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## Warriors Upset Unbeaten 'Daga Tigers in Crazy Comeback Game

By Allison Collins

SIDNEY — The screen of the jumbotron at Cicero-North Syracuse High School flashed with images of jubilant Sidney Warriors at the close of the state quarter final game on Friday, Nov. 11. After trailing for most of the game and entering the fourth down by fourteen, the Warriors staged a near-unbelievable nailbiter of a comeback in the last down-to-the-wire minutes of the match-up against the undefeated Section III Onandaga Tigers, ultimately beating them 42-36.

The now third-seeded Warriors will 'keep pounding' in their next challenge against the first-seeded Section VI champs, the Maple Grove Red

Dragons from Bemus Point, N.Y. on Friday, Nov. 18 at 5 p.m., again at the Cicero-North Syracuse High School field. In their own playoff game, the Section VI Red Dragons beat Section V's Alexander, 28-0.

Even more incredible than the Warriors' final score is the fact that the true bulk of the winning action took place in the last nineteen seconds of the game—wherein the Warriors made it to the end zone an incredible two times.

In a Nov. 12 story appearing in *The Daily Star*, Warriors quarterback Darren Smith said of the game's final moments: "What we did in the last three minutes—I can't explain it."

Just before fighting back to

tie it up, the Warriors' energy got its initial shift with a gravity-defying airborne catch by wide receiver, Alex Hoskins, with 47.3 seconds left. Backus told Binghamton's *Press and Sun Bulletin*, "That touchdown by Alex [Hoskins] in the fourth quarter was a huge momentum gainer."

Execution of their penultimate hook and ladder play—with QB Smith handing off to Hoskins at the 28-yard line, who then tossed to Dawson Backus, who then trotted into the end zone—was what really had jaws dropping and was called by Time Warner Cable sportscasters "perfection." Other media outlets have suggested it'll be "The Play," destined to live on in colloquial legend for years to



(Photo credit: Jacqui Green).

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## Greenlawn Elementary Students, Staff Thank Veterans with Inaugural Breakfast

By Allison Collins

BAINBRIDGE — On the morning of Thursday, Nov. 10 over 50 veterans spanning decades of military service gathered in the halls of Bainbridge-Guilford's Greenlawn Elementary for the district's inaugural Veterans' Breakfast.

Greenlawn principal, Jennifer Henderson, said that, while the event was the brainchild of district superintendent Timothy Ryan and her-

self, it was the students that really brought it all together. From the patriotic centerpieces and goody bags filled with homemade cookies and candies (delivered tableside with a "Thank you for your service!") to the entertainment and food service, the kids played a most integral part. "The kids did this!" said Henderson. "They're doing it all. All students had a hand in it in some way."

While veterans and their families dined on a breakfast

smorgasbord prepared by the Greenlawn Elementary cafeteria staff, students hustled to and from tables, taking coffee orders, clearing plates and giving smiles and gratitude.

Midway through the morning meal, Superintendent Ryan delivered a brief welcome speech, first thanking the veterans for coming and explaining to them that it was "a very important piece for the entire Bainbridge-Guilford community to honor you... and important for our students



Greenlawn fifth graders stand with their special patriotic banner during the Nov. 10 Veterans Day festivities.

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## Sidney EMS Seeks Community Input, Involvement in Fundraising Campaign

By Allison Collins

SIDNEY — Newly granted 501-C-3 not-for-profit status, Sidney EMS and its board of directors are ready to take the next step toward better outfitting the squad and serving the tri-town community. And, as such, they are asking the members of the very communities they serve to play a part in building up the organization.

Member of the board of directors, Robin Decker, said

of the not-for-profit status, "That's a huge boost for us because now we can offer personal and business tax deductions for community donations, so that's kind of exciting."

In an effort to kick-start a comprehensive fundraising campaign, Decker shared that Sidney EMS will be hosting a Thursday, Nov. 17 meeting open to the community. "We're having an initial meeting to gather community members willing to develop

an annual fundraising event for Sidney EMS. We're looking for anyone interested in being on a committee to work hands-on with the board of directors to develop what that event might be, implement it, and then go from there," said Decker. The Nov. 17 meeting will begin at 6:30 p.m. at the River St. firehouse headquarters and will include a brief tour of the squad's current facilities, housing and equipment. Decker said that, whatever the annual fundraising



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## Operation Merry Christmas is in Full Swing Now

SIDNEY—One of the oldest tri-town traditions of yuletide giving has returned again this year: Operation Merry Christmas is underway!

Gift tags are now hanging from the dozen or so trees housed in area business for Operation Merry Christmas. Stop by downtown stores in Sidney, Unadilla and Bainbridge to select a tag with a

child's age and interests on it, then return an unwrapped gift, with the tag, to the corresponding tree and store. Gifts need to be under the trees by Thursday, Dec. 1 in order for Operation Merry Christmas volunteers to get them delivered to in-need area children in time for the holidays.

## Algonquin Antique Auto Club Celebrates the Harvest, Looks Forward to the Holidays

BAINBRIDGE - The Algonquin Antique Auto Club held their harvest meal and meeting on Sunday, Nov. 6, at the Bainbridge Museum. The milder weather permitted some of the older members to attend and there was a total of 30 bringing in their favorite harvest dishes to share. Some dishes were pre-requested so there would be a variety and we were grateful to Bob Hunt and his family donating the turkeys and the dressing. We also celebrated three occasions: Howard Palmatier turning 93 on Election Day, David Calleia was celebrating his 75th birthday and Ernest and Laura Thompson were cel-

brating 45 years of marriage.

Following the bountiful meal, relevant discussions were held regarding election of new officers at the February meeting, since after serving eight years as president and secretary, Gerald and Eileen Mitchell would like to step down from their respective posts. It is hoped that some of the newer and younger members will step up and fill these positions.

The next meeting will be the annual Christmas dinner to be held at D'vine Times in Guilford on Sunday, Dec. 11. Attendees will have their choice of chicken, roast beef or prime rib of cooked choice. Those

present at the Nov. 6 meeting chose to pay towards their selection to help maintain the health of the treasury. Those who would like to continue the tradition of a small gift exchange are asked to bring in a gift valued at under \$10 to contribute to Santa's bag. Those who aren't exchanging made a choice to contribute to one of their favorite children's organizations.

We look forward to seeing a full member turn-out once again for another social gathering and trust the snow will cooperate as we journey over to Guilford.

## COMMUNITY MEALS



BAINBRIDGE - The Soup Kitchen at the Bainbridge United Methodist Church is open Saturdays from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Menu for the soup kitchen is available in the kitchen's Facebook page.

SIDNEY - A full meal is served at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 25 River St. every Wednesday from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Food selections vary weekly and all are welcome.

UNADILLA - A weekly luncheon is served every Thursday at 12:30 p.m. at St. Matthews Episcopal Church. A free will offering is appreciated.

UNADILLA - Breakfast in the Basement serves breakfast on the first and third Saturday of the month from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. at the Unadilla United Methodist Church on Main St. All are welcome. Donations are accepted but not expected.

SIDNEY - The First Congregational Church, located on the corner of Bridge and Main Streets in Sidney, offers free soup and sandwiches with dessert and drink from 4-6 p.m. on the second Thursday of every month.

**Share the Bounty Dinner**  
SIDNEY - Join your friends and neighbors for a free community Share the Bounty dinner on Thursday, Nov. 17 from 4:30-6:30 p.m. at the Sidney United Methodist Church, located on 12 Liberty St. Many thanks go out to East Guilford Presbyterian Church for preparing and serving this meal. The menu will include spaghetti and meatballs, salad and dessert. Make note if the early date due to Thanksgiving.

## AUTUMN SUPPERS

MT. UPTON - The Mt. Upton UMC will be holding a community dinner on Thursday, Nov. 17 from 5 - 6:30 p.m. A free will offering will be accepted.

## PANCAKE LISTING

AFTON - The Afton Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 3529 will host an all-you-can-eat pancake breakfast Saturday, Nov. 19 from 7 a.m. to 11 a.m. The breakfast will be served at the VFW post at 187 Main St. Afton, across from the NBT building. The breakfast is open to all and will include pancakes, scrambled eggs, sausage, home fries, coffee and juice.

There will be a small charge for the breakfast and proceeds will go to help the VFW Post 3529.

## Afton Clerks Office to Close for Thanksgiving Weekend

AFTON - The Afton Village Clerks Office will be closed Thursday, Nov. 24, in observance of Thanksgiving Day. The office will reopen on Monday, Nov. 28 at 9 a.m.

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## Treadwell UMC to Host Annual Holiday Bazaar

TREADWELL - The Treadwell United Methodist Church will hold their annual holiday bazaar on Saturday, Nov. 19 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. The event will feature homemade crafts, Christmas tree trims, holiday baked goods, baby quilts, a "white el-

ephant" table and a luncheon from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

The luncheon will consist of turkey supreme (turkey and dressing casserole), vegetables, cranberry salad, dessert, and a beverage of coffee, tea or milk.

## Sidney Library Closing for Thanksgiving

SIDNEY - The Sidney Memorial Public Library and associate branches will be closing at 3 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 23 and remain closed on Thursday, Nov. 24 for Thanksgiving.

## Harpursville Evaluation Committee to Meet Nov. 21

HARPURSVILLE - A meeting of the Harpursville Central School Superintendent's Evaluation Committee will be held on Nov. 21 at 6 p.m. in the MAC conference room located in the JSHS building.

## St. Agnes Church Continues Tradition with Nov. 19 Holiday Bazaar & Bake Sale

AFTON - It's almost that time of year again! Yes, it's time for the St. Agnes/St. John annual bazaar and bake sale, always held the Saturday before Thanksgiving at St. Agnes Church Hall located at 14 Spring St. in Afton.

Event organizers invite you to stop by, sit a while and chat over a hot cup of coffee and homemade coffee cake, as well as other hot beverages and breads. After, proceed and experience a unique shopping adventure!

First visit the craft table, filled with beautiful crocheted items by "Johanna," including mittens, scarves, and sweaters, all for the cold weather ahead. Also, many quilted items will be available - table

runners, placemats and children's quilts to name a few. Shoppers are sure to find many perfect Christmas gifts at very reasonable prices!

The "Ladies of Mary" are well-known for their delicious bake sales. And just in time for your Thanksgiving dessert table, there will be cakes, pies, homemade breads, jams and jellies, homemade candy, cookies, and many other mouth-watering foods.

Next, the ever-popular "white elephant" table will again have assorted glassware, jewelry, books, holiday items and some unusual items, all in good condition. Bargain hunters will love this table!

As in other years, the day will again feature many raf-

fles. There will be door prize raffles donated by many of the local businesses, both from Afton and Bainbridge. Their generous donations help make this event successful and bazaar organizers thank them from the bottom of their hearts! A special attraction will be the lottery ticket tree! And finally, the annual holiday raffle, which will include a first place prize of \$200; second place prize of \$100, and third place prize of \$50.

So come and join St. Agnes and St. John on Saturday, Nov. 19, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at St. Agnes Church Hall, located across from the Afton fire station. Look for the signs and posters. You'll find great gifts for that extra special



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event ends up being, the goal is to have it be “fun, community oriented and interactive.”

Once a fundraising plan is in place and underway, Decker said that the hope will be to “develop a goal for what we want this fundraising committee to work specifically toward.” While a specific project has yet to be pinned down, Decker did say of the board of directors, “We are leaning toward raising funds to find adequate housing for our squad. Right now we have a very small squad room being shared by six people at any given time.”

Despite reorganizing the organization in May of 2015 from an all-volunteer response service to one with paid staff on-call 24 hours a day, seven days a week, Sidney EMS lacks the adequate brick-and-mortar support for their necessarily expanded services. “What our main goal for fundraising is [likely] to be is finding more adequate and permanent housing,” said Decker.

Decker explained that,

since the squad’s reconfiguration, the seven-member board of directors remains volunteer-run while “employees providing hands-on, day-to-day services are paid.” And, since May 2015, those services have grown significantly.

Today, the squad is outfitted at any given time with two ALS (advance life saving) personnel and two BLS (basic life saving) personnel. Earning ALS certification is particularly demanding, said Decker, and requires some level of maintenance training. In many area all-volunteer squads the training and upkeep of said certification can be prohibitively expensive and time consuming, thereby limiting a squad’s overall efficacy. On Sidney’s squad, Decker said, “We provide them with updated training to turn around and then offer that service to our community and the surrounding area.”

With a focus on providing the best, most readily available services, Decker noted that, after some research and data collection in collabora-

tion with the Tri-Town Regional Hospital, it was determined that Sidney EMS be staffed with two active squads during the hours of 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. That means two ambulances and two pairs of employees—one ALS-certified and one BLS-certified per emergency vehicle—ready to run at all times.

According to Decker, structuring squad availability that way “provides an opportunity for us to provide services on any 9-1-1 calls and also transfers in and out of Tri-Town Regional Hospital without the long wait that would occur if we had to wait for our original 9-1-1 call to return, or vice versa. We found that it’s highly important to provide both of those services for a big chunk of the day.”

To learn more about the steadily improving Sidney Emergency Medical Services, visit them on Facebook; to go a step further and be a part of the progress, stop in to the Nov. 17 interest meeting at the River St. firehouse at 6:30 p.m.

**BREAKFAST CONTINUED**

to not just say thank you, but also to know your sacrifice.” Noting that, “you [veterans] have given us the freedom to be here right now,” Ryan went on to say that the breakfast will become an annual tradition. “I think for our first attempt, this is outstanding.”

The Nov. 10 breakfast ceremony coincided nicely with the 241<sup>st</sup> birthday of the US Marine Corps and, upon recognizing the occasion, Ryan

was greeted with a couple of fitting ‘hoo-rahs!’ from the audience. Later in the ceremony marine veterans were asked to stand while the students, faculty and other guests sang them ‘happy birthday.’

