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## Tri-Town COSAP Seeks Not-for-Profit Status & Board of Directors Nominations

By Allison Collins

SIDNEY – Members of the burgeoning drug deterrence and advocacy group, the Tri-Town Coalition on Substance Abuse Prevention, and residents of Unadilla, Bainbridge and Sidney met on the evening of Wednesday, Jan. 25 to discuss steps they're taking as they pursue official 501(c)(3) not-for-profit status. Nominees for the as-yet-unformed board of directors were also mentioned and introduced, alongside an open call for more nominations.

Lorraine Keckeisen, the driving force behind the group since the initial forum held on heroin and opioid

abuse in February of 2016 and likely board of director president, started the meeting off by reviewing the group's accomplishments to date.

Keckeisen noted increasing drug abuse education and awareness amongst school children, including sending eight members of Sidney's Students Against Destructive Decisions (SSADD) club to the 2016 Teen Institute; hosting a Narcan community training session; initiating ongoing data gathering efforts for needs assessment and scheduling peer-to-peer and recovery coach trainings as some of the group's major gains over the past year.

"We're making great prog-

ress," said Keckeisen, adding that, now that the group has a year's worth of commitment to prevention, they are eligible for further grant funding as well as the 501(c)(3) certification.

To facilitate gaining not-for-profit status the grass roots group is coordinating with the recently renamed Tri-Town Youth Club, formerly the Sidney Boys and Girls Club.

President of the TTYC, Ronnie Haag, presented at the Jan. 25 meeting and described the benefits of acquiring said status.

Explaining that SSADD/the Boys and Girls Club first gained 501(c)(3) status in 1989 after a suicide in the vil-

lage and a community drug problem, Haag remarked, "This is nothing new, it's just gotten worse."

Because 501(c)(3) can be difficult and time consuming to procure, Haag offered for the Tri-Town COSAP to "come under the umbrella" of the TTYC's pre-existing status. "That's what we're offering to this group," said Haag. Speaking generally, Haag added, "This community is wonderful and if everyone pulls together like I've seen them do, we're going to beat this thing."

Keckeisen thanked Haag for what she called a "gracious opportunity" to partner with the TTYC.

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From left to right, Unatego Hall of Distinction inductees Karl Frye (accepting posthumously on behalf of his uncle Brian Truhn), Tara Hussey Nahey, Matthew Ouimet, Donald Andre Ouimet and Michael Ouimet stand at the close of Friday's ceremony. The five honorees comprise the third class to be inducted into the Hall of Distinction.

## Unatego Community Celebrates Hall of Distinction Inductions at Jan. 27 Ceremony

By Allison Collins

OTEGO – The evening of Friday, Jan. 27 marked the induction of five new and estimable Unatego alumni into the district's Hall of Distinction. This year's inductees, the hall's third class, included Brian Truhn, Class of 1965, Dr. Tara Hussey Nahey, Class of 1986, and three brothers, Donald Andre ('74), Michael ('76), and Matthew Ouimet ('76).

The Hall of Distinction was established to honor UCSD graduates who have gone on to distinguish themselves in life as valuable, productive

and honorable members of the wider society. Recipients of the honor have achieved levels of great personal success, while simultaneously contributing significantly to their respective communities and professional fields.

Truhn's award was presented posthumously by 2007 Unatego graduate, Owen Moss, and was received by Truhn's nephew, Karl Frye. Moss made for a fitting choice of presenter, as he was the recipient of the memorial Brian Truhn Award, given annually to a male and female Unatego graduate having earned twelve varsity letters in foot-

ball, basketball and baseball.

Truhn, who suffered a fatal cerebral hemorrhage while on the football sidelines during his senior year at Ithaca College, was described by Moss as "a fantastic athlete, dedicated leader and true friend and gentleman."

While Moss lauded Truhn's undeniable athletic prowess, he emphasized that off the field Truhn "served as a positive role model to all his fellow classmates." Referencing Truhn's early and tragic death, Moss remarked that, "the impact he had on the community that

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## Area Kids & Parents Cook Up Healthier Habits in CCE Workshop

By Allison Collins

OTEGO – A handful of Unatego students, spanning grades three through five, and their parents are partway through a six-session series of cooking classes being offered through Cornell Cooperative Extension as part of their Expanded Food and Nutrition Education Program (EFNEP), funded by USDA grants and in collaboration with the Un-

adilla Elementary Parent and Teacher Organization.

Jr. Chef Camp, which is taking place at Unatego High School, offers kids a chance to both learn about and prepare fresher, better food options.

Cornell Cooperative Extension program educator, Amy Van Alstyne explained, "It's a series of hands-on culinary and nutrition education workshops for students with their parents. It focuses on en-

couraging families to eat and prepare more fruits and vegetables for family meals."

Though EFNEP dates back 48 years, this iteration of the programming is relatively new. "Jr. Chef in our area started in Sidney about a year or two ago, but over the last year we've increased it to Unatego and then Charlotte Valley is up next," said Van Alstyne. "It was borne of work I was doing with Sid-

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Unadilla Elementary students Gracie Tilt and Caiden Groat show off their California cobb salad, made with a little help from their respective moms, Shannon (L) and Ashley (R).

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## ODDS & ENDS

**SIDNEY** - Join the ancestry-genealogy meet up at the Sidney Memorial Public Library! Members of this beginners group can use Ancestry Library Edition to discover their unique family history, build a family tree and learn genetic DNA genealogy.

Participants should bring their own laptop or other WIFI enabled device. The group will meet on Tuesday, Feb. 28 from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. in the Sidney library's meeting room, 8 River St., Sidney. Beginners are welcome, no RSVP is required. Call 563-1200 for more information.

**SIDNEY** - The Civic Center is currently under construction. The front and left entrances to the Civic Center will be blocked off for construction from now until further notice. Use the side entrance to the right of the

building.

**HARPURSVILLE** - The Harpursville Central School Policy Committee will meet on Feb. 6 at 4 p.m. in the district office conference room.

**SIDNEY** - Sidney Center Family and Friends Church will hold a bake sale on Thursday, Feb. 9 at the Sidney Federal Credit Union from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Proceeds from the bake sale will benefit the church's scholarship fund.

**BAINBRIDGE** - The NYS DOT honored the Jericho Garden Club of Bainbridge with the Adopt-A-Highway sign for planting 1,000 daffodil bulbs on their property adjacent to I-88 West. The JGC thanks community members for their help and reminds all to look for the daffodils come spring.

Fun Fact: At birth, a Dalmatian is always pure white. Their spots begin to appear within 3-4 weeks.

## NYS Police Track, Detain Pair After Robbery & Shooting in Afton

**AFTON** - One person was shot and wounded during an incident of attempted burglary in Afton before noon on Monday, Jan. 30.

A release stated that at 11:10 a.m. Chenango County 911 received a report of shots fired in the area of Algerine St.

Responding troopers located a male subject suffering from a shotgun wound to his upper leg. The male subject was transported to Wilson Hospital, Johnson City, where he is currently being treated for his non-life threatening injury.

The circumstances of how the subject was injured are currently under investigation.

While the individual who was shot was taken into police custody, law enforcement at the scene said they believed a second assailant escaped.

As such, police sent a K-9 search unit a mile up from Algerine St. to sweep the area. Also on Monday afternoon helicopters could be heard overhead through parts of the tri-town area as troopers and investigators searched for the second suspect.

As a result of the incident, several businesses and buildings, including Afton Central School, were put on lockdown for a portion of the afternoon Monday.



**MASONVILLE PANCAKE BREAKFAST** - Once again, it is time for the annual winter pancake breakfast. Get out of the cold, warm up and bring family and friends to the Masonville Church Pancake Breakfast on Saturday, Feb. 4.

The breakfast will start at 7 a.m. and end at 10 a.m. and will be held in the church dining hall. Warm, friendly smiles and happy good mornings will greet diners and serve breakfast buffet-style.

New Hope Mills buttermilk pancakes will be served hot off the grill onto a warmed breakfast plate, followed by hot, delicious sausage, scrambled eggs and home fries. On the table, diners will also find donuts, homemade sugar-free applesauce, coffee, orange juice and milk. There will be a choice of real maple syrup, store maple syrup and sugar-free, flavored syrup.

While there, take home a goodie for the weekend from the selection of baked items on the bake sale table. The next Masonville church breakfast will be Saturday, March 4.

## JAC Member Artwork on Display at Feb. 4 Concert

**BAINBRIDGE** - On Saturday, Feb. 4, the Jericho Arts Council of Bainbridge will be displaying the artwork of three of its members: Joanne Osterhaut, Cookie Witham and Mark Picone. Photography, ceramics and prints will be on display. The gallery is free to the public and will open at 6 p.m.

There will also be a musi-

cal performance by the band Country Express, tickets are now on sale. The show will start at 7 p.m.

Both theater and gallery are located on the second floor of the Bainbridge Town Hall, located at 15 North Main St., Bainbridge. For additional information, check out [www.jerichoarts.com](http://www.jerichoarts.com) and like the JAC on Facebook.

## WINTER SUPPERS

**AFTON** - The Afton Presbyterian Church, 16 Academy St., Afton, will host its 41st annual Soup Supper, Saturday, Feb. 4 at 4:30 p.m.

The menu will feature vegetable beef soup, homemade bread and pies and drinks. There will also be a vegetarian and no salt option

Quarts of soup will be available to go. Young and old are welcome and kids under 5 eat free.

**FRANKLIN** - St Paul's Episcopal Church, located on Main St. in Franklin, will offer a homemade soup buffet for its monthly first Thursday community dinner on Thursday, Feb. 2 from 5-7 p.m.

