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TOWN OF SPAFFORD



Greetings from your Supervisor

Welcome to the Town of Spafford Newsletter. I want to begin by thanking everyone who helped pull this first issue of the 2016 newsletter together. We've tried some different formatting and I expect the newsletter will continue to evolve as we move forward. There have been a number of great suggestions from residents, so please keep them coming. We will be publishing the newsletter once a quarter over the next two years both in print

Home Coming Sun
 Set Skaneateles
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and online via the town website. It's been a busy two and a half months since I began my position as Supervisor and I must say it's been both challenging and rewarding. The Town Board has already processed a tremendous amount of work; some issues were carried over from 2015 and many were new items for this year. We have hired a new Town Attorney, and are very happy to be working with James Gascon from Costello Cooney Fearon PLLC. We have formed a small working group to starting digging into Broadband Internet for our town. It's a complicated process with many logistical and political challenges. I'll continue to provide updates as we navigate this very important issue. We have received a preliminary indication from Senator DeFrancisco's office that we will receive a grant to help us with a salt/sand storage structure. This is exciting news and will help offset the local burden to our taxpayers.

Christopher Kozub - ckozub@townofspafford.com

Recreation Committee

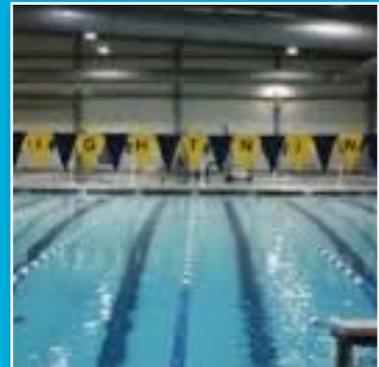
The following offerings or events are available to all town residents now or in the upcoming months. These are terrific opportunities for you and your family to take advantage of so please don't miss out!

SKANEATELES YMCA DAY PASS



The Town and the Skaneateles YMCA & Community Center have agreed to offer a free day pass to the facility on a first come, first serve basis. This allows you and / or your family use of the pool, gym, and skating facilities as per the daily schedule. The procedure is to call Lisa Valletta, Town Clerk or stop by the Town Hall to obtain a voucher. This offer will expire on 12/31/16. Should residents wish to use the Y on a more regular basis memberships and classes are available on a sliding scale.

Skaneateles YMCA & Community Center



Take advantage all the YMCA and Community has to offer. In addition to the aquatic center and ice arenas the facility also has a full service workout with numerous cardio machines and will soon have a large multi-purpose athletic room

*Lourdes Camp
Summer 2016
74th year*



This summer is the 74th summer at Ten Mile Point on the eastern shore of Skaneateles Lake. The camp has 100 acres of land enhanced by large shade trees, sprawling lawns, surrounding hills and Ten Mile Creek, and 1500 feet of lakefront.

In an effort of ensuring a safe and litter free environment, the rec committee will again focus on the Otisco Lake Causeway. Please meet there on Saturday April 23 at 9am. Gloves are a MUST! If you have a group that would like to tackle another location, let us know. The county's OCRRA agency has developed an entire plan for the county wide clean up day.



The Town of Spafford is again partnering with Lourdes Camp to offer scholarships for a week of day camp to resident youth this summer. Children must be 7-11 years of age and have their own



transportation to and from camp. Camps fees for the week will again be \$25.00 per child. Seven weeks are available this year as listed below: Week of July 5th, Week of July 11th, Week of July 18th, Week of July 25th, Week of August 1st, Week of Aug 8th and finally the week of Aug 18th.

Spafford Area Historical Society

Imagine a Community Center for the Spafford area. A place where clubs and classes could meet, practice sessions held, productions mounted, holidays and family events celebrated. It would be a warm, attractive, welcoming building that invites public and private use. The building would be fully handicapped accessible with adequate parking. It would have a lower level that is warm and dry with a small kitchen, storage and display area for historical archives, an office, small group meeting space and bathrooms. The main floor would hold 100 people for dinners, parties, classes, musical and theatrical productions. The easily accessible balcony would hold 25 more people in prime seating. The building would be insulated and the heating system would be economical to operate. This is the SAHS Board's

dream for Borodino Hall and the generosity of the community during our Capital Campaign is making this dream possible.



