

SPRINGWATER PARTY LINE

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We hope you will choose to come to the Spaghetti Dinner and Music Jam by donation this week on Thursday, October 24 in Webster's Crossing on Route 15 between 4:30 and 7 PM for dinner and music into the night. Please put the Christmas Bazaar & Luncheon on your calendar for Saturday November 2 from 10 AM to 3 PM also at the Church.

The Springwater United Methodist Church Annual Turkey Dinner held at the Springwater Fire Hall has been cancelled for October 26, 2019. Sent by the church secretary "It is with great sadness we have to cancel our turkey dinner. We do not wish to compromise the quality of our dinner. We thank everyone for your prayers and support throughout the past 12 years. Please look forward to attending our Christmas Bazaar December 7th at the Fire Hall."

Colleen Liggett is teaching another free Tai Chi (based on Sun style) for Arthritis Mondays and Wednesdays every week from October 21 to December 11, 2019, 1:30 to 2:30 PM (8 weeks). The exact location in Springwater is announced when registering at Livingston County Office for the Aging, 585-243-7516 or RSVP 585-369-4294. Tai Chi can improve your balance, help prevent falls and reduce stress. There is space for a group of 10 to 15 people aged 16 and over. Tai Chi for Arthritis may be done standing or sitting, and having arthritis is not a requirement.

Here is the downtown Springwater hamlet news from Pat Granger: "We had a hard frost this past week so I hope that people with allergies are getting some relief. Mark your calendars for Saturday, November 16th to come and have lunch at the Springwater United Methodist Church. We are having a homemade soup and sandwich luncheon from 11:00 AM to 1:00PM. Come and join us for lunch. Pastor Dawn reminded us this week that God always wants to be in a relationship with us. We need to remember that when stepping out into the unknown we should have true faith in God because He is right there by our side. He will help us get through it. Did you know that when we are blessed by God it is a blessing? Parish Notices: Sue Walker's friend, Lynn Boardman, passed away so she would like prayers for Lynn's family; continued prayers for Paul Kelly as he had a crisis this past week and is getting weaker ; Dorothy Englert's great granddaughter Emma, age 4, was taken to the hospital this past week and the doctor's thought it was her appendix, but it ended up that it was something different and with lots of prayers she is home and doing very well; prayers for our churches and communities; and prayers for the employees of Gunlocke's. Have a wonderful week.

The Springwater Community Food Pantry is open on Wednesdays from 6:30 to 8:00PM and on Saturdays from 9:00 to 11:00AM. We still are looking for donations of sugar, flour, baking products, peanut butter, jelly or jam, cereal, pancake mix, syrup, bread, and canned meat. Donations can be dropped off during these hours. Thank you to those folks who dropped off donations this past Saturday.

There is no Mobile Food Link distribution for the month of October in Springwater. Food Link is working on the next scheduling that starts in November and I will keep you posted.”

Six Springwater Trail’s hikers enjoyed the beauty of Sunday, October 20, when they explored a portion of the Finger Lakes Trail between the Bristol Branch and the Letchworth Branch. They saw some gorgeous foliage and long distance landscape views, especially when eating lunch on the trail. Come join the hike this coming week by logging into the Springwater Trails’ website or asking a regular hiker for the information regarding our trek at Camp Cutler on Gulick Road in Naples on Sunday October 27 starting at 2 PM.

Open Enrollment for Medicare is October 15 through December 7th. Attend the Medicare Advantage Information Fair to speak to a representative from the following plans: Aetna, Excellus, MVP, and United Health Care. Information about EPIC, Medicare Savings Program, and “Extra Help” are also available. No registration is required. First come, first served on Wednesday, October 30, 2019 from 10:30 AM to 1:30 PM at the Livingston County Highway Department, 4389 Gypsy Lane, Mount Morris, NY. This and the next paragraph submitted by Linda Hopkins, Springwater representative to the Office for the Aging in Mount Morris.

Are you or do you know of a person caring for someone with Alzheimer’s, dementia, or other chronic health conditions? These caregivers have to cope with many challenges. An opportunity to restore strength and be re-charged is available at the Caregiver Retreat on Saturday, November 16 from 9 to 2 PM at the Celebrate Family Church, 74 Mount Morris Road, Leicester, NY 14481. Community vendors, complimentary lunch; speakers, door prizes; and mobile mammography are being offered.

Be sure to check the Little Lakes Community Association website for all their many activities and plan to attend or to volunteer to help this outstanding organization. For example, if you can help Mike with installing new bathroom sink fixtures, please contact him at 585.703.9890 (texts too). His email if you'd rather leave your contact info there is: woodchip @frontiernet.net. If you have a sewing machine or can cut fabric, or like to stuff, give Carol a call. They will need promo stickers to put on the plain white eye pillow boxes too. Organizing a walking group is also in the works. If you can and want to help, or are interested in a particular walking time call or text Carol at 585-727-2230.

The Game Of Logging, Level 2, co-sponsored by NYCAMH and NYFOA/WFL, is scheduled for Monday, October 28 at 8AM in Ingleside (Prattsburgh) NY, about 5 miles south of Naples. Anyone wishing to sign up for the course, or looking for other scheduling information on other Game of Logging courses, must contact the New York Center for Agriculture, Medicine and Health (NYCAMH), at 800-343-7527. You can also look at their website at nycamh.org or the Game of Logging website at gameoflogging.com. Contact Peter Muench at 585-736-7172 for general information about October 28th. There are also Level 1 classes in our area that same week; see

nycamh.org for the full schedule. Visit the New York Forest Owners Association online at <http://www.nyfoa.org>.

This week I selected Hugh Stevenson to interview regarding his birthday. He was born of parents Hugh M Stevenson Sr. (German descent) and Helen Bajus Melen (Irish descent) in Rochester 74 years ago and lived at the 12 Corners in Brighton in his early years. At age 13 he did greenhouse and nursery work and said he would never do that for a living. Yet here he is in Springwater many years later doing just that. In between he worked as a professional fire fighter in Brighton for the bulk of his career retiring in 1995. He married Genevieve Panepinto in 1967 and in the fall of 1969 they purchased the farm on Carney Hollow Road and moved to Springwater in one day. They have two sons, John born in 1969 and Richard born in 1971. They now have three grand children, Nathan, Colin and Chandler. Hugh has farmed part-time most of his life. For 33 years he has owned his own business. Over the years they built the greenhouses on Carney Hollow Road. Presently they grow bedding plants and specialize in hydrangeas. At one time they grew 60 varieties of vegetables. I've known Hugh as a volunteer fire fighter in the Springwater Fire Department and as a lay leader at Sparta Center United Methodist Church. Before that he served as a preacher for a Mennonite Church in Pleasant Valley near Hammondsport. In his spare time he likes to play fiddle music. Since the turn of the century, Hugh and Genevieve have made fast friends with the Amish and are involved in a meat processing business with old order Amish in Baltic, Ohio. These friends now come yearly to help Hugh-Gen Farms in the spring when sowing, potting and planting time comes around.

Birthdays:

October 24 – Hugh Stevenson, Jeri Kober, George Johnson, Gary Bauer
October 25 – Courtney Bauer, Ed Elsenheimer
October 26 – Cayli Czak, Leannah Grimsley
October 27 – Dawn Conti
October 28 – Jasmine Lang, Courtney Grey, Jim Smith, Scott Learn
October 29 – Gladys Weed, Zeke Lang, John Czak, Beverly Johnson
October 31 – John Sick, Bernie Briceland Jr., Jean Kitson, Nicole Croston

Anniversaries: Congratulations!

October 24 – Jamie & Shelley Sparks #9