The monthly dinners are in support of the on-going interior renovation project. A free will offering is accepted for the dinner, which this month will feature a variety of homemade soups with salads, desserts and beverages.

**COVENTRYVILLE** - Come dine with the First Congregational Church of Coventryville on Saturday, Feb. 4, from 4:30 to 6 p.m.

The will homemade meatloaf, mashed potatoes with gravy, vegetables, dinner rolls, light desserts and beverages.

Isn't it time to get out of the house, meet friends and neighbors around the table, and enjoy a great home cooked meal?

Take State Hwy. 206 or State Hwy. 41 to Coventryville, at the blinking light take County Rd. 27 and you will see the church.

Call Pastor Joyce at 639-1841 for more information.

**UNADILLA** - The First Presbyterian Church, located at 156 Main St., Unadilla, will be serving a "Sweetheart" spaghetti dinner on Saturday, Feb. 18 from 4 to 7 p.m. Be sure to mark this date on your calendar and take your sweetheart, family or loved ones out for dinner.

The dinner will include spaghetti with Mamma J's homemade spaghetti sauce made with Dave Johnson's home-grown tomatoes, Italian sausage, tossed salad, bread and a beverage. Dessert will be cherry crisp a la mode. Children under five years old will eat for free.

The proceeds will benefit church operations and mission efforts. One dollar from each meal purchased will be donated locally to the Unadilla Emergency Squad.

For more information, call Dave Johnson at 369-9531 or Louise Lesh at 369-9579. The church is handicapped accessible.

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## 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.

**MOUNT UPTON** - The First Baptist Church of Mount Upton will be holding a "picnic in February" on Feb. 10 from 5 to 7 p.m.

RSVP with the number in your party by Feb. 5 by calling 265-3228 or 783-2714.

## PANCAKE

**SIDNEY** - Boy Scout Troop 88 will host an all-you-can-eat pancake breakfast on Saturday, Feb. 11 from 7 a.m. - 12 p.m. at the Sacred Heart Parish Center, Liberty St., Sidney. The menu will feature pancakes, eggs, sausage and beverages.

The scouts are selling tickets now, or tickets may be purchased at the door. The scouts invite all to come and enjoy a fine breakfast and help support scouting in Troop 88.

Troop 88 meets Tuesday at 7 p.m. at the Sacred Heart Catholic Parish Center on Liberty St. Boys ages 10 and older are welcome to come and see how much scouting has to offer.

For further information, call 561-1679.

**AFTON** - The Afton Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 3529 will host an all-you-can-eat pancake breakfast Saturday, Feb. 4 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.

**UNADILLA** - On Tuesday, Feb. 28, St. Mathew's Episcopal Church in Unadilla will hold a pancake dinner from 5-7 p.m.

**TREADWELL** - On Saturday, March 4, the Treadwell Methodist Church will be holding a breakfast from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The meal will include pancakes, scrambled eggs, sausage and biscuits with sausage gravy.

Fun Fact: The first VCR was made in 1956 and was the size of a piano.

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## GOOD OLD DAYS

### SIDNEY 25 YEARS AGO Feb. 5, 1992

Amphenol Corp. announced a second round of layoffs (56), bringing the total work force at the Sidney plant down to about 1,500. The lay-off reportedly affected "blue collar" hourly workers.

The need for increased efficiency and a flat military market were cited as reasons for the layoff.

The NYS Division of Veterans' Affairs Office was expected to remain in Sidney thanks to the combined efforts of three veteran and fraternal organizations, the village of Sidney and concerned citizens and residents.

The Sidney American Legion, the Sidney VFW and the Sidney Elks agreed to pay the rent on the quarters at the Sidney civic Center and the village, reciprocally, agreed to scaled down the rent, per then-mayor Elwood Davis. As a result, the village switched to absorbing 45 percent of the rent for the space, as opposed to the previous 25 percent.

The office had been due to close on Jan. 31, 1992 when the state lease expired.

An editorial section of the same edition said: We are applauding the veterans organizations that came forward and agreed to help share the rental cost so that the NYS Office of Veterans Affairs could remain in the community.

### UNADILLA 25 YEARS AGO Feb. 5, 1992

After preparing and distributing an extensive questionnaire to village residents in an effort to gather feedback for the Unadilla Planning Board, a need for tax relief, better and more jobs and elderly housing ranked top amongst the villagers' concerns.

Many surveyed, and that included over half of the households in Unadilla, mentioned dissatisfaction with the lack of both full- and part-time jobs for both young and old. Also, a lack of day care facilities was noted. Many at the time expressed that the village should identify specific areas for business development and added that parking for preexisting businesses was lacking.

Given that most survey were 55 and over, chief concerns also included the poor condition of village sidewalks, the lack of public transportation and availability of medical services.

At the time, the following was published in relation to the survey and its results: Unadilla's continuing attractiveness is shown by both the large number of new residents (57 living in the village ten years or less) and the many people who have called it home for generations (82 respondents called Unadilla home for over 30 years and

several for over 70).

### BAINBRIDGE 25 YEARS AGO Jan. 28, 1992

The United Way of Bainbridge met Jan. 28 to review the 1991 campaign and members were very pleased to report that the goal of \$15,000 was surpassed by more than \$2,000.

At the time Bainbridge officials said: The businesses and residents of e have again shown their overwhelming support of the twelve organizations the United Way of Bainbridge Funds. This support allows organizations like the Compassionate Friends to continue to provide comfort to parents who have lost a child and the Jericho Arts Council...the people of Bainbridge are to be commended for their unflinching support.

### SIDNEY 50 YEARS AGO Feb. 1, 1967

Sidney Appliance and Modern Kitchens purchased the former Victory Supermarket building at the corner of Main St. and Cartwright Ave.

Sidney Appliance and Modern Kitchens opened their store in Sidney fifteen years prior and outgrew their initial Division St. location. The new location offered more than twice the space.

The Sidney Recreation Center hosted a Feb. 5 open house event wherein one of

the center's rooms was dedicated as the MacLachlan Room, in honor of Gladys MacLachlan. MacLachlan was instrumental in getting the SRC established.

### BAINBRIDGE 75 YEARS AGO Feb. 5, 1942

At a Feb. 2 Village Board meeting it was decided to allow police chief William Payne to attend defense classes conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation being offered in Binghamton.

### UNADILLA 75 YEARS AGO FEB. 6, 1942

There were 2,200 hens housed in the large four-story poultry plant owned by Frank Gratsinger, located near Mallory's Four Corners, on the Gilbertsville road, which was destroyed by an early morning fire.

The building was partly covered by insurance, however, the large amount of equipment and production time lost to the blaze was expected to be a serious blow to Mr. and Mrs. Gratsinger, who estimated their losses at over \$10,000.

Mr. and Mrs. William Bird-sall, of Wells Bridge, received word from the commander at Hickham Field, Hawaiian Islands, that their son PFC John E. Birdsall was commended for his fine display of loyalty and valor during the attack on Hickham Field on Dec. 7

## Sidney Observatory to Hold Special Viewing Feb. 3

SIDNEY - The Sidney Central School observatory will be open Friday night, Feb. 3 from 6 - 7:30 p.m. Featured attractions for the night will include viewings of the first quarter moon, Mars and Venus. Both planets will be in the southwestern sky. Several telescopes will be available for viewing, including the main scope inside the dome.

This event is open to the public and admission is free. This session will be run by Sidney High School faculty

and students. Please remember that in the event of cloudy skies or inclement weather, the session will be canceled. Please listen to WCDO radio for a cancellation notice.

The observatory is located behind the high school building. Please drive past the main entrance of the new gymnasium and turn right past the pool. Follow the road to the lower back parking lot. SCS hopes to see you there!

## Mentors Wanted for Delaware County Catholic Charities Program

DELAWARE COUNTY - Catholic Charities is currently recruiting volunteers for its mentoring program in Delaware County. Volunteers will act as mentors to at-risk youth ages 7 - 17 years.

Mentors will be required to meet with their youth at least two hours per week, for a minimum of one year. Mentors will provide support, guidance and encouragement to youth through participation in one-on-one mentoring outings as well as group events.

Mentors must be at least 18

years of age, possess a registered and insured vehicle and a current driver's license, and will also need to be able to pass a screening process.

By acting as a positive, consistent role model, mentors have the opportunity to make a meaningful difference in the life of a young person. If interested in acting as a volunteer mentor or if further information is needed, contact Diana Halstead at 604-4071 or via email at dhalstead@charities-ccto.org.

## 2016 Eagle Scouts Celebrated at Recognition Dinner

UTICA - On Jan. 9, the Leatherstocking Council celebrated the lifelong achievements of 77 young men who attained the rank of Eagle Scout in 2016. 34 of those Boy Scouts and their families attended the recognition dinner at Harts Hill Inn in Whitesboro, N.Y., with one of them being Unadilla's own Kegan Kleeschulte.

To achieve the rank of Eagle, scouts must progress through a series of advancements that become increasingly more difficult and complex, requiring mastery of outdoor skills, citizenship, leadership and community service. Only 2 percent of approximately 100,000,000 scouts across the US have reached the rank of Eagle since 1910. Within the Leatherstocking Council, that number is closer to 6 percent.

These young men personify the Boy Scout mission to grow young leaders as expressed by

the event's keynote speaker, Peter D. Lopez, 102nd NYS Assembly District, an Eagle Scout from Schoharie County. Assemblyman Lopez shared several lessons he learned as a young man that continue to play out in his professional career.