The repeated flooding of the basement, leaking roof, and installation of the lift in December forced the SAHS board to address the condition of the whole building. We had tripped the line of dominos and suddenly every deficiency needed to be addressed as soon as possible. Thanks to our supporters, we have the money to do much of the needed work and we recognize our obligation to use this money very carefully. The source of the money leaves us the option of combining volunteer labor with trusted contractors and donated materials with others purchased at discount to stretch our budget.

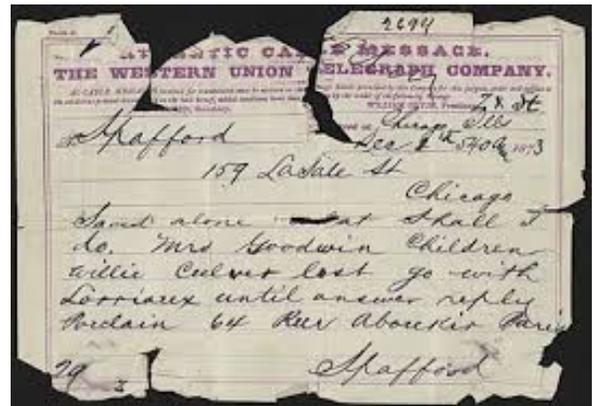
Installation of the drainage system was completed in December and we can hear water running through the system every time it rains. The lift is in and operating but installation required we remove the stairs to the balcony. In order to preserve the historic character of the building, a circular metal stairway to the balcony will have to be hidden in a reconstructed closet area. Those stairs are on order and will be installed in about 3 weeks. That part of the project is being done by Don Osborne with help of Matt O'Brien. Insulation is being added as we open walls to renovate. Jeff Spain will be doing the finish carpentry using salvaged trim from a historic building in Homer. Our biggest challenge and project is replacing the basement floor. The old floor was wood laid over a thin layer of concrete. When we tore up the rotted floor we found there were no footings holding up the wooden beams. Our plan is to break up the cement floor, pour footings to support the beams, install drainage that will connect to the exterior system, then pour a new cement floor with in floor heating supplied by our existing boiler. Committees are working on plans for new

landscaping, a small kitchen and storage areas. Estimates from contractors on new roofs for both Borodino Hall and Side Hill schoolhouse have been requested.



We are planning to have the building ready for the reception after the Veterans Memorial Parade. Not all the work will be finished but our progress will be evident to our generous supporters. Throughout the summer, we will be holding several events to show off our progress in restoring this beautiful circa 1833 Federal style building. As the reconstruction progresses we will welcome volunteer painters, cleaners, gardeners and anyone with time, energy and skills that will move the project along.

The Living History Program conducted at Side Hill School for 4th graders in the spring already has 12 classes from Marcellus and Skaneateles schools registered. Becky Osborne Culbertson is in charge of this program and encourages retired teachers to participate. Other volunteers are needed to clean and maintain the circa 1813 school house. The feedback we get from the children, their teachers and parents is positive and heartwarming. The children love dressing in costumes of the 1890's, writing on their slates with chalk, bringing their lunch in buckets, and playing games with hoops, bean bags and stilts at recess.



SAHS welcomes volunteers and members. For more information on how you could help or any of our activities, call Mary Bean 315 391 8477.

Building Department

Spring Clean-up:

We all need to work together on clean-up and maintenance in our town.

Please keep in mind when you start your spring clean-up that there is a burn ban effective (Per DEC) from March 16th through May 14th due to increased risk of wildfires.

If you are going to be digging please call **Dig Safely New York**. Simply dial **811** on your phone.

