

## SPRINGWATER PARTY LINE

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News due before Sunday evening!

Hopefully you will be reading this column on or before Thanksgiving Day in 2021, as it falls on the 25<sup>th</sup>. There are many benefits to being grateful and expressing that feeling to others. Research has shown that grateful people live longer and have more satisfying lives than the people that are bitter and complaining. Look around you! You can be thankful for having the opportunity to face another day, to see and experience the outdoors in crisp fall weather with a walk in the park or far or near to your home.

John Larysz sent the following information and photographs regarding the Sunday, November 21, 2021 Springwater Trails hike in Powder Mills Park: “There were 13 of us in all. It started raining about half way through, but it wasn’t enough to bother anyone. For me, I like walking in the rain. You can find the full set of pictures here: [A Hike in Powder Mills Park in Perinton, NY \(larysz.com\)](#).” The Springwater Trails hike on **Sunday November 28th** will be at the **Fairport Historical Museum and Erie Canal**. To join the group, log into the Springwater Trails website for details or ask a regular hiker.

Many thanks are extended to all who participated in any way at the November 18th Webster’s Crossing United Methodist Church **Spaghetti Dinner by donation**. New to helping was Caleb Troy from Lagom Landing, a member of the 10<sup>th</sup> cohort of young people learning. Caleb enjoys doing community service among his many other experiences. The Music Jam led by Ralph Hamilton ran on into the night. The next Spaghetti Dinner is the third **Thursday of December on the 16<sup>th</sup>**. A warm meal, pleasant company, and music await all who wish to attend the Webster’s Crossing UMC Spaghetti Dinner as Take-out to Eat-in. Take-outs are certainly available, as well, between 4:30 ad 7:00 PM. Many thanks to all who come!

The Christmas season is almost here! Take the opportunity with your family to get outdoors and pick out your perfect Christmas tree, maybe even cut it yourself! In our area these are some of the Choose and Cut tree farms: Alexander’s in Dansville, All Western Evergreen Farm in Springwater, and the Letson II Tree Farm in Groveland and Springwater. Growers and their employees have worked hard most of the year to produce New York State grown, top-quality Christmas trees (with God’s expert help), as it takes 7 to 12 years to grow a saleable tree. We invite you to come out to one of the farms to cut your own, or to select a fresh-cut New York grown tree from the fresh-cut trees displayed and purchase wreaths and other decorations made from natural greens. For the freshest tree or wreath, buy a locally grown tree or hand made wreath. This is a safe, fun outdoor activity for the entire family. At the All Western Evergreen Farm on Liberty Pole Road you can purchase kissing balls and mail-box huggies made from exotic firs like Nordmann, Sub-alpine, and/or Grand fir. In the fields you will find these and Fraser or Concolor fir.

November is information sharing month at Lifespan of Greater Rochester. Lifespan helps older adults and caregivers take on the challenges and opportunities of longer life. Lifespan is a trusted source of unbiased information, guidance and more than 30 services and advocacy for older

adults and caregivers. Lifespan of Greater Rochester has programs funded by the NYS Department of Health. Their phone numbers are 585-244-8400 and toll free 844-249-7126. We are all caregivers at one time or another in our lives. We are fortunate to live in a location that has helpful information and activities through an organization like Lifespan. Two programs you won't want to miss: The Science & Art of Gratitude, Monday, November 22, 1:00 – 2:00 PM, and Name that Scam!, Tuesday, November 23, 11:00 to Noon. <https://www.lifespan-roch.org/information-inspiration> or <https://www.lifespan-roch.org/new-events>.

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](http://www.littlelakesny.org) or phone (585) 367-1046. Upcoming Events for November and December 2021 include:

(1) Annie's Ukulele Hour, 1<sup>st</sup> and **3rd Thursdays of each month, November 18**, 7:00 to 8:00 PM. Registration: \$5 at Little Lakes Community Center, 4705 S. Main St., Hemlock. We will enjoy playing well-known or new tunes that are easy to play on the ukulele. Popular and simple chords will be used and taught. You may bring tunes to share with the whole group. If you are new or seasoned, you will leave the session with a smile on your face for having made music with others. Although not a virtuoso, Annie O'Reilly has great fun playing the ukulele and enjoys it even more while playing in a group. She was fortunate to receive lessons from our late friend, Joe Dady, who will be smiling down on us while playing and having fun! Annie also enjoys playing for children at her volunteer job at Humphrey Nature Center.