Clad all in red, white and blue and holding a handmade banner depicting an eagle over the nation’s flag, Greenlawn fifth graders, together with music department staffers Mrs. Snyder and Mrs.

Bunting-Cliffe, presented the veterans with a choral medley of *America* and *You’re a Grand Old Flag*, along with *America the Beautiful* performed solo on trumpet.

In closing, fifth grader Aliana Reyes addressed the crowd and bid them all return for next year’s Veterans’ Breakfast. “Today and every day,” said Reyes, “we applaud you.”



TWO CUB SCOUTS from Pack 88 help sort food items collected by the “Scouting for Food” community project, to benefit area families in need.



Fifth graders at Greenlawn Elementary in Bainbridge sing their allegiance during the performance portion of the school’s Nov. 10 inaugural Veterans’ Breakfast.

**Updates from the Butternut Valley Grange**

GILBERTSVILLE - At the penultimate meeting, the Grange voted a donation of \$100 to State Grange’s Anything Goes project, which is used for capital needs of the headquarters building in Cortland. Cathy Galley introduced a fundraiser with a first place prize of two seats on the Hershey, Pa. bus trip scheduled for Dec. 8 and a second place prize of a \$50 gift certificate to the Empire House. Tickets were distributed to members, with the drawing to take place on Dec. 1.

During the legislative report, a lively discussion occurred on the relevance of Columbus Day and whether

it should continue as a federal holiday. A strong majority felt that it should remain as such, even with the facts shared that might indicate misplaced respect and honor for Columbus.

During the course of the meeting, President Roger Halbert read a congratulatory letter from the National Grange president, Betsy Huber, notifying Butternut Valley that it had been selected as a distinguished Grange and, as such, was recognized at the National Grange Convention in Washington, D.C. during the week of Nov. 14. Only four local Granges in N.Y.S. achieved this recognition in 2016.

The Grange welcomed David and Sandra Stoy and Andrew and Anne Sebeck as new members of the Grange at the October meeting.

The Grange arranged a haunted house on Halloween evening, through which 125 brave adults and children took a trip; another 65 were content to just receive treats at the door!

Butternut Valley Grange hosted the annual stockholders’ meeting of the Otsego County Fair on Nov. 5 and also hosted the Otsego County Pomona Grange meeting on Saturday, Nov. 12. The fifth degree was also conferred at that meeting.

**Sidney Rotary to Sell Poinsettias**

SIDNEY-The Rotary Club of Sidney will be selling beautiful Christmas poinsettias, with proceeds to benefit many of the club’s community projects.

See any local Sidney Rotarian or call Kyle at 226-0686 to order by Friday, Dec. 2. Red will be available, with a limited supply of white, pink and jingle bell poinsettias, on a first come, first serve basis, so pre-order early.

Delivery will be Friday, Dec. 9 for pickup at St. Luke’s Lutheran Church, West Main St., Sidney. See the Rotary’s ad in this week’s newspaper for more details.

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RILEY MACPHERSON has been selected at Sidney High School's recipient of the DAW Good Citizen Award. This award is given to a graduating senior who exemplifies the characteristics of good citizenship — dependability, service, leadership, and patriotism. MacPherson was selected through a nomination process by faculty and staff. The award is sponsored by the Oneonta Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution. A luncheon will be held in May where MacPherson will be recognized and be presented with the award. He will also receive a pin and certificate at graduation.

## Veterans Day Finds Skies Full of Golden Eagles

FRANKLIN - 57 migrating golden eagles were tallied at the Franklin Mt. Hawkwatch, near Oneonta, on Nov. 11 by counters Steve Hall, Fred Fries and Kyle Dudgeon. This is the second highest daily count in the 28-year history of the site, topped only by the 71 birds counted exactly eleven years prior on Nov. 11, 2005. The previous second high was 51 on Nov. 20, 2003.

The count stands as the highest daily tally this season in the Eastern US, surpassing

totals at such well-known sites as Hawk Mountain and Wagoner's Gap in Pa.

The Franklin Mt. Hawkwatch is located on the Delaware-Otsego Audubon Society's wildlife sanctuary on the south side of the Susquehanna River valley, looking northward over the city of Oneonta. The site typically records over 5,000 raptors each fall season, of fifteen different species.

The Nov. 11 tally total brings the seasonal count to 196, ensuring that Franklin

Mt. will surpass 200 golden eagles for the first time in a decade, simultaneously providing the possibility of breaking the seasonal high of 252 in 2005.

Conditions were ideal on the big day--gusty northwest winds after clearing from a cold front passage. Golden eagles migrate late in the hawk season, even extending into December. The birds nest in northern Quebec and Labrador, Canada and have already traveled 1,500 miles before

they reach this area. Local research has shown a significant number winter in the region, while others continue down the Appalachian Mountain chain.

More information on the Franklin Mt. Hawkwatch is available at [www.franklinmt.org](http://www.franklinmt.org), or contact Andy Mason at 652-2162, [AndyMason@earthling.net](mailto:AndyMason@earthling.net).

## Bainbridge Youth Soccer Celebrates Another Successful Season

BAINBRIDGE - The fall of 2016 brought with it another successful youth soccer season for our community. Over 120 children ages 4-12 participated in the program and they competed for seven weeks against teams from Greene, Oxford, G-MU, Sherburne-Earlville, Norwich, Afton, Otselic Valley, Sidney and Unadilla Valley. In total, nine teams represented Bainbridge-Guilford.

B-G coaches, players and fans exemplified good sportsmanship and represented their community admirably. High school students, as well as community members, made sure we had referees for every game. The B-G boys' varsity soccer team, led by Mr. Feltham, made it possible for U12 teams to have their grand finale game under the lights. The participation and support of so many made it a rewarding experience for everyone.

The Bainbridge Youth Soccer program would like to thank the B-G Booster Club for helping with insurance costs again this year. Representatives would also like to thank Appolo Heating who sponsored U12 teams this year, and Rosa's Restaurant and Pizzeria, who helped make the team's end-of-year pizza party possible. Finally, thanks are extended to the B-G Central School District for its considerable support of the program again this year. The school district provided access to several different playing fields, so that all the teams had room to practice and play. In addition, the district made sure that the U10 and U12 fields were lined for all home games.

For more information about the Bainbridge-Guilford Youth Soccer program or to become a sponsor, contact Erin Degan at 242-5268.

## DAR & Susquehanna Valley Quilters Honor Veterans

ONEONTA - On Saturday, Nov. 12 the Oneonta Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) hosted their annual Veterans Day program. Attending were local veterans, including three who had recently been on an Honor Flight.

Honor Flight is a nationwide program that seeks to take veterans to Washington, D.C. to visit the memorials to their service. Last year, Charles Herring, accompanied by his son, made the trip. On Saturday he was at the DAR program to tell about his experience. This fall, two men from the Oneonta area were on the flight. Norm Anderson, a Korean War veteran, and James St. John, WWII veteran, accompanied by family members made the September flight. Both spoke highly of the experience and the friends they made on the flight. Mr. St. John brought a large poster he had made with pictures from the day.

Invited to tell the Honor Flight story was Greg Furlong, chairman of Leatherstocking Honor Flight. He spoke about the activities of the day as well as the honor he and the staff feel accompanying these veterans to Washington. He told many stories about participants and how the day brings back memories of their service. He also said the trip brings out a lot of camaraderie between members of the group.

The Oneonta chapter has been involved with Honor Flight for several years. They assist participating service members with completing the paperwork and have sponsored the guardians who accompany given service members. Each veteran is accompanied by a guardian to make sure they have assistance as needed during the day. No veteran pays anything for the flight, but the guardians are charged a fee.

Also present at the program were Flo Loomis, Ruth Carlson and Cecilia Russell, members of Susquehanna Valley Quilters. The quilters presented each of the three men a quilt with a patriotic theme. They also spoke of the honor they felt in creating these quilts. This is only one of many service projects the quilters donate to the community.

The DAR is a women's service organization whose membership is based on lineage from an ancestor who gave service during the Revolutionary War. It is open to women who have this lineage and who support the mission of promotion of education, historic preservation and patriotism. The Susquehanna Valley Quilters meet at the Elm Park church on the first Thursday of the month and at the Little Red Schoolhouse community center on Mondays for sewing.

## Delaware-Otsego Audubon Society to Host Presentation on American Chestnut

ONEONTA - On Friday, Nov. 18, the Delaware-Otsego Audubon Society will host Dr. Allison Oakes from the American Chestnut Research and Restoration Project. Oakes will present on the return of the American chestnut at 7:30 p.m. at the Elm Park United Methodist Church, located at 401 Chestnut St., Oneonta.

As a keystone species and mast-producing canopy tree, the loss of the American chestnut from the Eastern US was an ecological and economic disaster for the region more than a hundred years ago. This native species, once classified as functionally extinct, is now poised to make a comeback thanks to modern technology and groundbreaking research. The American Chestnut Research and Restoration Project will share their inspiring success story and elaborate on how genetic engineering can benefit the fields of conservation and restoration.

Oakes is currently a post-doctoral research associate

and maintains the production of micro-propagated American chestnut shoots of over one hundred transgenic event lines, eight wild-type lines and six hybrid lines. She is currently investigating the effect of different growth regulator concentrations on shoot development, and is continuing her dissertation research on improving rooting and acclimatization of American chestnut shoots. In addition, she has initiated, multiplied and rooted Ozark chinquapin, a related North American

species that is also killed by *Cryphonectria parasitica*.

Allison has experiments underway to generate somatic embryos from tissue cultured leaf slices of both Ozark chinquapin and a wild-type American chestnut tree from Ontario, Canada, which would allow for future transformations for blight resistance.

This program is free and open to the public and refreshments will be served. For additional information, contact DOAS at [info@doas.us](mailto:info@doas.us).

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come. Still others have called it “stunning,” “amazing” and “unbelievable.”

And, according to Sidney head coach Jeff Matthews, the play wasn’t even really in the Warriors’ practiced repertoire. The *Press and Sun Bulletin* quoted Matthews as saying: “I don’t remember us doing that particular play. We had that in our back pocket. We thought about using it earlier, we tried to get Coach Zurn to call it but he said ‘no, we’re going to save it’—and I’m glad he did because that was a big opportunity right there.”

After missing a chance at

the extra two points, Backus’s tying trip into the end zone forced the game into overtime, during which the running back slipped past ‘Daga defenders one more time, clinching a Warriors victory with the finishing TD, called by the *Press and Sun* “the most celebrated Sidney touchdown in years.”

Headed into the game, Coach Matthews told WCDO sportscaster Nate Lull that the Onondaga Tigers, with their array of “diverse” plays and athletes and uncanny ability to change up formations were “tough to prepare for.” Matthews said he would be fo-

cusing on his defense, which he noted had been “pretty good at playing assignment football” of late, adding “that helps when trying to combat a team like they have.” Matthews went on to say that the Warriors would be working to keep the Tigers just off-balance enough so as not to let Onondaga dictate Warriors’ decision-making.

In the same pre-game interview Matthews noted that Backus’s running game had been “starting to pick up lately,” and in his three-game streak since beginning the playoffs against Harpursville, the Sidney running back has

not disappointed, most recently eclipsing a 1,000 yards rushing for the season. Also impressive, Sidney’s sophomore QB, Smith, having completed 28 on 46 passes for 329 game yards, earned MVP honors following the Nov. 11 victory.

In a Nov. 12 post to Facebook, Backus himself said, “We aren’t settling for anything less than a state title!” Echoing that confidence, Sidney’s Finch said, “I tried to tell them, ‘we’re not going home.’”

See Sidney’s hometown heroes battle it under the lights this Friday night in Syracuse.



Sidney’s Brandon Evans tackles to bring down Onondaga’s Evan Gantley. (Photo credit: Jacqui Green).



Sidney’s Alex Hoskins avoids a tackle by Onondaga’s Zachary Delaney. (Photo credit: Jacqui Green).



Onondaga’s throw to Akim Betsey passes through his hands and lands right into the hands of Brandon Evans for a Sidney interception. (Photo credit: Jacqui Green)



Sidney’s captains, Sean Germond, Nathan Vibbard, Alex Hoskins and Nicholas Paternoster are pictured here accepting the plaque for the Sidney team for the 2016 NYSPHSAA Football Regional Class D Championship. (Photo credit: Jacqui Green).

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## Bainbridge JAC to Show Art by David Cervone

BAINBRIDGE - The Jericho Arts Council of Bainbridge will be presenting the art of David Cervone in their gallery. David is a senior art major at SUNY Oneonta. In his own words, "My life is constantly changing and I try to maintain balance in my life by creating my artwork. I work in a number of media, so I have the most expressive range. The titles to my work are an important introduction to the inspiration for each

piece. Abstraction has been a key component in my artwork, displaying my emotions through visual 2D/3D realm."

JAC will also be showing a production of the play "DOUBLEWIDE TEXAS," starring a cast from the Out of the Woodwork Players. The gallery will be open at 6 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 18 and Saturday, Nov. 19; on Sunday, Nov. 20, the gallery will open at 1 p.m. Viewing of the gallery is free to the public; tickets will

be available for the play on all three days. The play will begin at 7 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, Nov. 18 and 19, and 1 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 20. The gallery and theater are located on the second floor of the Bainbridge Town Hall, located on 15 North Main St., Bainbridge. Additional info can be found on the JAC website, [www.jerichoarts.com](http://www.jerichoarts.com), or by liking the JAC's Facebook page.

## Unadilla Native-Song in Hallmark Channel Christmas Movie

Unadilla native, songwriter Eva (Budney) George wrote a song in the upcoming Hallmark Channel original movie, *A December Bride*. The movie will air this

Sunday, 11/20 at 8pm on the Hallmark Channel. Her song "A Party for Two" is from her album *An Afternoon with Ella*, available on iTunes. Eva wrote this album while living

in Nashville, Tennessee. Her producer is Rob Galbraith, Ronnie Milsap's longtime producer.