Building Permits:

Most building projects will need a Building Permit. If you are not sure if you need one feel free to call the Building Department before you start your project. We will help guide you and answer any questions you may have. Most building permits are issued within a timely manner. The town has been working on some zoning changes to make our zoning more user friendly.

Applications are available on the Town of Spafford website or you can come into the office and pick one up.

REMINDER: Please change the batteries in your smoke detectors**List of handy contacts for future use:**

- **Building Department E-mail:** building@townofspafford.com
- **Building Department Phone:** (315) 673-9557
- **Onondaga Health Department:** (315) 435-6600-Jeff Till
- **Onondaga County Department of Transportation:** (315) 435-3176
- **NYS Department of Transportation:** (315) 672-8151
- **Onondaga County Soil & Water Conservation District:** (315) 677-3851
- **City of Syracuse Water Department:** (315) 685-6486
- **NYSDEC:** (315) 426-7504
- **US Army Corps of Engineers-Local Field Office:** (315) 255-8090

Planning Board

The Planning Board would like to introduce our newest member, Kim Brayman. She is a welcome addition to the board and will provide valuable knowledge and insight to our upcoming projects.

The Planning Board has been working diligently as it continues its efforts on changes to our zoning code. One of those changes will allow the Planning Board to have site-plan review and approval. This is something that has not had any formal processes in place in recent times in the Town of Spafford. Currently, the Planning Board is drafting a new site-plan application and procedure process, as well as a fee schedule. These items will be reviewed at the next Planning Board meeting.

Current projects include an application for a Planned Development District (PDD) that has been submitted for a "glamping" business on Collard Road. An application for a Special Permit to construct a commercial solar farm on East Lake Road has also been submitted. Both of these potential projects will need site-plan review from the Planning Board.

The Planning Board meets every third Thursday of the month at the Spafford Town Hall at 7:00 p.m.

Zoning Board of Appeals

The Town of Spafford Zoning Board of Appeals would like to introduce Geoff Barron as the new ZBA Chair and Pat Strodel as the newest appointed board member.

The ZBA has worked along with the Planning Board to address a number of items that has resulted in revisions to our code.

Around Town

"The Brighton Symphony Orchestra Rococo Project" presents in concert:

- The American Premier of the Dusek Divertimento

Borodino United Methodist Church, 2:00 pm Sunday, May 22, 2016 1820 State Route 174 Skaneateles, NY 13152

The Program:

String Quartet in Bb Op. 1 No. 1 Joseph Haydn (1732 - 1809)

Presto

Menuetto - Trio

Adagio

Menuetto - Trio

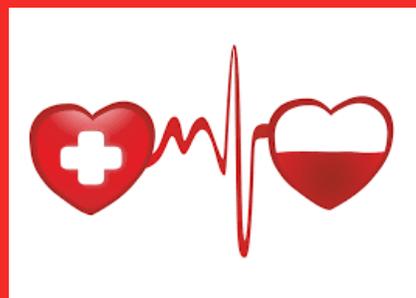
Finale

Sonata for Harp in C Op. 1 No. 1
Christian Hockbrucker (1733 - ?)

Allegro

Minuetto - Trio

Borodino Fire Department



Hosting a ARC blood drive March 18th from 3pm-7pm at the main hall. For reservations call 673-3745

Walk ins are also accepted

Additional dates will be available in the coming months.

*Around Town
Continued*



"The Brighton Symphony Orchestra Rococo Project" Presents in concert:

**The american premiere of
Dusek Divertimento**

Sonata for Harp in Eb Op. 3 No. 1
Philippe Jaques Meyer (1737 - 1819)

Andante - Siciliana

Minuet

Divertimento in A
Frantisek Xaver Dusek (1731 - 1799)

Allegretto

Adagio

Menuetto

Allegro Assai

An afternoon of music played on historically appropriate instruments, including a 250 year old Naderman harp, the oldest known pedal harp in the Western Hemisphere.