The culmination of the Trail to Eagle is the Eagle Scout Project. This service project must benefit the community and require the scout to lead a team of volunteers to complete the project on time and to the satisfaction of the beneficiary. In 2016 the 77 Eagle Scouts from the Leatherstocking Council contributed more than 1,540 combined Eagle project service hours to the community.

Service is not new to these scouts and the Leatherstocking Council. A recent analysis of service hours submitted by units in the Leatherstocking Council showed that a record

number of community service hours has been recorded in 2016.

"If you combine all the service hours given by the units in our council in 2016, you get a staggering number," said Steve McEwan, scout executive for the Leatherstocking Council "In 2016 there were

11,676 hours completed. As a point of reference, there are only 8,760 hours in one calendar year. Think about that, and what scouting provides not just to our communities, but to the character-building of the youth performing that service as well. It is a win-win."



The Leatherstocking Council celebrated its class of eagle scouts for 2016 at Harts Hill Inn. Pictured are 36 of those scouts being recognized, with Kegan Kleeschulte of Unadilla fourth in from the left in the rear row.

## Otego UMC to Host Feb. 11 Family Fun Night

OTEGO - Otego United Methodist Church, located at 10 Church St., is sponsoring a Family Fun Night on Feb. 11 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. This will be a free event to encourage everyone to fight the "winter blahs" by meeting for an evening of board games, domi-

noes, checkers, Scrabble and jig saw puzzles - whatever pleases your fancy.

There will be lots of refreshments and community fun. There is ample parking in back of the church. Please use the side entrance. For further information call, 988-2613.

Fun Fact: "Twinkle Twinkle Little Star" was composed by Mozart when he was five years old.

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## Otsego Co. Office for the Aging Seeks Nominations of Remarkable Elderly for Annual Honors

ONEONTA - The Otsego County Office for the Aging is extending the deadline for nominations of county residents 60 and older deserving of special recognition for their volunteer efforts to help others in the community.

Frances Wright, director of the Otsego County Office for the Aging, stated, "Older adults make many contributions to our community in the form of volunteer activities on a daily basis. Being able to recognize outstanding efforts serves as a reminder to all of the value of these contributions, [and provides] an incentive to others to get involved."

Nominees can be either individuals or a couple. Their

activities must be of a volunteer nature and can be either formal for an organization or informal, as in helping their friends and neighbors.

The nominees must be 60 years or older and Otsego County residents. Anyone may submit nominations. Those selected will receive special recognition during Older American's Month celebrations in May. The deadline for submission of nominations has been extended to Feb. 13. For further information or to request a copy of the nomination form, call the Cooperstown office at 547-4232, or the Oneonta office at 432-9041.

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Serving Hot Beef Sandwiches & Ham with Raisin Sauce, Potato, Vegetable, Rolls & Assorted Dessert



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## Business Development Manager

Sidney Federal Credit Union is seeking an ambitious professional to work as a liaison between sfcu and New / Used Automotive dealerships in the Oneida, Madison, Herkimer, Susquehanna, Wayne, Sullivan, Schoharie and Fulton counties which is our newly expanded field of membership. Primary responsibilities include expanding our automotive indirect dealer portfolio and creating and maintaining strong customer relationships.

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**Please submit cover letter and resumes by Feb 17, 2017, to Keith May, sfcu**  
**42 Union Street, Sidney NY 13838.**  
 Inquiries or questions can be sent to [kmay@sidneyfcu.org](mailto:kmay@sidneyfcu.org).



## CHURCH DIRECTORY

<p><b>AFTON</b></p> <p><b>First Baptist Church</b>              30 Caswell St., Afton              Chris Prezorski, pastor              Josh Clink, pastor              Sunday worship: 9:30 a.m.              Life groups: 11:05 a.m.              607-639-1030</p> <p><b>St. Agnes Catholic Church</b>              14 Spring St., Afton              Darr Schoenhofen, pastor              Sunday Mass: 8:30 a.m.              967-4481</p> <p><b>St. Ann's Episcopal Church</b>              128 S. Main St., Afton              Fr. David Hanselman              Sunday worship: 9:15 a.m.              639-2330</p> <p><b>BAINBRIDGE</b></p> <p><b>First Baptist Church</b>              12 S. Main St., Bainbridge              Wendy Depew Partelow, pastor              Sunday worship: 10 a.m.              Church office: 967-8034              Pastor: 315-750-0997  <a href="http://www.bainbridgefbc.com">www.bainbridgefbc.com</a></p> <p><b>First Presbyterian Church</b>              3 Church St., Bainbridge              Sunday worship: 10 a.m.              967-8021</p> <p><b>St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church</b>              32 S. Main St., Bainbridge              Darr Schoenhofen, pastor              Saturday Mass: 5:15 p.m.              Sunday Mass: 11 a.m.              967-4481</p> <p><b>St. Peter's Episcopal Church</b>              1 Church St., Bainbridge              Rebecca (Becky) Drebert, pastor              Sunday worship: 10 a.m.              alternating morning prayer and Eucharist              967-3441</p> <p><b>GILBERTSVILLE</b></p> <p><b>Gilbertsville Baptist Church</b>              Corner of Commercial and</p>	<p>Elm streets, Gilbertsville              Sunday worship: 9:30 a.m.              783-2993</p> <p><b>HARPURSVILLE</b></p> <p><b>Harpursville United Methodist Church</b>              3500 State Rt. 79,              Harpursville              Sue Crawson-Brizzolara,              pastor              Sunday worship: 11 a.m.              240-9139</p> <p><b>MASONVILLE</b></p> <p><b>Masonville Federated Church</b>              Corner of State Rt. 8 and              State Rt. 206, Masonville              Thomas Vance, pastor              Sunday worship: 11 a.m.              265-3774</p> <p><b>MT. UPTON</b></p> <p><b>Mt. Upton United Methodist Church</b>              1741 State Rt. 8, Mt. Upton              Justin Hood, pastor              Sunday worship: 11 a.m.              764-8536</p> <p><b>NORWICH</b></p> <p><b>Springvale Open Door Church</b>              361 Co. Rd. 34, Norwich              Ken Kolb, pastor              Sunday worship: 11:30 a.m.              693-1469</p> <p><b>OTEGO</b></p> <p><b>First Christian Church of Otego</b>              704 Co. Rt. 6, Otego              Bob Thompson, pastor              Sunday worship: 9:30 a.m.              and 6:30 p.m.              988-7144</p> <p><b>Unatego Community Church</b>              290 Main St., Otego              Brian Cutting, pastor              Sunday worship: 10:30 a.m.              369-7425  <a href="mailto:unatego-church@live.com">unatego-church@live.com</a></p> <p><b>United Methodist Church</b></p>	<p>8 Church St., Otego              Brandilynne Craver, pastor              Sunday worship: 11 a.m.              988-2866</p> <p><b>SIDNEY</b></p> <p><b>Assembly of God</b>              Plankenhorn Rd., Sidney              Robert Perkins, pastor              Sunday worship: 10:45 a.m.              563-8247  <a href="mailto:sidneyag@stny.rr.com">sidneyag@stny.rr.com</a></p> <p><b>First Baptist Church</b>              28 River St., Sidney              Kenneth Southworth, pastor              Sunday worship: 10:45 a.m.              Church office: 563-8456              Parsonage: 563-1166  <a href="mailto:firstbaptistchrc@stny.rr.com">firstbaptistchrc@stny.rr.com</a>  <a href="http://www.sidneyfbc.com">www.sidneyfbc.com</a></p> <p><b>First Congregational Church</b>              1 Bridge St., Sidney              Patricia Robinson, pastor              Sunday worship: 10:30 a.m.              563-1329</p> <p><b>Sacred Heart Church</b>              15 Liberty St., Sidney              Bernard Osei Ampong, pastor              Saturday Mass: 5:30 p.m.              Sunday Mass: 8:30 &amp; 10:30 a.m.              563-1591</p> <p><b>St. Luke's Lutheran Church</b>              139 W. Main St., Sidney              Ernie Varga, pastor              Sunday worship: 10 a.m.              Church office: 563-1806              Pastor home: 265-3829              Pastor cell: 413-212-8202</p> <p><b>United Methodist Church</b>              12 Liberty St., Sidney              Thomas Pullyblank, pastor              Sunday worship: 10:15 a.m.              563-1921</p> <p><b>United Presbyterian Church of East Guilford</b>              Corner of State Rt. 8 and Co. Rd. 35              Patty Wolff, pastor              Sunday worship: 9 a.m.              563-1083  <a href="http://www.eastguilfordpc.org">www.eastguilfordpc.org</a></p> <p><b>UNADILLA</b></p>	<p><b>First Presbyterian Church</b>              156 Main St., Unadilla              Paul E. C. Hamilton, pastor              Sunday worship: 10:30 a.m.              369-4630</p> <p><b>First United Methodist Church</b>              170 Main St., Unadilla              Brandilynne Craver, pastor              Sunday worship: 9 a.m.              761-6519  <a href="http://www.unaumc.org">www.unaumc.org</a></p> <p><b>Friends Church</b>              747 Rogers Hollow Rd., Unadilla              Sunday worship: 10:30 a.m.              563-2053</p> <p><b>Sand Hill United Methodist Church</b>              127 Sand Hill Rd., Unadilla              Sunday worship: 9 a.m.</p> <p><b>St. Matthew's Episcopal Church</b>              240 Main St., Unadilla              Scott Garno, Rector              Sunday worship: 10 a.m.              369-3081</p> <p><b>Unadilla Center United Methodist Church</b>              1203 Butternut Rd., Unadilla              Sunday worship: 9 a.m.              369-4360</p> <p><b>WELLS BRIDGE</b></p> <p><b>Wells Bridge Baptist</b>              7 Church St., Wells Bridge              David Steensma, pastor              Sunday worship: 11 a.m.              988-7090</p>
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If you want your church or other religious organization listed in the Tri-Town News church directory, send the information to [ttnews@tritownnews.com](mailto:ttnews@tritownnews.com).