(2) Rueda de Casino Dance Club, **November 26**, 7:00 to 9:00 PM, \$12.00; pre-register at [www.littlelakesny.org](http://www.littlelakesny.org), Little Lakes Community Center, Hemlock. Rueda de Casino is a group Salsa dance from Cuba. Think Square Dancing meets Salsa. Couples are arranged in a circle (Rueda = wheel), dancing Cuban style Salsa (Casino), responding to a "caller" orchestrating the dance. The first 45 - 60 minutes is learning oriented, with frequent stops to learn the moves and to improve details. The next 30 - 45 minutes is "flow" oriented, only stopping between songs. The last 30 minutes is for socializing. A variety of Salsa, Bachata, and Merengue music is played for anyone's dancing pleasure.

(3) Christmas Paper Crafting Class, Saturday, **November 27, 2021**, 10:00 AM to noon \$20, Little Lakes Community Center, 4705 S. Main St., Hemlock, [www.littlelakesny.org](http://www.littlelakesny.org); 585-367-1046. As Christmas peeks its head around the corner we begin our count down to all things that help make this holiday season lovely and fun filled. Think how impressed loved ones would be to receive a card made personally by you. This class is suitable for both teens and adults. You will make 2 cards and 1 ornament. All materials needed to complete these projects will be supplied by the instructor, Deb Meek.

(4) Open Community Meeting, Monday, **December 6, 2021**, 6:30 – 8:00 PM, Community Room. The first Monday evening of each month, this meeting is dedicated to community input where all can learn about the organization, ask questions and make suggestions. At the Little Lakes Community Center, 4705 S. Main St., Hemlock, [www.littlelakesny.org](http://www.littlelakesny.org); 585-367-1046.

(5) Little Lakes Community Center Cookie Exchange, Tuesday, **December 7, 2021**, 6:30 to 8:30 PM, 4705 S. Main St., Hemlock, 585-367-1046. You are invited to share in our holiday cookie exchange. This event costs nothing to attend and a good time is had by all. We exchange with a wonderful circle of all who attend, a Christmas ornament and home-baked holiday cookies. Our very own Melissa Carey always has some fun games to help with the ornament choices. Come with two dozen of your favorite holiday homemade cookies and a wrapped Christmas ornament to exchange. Go home with a variety of delicious treats and a wonderful ornament picked out with the spirit of friendship in mind. Masks are a must for this event so please come prepared and we will be supplying gloves and a beverage. Come share in the merriment of the season with us!

(6) Little Lakes Book Club, Thursday, **December 2, 2021**. \*Note: new evening. 6:30 to 7:30 PM, \$5.00 donation, refreshments included. The club meets the first Thursday of each month. This month the group will be reading Klara and the Sun by Ishiguro. You are welcome to join us if you have never read the book or read it previously. Little Lakes Community Center, 4705 S. Main St., Hemlock, (585) 367-1046 [www.littlelakesny.org](http://www.littlelakesny.org)

(6) Dady Christmas Concert, Saturday, **December 11, 2021**, 7:00 to 10:00 PM. Doors open at 6:30. Tickets: \$18 per person, including a treat; reservations at [www.littlelakesny.org](http://www.littlelakesny.org), Little Lakes Community Center, 4705 S. Main St., Hemlock, 585-367-1046. We at the Little Lakes Community Center are once again excited to be presenting our Dady Christmas Concert! This is the highlight for our guests every year as we “deck the gymatorium” making it special to put us all into the spirit of the season. The wonderful John Dady will be performing with his musically talented friends John Ryan, Perry Cleveland and Gary Holt. To make this evening even more festive, Deer Run Winery will have holiday spirit for all to purchase. Won't you set aside this Saturday evening in December to gather at the Little Lakes with family and friends, sharing in the joys of this holiday season? Masks are recommended, but required if non-vaccinated via CDC regulations. Reservations are appreciated as seating is limited to 124.

**The Respite Center in Geneseo has openings! They meet every Tuesday & Thursday from 10:00 AM-2:00 PM.** You can drop your loved one off for one or both days. Transportation may be provided, if needed. To learn more, please feel free to reach out directly to Christa Barrows. Also, check out this short video: <https://www.geneseo.edu/respice-center> .

Happy Birthday to:

November 25 – Val Harder, Adam Harder, Breezy Bortle, Tracy Bartlett

November 26 – Denise Rearmore, Alice Colegrove

November 27 – James Pfuntner, Audrey Hergenroder, Neal Wormuth

November 28 – Jackson West

November 29 – Pat Granger, Kyle Tokarz

November 30 – April Mann, Sarah DiPasquale

December 1 – Amanda Case

Anniversaries:

November 26 – James & Joice Kelley Biek

December 1 – Robert and Cheryl Parker #30

December 2 – Robert & Sue Strassner