## Calling All Angels: Annual Gift-Giving Program Starts Nov. 19 in Bainbridge

BAINBRIDGE - Heralding all angels in the tri-town area! In the spirit of the holiday season the Bainbridge-Guilford schools, Nana's Keepsakes and the Bainbridge-Guilford community are kicking off the annual Angel Tree Program. Children from the B-G elementary school district

will receive the fruits of this amazing collaborative community effort!

Beginning Nov. 19, gift tags will be available at Nana's Keepsakes on:

Wednesday from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.; Thursday from 12 p.m. - 6 p.m.; Friday from 10 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.; Saturday from 9

a.m. - 3 p.m.; Sunday from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

To all participating angels: please have all wrapped gifts to Nana's by Monday, Dec. 19!

Families: gift pick-up will be at Nana's Keepsakes, 19 N. Main St. in Bainbridge on Dec. 21-24

The generosity of our angels and the satisfaction of our recipients makes this venture valuable and worthwhile.

Any questions can be answered at Nana's Keepsakes at 320-4078, or by calling Keren Seiler at 895-6700.

## Sidney Planning Board to Meet Nov. 22

SIDNEY - The Sidney Town Planning Board will hold its monthly meeting on Tuesday, Nov. 22. The meeting will be held in the Sidney Civic Center's boardroom at 7 p.m.

## Unatego BOE to Meet Nov. 21

OTEGO - The Unatego Central School Board of Education will meet on Monday, Nov. 21 at 7 p.m. in room 93 at the Middle/Senior High School.

## HUNTER'S LUNCH

11 am — 5 pm  
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## OBITUARIES



### Douglas A. Luscomb

SIDNEY - Douglas A. Luscomb passed away to be with the Lord on Nov. 8, 2016.

The son of Arthur Ira and Ada Shaw Luscomb, Doug was born on March 1, 1932 in Buffalo, and grew up in Walton. He married Juel Smith in 1959 in Sidney who survives him.

He is also survived by son, Scott Luscomb and his wife Joanne of New Hartford, and their four children.

Doug worked at Bendix Aviation Corp. (Amphenol) in Sidney for 30 years, and later worked for Link Aviation Corp. in Kirkwood for eight years.

His favorite past-times were remembering the "old days" and telling the family stories to his grandchildren, hiking in the woods and mountains, watching the wildlife surrounding his home in Roger's Hollow and tending the forest nearby.

Lifelong friends include former Walton buddies and cousins in Oneida and Downsville.

Friends called Sunday, Nov. 13 at C.H. Landers Funeral Chapel, 21 Main St. Sidney.

A memorial service was held Monday, Nov. 14, at C.H. Landers Funeral Chapel with Rev. John Grenier of the Oneonta Assembly of God officiating.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Sidney Emergency Squad, 21 Liberty St., Sidney, N.Y., 13838.

Condolences and memories may be shared online at [www.landersh.com](http://www.landersh.com).

Arrangements are under the direction of C.H. Landers Funeral Chapel Sidney.

### Eleanor Sweeney

AFTON - Eleanor Sweeney, 98, of Afton, passed on to her eternal life on Saturday, Oct. 29, 2016.

Eleanor was the daughter of Willis and Helene Vaughn, who were long time residents of Sidney. For many years, Eleanor lived and worked in the New York City area, including Wood Haven. For the past ten years, she has lived at the Kelsey Manor Home for Adults in Afton, where she was loved and cared for by staff and residents.

She is survived by a nephew, Patrick (Sandy) Vaughn of Sidney; a grand-nephew, Jeremy Vaughn; a grand-niece, Chelsea Vaughn; a great grand-niece, Ruby, and two cousins, David (Joan) Brown of Orlando, Fla. and Nancy Sue (Ray) Burns of Sidney.

Eleanor was predeceased by her parents; her husband, Edward; two brothers, Richard Vaughn and Stanley Vaughn, and a nephew, Gary Vaughn.

A private celebration of life service was held at the C.H. Landers Funeral Chapel in Sidney with the Rev. Thomas Pullyblank, pastor of the First United Methodist Church in Sidney, leading family and close friends in prayers, Bible readings and personal remembrances of Eleanor.

Burial was in Paige Cemetery, Downsville.

Arrangements were handled by C.H. Landers Funeral Chapel, Sidney.

### Michael J. Madden

BINGHAMTON - Michael J. Madden, 69, of Binghamton, went to be with his Lord and savior, Jesus Christ, and to be reunited with his son, Dan, on Tuesday evening, Nov. 8, 2016 at Our Lady of Lourdes Hospital. He is survived by his wife, Rosemary Madden, Binghamton; daughter and son-in-law, Karen and Brian Erskine, Wilmington, Del.; son and daughter-in-law, Steven and Barbara Madden, Vestal; grandchildren, Natasha, Olivia and Juliette; brother and sister-in-law, Mark and Rhonda Madden, Fla., and also several sisters-in-law, brothers-in-law, nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. He was predeceased by his parents, Jim and Jane Madden, and brother, Tim. He was a member of St. James Church, Johnson City, and a retired employee of I.B.M. Corp.

A funeral mass was held on Monday, Nov. 14 at St. James Church. Burial was in St. Stanislaus Kostka Cemetery, Town of Maine. The family received friends at St. James Church on Monday prior to service.

Memorial contributions in his memory may be made to St. James Food Pantry, 147 Main St., Johnson City N.Y., 13790. Online condolences may be made at [www.omaddenfh.com](http://www.omaddenfh.com). The family would like to thank the nurses who gave him such loving care. Arrangements by the Osterhoudt-Madden Funeral Home, 69-71 Maple St., Harpursville.

### Cora F. Miller

UNADILLA - Cora F. Miller, 86, of Unadilla and formerly of Altmar, N.Y., passed away peacefully on Thursday, Nov. 10, 2016 at AO Fox Nursing Facility in Oneonta.

She was born Dec. 10, 1929, daughter of the late Fay A. and Helen M. (Mercer) Lamb in South Hamilton, N.Y., where she was raised with her twelve brothers and sisters.

Cora married Ernest Miller on July 4, 1977 in NYC. Together they ran Fulton Type-writer store and enjoyed supporting Ernie in his band before he predeceased her. She attended Pine Meadows Church and lived on Lorton Lake in Altmar for 30 years prior to moving in with her sister in Unadilla.

Cora attended the Sidney United Methodist Church for the past five years.

She is survived by: daughter, Kim Blanding Landers and husband Michael, Tenn.; two grandchildren, Amy Cenicola and Kiel Landers; three great grandchildren, Kylie and Ryleigh Cenicola; five siblings, Pauline Chabot, Unadilla; Helen Giucastro, Conn.; Audrey Freeman, Baldwinsville, N.Y.; Bruce Lamb, Bradford, N.Y.; Dale Lamb, Red Creek, N.Y., and several nieces, nephews and cousins.

Cora was also predeceased by her siblings, Anna Larkin, Elizabeth Prenis, John Lamb, Irene Barnes, Charles Lamb, Joan Lamb and Arlene Girard, as well as her son, Craig Blanding.

Cora's family would like to thank the staff of AO Fox Hospital and Nursing Facility for the excellent care and com-

passion, especially that exhibited by Dr. Xanthaky, Dr. Budine, Dr. Falco, Dr. Egal and Dr. Friedell.

Graveside services were held Wednesday, Nov. 16 at Mt. Adnah Cemetery in Fulton, N.Y.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the United Methodist Church of Sidney, 12 Liberty St. Sidney, N.Y., 13838.

Condolences and memories may be shared online at [www.landersh.com](http://www.landersh.com).

Arrangements are under the direction of C.H. Landers Funeral Chapel, Sidney.



### Vincent A. Luca, Jr.

BAINBRIDGE - Vincent A. Luca, Jr., 64, passed away at home surrounded by his loving wife and family on Friday, Nov. 11, 2016. He was born on April 19, 1952 in Newark, N.J., son of Vincent, Sr. and Grace Luca. He grew up in Kenilworth, N.J.

He was an employee of Amphenol Corp. in Sidney for 42 years, working as a business development manager. Vincent was also an avid Dallas Cowboys fan and loved the beach. Above all, he was devoted to his family.

He will be deeply missed by: his wife, Barbara A. Luca; three children: Vincent A. Luca, III (fiancée, Lesley McCormick), Christopher F. Luca (wife, Tricia) and Kimberly A. D'Amore (wife, Marcy D'Amore); seven grandchildren: Tyler, Mackenzie, Cameron, Lyndsay, Parker, Caleb and Ryan; his parents, Vincent, Sr. and Grace Luca; three brothers, four sisters; brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law and several nieces and nephews.

Friends were invited to call on Tuesday, Nov. 15 at C.H. Landers Funeral Chapel of Sidney. Funeral services were held on Wednesday, Nov. 16 at the funeral chapel, with Fr. Bernard Osei Ampong, pastor of Sacred Heart Church, officiating.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Vincent's memory may be directed to the American Cancer Society for esophageal cancer research at [www.cancer.org](http://www.cancer.org) or to Catskill Area Hospice & Palliative Care, 1 Birchwood Dr., Oneonta, N.Y., 13820.

Condolences may be shared with the family online at [www.landersh.com](http://www.landersh.com).

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## OBITUARIES



### Barbara Ann Gould

**BAINBRIDGE** - Barbara Ann Gould, 62, went to be with the Lord on Saturday, Nov. 12, 2016. She passed peacefully at her home, surrounded by her family, after a courageous battle with cancer for the last nine years.

Barbara was born on Sept. 5, 1954, daughter of the late Richard and Marilyn (Miller) Stevens in Sidney.

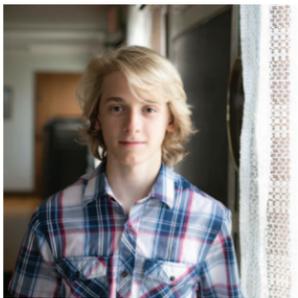
She worked for ACCO Brands in Sidney for several years. She was a member of the Afton Baptist Church, the Bainbridge Fire Department Women's Auxiliary and a dedicated volunteer with the Relay for Life, participating with team TT 2nd Chance.

Barbara was a true fighter who never gave up. She touched many lives and will be truly missed.

She is survived by: her beloved husband of 46 years, George Gould of Bainbridge; four daughters: Cheryl Gould and Jeff Pomeroy of Walton, Kimberly and Tim Constable of Sidney, Tracy and Douglas Ticknor of Afton and Lori Smith and Dave Hotaling of Sidney; sister, Carol Stevens of Norwich; brother, Rusty and Nan Richards of Bainbridge; eight grandchildren: Austin Ticknor (Tierney Decker), Jordan Constable (Taylor Jordan), Jaymie Ticknor, Mackenzie Constable, Corbin Constable, Tara Smith, Damien Smith and Samantha Constable; canine companion, Oscar; special aunt, Peggy Miller of Unadilla; aunts: Martha Manning, Marjorie Rozzell and Marcia Sherman, all of Bainbridge; uncle, Ernie Miller of Bainbridge and several nieces, nephews and cousins.

Friends are invited to call on Thursday, Nov. 17, from noon to 2 p.m. and 5-7 p.m. at C.H. Landers Funeral Chapel, 21 Main St., Sidney. Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. on Friday, Nov. 18 at the Afton Baptist Church, 30 Caswell St., Afton. Burial will follow in Greenlawn Cemetery, Bainbridge. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be directed to Hospice of Chenango County, 21 Hayes St., Norwich, N.Y., 13815. Condolences may be shared with the family online at [www.landersh.com](http://www.landersh.com).

Arrangements are under the direction of C.H. Landers Funeral Chapel, Sidney.



### Avery S. Gitchell

**WINDSOR** - Avery S. Gitchell, 14, of Windsor, died unexpectedly on Sunday, Nov. 6, 2016. He is survived by his mother, Sarah Gitchell and Mark Carey; his father, Jay Gitchell and family; grandparents, Audrey Matias and

Patrick Cleary; Rigoberto Lopez; Jim and Gerry Eaton; beloved uncle and aunt, Andy and Minea Matias, and also many other loving and caring family and friends. He was a ninth grade student at Windsor Central School. He loved his art, was a member of the Windsor swim and track and field teams.

Funeral services were held at the Osterhoudt-Madden Funeral Home, 69-71 Maple St. Harpursville on Friday, Nov. 11 at 5 p.m. Private burial will be in Knox Cemetery, Ouquaga at the convenience of the family. The family received friends at the Osterhoudt-Madden Funeral Home on Friday, prior to the service. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in his memory may be made to Windsor Central Schools, 1191 N.Y. Route 79, Windsor N.Y., 13865. Donations in Avery's name will be used for programs to help teens with suicide prevention. Online condolences may be made at [www.omaddenfh.com](http://www.omaddenfh.com).



### Arnold "Bob" Robert Manderville

**COVENTRYVILLE** - Arnold Robert Manderville, also known as "Bob," went to be with the Lord peacefully, with family members embracing him with love, on Tuesday, Nov. 8 at his home in Coventryville.

Bob was born on May 5, 1938 in Bainbridge, the son of Bernard Albert and Margaret Elizabeth (Horvath) Manderville. He married the love of his life, Josephine Marie VanLoan, on Dec. 17, 1963 in Unadilla, who preceded him.

Bob is survived by his sons, David (Lisa), Wayne (Terry), Arnold "Bobby" (Renee) and Bernard (special friend Marion) Manderville, all of whom reside in S.C.; daughter, Christina (Daryl) Townsend of N.Y.; sisters, Mildred Borst and Eleanor Snow of N.Y.; brother, James Manderville of N.C.; special sister-in-law, Paula VanLoan of N.Y.; longtime family friend, Melvina (Epply) Taft, and best friend George Frost of N.Y. Bob is also survived by twelve grandchildren, fourteen great grandchildren and a special neighbor family that he allowed to call him grandpa, Chris and Chrissy Romain, Sheldon, Sissy and Miranda. He is predeceased by his parents, Bernard and Margaret; wife of 53 years, Josephine Marie VanLoan Manderville; brother, Leo Manderville; sisters, Dolores Nabinger and Shirley Hinkley; close nephews, Allan, Jack and Stanley Nabinger.

