

## SPRINGWATER PARTY LINE

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March has no shortage of things to do with your time.

Webster's Crossing United Methodist Church on Route 15 north of the hamlet of Springwater is the place to be on Wednesday evenings. Come and join us for Bible Study starting at quarter of 6 PM. We'll have a bowl of soup ready for all. Pastor Dorothy Hotchkiss will be leading the group. For other locations, see Pat Granger's notes.

If you are planning to rid your home of usable items you no longer want or need, please consider donating them to the Springwater Webster Crossing Historical Society's annual Penny Social by calling Brenda at 585-669-2478, Pat at 585-728-5552 or Linda at 585-259-4505. Neither clothing or furniture is accepted for this event. The Penny Social is not until Saturday, April 4th at the Springwater Fire Hall when doors open at noon and the bidding begins at 1:00 PM.

March is Nutrition Month as sponsored by the Academy of Nutrition & Dietetics. This year's theme — Eat Right, Bite by Bite — supports the philosophy that every little bit (or bite!) of nutrition is a step in the right direction. Small goals/changes can have a cumulative healthful effect.

The Wayland-Cohocton Theater Group proudly presents "The Odd Couple (female version)" by Neil Simon (produced by special arrangement with Samuel French, Inc.) on Thursday, March 5th at 7 PM or for the Dinner and Show Night Friday March 6th when the dinner is at 5:30 PM in the high school cafeteria and the Show is at 7 PM in the LGI. The matinee is on Saturday, March 7 at 2 PM in the WCCS LGI. Tickets for Dinner and the Show are \$15 / person; students & senior citizens \$10; show only: adults, \$6; students & senior citizens, \$3.

Pat Granger from the Springwater United Methodist Church writes "There will be a Leadership meeting at the Springwater United Methodist Church on Monday March 9th at 6:30PM and a Pleasant Valley Cemetery Association meeting on Tuesday March 10th from 6 to 9 PM. Pastor Dawn explained that during the period of the resurrection there was death, anger, and the culture was very unsettled. She also stated that during the Lent season she will be sharing Celtic prayers in her Sunday services. She also commented that we are all loved by God. Parish notices: Carol Hoerner would like prayers for her great granddaughter Mackenzie (age 2) that got burned and is in the hospital recovering, prayers of continued healing for Alan Henry after having a lung transplant and for Bob Snyder that is recovering at home after surgery, prayers for myself and my family, prayers of healing for the people who have the Corona virus and for the spreading of the virus to stop, praises that the Ash Wednesday service at the West Sparta United Methodist Church was well attended.

Just a reminder that the Lent Bible Study starts this week in the following local churches and runs for 5 weeks: Groveland Federated Church Wednesday mornings from 10 AM to Noon (with lunch) beginning March 4 to April 1, Webster's Crossing UMC Wednesday evenings from 6 to

7:30 PM beginning March 4 to April 1, West Sparta UMC Thursday evenings from 7 to 8 PM beginning March 5 to April 2 and Conesus United Church Saturday mornings from 9 to 11 AM beginning March 7 to April 4. The study series "Captured By Grace" by Dr. David Jeremiah will show how we can apply God's grace to our lives, as he talks about the journey of two self-proclaimed wretches who were completely transformed by the saving power of God and this same grace is available to us! It is open to anybody so come and be part of this Lent study.

The Springwater Community Food Pantry will be opening on Wednesday evenings starting March 11th from 6:30 to 8:00 PM. It will remain open on Saturday mornings from 9:00 to 11:00 AM. We are accepting donations. If anyone is interested in volunteering at the pantry call Teresa Langhorn at 585-245-1223. The Mobile Food Link Distribution will be on Saturday, March 14th at the Springwater Fire Department parking lot from 10:00 AM until all food is distributed, which is usually by 11:30 AM. If you would like to volunteer please call Teresa Langhorn at 585-245-1223 by Wednesday, March 11th.

Don't forget we turn the clocks ahead an hour this coming Saturday night. Isn't it great that the daylight hours are getting longer? Everyone have a wonderful week."



Eighteen people attended the Springwater Trails hike at the Affolter family farm overlooking Honeoye Lake on Sunday, March 1. If there is room, a photo of the group that arrived by 2 o'clock will be printed. The picture was taken on John Larysz's camera. After the hike most

everyone stayed for the social at the house built in the early 1800's. The next hike will be a tour of historical sites in the Village of Naples. Town Historian John Murphy has agreed to be the guide. Meet at 2 PM (remember the time change) in the municipal parking lot behind the buildings on the west side of Main Street (with rain predicted, you might want to bring an umbrella). For more details, ask a regular hiker or go to the Springwater Trails website.

The Annual Vincent House Softball Tournament is March 7th at 8 AM sharp at the Larry Canute Memorial Park in Springwater, sponsored by the American Legion Post 905. \$5 for only lunch scheduled for 12 noon. Contact people include: Becca at 585-313-3745 and Jill at 585-642-0760.

The evening of March 7th is the 17th Annual "Boop" Chili Cookoff. All proceeds are to benefit Kern Robinson Post 905 American Legion, 7998 School Street, Springwater, on Saturday, March 7, 2020. Anyone can attend. To enter the contest, bring a Chili and/or attend to enjoy selecting a crowd favorite. Details: Contact Mr. Fredericy at 585-669-9372. The event is open to the public. To enter the contest, drop off your Chili in a Crockpot (to keep it hot and safe to eat) at 4 PM along with a \$5 bill. Judging starts at 5 PM. Drawing for the Pick Table and 50/50 starts at 6 PM and continues through the evening. Come share your Chili concoction &/or sample the

FREE Chili & Hot dogs. Vote for your favorite. Prizes: Original \$30, Hottest \$20, Crowd Favorite \$10.

The Western Finger Lakes Forest Owners Association provides educational information to help you manage your trees and forests. March 7 is the Western NY Rural Landowner Workshop. A bat program will be presented on Tuesday, March 10 at 7 PM at the United Church of Christ, 8758 Main Street, Honeoye NY 14471. Lynn A. Braband, a Certified Wildlife Biologist from the NYS Integrated Pest Management Program of Cornell University will be discussing the survey of bat species which occur in New York State, including their habitat requirements, and how to attract bats. He will explain how best to respond to a bat in the house! Bats are the only mammals naturally capable of flight, pollinators, and major consumers of insects and pests. Come and hear about their countless benefits. For details on any of these go to the Western NY Forest Owners Association website <https://www.nyfoa.org> or contact your Cornell Cooperative Extension office, in Livingston County, David Thorp at (585) 335-1752.

On Wednesday evening, March 11, the Little Lakes Community Center will be the place for Open Stage performances. Each participant has a 5 minute spot by signing in upon arrival for \$5. For more information about the Little Lakes Community Association, visit their website [LittleLakesNY.org](http://LittleLakesNY.org), check out their Face Book page @littlelakesNY or call their office at (585) 367-1046.

The Springwater Fire Department has their Annual St. Patrick's Steak Roast and Comedy Show coming up on March 21. Presale tickets are required and are available now from any member. There is a detailed poster in the Springwater Post Office on the bulletin board and a big sign along the road in front of the Department on South Main Street.

Birthdays:

March 6 – Louis James

March 7 – Paula Longacre

March 8 – Kenneth Shull

March 9 – Sally Brown, Cassie Bartlett

March 10 – Catherine Rizzieri, Kasey Freas, Breanna Willard, Layne Irwin

March 11 – Tracy Smith

March 12 – Phillis Shepard