Five professional musicians, all renown in their fields of expertise, comprise this magnificent string quartet.

Aaron Bailey (*First Violinist*) Aaron is the Brighton Symphony Orchestra's associate concert master.

Cynthia Howk (*Second Violin*) Cynthia is a founding member of the Brighton Symphony Orchestra. She works for the Landmark Society of Western New York as the Architectural Research Coordinator.

Jonathan Allentoff (*Viola*) Jonathan plays first viola in the Brighton Symphony Orchestra. He is nationally recognized as an orchestra conductor and arranger.

Elizabeth Page Kinney (Cello) Elizabeth is the Brighton Symphony Orchestra's principal cellist. She is also the director of Kinney Music Studio in Pittsford, N.Y.

Paul Knoke (Harp) Founder of the Rococo Project, and a founding member and former president of the Historical Harp Society.

Entrance for this performance is by a requested donation. Please note all money is used to support the Brighton Symphony Orchestra, to ensure the continuation of music to enrich all our lives. Your financial support has never been needed as much as today, in this challenging time, and greatly appreciated! Thank you!

The Brighton Symphony Orchestra is sponsored by Brighton Parks & Community Services and is funded in part by a grant from the New York State Legislature, NY Council on the Arts and the Arts & Cultural Council for Greater Rochester.

Borodino United Methodist Church

Sunday, March 20 - Palm Sunday service - 10:00 a.m. - potluck breakfast at 9:00; all are welcome!

Thursday, March 24 - Holy Thursday service - 7:00 p.m. - a communion service recalling Jesus' last supper with His disciples, followed by readings from the Bible about Jesus' suffering and death.

Sunday, March 27 - Easter morning service - 10:00 a.m. - Come learn about and celebrate the Resurrection!

Spafford Food Pantry

The Spafford Food Pantry will be holding a re-organizational meeting on March 30, 2016 at 6 p.m. at the Borodino United Methodist Church. All are welcome to attend. All are welcome to become involved. The Pantry serves those in need in the Town of Spafford and the Town of Scott. We operate under the umbrella of the Borodino UMC and are housed by the Scott UMC. Come to the meeting, learn how we operate and consider joining our mission! Donations may be submitted to Spafford Food Pantry, 6816 Route 41, Homer, NY 13077.

Borodino Fire Dept Pancake Breakfast

Last Sunday of the month: June 26th, July 31st & Aug 28th

BROADBAND INTERNET SERVICE QUESTIONNAIRE

In order to provide better internet service to the people in Spafford, the Town of Spafford is putting together a proposal for a grant from the New York State Broadband Program. **The Grant Application process requires specific information about which, if any, Internet services are currently available to households in our town.** In order to get that information, we are asking you to fill out the following information and mail it to the address this is already printed on the other side of this paper. If you would rather fill out the survey online, go to www.townofspafford.com. Click link for Broadband Internet Service Questionnaire **Even if you already have acceptable service, we ask that you help your fellow citizens by letting us know exactly what you have. We appreciate your help.**

1. Name: _____
Address: _____
Town: _____

2. Do you currently have internet service? Yes No
2A. If no, is internet service available at your location? Yes No Don't Know

3. If you have internet service, is your service (circle one)
Wired Satellite MyFi Hotspot Dial Up Other: _____

4. Who is your internet service provider? (circle one)
Verizon TimeWarner Cable Windstream Other: _____

5. What is the speed of your download internet service ? (Mbps=megabits per second) (circle one)
Less than 25 mbps 25-50 mbps 50-100mbps Don't Know

If you don't know your speed, you can go to <http://www.speedtest.net> to do a quick test.

6. What is the internet used for in your household (check all that apply)
Work Home Business
School Personal (Communication/Shopping/Search)
Other: _____

Please fold this form tape the bottom and mail to Town of Spafford Town Hall, Attn: Chris Kozub, Please have the forms back to the Town Hall by April 1st