Bob was always an entrepreneur. His first business started in 1962 when he owned Manderville Auto Wrecking on Martin Brook Road in Unadilla. After moving to Coventryville, Bob switched to the antique/auction business. Through the years he owned and operated many business-

es with his family, including the Coventry Service Center, Antique Warehouse, Hilltop Auction House and Mandervilles Grocery, all in Coventryville. Bob and his family traveled all over the east coast together doing antiquing and auctions, from local to Georgia and Kentucky. The time he talked most about when reminiscing about his auction house was the time that Troy Aikman, quarterback for Dallas Cowboys, showed up to his auction and bought a rocking horse. He always felt protected during his sales because many BCI, FBI and police officers would be among his buyers. He, along with his wife, also owned the Dollar Smart on Main Street in Sidney.

He wasn't only an entrepreneur, he was employed as a machinist for Bendix and a union carpenter of Local 281 of Johnson City; Bob could build anything. At an early age he drafted plans of building a home for his family. In 1964 he put those plans in place. Bob made a beautiful home with his loving wife for their five children and whoever else came along that needed a place to stay. In 1975 he had a plan to build again; he and his wife built the auction house that resides on the property.

Bob worked for many construction outfits in his later years, working on many of the area highways including I88, I81, and State Route 17. He helped build the 81-17 split in Binghamton/Johnson City. Not only was he able to be a part of these highways being built, he was able to see these highways in later years blown up and rebuilt to accommodate today's heavier traffic. Bob also had his hands in projects including the Decker Center at the Wilson Hospital, the Oakdale Mall and the sewer plants in the Binghamton area. Bob was quite the character at his work. Some of his work family included Stan Gage, Stan Jennings and George Frost.

Family and friends may called and a memorial service was held on Saturday, Nov. 12 at the C. H. Landers Funeral Home, 21 Main St., Sidney. Rev. Brandilynne Craver officiated. Burial was in Greenlawn Cemetery, Bainbridge, with a celebration of life "dish to pass" reception following at St. Peter's Episcopal Church, 1 Church St., Bainbridge. All are welcome to attend and celebrate Bob's life.

Condolences and memories may be shared with the family online at [www.landersh.com](http://www.landersh.com).

Arrangements are under the direction of C.H. Landers Funeral Chapel, Sidney.



### Burton S. Blackman

**GUILFORD** - Burton S. Blackman, 90, passed away peacefully on Tuesday, Nov. 8, 2016 at Wilson Regional Medical Center in Johnson City. Burton was born on July 16, 1926, son of the late Floyd and Mary (Parks) Blackman in New Berlin.

On Nov. 14, 1945, he was married to Frances Stanley in Rogers Hollow. They shared 48 years of marriage until she predeceased him in 1994.

Burton served his country in the United States Army during World War II, until his honorable discharge in 1947. He worked for Hotalings as well as Dexheimers and drove truck for many years. He went on to retire from Amphenol Corp. in Sidney, and following retirement, drove school bus for Bainbridge-Guilford School District. He also had a garage at home and would do small mechanic jobs on the side.

He enjoyed fishing and hunting, as well as racing, watching both NASCAR and local dirt track.

He is survived by seven children, David and Connie Blackman of Bainbridge; Don and Letitia Blackman of Mt. Upton; Barbara Butler and her companion, Jim, of Masonville; Janice and John Morley of Sidney Center; Jean Brennan of Unadilla; James Blackman and his companion, Barb, of Afton, and Dan and Crystal Blackman of Guilford; several grandchildren and great-grandchildren; half sister, Pauline and Dave DeForest of Rogers Hollow; three half brothers, Don Newell of Norwich; Bill and Betty Newell of Copes Corners and Richard and Maggie Newell of Norwich; sister-in-law, Shirley and Gerry Bates of Watertown, and many nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents and his wife, Frances, Burton was predeceased by son-in-law, Frank Butler and half brother, Oliver Blackman.

Friends were invited to call on Friday, Nov. 11 at C.H. Landers Funeral Chapel, 21 Main St. Sidney. Funeral services began at 1 p.m. at the funeral chapel. Burial with military honors followed in Highland Cemetery, Sidney Center. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be directed to the Guilford Fire Department, P.O. Box 9 Guilford, N.Y. 13780 or to the Delaware Valley Humane Society, 101 E. Main St. Sidney, N.Y. 13838. Condolences and memories may be shared with the family online at [www.landersh.com](http://www.landersh.com).

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### Joan Kathleen (O'Connell) Moisan

**AFTON** - Joan Kathleen (O'Connell) Moisan, 76, passed away in her sleep on Nov. 4, 2016 at Westminster Towers Nursing Home in Orlando, Fla. She was born in Brooklyn to Daniel Francis O'Connell and Josephine (Schneck) O'Connell. She was the youngest of four children. Her three sisters survive her: Mary (Greenlawn, N.Y.); Betty (Surprise, Ariz.) and Eileen

(Selden, N.Y.).

Joan is survived by her husband of 56 years, Skip; daughters, Karen (Don) and Elizabeth (Brian); sons, Tom (Karen), Kevin (Juli) and Kenneth. She is also survived by seven grandchildren: Christopher, Kristen, Meghan, Michael, Katherine, Kendra and Kierra, as well as three great-grandchildren, Addyson, Brady, and Kylie.

Joan met Thomas A. (Skip) Moisan while working in a supermarket in Greenlawn. They were married at St. Francis of Assisi Church in Greenlawn. They settled into a home in Cold Spring Harbor, N.Y. and raised five children. The Moisan family was surrounded by family and friends while living on Long Island. Joan was a member of Cold Spring Harbor Fire Dept's Ladies Auxliary and she could be seen at various parades, Firematic events and shopping, with her children in tow. She celebrated her Irish heritage and danced the Irish jig. Joan loved to sing and dance, and she taught her children the "double dutch."

In the summer of 1976 the family moved to Afton. Joan and Skip began owning and operating the Norwich Fish Market. Their home in Afton was always open and they welcomed friends and family. Many of her children's friends passed through their home while growing up. Their home was known for its family cookouts, parties and dinners. Joan and Skip together enjoyed supporting Afton Fire Dept. The family was longtime members of St. Agnes Catholic Church in Afton.

Joan could be found in the local community with her lifelong friend Marie Lopez enjoying shopping or a bite to eat. Joan had a great big heart and always gladly helped anyone in need. In the summer of 2007, Joan and Skip moved to Orlando, Fla., to be closer to family.

Joan's funeral mass will be celebrated at St. Agnes Catholic Church in Afton, on Saturday, Nov. 19 at 1 p.m.

Calling hours will be held prior to the mass, from 12:00 - 12:45 p.m.

The burial will be at Glenwood Cemetery in Afton following the mass.

The family will greet fam-

ily and friends at the River Club in Afton immediately after the burial. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations in Joan's memory may be directed to the Sidney Food Pantry, 12 Liberty St. Sidney, N.Y., 13838. Condolences may be shared online at [www.landersh.com](http://www.landersh.com). Arrangements are under the direction of C.H. Landers Funeral Chapel, Sidney.

### Ireland Calling

Those we love don't go away,

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### Earl A. Higgins

**UNADILLA** - Graveside services for Earl A. Higgins, 66, of Unadilla, will be held Saturday, Nov. 19 at 11 a.m. in Evergreen Hill Cemetery in Unadilla.

Condolences and memories may be shared online at [www.landersh.com](http://www.landersh.com).

Arrangements by C.H. Landers Funeral Chapel, Sidney.

### Mary Weeks

To the friends and family of Mary Weeks:

Join the family for a memorial celebration of Mary's life, to be held at the Afton Golf Course on Friday, Nov. 25 from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Light refreshments will be provided.

### Carol Schwenk Livingston Fedourich

**SIDNEY** - Carol Schwenk Livingston Fedourich, 74, died on Sunday, Nov. 13, 2016 at her home. Carol was the daughter of Charles and Pauline Schwenk.

Carol worked at Lewis and Sons then The Hospital in Sidney, where she retired from after 20 years.

Carol and her husband, Joseph, retired to Little River, S.C. in November of 2006.

Carol enjoyed fishing, gardening, traveling, golf, and dining out.

Carol is survived by her husband, Joseph W. Fedourich; son, David Livingston; brother, Ron Schwenk, and several children and grandchildren.

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# Jericho Artisan Holiday Market Returns to Bainbridge Thanksgiving Weekend

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The holiday search for the perfect handmade, artful gift, home décor or personal indulgence has never been easier! Jericho Arts Council will host their annual market extravaganza at the Bainbridge Town Hall Gallery (second floor). Why not include this seasonal event as part of your holiday traditions shared with family and friends? The area's finest artists and craftspeople invite the public to view their distinct treasures. Shoppers are always surprised and delight-

ed, both with the creativity and functionality of gifts they find. Bainbridge Town Hall will be bustling throughout on Saturday as Nov. 26 doubles as Small Business Saturday—the JAC Gift Market, Bainbridge Historical Society and the Chamber of Commerce will all be celebrating. And in the evening, the Town Hall Theater will fill tunefully with the music of the Warrior River Boys.

Upstairs at the Jericho Gift Market shoppers will discover fine jewelry, handmade goat's milk soaps, artful and functional pottery, tote bags and unique purses, dog toys, Christmas and snowflake ornaments, jewelry, fabric creations and quilts, children's sweaters, garden ornaments, small artworks, cards, home-

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A sure highlight for attendees will be the *free drawing* for a fabulous gift basket of handcrafted treasures, contributed by many of the artists. The gift basket has an amazing collection of distinct and beautiful gifts!

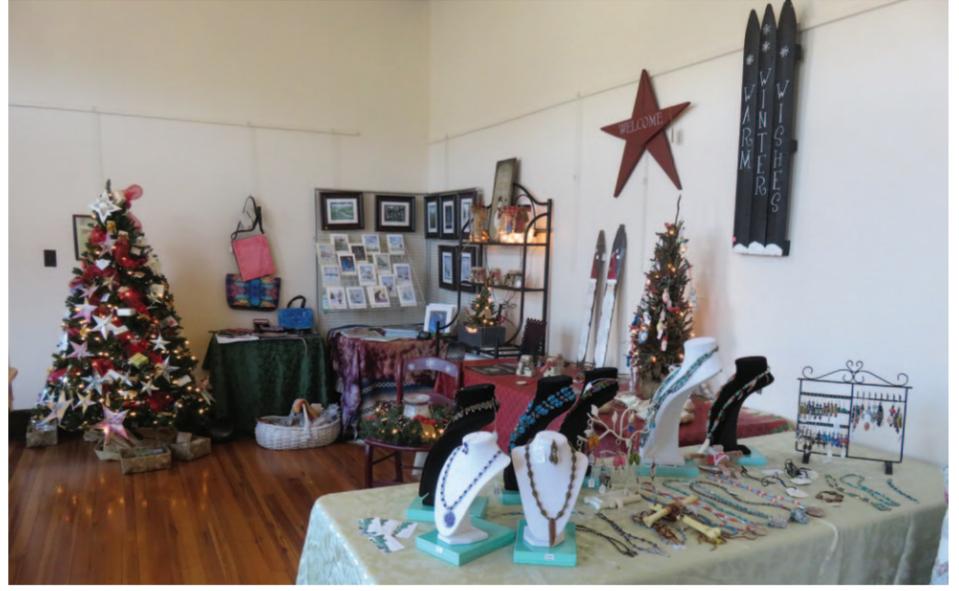
And if that doesn't motivate you to come out and enjoy the annual holiday market, here are four more reasons:

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# Sidney Alumni Sports HoF Celebrates 14th Annual Induction Ceremony

SIDNEY - Sidney Warriors athletic history was celebrated in grand style during the 14th annual Sidney Alumni Sports Hall of Fame Induction Dinner and Ceremony held Saturday, Oct. 1 at the Elks Lodge in Sidney.

Once again, the decorations of Amber Wilson Fogarty wowed the more than 160 attendees. This year, circular tables were put in use to increase interaction between family and friends. The Elks hosted another grand dinner buffet as the centerpiece of the event. Sports Hall of Fame chairman, Greg Davie, was once again the evening's master of ceremonies.

Besides the room layout, other changes included six inductees instead of the usual four, plus a legacy team that still holds a school record. Individual inductees were: Claude Shaw (Class of 1965), Jene Grey (1975), David DuMond (1988), Erica Peterson Espailat (1993), former coach and principal, Gary Scavo and the "contributors award" inductees, former Booster Club co-presidents Dale and Nancy Sweet. The 21-0 boys' basketball team from 1972-73, still the only unbeaten basketball team in the modern era, was honored as the 10th annual

legacy team.

As has been customary, the inductees hand-picked their introductory speakers. Shaw's choice was teammate and 1964-65 wrestling captain, Lonnie Warner. For Grey, it was his "little brother," Scott Scavo. DuMond's pick was a natural and younger sister and 2004 inductee, Pam DuMond Tarnowski, did the honors, repaying Dave for his similar duty upon her induction.

Pam stayed on to also introduce her field hockey and basketball teammate, Espailat, who was unable to attend the event. But thanks to technology, Erica recorded a beautiful video acceptance speech which was followed by brief remarks from her parents, Andy and MaryAlyce Peterson.

Covering the Legacy team helped segue into the next portion of the night's festivities; representing the seniors of that Section IV Class A title team was Bob Davie, aided by the junior class starting point guard, Bernie Finnegan. The players, along with returning cheerleaders and coaches, received a full-size basketball as a keepsake of their honor.