## POLICE REPORT

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#### DELAWARE CO. SHERIFF'S DEPT.

**HANCOCK** - On Jan. 20, Delaware County Sheriff's Deputies arrested 28-year-old Stephen C. Tanner and 20-year-old Taylor V. Morris, both of Hancock, following an investigation into a report of animal abuse at a residence located on County Hwy 17 in Fishes Eddy.

Tanner and Morris are accused of failing to provide proper sustenance to two dogs that they abandoned in their former East Branch residence when they moved from that residence.

A warrant was later issued to the Town of Hancock Dog Control Officer by the Town of Hancock Court and the dogs were seized and transported to the Delaware County Humane Society in Delhi.

Tanner and Morris were each charged with the misdemeanor offense of failing to provide sustenance to the dogs. They were processed and released on appearance tickets directing them to appear in the Town of Hancock

Court on a later date to answer the charges.

**MASONVILLE** - On Jan. 24, Delaware County Sheriff Deputies were dispatched to a domestic dispute at 689 Roof Rd. in Masonville. While conducting interviews, Deputies learned that the male party had two active warrants of arrest for his arrest from the Town of Woodstock Court. Deputies arrested Robin Hefty, 55, of Masonville, on two active warrants of arrest. Deputies later transported Hefty and turned him over to the Town of Woodstock Police Dept. for further action.

#### CHENANGO CO. SHERIFF'S DEPT.

**SIDNEY** - On Jan. 24, a Sidney resident was arrested by the Chenango County Sheriff's Dept. for criminal contempt in the second degree.

Sgt. Gould arrested Wade A. Macumber for criminal contempt in the second degree. Macumber failed to obey a court order issued by the Town of Guilford Court. Macumber was arraigned in

the Town of Guilford Court and was remanded to the Chenango County Correctional Facility on \$500 cash bail. Macumber is to reappear in court at a later date to answer to his charges.

#### NYS POLICE DEPT.

**BINGHAMTON** - On Jan. 26, at about 4:35 p.m., NYS Police at Deposit arrest Rafael S. Nunezsimancas, 29, of Binghamton, for the misdemeanor of criminal possession of marijuana in the fifth degree and other traffic violations.

This arrest occurred after a traffic stop when Nunezsimancas was observed speeding on State Route 17 in Sanford. After smelling marijuana inside the vehicle, a search found that he unlawfully possessed about 51 grams of marijuana. Nunezsimancas was issued tickets returnable to the Town of Sanford Court on Jan. 30.

#### SIDNEY POLICE DEPT. Arrests:

**SIDNEY** - Jan. 23: Anthony C. Driskell, 39, of Sidney, for aggravated unlicensed op-

eration in the third degree.

**SIDNEY** - Jan. 23: George L. Morales, 25, of Sidney, for aggravated unlicensed operation in the second degree.

**NINEVEH** - Jan. 26: Rene A. Rezendes, 37, of Nineveh, for forged inspection.

**SIDNEY** - Jan. 28: Christina L. Banks, 28, of Sidney, for criminal contempt in the second degree.

**SIDNEY** - Jan. 28: Vincent A. Williams, 36, of Sidney, for harassment in the second degree.

**GUILFORD** - Jan. 28: Brian S. Hartwell, 29, of Guilford, for criminal contempt in the second degree.

**SIDNEY** - Jan. 29: Thomas E. Seward, 51, of Sidney, for criminal contempt in the second degree.

**WALTON** - Jan. 29: Edward J. Petti, 24, of Walton, for aggravated unlicensed operation in the second degree and suspended registration.

## CEREMONY CONTINUED

he cherished will last forever." Truhn's induction is undoubtedly testament to that.

Ithaca College also awards an annual scholarship in Truhn's memory and Moss said, "These are tremendous honors that symbolize two very important realities: the special impact that Brian had on the communities that cultivated him, and the quality of character and values that kids from our community come to possess."

After invoking a quote wherein Truhn was described as "the perfect example of the fine people produced by small towns," Moss then presented Frye with Truhn's induction plaque. Frye called the ceremony and honor "so much more than expected."

Dr. Tara Hussey Nahey was presented by her longtime best friend and Unatego Alumni Association president, Courtenay O'Hara. O'Hara remarked, "I never would've thought then that we'd be here tonight for this occasion, but that doesn't mean I didn't think Tara would do great things in her life...she was simply too brilliant not to."

Calling Hussey Nahey "the best friend" and praising her wit, smarts and athletic aptitude, O'Hara noted that, while Hussey Nahey did not become a reconstructive plastic surgeon as she once planned to, she is nevertheless "reconstructing the present and future lives of [her] patients."

Today, Hussey Nahey works as a regional medical scientist with Medtronic, working to improve lives through medical services, technologies and solutions. Though Hussey Nahey holds a PhD in molecular biology alongside a doctorate degree in veterinarian medicine, her focus now is on finding ways to prevent sudden cardiac death in humans. (Though, early on in her studies Hussey Nahey successfully identified a genetic mutation in quarter horses that has since been patented and incorporated into a simple diagnosis process among horse breeders.)

In closing O'Hara shared that it was because of her friend's "intelligence in the

science field, service provided [through] her work with patients in dire need of answers and hope and patents in life-saving categories for both animals and people" that she nominated Hussey Nahey.

The three Ouimet brothers took it in turns to introduce one another.

After graduating from Unatego in 1974, Donald, the oldest Ouimet, went on to receive his bachelor's degree in industrial arts education from SUNY Oswego and a master's degree in special education from the University of Maryland.

He later attended the Pennsylvania College of Optometry, from which he obtained certification as an industrial arts teacher of the visually impaired. From there, Donald began along career at the Maryland School for the Blind.

In 1991, Donald took up the role of principal to the Maryland School for the Blind, a post he would hold until 2000, when he accepted a position as director of the Oregon School for the Blind in Salem, Ore.

Today, Donald serves as chief program officer for Junior Blind of America, based in Los Angeles, Cali. He is a published author, has presented at many conferences nationwide and, most recently, the owner of a home in Afton where he and wife Kathy plan to enjoy retirement.

At Friday's event, Donald shared that he considers himself "extremely fortunate" to have had parents, brothers and a wife of 38 years who supported him throughout his career. "I have also been the beneficiary of working with hundreds of talented people who have made me much better than I ever could have been on my own," said Donald. "I take great pride in telling others about my hometown and the strong values that were instilled in me as I grew up here."

Introducing his twin Matthew was Michael Ouimet.

Matthew, a 1976 Unatego graduate, attended Binghamton University, where he earned a bachelor's degree in accounting.

Matthew began his career as a CPA with Price Water-

house before moving on to a successful series of positions in the tourism and hospitality industry.

Of particular note was Matthew's leadership positions at Disney, Inc., where he served at various times as the CFO for the Disney Development Company, president of Disney Cruise Lines and president of the Disneyland Resort.

Matthew is currently the president and CEO of Cedar Fair, an organization operating eleven amusement parks across North America.

Michael Ouimet, introduced by Matthew, attended the School of Hotel Administration at Cornell

University, after also graduating from Unatego in '76.

From there, Michael began a career in the food service industry as executive chef and food and beverage director for the Sun Valley Resort in Idaho.

After Idaho, Michael progressed to management of high-volume country clubs. In the mid-80's, he transitioned to interstate travel business, taking over a center with the nation's highest volume in sales and eventually adding locations and helping to create an enterprise with over \$100 million in annual sales.

Since then, Michael has become the owner/operator of several franchise locations, including both fast food and full-service restaurants.

He currently owns and operates 41 restaurants and full service travel centers, in addition to serving as president and CEO of Ouimet Resources LLC, a consulting firm providing services to clients in the travel center, convenience store and franchise industries.

Attendees of Friday's induction ceremony called the event "awesome," "wonderful" and "great," indicating anticipation of next year's honors.

To learn more about the driving force behind Unatego's Hall of Distinction, the Unatego Alumni Association, visit [www.unatego.org](http://www.unatego.org) and click the tab marked 'community/alumni.'

## COSAP CONTINUED

Megan Corso Walradth, a community development specialist with the Prevention Network of Central N.Y., followed up Haag's presentation by outlining for the group the structure and function of a board of directors and its necessary subcommittees.

Walradth, whose organization oversees five counties and nine similar coalitions, suggested a nine-member board and noted that five of those positions are already tentatively filled.

At this time, Lorraine Kেকেisen is slated to be board president; if unchallenged, Tom Ford and Joan Hale are expected to be co-vice presidents; Sidney Central School nurse, Ruth Boyce, is the nominee for secretary; Sidney police chief, Jan Gorshack, is

up for the post of chair to the data and research subcommittee and Judith Roldan has been nominated as treasurer. Other uncontested openings include chair of the public relations/communications subcommittee, fundraising chair, planning chair and a legal chair.

Tri-Town COSAP is currently seeking nominations for all of the aforementioned offices. Anyone in the tri-town area interested in submitting a nomination can do so by emailing [tritowncosap@gmail.com](mailto:tritowncosap@gmail.com).

