

SPRINGWATER PARTY LINE

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A tornado went through Webster's Crossing last **Monday, September 13** very early in the morning. According to public information from the National Weather Service, the estimated peak wind was 110 miles an hour with a path length of eight tenths of a mile and a width of 75 yards. Fortunately there were no fatalities or injuries to any people and property damage was primarily to hardwood trees, a shed and above ground pool. Details were sent to me by a Springwater Trails' friend. Fortunately, the Webster's Crossing Church is available for the monthly Spaghetti Dinner by donation this **Thursday, September 23**.

The box dinners will be available from 4:30 to 7 PM. Both Take-Out and Eat-In options are set up. The Music Jam is held in the sanctuary. Bring your instrument or your voice to add to the evening's pleasure of not having to cook or do the dishes. A Roast Beef Dinner is being planned for October. Details will be discussed and finalized. Watch for them in a subsequent column.

The weather was perfect for the seventeen people attending the Sunday, **September 19, 2021** Springwater Trails hike at Highland Park Arboretum in Rochester. You can see the full set of photos taken by John Larysz at <http://larysz.com/Images/2021/September%20-%20Highland%20Arboretum/index.php>. The next hike will be a Mushroom hike on our All Western Evergreen Nursery & Christmas Tree Farm in beautiful Springwater, NY. To join the group, log into the Springwater Trails website for details or ask a regular hiker.

Until **September 24, 2021**, the Arts Council for Wyoming County Gallery is hosting "Our Farmers, Our Water, Our Future", a photo essay of farmers and conservation in the Genesee Valley by award winning artist Rebecca Drobis. The Gallery is located at 31 South Main Street in Perry, NY. Parking is across the street in the municipal parking lot. Call 585-237-3517 for Gallery hours.

Mike Seager from the Western Finger Lakes Chapter of the Farm Owner's Association sent a reminder for the annual meeting. He writes, "In a departure from our traditional annual dinner, this year we will be having a fall picnic for our annual meeting. Dave Swanson and his family have offered to host the WFL chapter on **Saturday, September 25**, at their Osage Farm near Mt. Morris. For all information and functions, see: <http://npogroups.org/lists/info/nyfoa-wfl-news>

Do log into the Little Lakes Community Center activities at <https://www.facebook.com/littlelakesNY/> as there is something to do everyday of the week at 4705 S. Main St. in Hemlock. Find upcoming events at the Little Lakes Community Center website www.littlelakesny.org or phone (585) 367-1046. Upcoming Events for the remainder of September and October 2021:

(1) Grab a partner, dust off your dance shoes and join us for a socially distanced night of ballroom dancing at the (B)ring (Y)our (O)wn (P)artner Ballroom Sampler! Every Friday evening starting **October 1**, 7:00 to 9:00 PM at the Little Lakes Community Center, 4705 S. Main St., Hemlock. Registration is \$20 per couple. The night will begin with two half hour

lessons that will focus on two different ballroom styles. Following the lessons, a variety of ballroom music for your dancing pleasure will be played. Lessons are beginner friendly. Real Lead and Follow techniques will be taught and encouraged! Due to the pandemic, registration is limited to couples and partners will not be rotated.

(2) There is a Little Lakes Estate Sale **Saturday, October 2, 2021** (change of date), between 10:00 AM and 4:00 PM. An entire estate was generously donated to LLCA to offer! Included in the auction will be antiques, a collection of Civil War books, furniture, china, glassware, kitchen items, games and toys. The sale will take place at the Little Lakes Community Center, 4705 S. Main St., Hemlock, littlelakesny.org; 585-367-1046. Enjoy the gift shops, farm market, and a tour of the updated building, while you are there!

(3) On **Monday, October 4** from 6:30 to 8:00 PM, the monthly date dedicated to community input where all are welcome to join in, to learn about the organization, to ask questions and make suggestions.