As Gary Scavo was the JV coach that season, it was fitting that he and wife Jackie stayed front and center fol-

lowing a glowing introduction by their son Jene Grey. Then Jeff Sweet entertained the audience in his introduction of his parents, Dale and Nancy.

Tons of memories and lots of laughs dominated the night and, as usual, it was hard for all to say goodbye after the benediction given by Andy Doyle. Many photos and conversations kept most of the crowd at the Elks for quite some time, confirming the night's success.

There was no charity auction for the first time, since extra inductees meant a longer program. Still, with tremendous support and sponsorships, proceeds will continue to be applied toward the long-range project to install permanent plaques of all Hall of Fame inductees since its 2003 inception at the high school.

Originally, the induction was held Thanksgiving Weekend. By 2007, the Sports Hall of Fame added a Friday night segment to create Induction Weekend. This year, many of the participants were at the homecoming football game versus Greene, where they were introduced at halftime in front of the home crowd. An alumni reception was held after the game at the VFW.



Seated l-r: Jene Grey, Gary Scavo, David DuMond, Claude Shaw; standing l-r: MaryAlyce and Andy Peterson (representing Erica Peterson Espailat), Nancy Sweet, Dale Sweet.



Front row l-r: Bernie Finnegan, Mary Felter DiDio, Jane Kyle Morenus, Vicki Romano Hills, Karen Sejersen Warner, Patricia Hogan Balla, Mary Shupperd Savage; back row l-r: Peter Lynch (representing Pat Lynch), David Richards, David Heath, Bob Davie, Gary Egli (representing Gary Egli), Bob Daugherty, Don Laird.

## Tri-County Seniors Sponsoring "Socks for Seniors" Drive

SIDNEY - The Tri-County Senior Center in Sidney is sponsoring a drive to collect socks for seniors for the holidays; donated socks must be new. Holiday themes, fun patterns and bright colors would be great, but regular socks are also welcome. The socks

will be distributed to lone and shut-in senior citizens in our community to brighten their holidays and warm their feet.

Collection boxes are located in Sidney at Trackside Dining, 88 Main St.; Lemon Tree Hair Salon, 167 Delaware Ave.; and room 207 of

the Sidney Civic Center. The deadline to drop off socks is Friday, Dec. 16. If you need more information, or know of a senior citizen that could use some cheering up for the holidays, call the Tri-County Senior Center at 226-6294.



Tri-County Seniors Nancy Hathaway, Joanne Osterhout, Warren Osterhout and Diane Purrell package socks to be delivered to area senior citizens for the holidays during last year's "Socks for Seniors" drive.

Letters to the Editor are appreciated. However, because of space and subject considerations we are limited in the number of letters we can publish. Our long standing policy is that we do not publish letters that are printed free of charge on the editorial page supporting or in opposition to any candidate seeking public office or any item up for public vote in the last issue before the vote; only paid ads can be accepted. All letters must be signed and represent the opinion of the letter writer and not necessarily that of the newspaper. The deadline for submitting a Letter to the Editor is Monday at 4 p.m. of the current week.

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  - Mellow
  - Lanka
  - Sign
  - Tells
  - Spying on
  - Car pedal
  - Baseball stat
  - Rope-a-dope boxer
  - Sony rival
  - Mild acid
  - Lennon's wife
  - Dweeb
  - Skyrocket
  - Beget
  - Evil habit
  - Sweater letter
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- Powdery
- Swab target
- Objective
- Sordid
- Dancer Fred —
- Rakes
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- Stanley Gardner
- Vitality
- More, to Pedro
- Confound it!
- Mach 3 flier

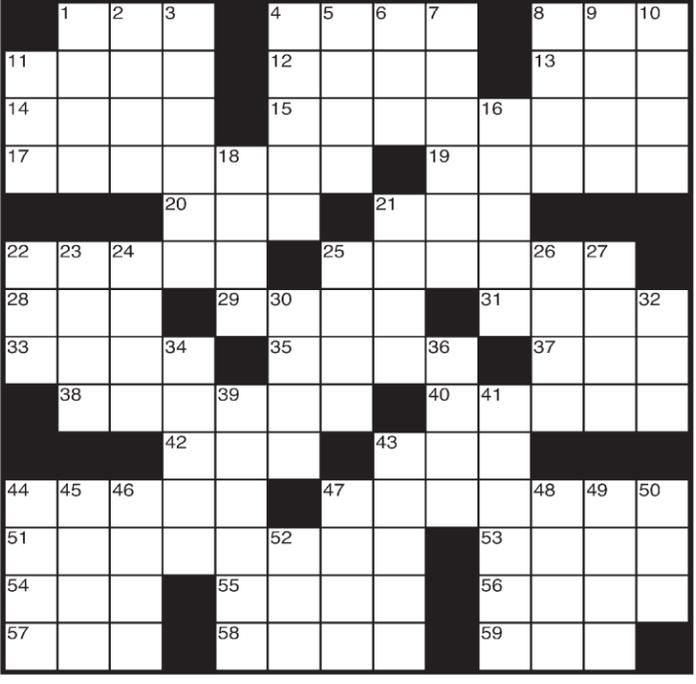
- DOWN**
- Alaskan port
  - Curved molding
  - Mule's father
  - White on "Wheel"

Answer to Previous Puzzle



- Thrilled
- Allow
- Fit to eat
- Great Wall locale
- Safari
- Tool with jaws
- Pol. group
- On the — (kaput)
- Rust component
- "Back in Black" group
- Distress call
- Indigo dye
- Asta's mistress
- Like the Sahara
- Whit
- Fossil fuel
- Eternally
- Very, in Veracruz
- Bad guy
- Give off
- Couch
- PC messages
- Plus
- Meat in a can
- "Born Free" lioness
- Sighs of relief
- Jean Auel heroine
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- White-water transport
- Flock member
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### PREVIOUS SOLUTION

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**HOW TO PLAY:**  
Each row, column and set of 3-by-3 boxes must contain the numbers 1 through 9 without repetition.

**Fun Fact:** In 1850, Dmitri Mendeleev walked almost 1,000 miles to Moscow so he could apply to the University of Moscow. Although he was not accepted, he walked to St. Petersburg where he was accepted and with that education he developed the periodic table of elements.

**Fun Fact:** The Italian government is offering all 18 year olds a \$536 "culture bonus" which can be spent on books, concert, cinema, and theatre tickets, as well as museum and national parks trips.

### CELEBRITY CIPHER

by Luis Campos

Celebrity Cipher cryptograms are created from quotations by famous people, past and present. Each letter in the cipher stands for another.

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Previous Solution: "I've always made a total effort ... I never quit trying; I never felt that I didn't have a chance to win." — Arnold Palmer

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## LEGAL

**LEGAL NOTICE** The Romano Hills, LLC filed Articles of Organization under section 203 of the Limited Liability Company Law in New York on August 18, 2016. The LLC's office is in Sidney, NY. The Secretary of State has been named as agent for service of process against the LLC and shall mail such process to: 13 Pearl St W, Sidney, NY, 13838. The name and street address in this state of registered agent upon whom and at which process against the limited liability company may be served is: Vincent Hills, 13 Pearl St. W., Sidney NY, 13838. The LLC is formed to carry on music entertainment in the State of New York 12-15(6w)b

## LEGAL

The Village of Bainbridge Zoning Board will hold their regularly scheduled monthly meeting on Monday, November 28st at 7:00 PM in the Village Clerk's Office, 33 West Main Street, Bainbridge. 11-17(1w)b

## LEGAL

**TOWN OF UNADILLA NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING AND PUBLIC HEARING**  
**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Town Board of the Town of Unadilla will hold a special meeting and a public hearing on Monday, November 21, 2016 at 6 p.m., at the Town Hall, 1648 State Highway 7, Unadilla, NY 13849, regarding the preliminary budget of the Town of Unadilla for calendar year 2017, which has been completed and filed in the office of the Town Clerk, where it is available for inspection by any interested person during office hours. At the public hearing, any person may be heard in favor of or against the preliminary budget as compiled.

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Dated: November 11, 2016  
Terry L. Yoder  
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Town of Unadilla  
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11-17(1w)b

## LEGAL

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that the following positions will be filled at the 2017 Village Election to be held on Tuesday, March 21, 2017:

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Dated: November 10, 2016  
Sheena N. Felzak  
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11-17(1w)b

## LEGAL

**LEGAL NOTICE FOR FIRE DISTRICT ELECTION**  
Annual Election of Bainbridge Fire District  
December 13, 2016

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE**, that the Annual Election of the Bainbridge Fire District will take place on December 13, 2016 between the hours of 6:00 pm and 9:00 pm at the Bainbridge Fire Station at 22 West Main Street, Bainbridge NY for the purpose of electing one (1) Commissioner for a 5-year term commencing on January 1, 2017 and ending on December 31 2021. All duly registered residents of the Bainbridge Fire district shall be eligible to vote.

Candidates for District office shall file their names with the Secretary of the Bainbridge Fire district no later than November 23rd, 2016.

Sandra K Zorda  
Fire District Secretary  
Bainbridge Fire District  
11-17(1w)b

## LEGAL

The annual meeting of the Afton Driving Park and Agricultural Association, Inc. will be held Monday, November 28, 2016 in the Water Control Office at The Afton Fair Grounds, Afton NY. The meeting will start at 7 p.m. The purpose of the meeting is to elect four (4) directors for a three (3) year term each; also to conduct any business pertaining to the Afton Driving Park and Agricultural Association, Inc.

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Otego-Unadilla Central School District,  
Otsego and Delaware Counties, New York

The Board of Education of Otego-Unadilla Central School District, Otsego and Delaware Counties, New York, HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that a Special District Meeting of the qualified voters of said School District will be held at the Middle/Senior High School in Otego, New York, in said School District, on the 8th day of December 2016, at 12:00 o'clock noon, prevailing time, for the purpose of voting by paper ballot upon the proposition herein-after set forth, polls for the purpose of voting will be kept open between the hours of 12:00 o'clock noon and 8:00 o'clock PM, prevailing time.

**PROPOSITION**  
Shall the following resolution be adopted, to wit:

**RESOLVED** that pursuant to Chapter 472 of the Session Laws of 1998, the Board of Education of the Otego-Unadilla Central School District is hereby authorized to lease and expend therefore, including costs incidental thereto and the financing thereof, an amount not to exceed the estimated maximum cost of Eighty thousand dollars (\$80,000), and for a term not to exceed five (5) years, the following motor vehicles: three (3) large passenger school buses and one (1) small passenger school bus.

And, that such sum, or so much thereof as may be necessary, shall be raised by the levy of a tax collected in annual installments; and that in anticipation of such tax, obligations of the District shall be issued.

**NOTICE IS ALSO HEREBY GIVEN** that applications for absentee ballots may be applied for at the office of the School District Clerk. Any such application must be received by the District Clerk at least seven days before the date of the aforesaid Special District Meeting if the ballot is to be mailed to the voter, or the day before such Special District Meeting, if the ballot is to be delivered to the voter. A list of all persons to whom absentee ballots shall have been issued shall be available for public inspection in the office of the School District Clerk not less than five days prior to the date of the Special District Meeting (excluding Saturdays and Sundays) during regular office hours until the date of the aforesaid Special District Meeting. In addition, such list shall be posted conspicuously at the place of voting during the hours of such Special District Meeting.

Dated: Otego, New York, October 17, 2016

**BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF OTEGO-UNADILLA CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, OTSEGO AND DELAWARE COUNTIES, NEW YORK.**

Joan M. French  
School District Clerk  
10-20,11-3,11-17,12-1(4w)b

## LEGAL

Afton Fire District notice of ANNUAL ELECTION

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Annual Election of the Afton Fire District will take place on December 13, 2016 between the hours of 6:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m. at the Afton Firehouse at 15 Spring Street, Afton, New York for the purpose of electing the following fire district officers:

One Fire Commissioner for a five (5) year term, commencing January 1, 2017 and ending December 31, 2021; and  
One Treasurer for a three (3) year term, commencing January 1, 2017 and ending December 31, 2019;

All candidates for a District Office shall be residents of the Afton Fire District, not convicted of any degree of arson and file in writing their name, the position and term they are seeking with the Secretary of the Afton Fire District, at 15 Spring Street, Afton, New York and received by the Fire District Secretary on or before November 23, 2016 at 11:59 p.m..

Any elector of the Afton Fire District who shall be registered voter with the Chenango County Board of Elections on or prior to November 18, 2016 and who shall have resided in the Afton Fire District for at least thirty days preceding such election shall be qualified to vote.

November 14, 2016 By Order of the Board of Fire Commissioners  
Afton Fire District  
Peter C. Vail, Secretary  
11-17(1w)b

## LEGAL

**CITATION**  
The People of the State of New York

by the Grace of God Free and Independent

To: Marian Merlis, spouse of the decedent, Howard I. Merlis, if living, whose whereabouts after due diligence demonstrated are unknown; and if Marian Merlis survived the decedent, Howard I. Merlis, but died subsequently, then to her fiduciaries, distributees, devisees, legatees in interest and all persons who by purchase, inheritance or otherwise have, or claim to have, an interest in the property of Howard I. Merlis, deceased, whose names and whereabouts after due diligence demonstrated are unknown; and if the said Marian Merlis predeceased the decedent, Howard I. Merlis, then to her descendants entitled by representation, if living, all of whose names and whereabouts after due diligence are unknown and if any of the descendants of the aforesaid Marian Merlis survived the decedent, Howard I. Merlis, and died subsequently, then to their fiduciaries, distribu-

tees, devisees, legatees in interest and all persons who by purchase, inheritance or otherwise have or claim to have an interest in the property of Howard I. Merlis, deceased, derived from the aforesaid persons, all of whose names or whereabouts after due diligence are unknown.

