

SPRINGWATER PARTY LINE

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Open House Farms Days events that offer visitors a chance to take a behind-the-scenes tour, meet the producers, and learn more about the important contribution agriculture makes to our local economy are underway this fall. Last week I wrote about the Hargrave Farm Tour that I experienced. This week I want to tell you about the Mushroom hike hosted on the All Western Evergreen Nursery & Christmas Tree Farm. Forty-six people, 30 vehicles, 60 different species of mushrooms identified by Dr. Randy Weidner and Garrett from Olean, both members of the



Rochester Area Mycological Association. The hike was on Sunday, September 20th hosted by Springwater Trails and RAMA, for the 7th year in a row. Many thanks are extended to everyone involved. The weather was ideal. Melissa and Char led the Climbers, Mark led the Tourists, Gene led the “Pokies” or Naturalist group, and Georgia led the ones that wandered on the area near the house. John Larysz shared his link to photographs <http://larysz.com/Images/2020/September%20-%20Mushrooms/index.php> and Anthony Tremblay shared this one. Gene and Georgia Binder were our link to RAMA. Beth Doty was our link to

Facebook. If you are interested, the farm is hosting an Open House on Saturday, October 10 by reservation so that distancing will be easier. Details are available on the allwesterntrees.com website or by calling 585-669-2659.

The Webster’s Crossing United Methodist church congregation is the place to be this Thursday, September 24th, 2020 for the Spaghetti Dinner by donation, served as a Drive-through Take-out. The church is located on Route 15 in Webster Crossing just north of Springwater and south of Conesus. In addition, the Drive-through Roast Beef Dinner (\$12/adults, \$6/children under 12 years, 5 and under free) will be on Saturday, October 10 from 4:30 to 7:00 PM. There will be pre-sale tickets available at the Drive-through Spaghetti Dinner by donation on Thursday, September 24 from 4:30 to 7:00 PM; however, a pre-sold ticket will not be mandatory for the Roast Beef Dinner. The goal is to provide nourishment to the community, in more ways than one. We are looking forward to seeing you.

The Springwater Trails hike on October 4, 2020 will be of the beautiful Schribner Valley hosted by the President and Springwater Town Council member Mark Hopkins and his wife, Linda. Details are on the Springwater Trails website, posted by Thursday, October 1 or ask a regular hiker.

Be sure to stop by the Park on the corner of Main and Mill Streets at the blinking light in Springwater for the weekly Farmer’s Market. 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. Winter squashes and apples were in abundance this past week. It is time to prepare pumpkin pies and to freeze pureed pumpkin because canning it pureed is NOT recommended. Utilize the information from Cooperative Extension at the National Center for Home Food Preservation at the University of Georgia or from your own County Cornell Cooperative Extension office, in Livingston County on the campus in Mount Morris, 3 Murray Hill Dr, Mt Morris, NY 14510 or phone (585) 335-1752 and in Steuben County 3 E Pulteney Square, Bath, NY 14810 Phone: (607) 664-2300. If you are on the subscription list for the Livingston County Gardening Gazette, be sure to read and enjoy Barbara Brenner's columns. Barbara is teaching sound home food preservation information and hands-on workshops at the Little Lakes Community Center in Hemlock. Go to Little Lakes Community Association website for information or ask a regular member.

Young people aged 18 to 23 that are between decisions on how to spend the next year of their life, might want to check out what life looks like in the 9th year of the Lagom Landing program on Reed's Corners Road in the Town of Sparta. Go on line or give a call to Rock or Laurel at 585-727-1687 for more information or a tour of the establishment. Young people experiencing this program learn so much by doing – apply today.

The Springwater Community Food Pantry remains open on Saturday mornings from 9 to 11 AM. If you have any questions, please call Teresa Langhorn at 585-245-1223.”

Tawn Feeney from the Little Lake Community Association in Hemlock writes about the many upcoming events in September, 2020 at the Little Lakes Community Center, 4705 S. Main Street, Hemlock, www.littlelakesny.org, or call (585) 367-1046. If you are interested in municipal supported solar power you might want to know about the informational meeting being presented by Community Choice Aggregation in Lima, on Thursday, September 24 from 7 to 8 PM at the Lima Ambulance location. The program is being presented by Roctricity, and organization that presented at the Little Lakes Community Center as part of the 2019 Sustainability Series.

Sustainable Sassy's Framed Pine Cone Art is on Saturday, September 26 from 11:00 AM to 12:00 Noon at the LLCC. Pine cones can be used for a variety of crafting projects. You might want to join Sassy with this project. She will be making some lovely fall decor or even a treasured Christmas present. What to Bring: 8x10 inch frame with backing. All other supplies provided. Cost: \$5 per person

News from the Office for the Aging shared by Linda Hopkins, our Springwater representative to OFA:

Currently, 46 robot pets are providing companionship and comfort to 46 senior citizens in Livingston County! The robots are great companions with no worries about feeding, care or tripping. Then there is Tai Chi Online which include free, simple programs offered via Zoom and sponsored by Lifespan and in part by the Livingston County Office For the Aging. Fall classes include: Tai Chi for Arthritis I & II, Tai chi for Memory, Tai chi for Life, Seated Tai chi, QiGong. To receive list of classes and then register to participate, e-mail Wendy Fambro at: wfambro@lifespacochester.org

Students and teachers starting or returning to school or university need our best wishes for safe schooling, travel and wise decision making.

Happy Birthday to:

September 25 – Theodore Scheiderich, Graciella Chavez, Al Henry

September 26 – Ann Hoppough, Christopher Adams, Harper Martindale

September 27 - Bob Irizarry, Clifford King

September 29 – Jovialis Gricius, Alison Gleason, Hallee Weatherbee

October 1 – Rebecca Schleuter, Colby Smith, Randy Chiverton, David Herbert Sr.

Anniversaries: Congratulations!

September 27 – Chris & Lori Naczynski #17