the food so please contact Teresa Langhorn at 585-245-1223 if you are interested.

The Youth Bureau/Board of Livingston County is asking for assistance in their annual Teen Recognition Awards nomination process. The goal is to recognize and award youth

in our County who have demonstrated community involvement, exceptional leadership, or have positively influenced others by overcoming a significant challenge. To be considered eligible, the exemplary teens must be age 15 by February 8, 2019. Youth are eligible while in school and up to high school graduation. Community members are asked to identify the teens whose actions and behaviors over time make the community a better place. The electronic submission form and downloadable form are both available under the Youth Bureau Department at livingstoncounty.us/youth.htm. You may contact Mary Guldenschuh (243-6909) at the Youth Bureau, or the Town Clerk (585-699-2545) in Springwater if you have any questions or need additional information regarding this award. This information shared by Town Council member Mark Hopkins. Terri White also sent it to me.

The Springwater Webster Crossing Historical Society is now accepting donations for the Penny Social, the date for which has been changed to Saturday, March 23, 2019 so as not to conflict with the annual Comedy Steak Roast at the Springwater Fire Hall on March 16. Persons to contact regarding donations include Brenda Haywood at 585-669-2478 or Pat Willsea at 585-669-2376 or 728-5552 or send a check or money order to: SWCHS, PO Box 68, Springwater, NY 14560. The SWCHS Board is meeting on Tuesday, January 22 at the Springwater Town Hall at 4 PM.

On Martin Luther King Jr. day of Leadership and service, Monday, January 21, 2019, at MacVittie College Union, adults participated as community members by registering through the Office for the Aging at 585-243-7520 and the students registered and came back to school early to participate. The event included keynote speaker Danielle Ponder, Esq., a musician, attorney and activist. She is a native of Rochester and currently is an adjunct professor at RIT and SUNY Brockport and sits on the Board of Teen Empowerment. The event included workshops, a luncheon, and service projects. Both Linda and Katherine attended and agreed that meeting and working with the students was well worth the opportunity to participate as the day's mix of speakers, music, song, and hands-on work provided encouragement and food for thought toward respecting, listening to, and loving one another.

The Springwater Trails hike on Sunday, January 20th, at the Letchworth branch of the Finger Lakes Trail was cancelled due to the snow storm and is rescheduled for Sunday February 24. Hikers are invited to attend this coming Sunday, January 27 at Canadice Lake, starting before 2 PM at the southern end. Log into the Springwater Trail's website or ask a regular hiker for details. If interested in hiking on the All Western Evergreen Farm, the date is set for Sunday, February 10 just before 2 PM start and social after at the house for a dish-to-pass supper anchored by delicious hot soups. For a calendar of up-coming hikes, pick up a copy of the Lake Country Weekender for January at the Springwater Post Office.

The New York Farm Show is scheduled for February 21-23 at the NYS Fairgrounds in Syracuse and cosponsored by New York Forest Owners Association, New York State

DEC, and Cornell Cooperative Extension. I have four free tickets to give away so if you are interested, contact me.

Contact Katherine Humphrey at PO Box 217, Springwater, NY 14560 or kjth@allwesterntrees.com or phone 585-669-2659. Please let me know your news for the Springwater Party Line. Thank you.

Birthdays:

January 24 – Pastor Ray Shaw

January 25 – Bones Grey

January 26 – Ezra Parker, Opal Fox

January 28 – Teffenie & Heather Bovee

January 29 – Pat Parkhouse, John Stevenson

January 30 – Jim Bowers, Elaine Jacobs

January 31 – Kyle Schnitzer, Kendra Jacobs, Kyle Haas

Anniversaries:

January 26 - Norris & Carol Rowley #67 Congratulations!

January 28 – Tom & Georgia Robinson