A petition having been duly filed by Brent Merlis, who resides at 32 Ross Drive, Melville, NY

**YOU ARE HEREBY CITED TO SHOW CAUSE** before the Surrogate's Court of Chenango County, held at the Court House, Norwich, New York on January 13, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. why, a decree should not be made awarding LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION upon the estate of Howard I. Merlis, Deceased, who was at the time of his death was domiciled at 383 County Road #17, Bainbridge, NY, in the County of Chenango, New York, to Brent Merlis, or to such other person or persons having a prior right as may be entitled thereto.

Dated, Attested and Sealed,  
November 7, 2016  
HON FRANK B. REVOIR  
Surrogate, Chenango County

Rebecca A. Malingint  
Acting Chief Clerk of the Surrogate's Court

This citation is served upon you as required by law. You are not obligated to appear in person. You have a right to have an attorney appear for you. If you fail to appear it will be assumed that you do not object to the relief requested.

Proofs of service are to be returned to the Clerk of the Surrogate's Court not later than the end of the third day, excluding Saturdays, Sundays and Holidays, preceding the return day.

Petitioner's Attorney:  
Name of Attorney: Joseph A. Mule, Esq.  
Tel. No.: 631-858-5800  
Address of Attorney: 445 Broad Hollow Road, #124, Melville, NY 11747  
12-1(4w)p

## LEGAL

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that the Town Board of the Town of Bainbridge will hold a public hearing on proposed Local Law #1 of 2016, a Local Law to override the tax levy limit established in General Municipal Law.

The hearing will take place in the Bainbridge Town Hall, 15 North Main St., Bainbridge on Tuesday November 22nd at 4:30PM. At the hearing, anyone may speak in favor of or against the proposed local law or any item therein. Copies of the proposed local law are available at the Bainbridge Town Clerk's Office.

By Order of the Bainbridge Town Board  
Aric McKown, Town Clerk  
11-17(1w)b

If you have photos you would like to see in the Tri-Town News, please bring them by our office in Sidney, mail them to PO Box 208, Sidney, NY 13838 with a self-addressed envelope or e-mail scanned copies (300 dpi) to us at [ttnews@tritownnews.com](mailto:ttnews@tritownnews.com).

**Classified  
Carry-Over**

**LEGAL**

New York State CDBG-DR Application Available for Review

Delaware County announces that it intends to submit an application for New York State Community Development Block Grant – Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) Program funds on or about December 1, 2016 for the following project: Sidney Floodplain Management Project.

Activity: New York State CDBG-DR funds will be used to acquire approximately 127 structures in the Village of Sidney, demolish them and re-grade the land, returning it to its natural floodplain function. Additionally, another 7 homes in the Village, as well as all their pertinent utilities, will be elevated 2 feet above the Base Flood Elevation.

Objective: To restore the land to its natural floodplain function by not allowing any further development on it in perpetuity, thereby greatly reducing the possibility of future damage to homes or possible loss of life. Additionally, the 7 elevated homes will allow any potential floodwaters to flow unimpeded through the area without damage to the homes.

Location: The Village of Sidney between the railroad tracks and north to the Susquehanna River.

Amount: Governor's Office

of Storm Recovery (GOSR) Infrastructure Program – \$18,915,104

A copy of the application will be available for review at the Delaware County Planning Department, 1 Page Avenue, Delhi, NY 13753, and at the Village of Sidney Hall, 21 Liberty Street, Sidney, NY 13838, Thursday, November 17, 2016 through November 25, 2016, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 4:00

All citizens, particularly persons of low and moderate income and residents of blighted areas, as well as those affected by the project are encouraged to submit their views and proposals by Wednesday, November 23, 2016 to the Delaware County Planning Department at the following address:

Delaware County Planning Department  
Shelly Johnson-Bennett,  
Chief Planner  
P.O. Box 367 / 1 Page Avenue  
Delhi, NY 13753  
Saugerties, NY 12477  
(607) 832-5444  
Shelly.johnson@co.delaware.ny.us

Additional information regarding the availability and use of CDBG-DR funds is available upon request.

11-17(1w)b

**CHURCH UPDATES**

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**SIDNEY** - The First Baptist Church in Sidney will be participating in a combined Thanksgiving Eve service at Circle Drive Alliance Church at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 23.

**GILBERTSVILLE** - The annual Gilbertsville community Thanksgiving service

will be held on Sunday, Nov. 20 at 4 p.m. at the Gilbertsville Baptist Church, Gilbertsville. Rev. Mark Piedmonte of the First Presbyterian Church and Rev. Donna Steckline of Christ Church will be taking part in the service for all community residents to attend. The churches' combined choirs will provide special music.

Please e-mail articles and photos to [ttnews@tritownnews.com](mailto:ttnews@tritownnews.com). Attach stories in Microsoft Word or RTF format or copy and paste the text into your e-mail body. Photos should be attached separately in JPG or TIF format and not be inserted in Word documents.



**Sidney EMS** is seeking Community Members interested in making a difference in the local Emergency Services on November 7, 2016 at 6:30pm at the River Street Fire Station (Sidney).

**Spaghetti Supper  
Nov. 18th**

At the Sidney Center Fire Hall

**From 4:00-7:00 pm**

Sponsored by: The Sidney Center Fire Department

All you can eat spaghetti and meatballs with tossed salad, Italian bread and dessert.

Adults: \$8.00 • Children: \$5.00

Children 5 & Under: Free

**POLICE REPORT**

**N.Y.S. POLICE DEPT.**

**MORRIS** - On Nov. 8, at about 10:43 p.m., N.Y.S. Police at Oneonta arrested Amber N. Joy, 32, of Morris, for the felony of grand larceny in the fourth degree.

This arrest occurred after troopers investigated a theft of religious items from the Holy Cross Roman Catholic Church, located on Main St. in Morris.

An investigation determined that while at the church, Joy had stolen a white alter cloth, several candles and holders and a bowl valued at about \$240.

Joy was arraigned in the

Town of Morris Court where she was remanded to the Otsego County Jail in lieu of \$5,000 cash bail or \$10,000 property bond. Her next court date is pending.

**AFTON** - On Nov. 7, at about 12:40 a.m., N.Y.S. Police at Sidney arrested Maxx A. Waters, 30, of Afton, for the misdemeanor of assault in the third degree and the violation of harassment in the second degree.

This arrest occurred after troopers responded to a dispute at a home on Hilltop Drive in Afton. An investigation determined that Waters had been in a physical dispute

with two other victims. One of the victims had received a laceration on their forehead.

Waters was arraigned in the Town of Afton Court where he was remanded to the Chenango County Court on \$1,500 cash bail or \$3,000 property bond. His next court date is on Dec. 8.

**DELAWARE CO.  
SHERIFF'S DEPT.**

**DELHI** - On Nov. 13, Delaware County Sheriff Deputies arrested Michael Vogel, 24, of Delhi, for driving while intoxicated and several other traffic violations. The arrest came from a 911 call of a hit

and run property damage auto accident on Scotch Mountain Rd. in the Town of Delhi. The vehicle Vogel was operating was described by witnesses at the scene, and located shortly after traveling on Main St. in the Village of Delhi. Vogel was found to be operating in an intoxicated state, where he was then arrested by deputies and arraigned in the Town of Delhi Court. Vogel was remanded to the Delaware County Correctional Facility in lieu of \$1,000 cash bail/\$2,000 secured bond.

**PASTOR'S PEN**

**Whose Eyes Matter?**

By Pastor Brian Cutting,  
Unatego Community Church

Judges 13:1 says of the Israelites, "again the Israelites did evil in the eyes of the Lord." Then, in Judges 17:6 and 21:25 it says, "in those days there was no king in Israel. Everyone did what was right in his own eyes." The Israelites were doing things that were evil in God's eyes, but it wasn't wrong in their own eyes. They were setting the standards for themselves and feeling justified about the way they were living. Their conscious was not bothered by the decisions they were making, they had a lot of rationalizations for their choices. According to their standards, nothing was amiss. But sin is rejecting God's will for our lives. What God says is sin is sin, regardless of what the culture, the experts or the majority says about it.

In our day, tolerance is championed as perhaps the chief value of our culture. Everyone has the right to believe or live as they please and no

one else has the right to disagree or look down on that choice. I heard one conversation recently where someone was describing a lifestyle that was trendy but not biblical, another person said, "hey, live however you feel, there's no right or wrong; it is whatever is right for your family." That perfectly captures today's mindset. Religions are told to "coexist" on bumper stickers, in spite of their radically different doctrines and practices. Christians are called to love everyone and not make judgments on him or her; live and let live is the motto. But, when does tolerance change from saying 'I will respect you as a person made in God's image but we will agree to disagree,' to simply being a compromise? Where do we draw the line and say I can go this far and no farther? At what point do we lose our distinctiveness as Christians in a desire to be liked and accepted by the world? At what point are we simply known as nice people whose life and message fails to point people to Jesus, who

alone is 'the way, the truth and the life, the only way to God the Father'?' How do we reach out in love to lost people while at the same time not compromising, becoming like them, or giving the community a false message about the church? These are very difficult questions.

How easily we deceive ourselves into thinking everything is fine when we may be vastly out of step with God's will for our lives. Unfortunately, it is not just those outside the church that fall into this deception; many Christians are losing their Christian distinctiveness. Evidence shows that many Christians are casting off clear biblical standards. Poll after poll delivers the same disturbing news; Christians are rationalizing sins like worry, gossip, curse words or lustful thoughts. In matters of entertainment choices, materialism, racial prejudice, divorce, sexual conduct and unbiblical beliefs, there is strikingly little difference between professing Christians and non-

Christians. There are far too many people who claim the name of Christ but are deeply assimilated to the wider culture with its ideas, values and practices.

It is time for Christians to not just tell the truth about our cultures' sins but to look in the mirror of God's Word to see where we are failing to obey the Lord. We are all guilty in various ways and repentance and revival is needed. We need to decide whether we will live by God's authority and do what is 'right in His eyes' as revealed in the Bible, or live by our own authority and do 'what is right in our own eyes.' This is the great battleground of our day. Christians are called to live in this world as salt and light (Matthew 5:13-16) and we don't want to lose our 'saltiness' by becoming like the world. We also don't want to hide our light by sitting in holy huddles where we never interact with people who need Jesus. Whose 'eyes' are you living your life based on?

**Deposit Historical Society's Nov. 18 'High End Auction' Comes Just in Time for Holidays**

**DEPOSIT** - The Deposit Historical Society will sponsor a "High End Auction" at the Deposit Historical Museum on Friday, Nov. 18. The event will begin with a tour of the Bundy House, the group's research center, at 5 p.m., followed by refreshments at the museum.

The "High End Auction" will begin at 7 p.m. at the museum and a variety of items

will be auctioned off to the highest bidder. A large variety of unusual treasures will be available. A brief sample of these items will be Steiff bears, including "Teddy-Baren," "TeddyBar Blond 42," "1928 Classic Petsy," and more. A Steiff pull toy "Camel" in box will add to the list. Steiff toys are made in Germany and many are collectible.

Jewelry will include a gold ring with an Opal, gold ring with diamonds and emeralds and a string of 36 black cultured pearls.

A Kelly & Steinman "Deposit Glass" spoonrest will also be up for auction. This company's glassware is sought after.

Ethel Mae Musante's unique embroidery of many subjects will also be available. The selection will include "Peaceable Kingdom, Natural Forms," Boy with

Fiddle, and "Boy with Toys and Cat." Hand-hooked wool rugs by Ethel Musante will also be presented.

A Singer treadle sewing machine will add to the list. Or, do you collect Hummels? The auction will have some.

These prized items are only the beginning of the catalog and may make for the beginning of a prized Christmas gift!

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Fri. Nov. 18  
Noon-5  
Sat. & Sun.  
Nov. 19 & 20  
9-5

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# BOWLING SCORES

## SIDNEY East Main Lanes

R. Fisher 576; S. Straka 461; J. Roof 451; G. Lindroth 474.

### City League

**Standings:**  
1. Universal Forest Products 51-29  
2. Ermetis 48-34  
3. J&M Trophies 42-38  
4. East Main Lanes 42-38  
5. Farm Farmly 33-47  
6. The Houndstooth 26-54

**High Series:**  
Jamie C. 667-199-174-289  
Chad C. 644-237-213-194  
Larry S. 630-179-207-244

**200 Games:**  
Kevin M. 225; Brandon F. 221; Andy K. 210; Barry M. 210; Bob R. 206; Bruce S. 202; Jim G. 202; Phil D. 201; Spencer B. 200; Rob Y. 200.

### Monday Morning Coffee League

**Standings:**  
Yo Yo's 53-19  
Four on the Floor 43-29  
Rosebuds 41-31  
Foxes 34-38  
Silver Belle's 32-40  
Special Ladies 30-42  
Lucky Sevens 29-43  
Country Girls 26-46

**150+:**  
C. Daughtrey 163; B. Dascano 153; R. Tietjen 156; C. Leizear 168-160; A. Berg 160; S. Harris 176-167; S. Straka 178; R. Fisher 152-210-214; J. Roof 156; J. Davis 151; W. Bookhout 155; P. Hamilton 154; G. Lindroth 213.

**450+:**  
C. Leizear 457; S. Harris 472;

### East Main Ladies

**Standings:**  
In-Laws 40-16  
Golden Girls 32-24  
All Balls No Glory 30-26  
The Bowling Bags 29-27  
Women Who Score 19-37  
The Misfits 18-38

**High Game:**  
S. Meyer 165.  
**High Series:**  
M. Deck 470.

### Algonkin Motel Mixed Scratch

**Team Standings:**  
Team 1 79.5-20.5  
Algonkin Motel 55.5-44.5  
Team 3 53.5-46.5  
Neighbors Insurance 43-57  
Prinz Excavating 34.5-65.5  
East Main Lanes 34-66

**High Games:**  
C. Luca 277cg, 245, 211; T. Boie 244cg, 213; J. Cole 233, 245; R. Sassano 237cg; J. Pendorf 227cg, 210; R. Liberatore 203, 238cg; T. Umbra 228; J. Sloan 257, 234cg; J. Page 200; A. Wheeler 245cg, 223cg; J. Greene 227cg; B. Walker 216cg, 208; M. Taber 204; M. Aylesworth 203; D. Finch 228; M. Ferrara 216; K. Macumber 202.