In a written statement Kেকেisen described serving on the Tri-Town COSAP board as "a chance to make a difference in our community, and more importantly, help families affected by this terrible

disease." Wednesday night she added to that, saying, "It's happening here. Pollyanna doesn't live here anymore. The research I did convinced me hook, line and sinker that something needs to happen."

Nominations for the Tri-Town COSAP's board of directors are due by Monday, Feb. 13 by 12:00 p.m.

The final vote will take place at the next coalition meeting on Wednesday, Feb. 15 at 6 p.m. at Sidney High School.

For more information on the coalition and their upcoming awareness events and resources, visit [www.tritowncosap.weebly.com](http://www.tritowncosap.weebly.com) or check out the Tri-Town Coalition on Substance Abuse Prevention on Facebook.

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ney schools and the idea just spread."

While the program is geared toward limited income demographics, and correlatively eligible participants help to satisfy the program's grant requirement, Van Alstyne noted, "When we do a group, everybody benefits."

To date, participants have learned practical kitchen skills like slicing and dicing, how to properly peel veggies, basic cooking terms, meat-handling safety, storage tips, knife safety and how to correctly read ingredient measurements. From the dietary side of things the kids and parents have learned about reviewing nutrition labels, the nutritive value of fruits and vegetables and which produce items provide the greatest benefit and serving sizes. Additionally, kids are given interactive nutrition activities to take home along with utensils and small kitchen equipment.

"Kids develop confidence in their chef skills as they learn about reading labels and following recipes," commented Van Alstyne. "And parents can learn about healthy eating and stretching food dollars." The program is especially helpful for families looking to do and eat better, but unsure of where to start. "These workshops can serve as a pathway for rethinking family food and eating routines and implementing healthy changes that you may have been thinking about," said Van Alstyne.

At each session kids and parents first learn about that evening's meal—from what goes into it to its cultural and

geographic roots—before preparing it and then finally eating it. While in other sessions Van Alstyne has incorporated an international theme, for this most recent workshop kids and parents got to tour the tastes of different American culinary regions. Dishes have included black bean and chicken quesadillas, a California cobb salad with homemade buttermilk ranch dressing, union soldier beef stew and Cincinnati-style chili with cinnamon, cloves, allspice and even chocolate.

Van Alstyne has been with Delaware County Cornell Cooperative Extension since 2007 and noted that, while it is growing steadily, the Jr.

Chef program is only a small part of what she does. "Mine is one of the few programs to still do home visits," said Van Alstyne, who explained that her overarching goal is always "to teach families how to eat healthier on a limited budget."

Asked her favorite part of the Jr. Chef program, Van Alstyne replied, "Watching the kids and their confidence evolve from the first class to the last class." Describing most kids as "shy and unsure and asking questions all along" at the program's start, Van Alstyne said that by the last class, "they're reading recipes, know how to measure, and are comfortable with a knife."



Rylee Himes, a Unadilla Elementary student, is shown here spooning avocado during one in a series of Jr. Chef sessions being held at Unatego Middle/High School.

Bainbridge Book Reviewer Featured at *Fine Books Blog*

BAINBRIDGE - An interview with Linda Aragoni of Bainbridge about the bestselling novels of 1916 appeared in the Jan. 12 issue of *Fine Books & Collections*' blog.

Aragoni said her favorite of the 1916 bestsellers is *The Real Adventure* by Henry Kitchell Webster, the story of a bright and beautiful young woman who wants to be worthy of the same level of mutual, professional respect her husband accords his male friends.

This is the second year Aragoni's reappraisal of the bestseller list from 100 years earlier appeared at *Fine Books*. Both interviews were by Nate Pederson, a librarian, historian and journalist in Bend, Ore.

Aragoni also has been profiled in *The Committee Room*.

Reviewing old novels has been Aragoni's hobby since

the 1970s when her reviews were published in the *Martinsburg (WV) Times*.

Since 2007 she has been systematically reviewing the bestselling novels of 1900 though 1969 and posting them at her blog *GreatPerformances*. The reviews also appear in *The Oneida Dispatch*.

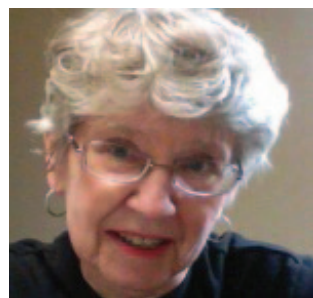
Besides providing her with hours of entertainment, reading old novels gives Aragoni an artistic outlet to counterbalance her work writing and editing nonfiction.

Aragoni has written for and edited newspapers, magazines, an academic journal and books, including publications in three of the four STEM fields. She has also taught nonfiction writing at eight colleges.

Currently she is redeveloping content from an earlier website for English teachers into three sites for any

teacher who is expected to teach nonfiction within their curriculum.

Aragoni's most reprinted nonfiction work is a 1989 article called "The Electronic Field Trip," which detailed how Bainbridge elementary school teacher, Brenda Myers, used a conference call to author James Howe to introduce her third graders to the process and rewards of writing. That article was eventually included in an anthology, *The Best of Writing Notebook*.



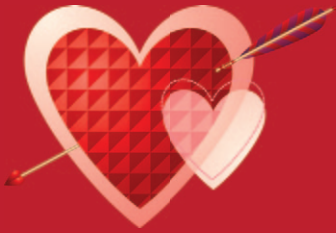
Linda Aragoni.



GMU KIDS RECEIVE GIFT OF DICTIONARIES - The third grades classes at Gilbertsville Mt. Upon Central School received dictionaries on Friday, Jan. 13 during a morning program held in the auditorium. 28 students and their teachers, Mrs. McMullen and Mrs. Bennett, will be using the dictionaries during classroom studies throughout the year. This is a community service project sponsored by the Butternut Valley Grange of Gilbertsville. Representing the grange and presenting the dictionaries were Kenny Butler, Roberta Halbert, Norman Ritchey and Laura Hall.



# Vote Now for the Cutest Couple



Here are this year's cutest couple photo contest entries. Thank you to everyone who submitted.



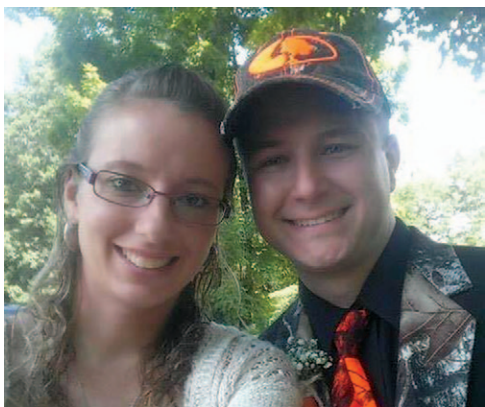
COUPLE #1

Susan Muller of Afton and George Drexler of Sherburne have been together for 21 years. Muller remarked fondly, "Though we are different in so many ways, we are still together!"



COUPLE #2

Barb and Floyd Humphrey of Nineveh, formerly of Bainbridge, have been married for almost 65 years. They are loved by many children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren and even "fur-grandkids."



COUPLE #3

Greg and Kayla Peck of Sidney have been together for ten years, married for four. Kayla shared, "We dated as young teenagers and then went [our] separate ways for a time. We ended up back together my senior year and we're still going strong after marriage, a first home, a three-year-old and a baby on the way!"



COUPLE #4

Samantha Jo Burns of Sidney and fiancé Kris Appeldorn of Cape Coral, Fla., have been together for almost five years. Burns said, "Our relationship has been based on the faith and hope that we will be just like my grandparents, Maryanne and Harold."



COUPLE #5

Maryanne and Harold of Masonville have been together for over 50 years and are nominated by granddaughter, Samantha Jo Burns. Early in their marriage, Maryanne and Harold moved with six children to Masonville from Brooklyn. They have taught by example how to love and respect someone, how to let love grow and how to build love from the ground up, according to their granddaughter.



COUPLE #6

Erin (Andrews) and Joe Pascarella of Sidney have been together for sixteen years, married for four. They first dated while attending Sidney High School and were "married" in Dave Wakeman's basement in 2001, with Eddie Gazzetti officiating. In 2011 they became legally wedded and welcomed their son, James, in 2013. The Pascarellas consider themselves best friends and have shared many adventures over the span of their life together. Anyone who knows them knows that their love is like no other.

As of this issue of the Tri-Town News, photos will appear here and on the TTN Facebook page. To vote for your favorite couple, call 561-3526 Mon. through Fri. (closed Thursday), or head to the Tri-Town News Facebook page at any time to "like" your chosen lovebirds. Voting will close on Feb. 6.

The couple to receive the most votes will win a gift basket chock full of amorous and indulgent goodies donated by several local businesses, including two free tickets to the Harlem Globetrotters in Binghamton on Feb. 15.

The winning couple will be announced in the Thursday, Feb. 9 edition of the paper and on TTN's newly revamped website, [www.tritownnews.com](http://www.tritownnews.com).

## OBITUARIES



### Russell W. Decker

UNADILLA - Russell W. Decker, 59, of Unadilla, passed away peacefully on Friday, Jan. 13, 2017 at home.

He was born on June 25, 1957 at AO Fox Hospital, Oneonta, the first child of Leon H. and Patricia A. (Ainsworth) Decker.

Russell was the recipient of the DAR citizenship award in sixth grade at Valley View Central School. He looked forward to summers at Crumhorn Mountain Boy Scout Camp, where he achieved the Order of the Arrow.

On July 11, 1987 he married Patricia A. Sandt.