(4) The Little Lakes Book Club will meet on **Thursday, October 7** (new evening) from 6:30 to 7:30 PM. \$5 donation includes refreshments. The book of the month is *Hillbilly Elegy* by J. D. Vance. You are welcome to join in the discussion even if you have not read the book or read it previously.

(5) A Tree Dedication to Joe Dady will occur on **Friday, October 8** from 4:00 to 5:00 PM at the Little Lakes Community Center. The tree was placed by an anonymous donor in memory of a man, well known and loved for his music. At this occasion, his brother John will sing and so will the Genesee Valley Children's Choir. Please email tfeeney@littlelakesny.org if you would like to attend, or call 585-367-1046.

(6) Halloween Paper Crafting will be taught by Deb Meek on **Saturday, October 9** from 10:00 AM to Noon. This program is for children 10 years and up with a class limit of 10 participants. Advance registration is required at www.littlelakesny.org. Cost is \$20.00 and includes all materials for making a Halloween holiday card, a treat holder, and a simple banner. Participants may bring their own snack and a drink in a leak-proof container.

(6) Little Lakes History Club is on **Tuesday October 12**, from 6:30 to 7:30 PM. This is a monthly meeting for fans of local History, family genealogies, and other topics of historical interest. Donation: \$5, collected at the meeting.

(6) The Brothers Blue Concert at the Little Lakes Community Center, Saturday, **October 16**, 7:00 pm (doors open at 6:30). \$15 advanced tickets at www.littlelakesny.org recommended. Rooted in the fertile tradition of Old-Time fiddle music, The Brothers Blue grow a sound all their own – offering a hybrid which unites fresh, original song-writing with elements from Country, Bluegrass, Cajun, and Irish music. They weave three part harmonies through a rich tapestry of fiddle, banjo, and guitar. Whether around a campfire or in a concert hall, the band provides honest, heartfelt musical experiences. Refreshments will be available. The place: 4705 S. Main St., Hemlock; 585-367-1046.

(7) .Donate at the Red Cross Blood Drive on **Wednesday, October 20, 2021**, 1:00 to 5:00 PM. The American Red Cross will be at the Little Lakes Community Center for anyone interested in stopping by to donate. Your donations are needed and appreciated. Make your reservations at redcrossblood.org or call 1-800-RED-CROSS.

(8) Fall Card Making, Instructor Deb Meek, **Saturday, October 30**, 10:00 AM to noon. Class limit: 10 participants. Advance registration required at www.littlelakesny.org \$20. Autumn is upon us and as the leaves begin to display their lovely foliage, let's have some fun making cards to help celebrate this beautiful time of year. Participants will enjoy creating two great seasonal cards and one Thanksgiving note of thanks place card & treat holder. All materials needed to complete the cards will be supplied by the instructor. Participants may bring their own drinks in a leak proof container and a snack if desired. Masks are required.

(9) Your Child's Road to Reading, a three-Part Series: **Thursday mornings Oct. 7, 14, 21**, 10:30 AM to noon, \$25 for the series; \$10 each session. The miracle of early childhood development will be explored as we discover how we, as parents and caregivers, can support our child's early learning, especially in the area of pre-reading skills. Session 1: "The Power of Play;" Session 2: "Learning to Listen;" Session 3: "Sounds Like Fun!" This series is taught by Tawn Feeney, a retired speech-language pathologist, who specialized in early childhood education. Email her prior to registering to assist in tailoring the course to your needs at tfeeney@littlelakesny.org.

Please do not hesitate to let Katherine Humphrey know of any errors you find or information you have to share from Webster Crossing area in this Springwater Party Line. Contact kjth@allwesterntrees.com or by mail to PO Box 217, Springwater, NY 14560. Thank you.

Happy Birthday to:

September 23 – Chase Teed, Barbara Williams

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

Anniversaries: Congratulations!

September 23 - Bernie & Karen Briceland # 43

September 27 – Chris & Lori Naczynski #18