

## **SPRINGWATER PARTY LINE**

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The place to be on Thursday, August 22, 2019 is the Webster's Crossing United Methodist Church Spaghetti Dinner and Music Jam by donation. Food is served from 4:30 to 7 PM and the music goes on into the night. A tossed salad with additional items like tomatoes and olives add to the delight of people who attend. Anna is bringing her famous Carrot cake with Cream Cheese frosting and Sylvia is baking a Chocolate Cake. Gladys may be donating pies. Do come and enjoy good food, good service and a pleasant atmosphere with family and new friends.

It is not too soon to register for the Fall Prevention Workshop Free Event on Friday, September 20, 2019 from 10:00 to 1:30 PM, lunch included; at the Lakeville Training Grounds, 5939 Stone Hill Road, Lakeville. Topics to be covered include: Connect with Local Fall Prevention Resources; Medication Review with Pharmacist; Eye Glass Adjustments by Optician; Car Fit: Senior Car Safety Event – following workshop. Registration is required by September 13. Call 585-335-4359 or email – [lifeline@noyeshealth.org](mailto:lifeline@noyeshealth.org).

Are you a person who likes to plan ahead? If so, this news from the Livingston County Office for the Aging, as sent to me by Linda Hopkins, our Springwater representative to that office, may be of interest. The Aging Mastery Program is again being offered in the fall. The program is free, but a commitment to attend all 10 sessions is a must. Pre-registration is required. This is a very popular program with dynamic speakers and participants bonding with each other and enjoying each session. Topics include: Navigating Longer Lives, Exercise and You, Sleep, Healthy Eating and Hydration, Financial Fitness, Medication Management, Advance Planning, Healthy relationships, Fall Prevention and Community Engagement. The dates are Tuesdays, 10:00 to 11:30 AM from September 10 through November 12, 2019 and the location will be in Mount Morris. Make your reservation by calling 585-243-7520.

Want to make a difference in your community? Participate often in a Town Board meeting, an opportunity to make a difference in the politics of your area at the “grass roots level”. Springwater Town Board meetings are held on the first and third Monday evenings at 7 PM at the Town Hall on Main Street.

The rain held off for the Springwater Trails hike on Sunday, August 18 at the first leg of our hikes on the Finger Lakes Trail between the Bristol Branch and the Letchworth branch. Six of us enjoyed the hike and the social at the lean-to at the halfway mark on Hickory Hill. We all brought a sandwich and something to share like fruit or vegetables. The far reaching view of the hills was breathtaking and well worth the hike. The next hike this Sunday, August 25, join us for an easy stroll with length options from 1.6 to 4 miles on the level and shady Railroad Bed Trail between Avon and Geneseo. The original railroad was built in the 1840's from Rochester to Nunda as an alternate form of transportation to nearby canals. In 1856 the railroad was purchased by

the Genesee Valley Railroad and in 1859 the first train arrived in Genesee. As gasoline powered vehicles became popular, the railroad became unpopular, and the last train passed over the line in 1940. Stripped of rails and ties, the land was then sold to adjacent landowners as a trail for recreational use. In 1993, Edward and Jacquelin Harris donated their section of the trail to the Genesee Valley Conservancy to ensure the property would remain a trail for community use. For details, check the website <http://Springwatertrails.org> or ask a regular hiker.

The Springwater Community Food Pantry will be open this Wednesday evening from 6:30 to 8:00 PM and Saturday morning 9:00 to 11:00AM. Continued thanks go to all who have supplied items to the Pantry. Donations, whether a monetary or product donation, are greatly appreciated. Additional donation locations are now available. They include the Springwater Town Hall during Town Clerk opening hours of Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday from 9:30 AM to 3:00 PM and Saturday from 9:00 to 11:00 AM, and at the Webster's Crossing United Methodist Church on Sunday mornings from 8:30 to 11:00 AM..

Pat Granger writes that the Food Link distribution was held at the Springwater Fire Department parking lot on Saturday, August 17. 145 families were served. The next Food Link distribution will be on Saturday, September 21st. Please mark your calendars now. To volunteer to help, please contact Teresa Langhorn at (585)245-1223 by Wednesday, September 18th.

Tawn Feeney writes about two local opportunities for vendors (the Barn Fest on 9/28/2019 and the Festival of Wreaths Craft Show on 12/7/2019) sponsored by the Little Lakes Community Association. Vendor fees are \$25 for businesses and \$10 for not-for-profits, and both indoor and outdoor spaces are available. In addition to vendors, there will be music, food, and family-friendly activities all day. Details are available on line from the Little Lakes Community website or by contacting Linda at 585-367-2496 before 9 PM.

Great customer service and delicious home grown food are reasons to support the local Springwater Farmer's Market every Friday afternoon from 3:00 to 6:00 PM at the blinking light corner of Route 15A and Route 15.

One reader suggested that we include a story on how the birthday people have given life to our community. Because I know Jerrienne best (as her Mom) of all those on the list this week, the gifts she has made are numerous so I will select the one that comes to mind immediately – without her the legacy of beautiful Christmas trees ready for harvest each year would not have touched the lives of hundreds of people. Last year, All Western Evergreen Nursery & Christmas Tree Farm in Springwater had the opportunity to take a 12 foot Concolor fir tree to the NYS Fair for the decorated centerpiece tree used for the Christmas Tree Farmers Association of NY exhibit. Daily during Fair time, people were taking photographs of that tree with their family and friends. The photo appeared many times in publications and on social media. Again, this year, the farm will supply another tree for the same purpose: this time a 12-foot Sub-alpine fir. You can see the tree at the Fair next door to the Horticulture Building or go on line to see a

photo of it posted to the Livingston County Chamber of Commerce (the tree will be put up and decorated on Tuesday, August 20th when the staff of the farm will be helping Dave Hicks set up the exhibit on the fairgrounds.

**Birthdays:**

August 23 – Linda Pifer Beuter

August 24 – John White, Cherokee Shull

August 25 – Leanne Humphrey, Pam VanScooter

August 26 – Bill Malone, Lori Babcock

August 27 – Patti Posick, Eric Briceland, Trevor Sly, Carrie Fox

August 28 – Jerrienne Scheiderich, Jeannine Moyer, Thomas Bowers, Sara Lickers

August 29 – Amanda Pifer, Rebecca Ann Parsons

**Anniversaries: Congratulations!**

August 24 - Ralph & Virginia Wagner #58, Charlie & Linda Martindale

August 25 – Clifford & Tammy Yeoman #18

August 28 – Ray & Gail Wagner #64