Russell began his career in the auto industry in the parts department, working for several dealerships in the area. He made many friends on established delivery routes as well as behind the counter. Most recently he was employed as groundskeeper for Sidney Golf & Country Club as well as sexton for Mt. Calvary Cemetery, Emmons.

Russell was an accomplished, self-taught guitarist and harmonica player. He was always eager to share his enthusiasm for guitar playing. He will be remembered for his intellect, understanding, compassion, humor and Pitch-playing prowess.

Russell is survived by his wife, Patricia; as well as his sons, Ryley W. and Lukas H. Decker; sister, Debra Chipman Reimer and her daughter, Amanda; brother, David C. Decker; aunts and uncles, Gary and Jackie Scavo, Gloria Brienza and Victor Calventi as well as numerous other nieces, nephews and cousins.

He was predeceased by his parents and grandparents.

A graveside service will take place at a later date in the summer.

Condolences to the family may be made online by visiting our website: [www.grummonsfuneralhome.com](http://www.grummonsfuneralhome.com)

Arrangements are by the Lester R. Grummons Funeral Home of Oneonta.



### Bruce A. Mazzone

UNADILLA - Bruce A. Mazzone, known affectionately as "Pop Pop," 67, passed away on Tuesday, Jan. 24, 2017. He was born on June 5, 1949, the son of Alfred and Ruth Louise (Wilys) Mazzone in Oneonta. Bruce enlisted in the US Navy in 1967 and served his country until his honorable discharge in 1970.

On April 19, 1978, Bruce was married to Lasca Hutchinson in Unadilla; they shared

44 happy years together, 38 as husband and wife. Bruce drove truck for an independent mail hauler in Florida, retiring in 1988.

Bruce loved riding his Harley. He enjoyed playing pitch in Mr. P's pitch tournaments and took trips to the casino to gamble every chance he got. Bruce helped local farms and enjoyed haying and chasing Bullwinkle around. To Bruce, everything was for sale; he loved to wheel and deal. Before his health prevented it, he has loved to hunt. And every evening he'd take a trip "around the horn," driving around the peaceful countryside.

Bruce will be missed by: his wife, Lasca Mazzone; three children: Kenneth and his wife, Brenda, of Unadilla; Nadine and her husband, Ronnie, of Ormond Beach, Fla. and Bruce, Jr. and his wife, Amber, of Otego; five grandchildren who were the light of his life: Michelle, Adrianna, Isabella, Trey and Avery; step-father, Frank Dimasio of Highland Mills, N.Y.; siblings: Lorraine and Tommy Erdman of Manorville, N.Y., Danny Mazzone of Shirley, N.Y., Alfred and Jane Mazzone of St. James, N.Y., Pattyann Voegtli of Charleston, S.C. and Billy Fretwell of Long Island as well as several nieces and nephews.

Bruce was predeceased by his father, Alfred Mazzone and his mother, Ruth Dimasio.

Friends were invited to call from 7-9 p.m. on Sunday, Jan. 29 at C.H. Landers Funeral Chapel, 21 Main St., Sidney. Funeral services with military honors were held on Monday, Jan. 30 at the funeral chapel.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations in Bruce's memory may be directed to the Unadilla Fire Department or to the Disabled American Veterans. Condolences may be shared with the family online at [www.landfersfh.com](http://www.landfersfh.com).

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



### Jean (Shields) Selleck

SIDNEY - Jean (Shields) Selleck, 82, of Sidney and recent resident of A.O. Fox Memorial Nursing Home, Oneonta, passed peacefully from Earth into the arms of the Lord in the early morning hours of Thursday, Jan. 26, 2017.

Jean was born on Sept. 22, 1934 in Downsville to William and Caroline (Buck) Shields. She was the youngest of five children and the apple of her father's eye.

Jean moved to Sidney in 1950 to raise her family. She stayed home to raise her children until her youngest started school. Jean was then employed at Camp Brace, a NYS Division for Youth facility, in Masonville. She was the accounts receivable clerk there for fourteen years. She retired from the Amphenol Corpora-

tion, where she worked in the sales department. She was grateful for the many friends she made there. Jean's self-proclaimed greatest accomplishment in life was raising her three children. She adored them and they her.

Jean was a former member of the Sidney Emergency Squad Auxiliary and the Sidney Elk's Lodge Auxiliary. She also bowled in the women's Wednesday night bowling league at 20th Century Lanes for many years.

Jean was taught by her grandmother at a young age to knit and was an accomplished knitter of beautiful sweaters for family members of all ages. She also enjoyed reading, doing crossword puzzles, playing cards, dancing to big band music and traveling. Jean was known for her many sayings and came out with ones that would stop and make you think. Jean adored children, specifically babies, and was happiest when she was holding them in her loving arms. She had the knack of soothing even the fussiest of infants. More than anything, Jean loved to smile and was known to even smile through her beautiful blue eyes.

Jean married Raymond Selleck of Unadilla in 1983, whom she is now survived by. She is also survived by her son, Thomas (Diane) Tompkins, Hillsborough, N.J., and her daughters, Cheryl (Jeffery) Cumm, Jacksonville, Fla. and Kristin (Steven) Barber, Bainbridge. Grandchildren include: Steven (Kathy) Tompkins, Nicole (Justin) Carlson, Danielle (Brent) Key, Alyce (David) Hopkins and Stephanie (Jameson) West. Her great-grandchildren include: Emily, Kyle and Dylan Tompkins, Blake and Natalie Hopkins and Landon West. Jean has one surviving sister, Helen Knox, as well as many nieces, nephews and cousins. She is also survived by Ray's four daughters and their families.

Jean was predeceased by her parents, William and Caroline Shields, her brothers, Raymond Shields and Stan Shields, and her sister, Ruth Kilmer.

Friends and family were invited to call on Sunday, Jan. 29 at C.H. Landers Funeral Chapel, 21 Main St., Sidney. Funeral services were held on Monday, Jan. 30 at the funeral chapel. Burial followed at Prospect Hill Cemetery in Sidney.

The family would like to thank the nurses and staff of A.O. Fox Memorial Nursing Home in Oneonta for their kindness, caring and compassion in taking care of Jean.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Alzheimer's Association at [alz.org](http://alz.org), the NYU Alzheimer's Disease Center at [www.med.nyu.edu/adcdonations](http://www.med.nyu.edu/adcdonations) or a charity of one's choice. Condolences may be shared online at [www.landfersfh.com](http://www.landfersfh.com).

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

### Mark A. Riggs

UNADILLA - Mark A. Riggs, 63, of Unadilla, passed away Friday, Jan. 27, 2017 at M.I. Bassett Hospital in Cooperstown. He was the son of Frederick C. and Betty (Jones) Riggs.

Originally from Sidney, Mark lived in Unadilla for the past fifteen years. For 20 years he and his family had formerly been residents of Otego.

He was retired and worked as a laborer for Corning, Inc. in Oneonta for fifteen years. Prior to that he had worked for MOSA. A hard worker, Mark enjoyed carpentry and hunting. He was a member of the Loyal Order of the Moose in Oneonta and Sidney.

He is survived by his wife, Patricia Riggs of Unadilla; a sister, Bonnie Fantacone of Titusville, Fla.; two step-daughters, Wendy Dineen and Tammy Deitch, both of Otego; two step-sons, Mel Burgher of Stamford and Shad Burgher of Davenport and several grandchildren and great-grandchildren. He was predeceased by his parents, Frederick and Betty Riggs, and a brother, James.

Services will be held at the convenience of the family. Funeral arrangements were entrusted to the Westcott Madden Funeral Home, 123 Main St., Unadilla.

### Marcia Tymeson

WALTON - Marcia Tymeson, 85, of Walton, passed away on Thursday, Jan. 5, 2017 at St John's Nursing Home in Rochester, following a long illness.

Marcia was born on Feb. 26, 1931 in the town of Walton, the daughter of the late Alvin and Martha (Hoyt) Hodge. On Jan. 2, 1954 she married Bernard Tymeson.

Marcia was a registered nurse and worked in hospitals in Binghamton and Walton. After purchasing the family dairy farm from her parents, Marcia and Bernard worked together to make many improvements over the years.

Marcia enjoyed family and neighborhood get-togethers and hosted many impromptu gatherings. She also had many interests including gardening, snowmobiling, water skiing, golfing, walking and traveling. She took many trips with both family and friends.

Marcia is survived by her loving family, her children, Terry (Keith) Swank of Naples N.Y., Lynda Tymeson of Schenectady, Gary (Joanne) Tymeson of Walton and Jo Ann (JP) Tymeson of Sutton, W.V.; sisters, Alta Ward of Livingston Manor, Joyce (William) Teehan of Walton and Shirley Hodge of White Lake, N.Y.; brother, Bruce (Marian) Hodge of Walton; grandchildren, Kathryn Swank and William Tymeson and several nieces, nephews and cousins. She was predeceased by her husband Bernard in 1989 and her sister, Eleanor Walley.

The family would like to thank Kathy Teehan for all the help.

A memorial service will be held in the spring. Any donations can be made in Marcia's name to Life Time Care, 3111 South Winton Rd. Rochester, N.Y., 14623 or to the Alzheimer's Association Northeastern N.Y. Chapter, 4 Pine West Plaza, Suite 405 Albany, N.Y., 12205.

Arrangements are with Courtney Funeral Home, Walton. Condolences to the family may be made online by visiting [www.courtneyfh.com](http://www.courtneyfh.com).