**High Series:**  
C. Luca 733; J. Cole 675; T. Boie 650; R. Sassano 614; J. Pendorf 635; R. Liberatore 631; J. Sloan 671; A. Wheeler 640.

## BAINBRIDGE Galaxy Bowl

### Thursday Night Pitch League

**Standings:**  
Sharon & Amy 38 - 19  
Marty & Mike 36 - 22  
Bob & Pat 35 - 23  
Lorraine & Clyde 34 - 23  
Colleen & Cindy 33 - 24  
Sam & Tom 31 - 26  
Craig & Jim 31 - 26  
Dawn & Roni 31 - 26  
Emily & Frieda 30 - 27  
Sharon & Rich 30 - 27  
Lee & Jason 29 - 28  
Cindy & Jay 29 - 28  
Ron & Mark 27 - 30  
Barbara & John 25 - 32  
Susan & Kathy 25 - 32  
David & John 23 - 34  
Cindy & Alice 23 - 34  
Christal & Dawn 22 - 35  
Linda & Ernie 18 - 39  
Carolyn & Thorny 16 - 41

### Wednesday Nite Earlybirds

**Standings:**  
1- Lottie's Angels  
2 - Trash Mashers  
3 - J & M Trophies  
4 - Bruning Enterprises

**High Game:**  
S. Meres - 227 c.g.  
**High Series:**  
S. Meres - 559.  
**180 Games:**  
L. Boice - 183; L. Cole - 188; S. Meres - 227 c.g., 180.

**500 Series:**  
L. Boice - 505; L. Cole - 515; S. Meres - 559.

### Thursday Morning Winter

## League

**Standings:**  
Delayed Action 54-26  
Up & Coming 51-29  
Gutter Dusters 50-30  
Unknown 48-32  
Ups & Downs 47-33  
Dizzy Dames 46-34  
Pin Pals 34-46  
The Newbee's 28-36  
Ladybugs 26-54  
Friends 14-66

**150+:**  
D. Northrop 174; D. Whaley 196-266-225; S. Harris 153-170; R. Gardner 151-166; J. O'Brien 150-166; K. Bruning 150-182; V. Fagan 186-180-154; C. Brundage 187-170; M. Burlison 196-213-205; J. Adams 153; B. Dascano 153; D. Fritsch 164; D. Larry 171-172; C. Brown 165.

**450+:**  
D. Northrop 463; D. Whaley 687; J. O'Brien 458; K. Bruning 479; V. Fagan 520; C. Brundage 476; M. Burlison 614; D. Larry 487.

### Sunday Nite All Stars

**Standings:**  
Bruning + Bruning 49-31  
Mott + Mott 45-35  
Wicks + Wicks 45-35  
Haynes + Haynes 44-36  
Tallmadge + Tallmadge 42-38  
Gransbury + Gransbury 41-39  
Glover + Glover 39-41  
Meres + Meres 38-42  
Split N Giggles 34-46  
S + M 23-57

**High Individual Single:**  
Bill Tallmadge 267cg; Margie

Mott 198.

**High Individual Triple:**  
Bill Tallmadge 648; Margie Mott 565.

### Thursday Night Men's Hdcp

**Standings:**  
Galaxy Bowl 202.5  
Ball Busters 179  
Bainbridge Memorials 174.5  
New Concept Machining 168  
Southtown Dairy 168  
244 Racing 141.5  
Jim's Auto Repair 128.5  
Whales Coins + More 122.5  
Lil Dave's Excavating 113  
No Names 102.5

**High Single:**  
B. Walker 267.

**High Series:**  
B. Walker 705.

### E.O.W.S.

**Standings:**  
Gut'er Done 15-5  
No Nothing 15-5  
Under Pressure 11-9  
Hit & Miss 11-9  
The Rookies 8 1/2-11 1/2  
Gutter Dusters 7-13  
Pin Busters 6 1/2-13 1/2  
Lucky Splits 6-14

**Men's High Game:**  
Phil 245.

**Men's High Series:**  
Phil 621.

**Women's High Game:**  
Meta 193; Lisa 193.

**Women's High Series:**  
Lisa 522.

**180-200 Games:**  
Kyle S. 212; Cody 203; Meta 193; Lisa 193; Phil 245; Dave Smith 244.

**600 Series:**  
Phil Jones 194-245-182-621.

## Independent Bowling League

**Standings:**  
1 Whales & the Grump 46-24  
2 Lisa & Bobby 45-25  
3 Barb & Kim 45-25  
4 "MoJo" 43-27  
5 Alan & Clyde 38-32  
6 Steve & Kelley 37-33  
7 Margie & Tim 31-39  
8 Date Nite 26-44  
9 Sidney Typo 26-44

**Scratch Game Women:**  
Anne Mott 189.

**Scratch Game Men:**  
Al Rowe 256.

**Scratch Series Women:**  
Anne Mott 495.

**Scratch Series Men:**  
Al Rowe 663.

**Handicap Game Women:**  
Anne Mott 238.

**Handicap Game Men:**  
Al Rowe 261.

**Handicap Series Women:**  
Kim Shapley 646.

**Handicap Series Men:**  
Kelley Brown 717.

**Honor Scores:**  
Alan Rowe 256, 207, 200; Alan Locke 229, 204; Kelley Brown 225, 215; Dylan Whaley 223, 200; Richard Johnson 216; Tim Harmon 200; Margie Mott 189; Anne Mott 189; Kim Shapley 176.

**Honor Series:**  
Alan Rowe 663; Kelley Brown 618; Dylan Whaley 616; Alan Locke 611.

## BMets Rechristened as Rumble Ponies

By Ryan Dalpiaz

BINGHAMTON — The Binghamton Mets began their minor league career in 1991 with a handful of baseball fans waiting in line for season tickets, not knowing how long they'd last or who would even show up. Over the next 25 years, the team rallied together a large group of fans who have experienced heartbreak, bliss and embarrassment as they watched their beloved team accomplish a range of achievements, including ending a 20-year drought with an Eastern League championship in 2014 alongside a not-so-fantastic spot on ESPN's "SportsCenter Not Top 10" segment.

It's been this type of relationship with the city that has kept a strong fan base in tact. Low attendance sparked a change in management and

within the last year the BMets organization has been turned on its side in an attempt to create a new brand and more fan interest.

That new brand was announced in front of a gymnasium full of raucous elementary students who screamed in joy as confetti shot into the air on Thursday, Nov. 3. Excitement was in the air as well, but so was displeasure, as some believe the name change was the wrong plan of action.

Regardless, Minor League Baseball is staying in Binghamton and that gives fans the opportunity to meet and watch future major leaguers before they become famous. The team is now the Binghamton Rumble Ponies and they will be playing for a shot at another championship, as well as a chance to be a Met once more.



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## 2016 MAC Cross Country All-Star Teams

### Boys' First Team

Matt Johnson (Afton/Hapursville); Dylan Campbell (Delhi); Alex Padovani (Delhi); Ty Scleman (Delhi); Hans Hilson-Schneider (Delhi); Dylan Christ (Deposit/Hancock); Tanner Sutliff (Gilbertsville/Mt. Upton); Matt Harrington (Gilbertsville/Mt. Upton).

### Girls' First Team

Cella Schnabel (Delhi); Jillian Lees (Delhi); Autumn Dorr (Delhi); Jessica Davis (Delhi); Kelsey Young (Deposit/Hancock); Deidre Brett (Gilbertsville/Mt. Upton); Vasiliki Drapaniotis (Gilbertsville/Mt. Upton); Sadie Dibbell (Unadilla Valley).

### Boys' Second Team

Eli Eagle Road (Delhi); Brycen Burak (Deposit/Hancock); Sam Madison (Edmeston); James Maley (Downsville); Ben Avolio (Unadilla Valley); Josh Noga-ret (Unadilla Valley); Trenton Gloeckler (Unatego).

### Girls' Second Team

Jessica Davis (Delhi); Alexis Gielskie (Delhi); Caranne Ingram (Delhi); Morgan Robert (Delhi); Rachael King (Gilbertsville/Mt. Upton); Delaney Coughlin (Gilbertsville/Mt. Upton); Alyssa Hotaling (Gilbertsville/Mt. Upton).

### Sportsmanship:

Boys - Deposit/Hancock; Girls - Gilbertsville-Mt. Upton/Morris

## Sidney Recreation Youth Soccer Thanks Community for a Great Season

SIDNEY - This year the Village of Sidney Recreation Youth Soccer joined the Chenango County Recreation Youth Soccer League. There was a total of nine surrounding communities in the league. All of the age groups traveled, which allowed the kids to play against children other than their classmates and get the experience of playing teams of different skill levels.

Many thanks go out to the volunteer coaches who made this transition very successful

for the kids and the program! A big thank you also goes to the Sidney United Way who so generously provided the game shirts for all of the athletes and the Sidney Elks Club for "loaning" their large field to the program. Having access to their field allowed the league to have a total of three soccer fields for the teams to play on. Thank you to all of the kids, parents, volunteers and sponsors for a fun and successful season!



## Jamie Cole Bowls 289 in City League

SIDNEY - Jaime Cole bowled a 289 game in the men's City League on Tuesday, Nov. 8 at East Main Lanes in Sidney. He finished with a 664 series. Cole bowls on J&M Trophies with teammates Barry MacPherson, Scott Hasselbarth, Larry Stage and Bruce Shelton. Congratulations on a stellar game!

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## CEMETERY LOVERS BY TINA (PABST) UTTER AND DALE UTTER (E-MAIL: STONECROFT@CITLINK.NET)

### Graveyards of a Different Sort

by Dale and Tina Utter

In the early 1970's Interstate 90 was being constructed through eastern Wyoming. In the path of the proposed road lay a large hole. The road engineers feared it was a sinkhole. If it was, the ground could be very unstable, making them think they should drill core samples to check it out. What they found astonished everyone. The area contained thousands of bones. What the road crew had stumbled upon was an old Indian buffalo jump. Thankfully the road was diverted around it. Today it is known as the Vore Buffalo Jump.

Studies of the excavation have shown that it was used by at least five different tribes of plains Indians from 1500-1800, before horses became plentiful. Hunters herded the buffalo and typically would drive them over a cliff. This type of communal hunting had been used for thousands of years. The hole is roughly 200 feet wide and 40 feet deep. The fifteen feet of bones and debris at the bottom is estimated to contain over 20,000 buffalo remains and thousands of Indian artifacts. What a discovery!

Such an endeavor this must have been for the Indians. An average buffalo (American bison) can weigh up to 2,200 pounds. I expect everyone

participated in the butchering or processing of the buffalo. These Indians depended on the buffalo for their very existence: food, shelter, clothing, tools, fuel, toys, etc. It's so hard to imagine an event like this. In fact, even though Lewis and Clark describe the jump in detail, there is no written record of any white settlers ever witnessing one. Our guide said the jump was only used about every fifteen years. I would imagine it took a long time for the decaying carcasses to get to the point where you could once again use the jump. The tour of the excavation was very interesting seeing all the bones and artifacts just lying there.

Hot Springs, South Dakota could be considered the mammoth capitol of the world. In 1974 a construction worker was preparing an area for a new subdivision when he uncovered some unusual bones. They turned out to be mammoth bones. Today this place is called the Mammoth Site. It contains the world's largest collection of mammoth remains. So far, 58 Columbian and three woolly mammoth specimens have been found. This is also the only place where both types of mammoths have been found together.

About 26,000 years ago a large sinkhole, about 65 feet deep and 120 by 150 feet wide, was formed. For the next 350-700 years this area,

with its water and lush vegetation, lured in many unsuspecting animals. Once in the sinkhole, the steep sides prevented them from getting back out. The mud helped in trapping the animals and ultimately led to their preservation as well. Other animals found were: camel, llama, short-faced bear, wolf and coyote, as well as many varieties of plants. It seems young male mammoths, probably forced out of the herd, were its most common victims.

This area is now enclosed and protected by a climate-controlled building. It was so interesting walking along and looking down at all the bones in the active dig, which are displayed where they were discovered. The biggest problem they now face is that, in order to continue their research, they will need to remove the top layer of bones. In this building you will also find a replica of a mammoth bone house. These houses were found in northern Europe and Russia and date back 12,000-19,000 years. This was a truly remarkable place to visit.

For those that like woodcarving, wood architecture or churches, then Rapid City, S.D. is a must see. Nestled in a residential area, at the base of the Black Hills, is the Chapel in the Hills, a Norwegian stave church. The chapel is an exact replica of the Borgund stavkirke in Nor-

way, which was built around the year 1150. This replica was built in 1969 and was the home to the Lutheran Vespers radio hour ministry.

This is a very unique church. The carvings and history of the design and its symbolism are most interesting. Its origins in the time of the Vikings are evident with the carvings of dragons. The style of steep, multiple roofs reminds me of an oriental architecture. Inside the chapel they have an informative audio program that tells all about the chapel. Behind it is a path leading into a ravine that slowly winds to the back of the property. This is a tranquil setting for a prayer walk. Along the trail can be found interesting statuary and places to sit and reflect.

On site was a small museum that is an authentic 1876 log cabin with many period pieces from the Norwegian immigrants that lived in the area. They have a wonderful audio/visual program that tells about these unique items. We thought this was great, as we often wonder what things are or were used for. You will also find an authentic grass-roofed house that was built in Norway and shipped here. It serves as the visitor center and gift shop.