**"In Memoriam" ads  
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3526 or e-mailing  
advertising@  
tritownnews.com**

## CCE to Offer DHI Records Workshop for Area Dairy Farmers

DELHI - Cornell Cooperative Extension of Delaware County is offering a two-part program to help dairy farmers get more from their DHI records. This program is jointly sponsored by CCE Delaware County, Dairy One and the Watershed Ag Council and will take place on Wednesday, Feb. 8, and Wednesday, Feb. 15 at the Delhi Fire Hall in Delhi. The program will run from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. with registration starting at 10:30 a.m. Program speakers will include George Cudoc, director of field services at DairyOne, and CCE Delaware County dairy educators.

Several topics will be covered between the two days, including why monthly test-

ing matters, getting good data, reproductive data, heat detection, conception and pregnancy rates, the Bredsum report, linear scores, SCC, herd demographics, butterfat and protein ratios, 403 transition cow report, herd summary and more! The program will examine records available to farmers on test day from the DHI technicians as well as those that are returned from the records processing lab after test day.

The fee for the program includes lunches both days. To register, call Kim Holden at 865-7090 or email [kmh19@cornell.edu](mailto:kmh19@cornell.edu). Registration is requested.

## Coventry Events Committee to Host Community Dinner Feb. 11

COVENTRY - On Saturday, Feb. 11 the Coventry Events Committee will sponsor a chicken and biscuit dinner at the Coventry Town Hall from 4 to 7 p.m. The menu will feature chicken and biscuits, mashed potatoes with gravy, mixed vegetables, hot and cold beverages and an assortment of desserts, including some sugar-free favorites. The Coventry Town Hall is located on State Rt. 235, just south of the main intersection

with State Rt. 206. The will be plenty of parking and the site is handicap accessible.

The dinner will mark the first of many events currently being planned by a dedicated group of volunteers working to bring some old-fashioned, family-oriented events back to the community.

Look to this publication for dates and times for these future festivities, like the annual blueberry festival.

## Tri-Town Regional Hospital Evolves; Seeks Grant Funding for Medical Village Expansion Project

SIDNEY - A certificate of need (CON) has been submitted to the NYS Department of Health (DOH) to make Tri-Town Regional Hospital in Sidney a satellite emergency department (ED) under the leadership of A.O. Fox Hospital in Oneonta. Both hospitals are part of Bassett Healthcare Network. If the CON is approved by DOH, the conversion to a satellite ED model would take effect in the third quarter of 2017.

"The conversion to a satellite ED is a regulatory-related change that will not impact services provided," explained Bassett Healthcare Network executive vice president and chief operating officer, Andrew Manzer. "Around-the-clock emergency care and laboratory and radiology services will remain available, along with a variety of specialty services that include cancer and orthopedic care. Patients treated at the TRH ED who need a higher level of care will continue to be transported to the closest acute care hospital appropriate to their medical condition."

TRH has been certified by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) since 2008, under the sponsorship of Bassett Medical Center in Cooperstown. However, stricter interpretation of CMS certification requirements has resulted in the need to convert TRH to a satellite ED model.

Under state regulations, a satellite emergency department must be within 35 miles of an acute care hospital. Fox Hospital is 23 miles from TRH in Sidney, while Bassett Medical Center is just over 45 miles away. Once the CON is approved, the operation of TRH

as part of Fox Hospital would be overseen by Fox Hospital president, Jeff Joyner.

Separately, an application for \$25 million in grant funding under the NYS Health Care Facility Transformation Program has been submitted, proposing the creation of a medical village at the TRH campus, 43 Pearl St. West, Sidney.

Manzer explains, "The state has encouraged hospitals and health care systems to transform their operations in a way that will keep them sustainable in the changing health care environment. The funding we've applied for would help TRH evolve in keeping with the health care needs of the tri-town region and allow us to provide comprehensive outpatient and emergency care in a new building more suitable to our needs and in a more integrated and efficient manner."

If approved, the funding would allow for:

- construction of a new modern facility specifically designed with 24-7 emergency and outpatient services in mind and convenient patient access
- consolidation of the Bassett Medical Group and A.O. Fox primary care practices in Sidney into one coordinated location
- integration of behavioral health and primary care services
- addition of on-site chronic care management and patient navigation services

A decision by the state on the transformation funding application is expected in the first quarter of 2017.

# BOWLING SCORES

## SIDNEY East Main Lanes

### City League

**Standings:**  
Ermetis 38-10  
The Houndstooth 29-19  
East Main Lanes 28-20  
Farm Family 20-28  
Universal Forest Products 19-29  
J&M Trophies 10-38  
**High Series:**  
Chad C. 683-213-226-244  
Bruce S. 640-194-200-246  
Jamie C. 637-190-221-226  
Toby U. 633-187-234-212  
Dave F. 608-201-199-208  
**200 Games:**  
Kevin M. 214-204; Larry S. 243; Ernie C. 239; Greg U. 219; Scott F. 214; Bob R. 206; Jim G. 205; Bob W. 201.

### Monday Morning Coffee League

**Standings:**  
Rosebuds 97-47  
Four on the Floor 89-55  
YoYo's 89-55  
Special Ladies 68-76  
Foxes 65-79  
Country Girls 61-83  
Silver Belle's 58-86  
Lucky Sevens 49-95  
**150+:**  
R. Fisher 205-205; S. Straka 171-152-162; B. Wood 173-154; W. Bookhout 174; C. Lafever 155-150-178; G. Lindroth 157; P. Stilson 167-152; C. Daughtrey 161.

**450+:**  
R. Fisher 551; S. Straka 485; B. Wood 483.

### East Main Ladies

**Standings:**  
All Balls No Glory 80-56  
In-Laws 77-59  
Golden Girls 68-68  
The Misfits 62-74  
The Bowling Bags 61-75  
Women Who Score 60-76  
**High Game:**  
S. Meyer 197.  
**High Series:**

S. Cutting 492.  
**Noteworthy Scores:**  
P. Carney 172; S. Cutting 181; P. Cristelli 466; T. Schunk 434.

### Algonkin Motel Mixed Scratch

**Team Standings:**  
Gilbert Plumbing & Heating 35-5  
Buzzy's Bluestone 34-6  
Neighbors Insurance 16.5-23.5  
Algonkin Motel 14.5-25.5  
Prinz Excavating 14-26  
East Main Lanes 6-34  
**High Games:**  
R. Liberatore 278cg; P. Umbra 224cg, 226, 204; J. Pendorf 205, 232, 202; R. Sassano 230, 234; K. Macumber 209cg, 202; M. Aylesworth 201, 235; D. Finch 236cg, 245; A. Wheeler 236; M. Anderson 247, 206; B. Walker 248; D. Page 200; J. Page 204; J. Sloan 202; T. Boice 227cg; J. Cole 262cg; B. Shelton 223cg, 221; C. Luca 216cg, 236cg, 203cg.  
**High Series:**  
D. Finch 658; C. Luca 655; P. Umbra 654; J. Cole 640; J. Pendorf 639; R. Sassano 635; R. Liberatore 629; M. Aylesworth 628; B. Walker 625; B. Shelton 619; M. Anderson 618; T. Boice 612, A. Wheeler 611.

## BAINBRIDGE Galaxy Bowl

### Wednesday Nite Earlybirds

**Standings:**  
Lottie's Angels 100-60  
Bruning Enterprises 76-84  
Trash Mashers 74-86  
J & M Trophies 70-90  
**High Game:**  
L. Mason - 196.  
**High Series:**  
L. Mason - 533.  
**180 Games:**  
L. Mason - 196.  
**500 Series:**

L. Mason - 533.

### Thursday Morning Winter League

**Standings:**  
Delayed Action 117-43  
Ups & Downs 96-64  
Up & coming 93-67  
Gutter Dusters 90-70  
Dizzy Dames 84-76  
Unknown 82-78  
The Newbee's 76-68  
Pin Pals 66-94  
Ladybugs 60-100  
Friends 34+126  
**150+:**  
D. Northrop 165-178-190; D. Whaley 185-183-236; V. Whaley 152; J. Adams 155; C. Brundage 180-171; M. Burlison 173-216-153; C. Daughtrey 167; V. Fagan 160-162; B. Dascano 177; G. Lindroth 187-150; J. O'Brien 175; H. France 150; D. Fritzsich 159-170; B. Butler 185-156; J. Stevens 155-151; C. Brown 177-151; D. Larry 185-150-232; D. Thrower 150; K. Thrower 162.

**450+:**  
D. Northrop 533; D. Whaley 604; C. Brundage 487; M. Burlison 542; C. Daughtrey 451; V. Fagan 450; G. Lindroth 464; D. Fritzsich 453; D. Larry 567; B. Butler 475; C. Brown 475.

### Thursday Night Pitch League

**Standings**  
Cindy & Jay 13 - 5  
Marty & Mike 13 - 5  
Dawn & Roni 13 - 5  
David & John 13 - 5  
Bob & Pat 12 - 6  
Lance & Heather 12 - 6  
Lorraine & Clyde 12 - 6  
Sharon & Amy 11 - 7  
Craig & Jim 10 - 8  
Lee & Jason 9 - 9  
Sharon & Rich 9 - 9  
Carolyn & Janine 7 - 11  
Emily & Frieda 7 - 11  
Susan & Kathy 7 - 11  
Colleen & Cindy 6 - 12

Christal & Dawn 6 - 12  
Ron & Mark 5 - 13  
Linda & Ernie 5 - 13  
Barbara & John 5 - 13  
Cindy & Alice 5 - 13

### Sunday Nite All Stars

**Standings:**  
Split N Giggles 14-2  
Gransbury + Gransbury 12-4  
Mott + Mott 10-6  
Glover + Glover 10-6  
Blind 10-6  
Tallmudge + Tallmudge 8-8  
Wicks + Wicks 8-8  
Meres + Meres 6-10  
Bruning + Bruning 2-14  
Haynes + Haynes 0-16  
**High Individual Single:**  
Gary Mott 268; Margie Mott 247.  
**High Individual Triple:**  
Gary Mott 679; Margie Mott 591.