One of the biggest joys of this western trip was the variety of wildlife we saw. We got many great photos. The sand hill cranes in a prai-

rie marsh were a total surprise. Two young hawks still in the nest but soon ready to try their wings made for a special sight. The white, inland pelicans with their huge wingspan were lazily floating and fishing on a serene plains lake. What a sight that was! The golden eagle sitting on a ridge and surveying all before him was impressive. The little burrowing owls standing in a prairie dog town were a delight to see, and we were surprised to get so close to a pair of ospreys and their nest. Tina's picture of a yellow-headed blackbird as it walked a shoreline with the water splashing up was one of our favorites.

One cemetery we pulled into had a chain link fence all a round it with many white metal crosses attached. These were possibly in remembrance of veterans but there were so many! We came here to look for an author Tina likes, named Ivan Doig, known for writing of early Montana life. No luck finding him, but as we were driving out we suddenly saw something gliding through the trees. Quickly grabbing the camera I slowly crept through the trees and there on a branch facing me sat an owl. I got many good photos and then saw something else. I zoomed in and found another owl - its mate.

While driving through Theodore Roosevelt National Park in North Dakota we

came upon a herd of free-ranging horses. About 30 stood on a knoll before us. Their strength and beauty and different colors was a sight to behold. Many others stopped to enjoy the sight as well. We also took a short hike and as we were walking along a brushy creek bottom, we rounded a slight bend in the trail. Suddenly, fifty feet off to our left, we saw an adult male buffalo taking a nap. What an impressive, powerful and intimidating animal. We took a couple of quick pictures and made a hasty retreat.

We thoroughly enjoyed visiting the western cemeteries. The biggest difference between their older cemeteries and ours was their common western themes and their ability to be more expressive and original. The Native American cemeteries were fascinating.

This article concludes our sharing of our western adventures. We hope you enjoyed reading them as much as we did writing them. Our future articles will focus on more cemetery-related issues such as: dangerous monuments and the N.Y.S. Cemetery Board, cleaning and repair and monument materials. We will throw in a few more adventures as well.



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## MASONVILLE NEWS

This week's quote is: "The happiest people don't necessarily have the best of everything, they just make the best of everything." This is just a thought for today.

We hope you have your calendars marked for the hunters' ham dinner at the Masonville Federated Church on the first day of deer rifle season, Saturday, Nov. 19. This is an annual dinner to help celebrate our hunters and we invite them to attend after a long day of hunting to enjoy a good meal; though all are welcome, not just hunters. Diners can expect a good meal and some fellowship with are hunters, friends and neighbors. Serving will begin at 3 p.m. and end at 7 p.m. and the menu will feature baked ham, mashed potatoes and gravy, coleslaw, squash, peas, raisin sauce, assorted breads and rolls, pie for dessert and a choice of beverage. We will be having a peeling bee for the vegetables on the day before the supper, Friday, Nov. 18. All hands will be welcome, so if you have some

time to help, please come lend hand.

Have a great Thanksgiving everyone! There will be no classes on Wednesday, Nov. 23 through Friday, Nov. 25. If you are traveling a far distance to meet with family, be careful on the roads and in traffic on this most traveled holiday of the year.

Here on the farm the wood is still being cut and put in the cellar for winter storage and use. The boys brought a cow in and reported that the calf had gotten away from them. A search began and we watched the hill for a glimpse of it but saw nothing. Harold decided to take the tractor across the creek to look for it and Austin came along with the bucket tractor. Not long after setting out, the other cows came off the hill with the calf following between them and they got it in the barn in good shape. It was a bull calf and it is doing well now in the barn with the other calves. Please keep all of our farmers in your thoughts and thank them for

all the hard work they do each and every day to keep us all fed.

Birthday greetings this week go out to Dale Anderson, Cliff Scott, Joy Warner and Jeremy Green on Friday, Nov. 25. Happy wedding anniversary to Keith and Colleen Scott on Nov. 26. Clare Sterchak will celebrate her birthday on Nov. 27 and Reed Gary Scott and Shelby Barse on Nov. 28. Have a great day, everyone.

Church services at the Masonville Federated Church are at 11 a.m. on Sundays, with adult Sunday school at 9:45 a.m. Christmas Choir practice is on Mondays, with bible study on Thursdays at 6:30 p.m.

Don't forget about the peeling bee at 9 a.m. on Friday, Nov. 18 for the supper on Sunday, Nov. 20 is Thanksgiving Sunday and there will be an ecumenical service at the Sidney Episcopal Church at 7 p.m. Have a great week, everyone.

## Explore Family History with the Ancestry-Genealogy Group at SMPL Nov. 22

SIDNEY — Join the Ancestry-Genealogy Group as they meet up at the Sidney

Memorial Public Library on Tuesday, Nov. 22 from 6 to 7:30 p.m. to learn about and explore family history using

the library's ancestry software program. Participants can build a family tree and learn about genetic DNA genealogy. This is a beginner's group and attendees should bring a laptop or wi-fi com-

patible device to partake in this fun and interesting group. There is no rsvp required, just head to 8 River St. on Nov. 22, or call the library at 563-1200 for more info.

Fun Fact: China has conducted a new road law: Drivers who use high beams unnecessarily will be fined and subject to sit in front of their lights for two minutes.



**VETERANS VISIT STUDENTS** - On Thursday, Nov. 10, in commemoration of Veterans Day, members of the American Legion, Slater-Silvernail Post 806, Bainbridge visited with the fifth grade classes at Greenlawn Elementary School, Bainbridge. Teachers of the classes were Mary Diemer, Lorraine Porter, Vicki Ives and school aid and photographer Leslie Cuozzo. The students were interested in the program provided by the veterans and asked many appropriate questions to be answered by the veterans. Several of the students identified their own family members who served in the United States Armed Forces in the past. Veterans attending were Robert Dedrick, US Navy Veteran and Third Vice Commander, Post 806; Randall Lambrecht, US Army National Guard Veteran and First Vice Commander, Post 806; Richard Rusakiewicz, US Air Force Veteran and Finance Officer, Post 806, John Currie, US Navy Veteran and member of Post 806 and Kenneth Haynes, US Navy Veteran and Retiree. Our special thanks to the staff of Greenlawn Elementary School for scheduling this annual event and providing the Veterans with the opportunity to meet with and speak to the fifth grade classes.



THE SIDNEY MEMORIAL PUBLIC LIBRARY Board of Directors is extremely grateful to members of Sidney high school's Interact Club for their help in preparing Molly's Garden, located on the south side of the building, for winter. It is a large job and the Board was especially pleased to have the assistance of such enthusiastic students. Interact is a community service club with the mission of teaching young people the value of serving others and making them successful citizens and better members of society. Their advisors of the group are Marisol Marcin and Andria Crandall. Pictured here from left to right are Deztiny Rivera, Joseph Dewey, Cory Nordberg, Jillian Robinson, library board member Sue Ruestow, Khadija Butt and library board member Mary Jane Plummer

## Music on the Delaware's Coffeehouse Series to Host Pat Kane Nov. 20

WALTON - Sunday, Nov. 20, will see balladeer Pat Kane performing for Music on the Delaware's Coffeehouse at the Theatre. Coffeehouse events feature local and regional acoustic musicians in a casual, intimate setting on the second floor of the Walton Theatre. Doors will open at 5:30 p.m. and the performance begins at 6 p.m. The event is free, with donations welcomed.

Accomplished player of fiddle, guitar and bodhran, Pat Kane is known as "Balladeer of the Southern Tier." Kane has been a seasoned showman, singer, dancer, actor and instrumentalist since childhood. He is also a gifted dance instructor and caller for squares and ceilis. For this program, Pat will entertain the Coffeehouse audience with popular ballads and stories from both America and Ireland.

Coffee, tea and desserts will be available.

Future Coffeehouse events will feature John Potocnik and Friends on Jan. 15, 2017; Bowin' the Strings on February 19; Eileen McIntyre and Friends on March 19; Linda

Hickman on April 23; Walton Young Artists on May 7, and Bill Seneschal and Don Gilkinson on May 15.

For more information about

Pat Kane, see [www.westoclarere.com](http://www.westoclarere.com). For information about the theatre, see [www.waltontheatre.org](http://www.waltontheatre.org).



## GOOD OLD DAYS

### SIDNEY 25 YEARS AGO Nov. 20, 1991

Sidney's field hockey team earned coach Mary Morrison her 200<sup>th</sup> win in the very same game that secured the team's title of NYS champions. The championship game took place on Saturday, Nov. 16, 1991 and saw the Warriors score against Mahopac in the Class A state finals for a 1-0 victory. The resultant front-page spread of the Nov. 20 TTN featured a touching shot of Coach Morrison weeping tears of joy and the players all huddled in front of a goal holding a celebratory banner declaring them state champs!

### SIDNEY 25 YEARS AGO Nov. 13, 1991

Children's book author and illustrator, Suzanne Bloom, visited the Sidney Memorial Public Library on Nov. 13 to present a special program as part of Children's Book Week.

### UNADILLA 25 YEARS AGO Nov. 20, 1991

A Nov. 5 hearing for proposed local law for "Village of Unadilla Grass Cutting" drew a crowd of seven, with the majority in favor of the law.

Philip Burchett of 104 Main St. was the only resident to voice opposition, noting that, "the proposed law besmirches the image of a beautiful, well-maintained little village and

is financially burdensome to the taxpayer while necessitating enforcement. Lack of enforcement makes such laws weak and meaningless." Burchett went on to state that civic pride is not failing and responsible village residents need applause for their maintenance efforts rather than a new law.

### AFTON 25 YEARS AGO Nov. 20, 1991

The Afton Board of Trustees adopted a capital reserve spending resolution at their regular Nov. 11 meeting. The resolution called for a sum not to exceed \$15,000 to be expended from the capital reserve fund for the purpose of purchasing a new police car. A public hearing to vote on the purchase was scheduled for Nov. 25.

### BAINBRIDGE 25 YEARS AGO Nov. 20, 1966

The Bainbridge Chamber of Commerce announced a new program intending to feature and detail one Bainbridge business per month. For the program's start, the Bainbridge CoC honored Jim Meno of Scoville-Meno. After the presentation of a "Business of the Month" banner to Meno (which he later hung in the dealership), Meno said, "We are proud to be a part of the tri-town area and be able to be associated with a community such as Bainbridge.

### BAINBRIDGE 50 YEARS AGO Nov. 23, 1966

Everyone in Bainbridge was reported as taking pride in the "handsome new fire station," with many people attending a cornerstone-laying ceremony.

In the cornerstone was a collection of Bainbridge-specific memorabilia and keepsakes, including a history of the fire department, a copy of the *Record-News* from the week of the railroad wreck, a 1966 mint coin set and a copy of the *NFPA Firemen* magazine, which featured an article on the wreck. The cornerstone was donated by Frank H. Turk of Bainbridge.

### UNADILLA 75 YEARS AGO Nov. 21, 1941

John M. Hopkins, manager of the Unadilla Silo company, was tendered a surprise dinner at Hotel Bishop at the conclusion of the annual gathering of the company's field sales organization.

About 50 members of the sales department, office and mill employees were present to congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Hopkins and hear Theron Engell make the keynote speech in which he reminisced on the history of the company and its many employees over a long period of years.

Letters to the Editor are appreciated. However, because of space and subject considerations we are limited in the number of letters we can publish. All letters must be signed and represent the opinion of the letter writer and not necessarily that of the newspaper. The deadline for submitting a Letter to the Editor is Monday at 5 p.m. of the current week.

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## EEEEK! Find Mice on Main Street in Oneonta, Nov. 19 “Nutcracker” dancers to kick off holidays with family scavenger hunt

ONEONTA — Heading to Oneonta’s annual holiday parade on Saturday, Nov. 19? Keep your eyes open for the “Mice on Main Street.” Dancers costumed as big and little mice from the Fokine Ballet Company’s yearly production of the holiday classic “The Nutcracker” will be making clever and comical appear-

ances at Main Street businesses as part of a scavenger hunt following the Nov. 19 community parade.

Before the parade, children and families wishing to participate in the hunt will receive bingo cards with a list of riddles and clues on where to find the mice. Locate a mouse; have the card stamped. Then

return completed cards to the Decker School of Ballet, located on the third floor of 140 Main St., for free tickets to “The Nutcracker!”

The Fokine Ballet Company’s 29<sup>th</sup> production of “The Nutcracker,” complete with a magically mountainous Christmas tree and a Sugar Plum Fairy straight out of

dreamland, will be performed Friday, Dec. 16 at 7p.m. and Saturday, Dec. 17 at 1p.m. and 7p.m. at SUNY Oneonta’s Goodrich Theater.

For tickets and more information, please phone the Decker School of Ballet at (607) 432-6290 or email [deckerschool@hotmail.com](mailto:deckerschool@hotmail.com).

## Otego Elementary Honors Veterans at Nov. 9 Assembly



A pair of the many veterans who attended the Nov. 9 assembly honoring servicemen and women- are pictured here, filing into the Otego Elementary gymnasium where the event was held.



Part of the memorial display that covered the length of the Otego Elementary stage for the school’s Veterans Day goings on.

## Afton Fire Dept. Purchases New Building



AFTON - THE AFTON FIRE DEPARTMENT, (AFTON HOSE CO.) recently purchased a two story, 24 x 24, frame building which will be used for equipment storage and training. The building has been erected behind the existing fire station. The funds for the purchase of this building come from donations made to the fire department and from department fundraisers.

Further donations toward the purchase of this building are most welcome and may be sent to: 15 Spring St., Afton, N.Y., 13730.

Over the past three years, the Afton Hose Co. has taken an average of 330 calls per year. The Afton Hose Co. Inc. is the parent organization of the Afton Fire Department, the Afton Emergency Squad and The Afton Hose Co. Auxiliary. New members are always welcome. Additional information is available at: 693-2050 or 639-1201.



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