### Thursday Night Men's Hdcp

**Standings:**  
Ball Busters  
Galaxy Bowl  
New Concept Machining  
Bainbridge Memorials  
244 Racing  
No Names  
Lil Dave's Excavating  
Jim's Auto Repair  
Southtown Dairy  
Whales Coins + More  
**High Single:**  
Rich Johnson 300.  
**High Series:**  
Rich Johnson 740.

### E.O.W.S.

**Standings**  
No Nothing 27-9  
Under Pressure 23-13  
Gut'er Done 22-10  
Hit & Miss 19-17  
The Rookies 16 1/2-19 1/2  
Pin Busters 13 1/2-22 1/2  
Gutter Busters 12-24  
Lickity Splits 11-25  
**Men's High Game:**  
Dave Finch 256.  
**Men's High Series:**  
Phil Jones 654.  
**Women's High Game:**  
Valaree Stafford 265.

### Women's High Series:

Valaree Stafford 693.  
**200-180 Games:**  
Toonya 203-197; Lisa 212-204-182; Dave Smith 210; Kyle 226 Grady 205; Cheryl 188;  
**600 Series:**  
Valaree 214-265-214=693  
Cody 206-197-206=609  
David Finch 256-194-175=625  
Phil 246-196-212=654

### Independent Bowling League

**Standings:**  
"MoJo" 24-4  
Alan & Clyde 19-9  
Lisa & Bobby 17 1/2-10 1/2  
Sidney Typo 17-11  
Margie & Tim 16-12  
Date Nite 16-12  
Whales & the Grump 14-14  
Barb & Kim 6-22  
Steve & Kelley 5-23  
**Scratch Game Women:**  
Margie Mott 201.  
**Scratch Game Men:**  
Rich Johnson 258.  
**Scratch Series Women:**  
Margie Mott 562.  
**Scratch Series Men:**  
Rich Johnson 684.  
**Handicap Game Women:**  
Michele Rowe 239.  
**Handicap Game Men:**  
Rich Johnson 273.  
**Handicap Series Women:**  
Michele Rowe 691.  
**Handicap Series Men:**  
Rich Johnson 729.  
**Honor Scores:**  
Richard Johnson 258, 214, 212; Alan Locke 238, 215, 204; Dylan Whaley 237, 217; Alan Rowe 214, 213; Bill Tallmudge 210, 201; Margie Mott 201, 181, 180; Michelle Rowe 183; Kim Shapley 180.  
**Honor Series:**  
Richard Johnson 684; Alan Locke 657; Dylan Whaley 620; Alan Rowe 600; Margie Mott 562.

## Midstate Arms Collectors to Host Gun Show Feb. 5 in Sidney

SIDNEY - The Midstate Arms Collectors will hold a gun show on Sunday, Feb. 5 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Sidney Elks Club, 104 River St. in Sidney.

50 dealers will be showing arms and military souvenirs from before the Revolutionary War to the present.

Collectors may bring old guns, swords and military items to sell. Dealers will be selling and trading.

Remember, NYS laws require a NICS background check be completed on all firearms sales or transfers; dealers will be available on site for such. All federal and NYS firearm laws will be observed.

There will be an admission charge.

For more information, look for the gun show ad in this newspaper.

## Classified Carry-Over

### LEGAL

The Town of Bainbridge is seeking candidates for one (1) part-time Town Justice vacancy. This vacancy will expire December 2017. The candidate will be required to run in the November 2017 election to maintain the four (4) year position with an annual salary of \$9792.00. The position is ONLY open to Town of Bainbridge residents.

Candidates must be at least 18 years of age and are required to have a criminal background check. A mandatory state training course is required prior to holding the position of Town Justice. The week long training will be held in late March or early April. The town will pay all costs and expenses associated with these requirements.

Applications are available at the Bainbridge Town Clerk's office at 15 North Main Street. Please call The Bainbridge Town Clerk's Office with any questions at (607)967-3781. Applications should be submitted to the Bainbridge Town Clerk's Office no later than February 6th, 2017.

Aric McKown  
Bainbridge Town Clerk  
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AT GALAXY BOWL ON JAN. 26, Richard Johnson bowled a 300. He was bowling in the Thursday Night Men's Handicap League. His team name was 244 Racing and his teammates were Al Rowe, Dave Finch, Jeff Halbert and Travis Smith. His scores were 219-300-227=746. This was his fifth time bowling 300 in the association.

## Sidney Boys Win and Girls Fall in Quad Basketball Games Against Delhi

DELHI - On Friday, Jan. 27, Sidney girls and boys varsity and junior varsity teams traveled to Delhi for quad games. Both girls' teams lost to Delhi while both boys' teams won. The girls' varsity game started out slow with no baskets scored in the first few minutes. Sidney's Lady Warriors trailed closely behind the Delhi Bulldogs during most of the game, but in the third quarter Delhi started pulling away. The game ended with Sidney

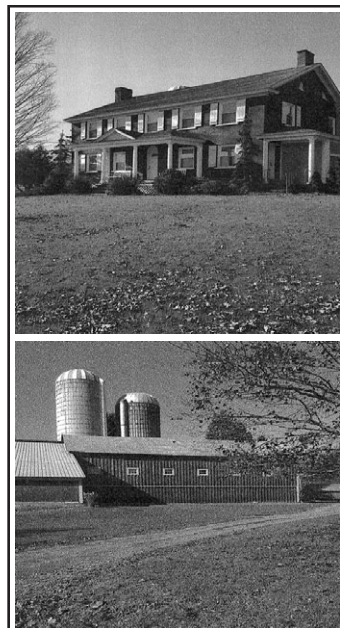
losing 46-23.

Sidney boys' varsity had to work hard against Delhi in a very physical match. Sidney trailed behind Delhi for most of the game, took the lead and eventually fell behind again; in the end, it came down to foul shots with Sidney scoring two, which in the end gave them a final score of 57-55. Sidney boys' varsity are undefeated in the MAC.



Sidney's Ariyahna Bernard and Delhi's Kaitlynn Finch look to grab a loose ball coming their way.

(Photo credit: Jacqui Green).



## 156.50 +/- ACRE Home and Farm - \$395,000

The Beautiful Butternut Valley Located on Route 51, Town of New Lisbon, Otsego County, NY

Completely remodeled, this brick exterior home is stately and rock solid on the exterior but warm and inviting on the inside. Not too large but perfect for year round living or a country getaway. Barns are in Excellent shape and property is easy to maintain. 56 acres of fields, 50 acres of nice clean woods loaded with wildlife and hunting trails, and 50 acres of fenced pasture. Terrific area.

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All real estate advertising in this newspaper is subject to the Fair Housing Act which makes it illegal to advertise "any preference limitation or discrimination based on race, color, religion, sex, handicap, familial status, or national origin, or an intention to make any such preference." Familial status includes children under the age of 18 living with parents or legal custodians, pregnant women, and people securing custody of children under the age of 18.

This newspaper will not knowingly accept any advertising for real estate which is in violation of the law. Our readers are hereby informed that all dwellings advertised in this newspaper are available on an equal opportunity basis. To complain of discrimination call HUD toll-free at 1-800-669-9777. The toll-free telephone number for the hearing impaired is 1-800-543-8294.

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## FOR RENT

**THE COUNTRY MOTEL** - Rt. 7, Sidney, offers clean and comfortable extended stay rooms at reasonable rates. All rooms have microwaves and refrigerators. Sorry no pets. Call 563-1035. 10-15tfc

## WANTED TO BUY

**HURLBURT COIN AND PAPER** - Buying old U.S. gold, silver and copper coins, paper currency. Also buying antique fishing lures, gold and silver pocket watches. Cash offers. Appraisals. Ken - 607-235-2818. 12-4wtfc

## HELP WANTED

**Franklin Head Start Bus Driver**

CDL B with P and S endorsements license preferred, but will train suitable candidate; 19A certification a plus. Safe driving record with no moving violations within the past 18 months. Must be at least 21 years of age. To transport children to and from Head Start center. Approximately 30 hours per week. Salary range \$11.35 - \$13.54 per hour. Applications accepted until the position is filled at Delaware Opportunities Inc., 35430 State Highway 10, Hamden, NY 13782. EOE 9-29(TF)b

The Sidney Chamber of Commerce is seeking a **PART-TIME SECRETARY/BOOK KEEPER**.

The position will be for four days a week (<https://email04.godaddy.com/webmail.php?folder=INBOX&firstMessage=1> Tuesday-Friday) for 15 to 20 hours per week.

Must have working knowledge of Microsoft Office, data entry, accounting experience and event planning is a plus.

Prior experience in an office environment a must.

Please send/ email a cover letter, resume and references by Feb. 6 to [office@sidneychamber.org](mailto:office@sidneychamber.org) or mail/drop off at:

Sidney Chamber of Commerce  
85 Main Street, Suite 2  
Sidney, N.Y., 13838  
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Population Health Coordinator, Delaware County: Challenging position representing a regional population health project in Delaware County, NY. Required: BA in public health, public administration, planning, human services, or a related field; strong written and verbal communication skills. Experience in health care, human services and/or access to health care needs a plus. Full-time with benefits. Send cover letter and resume to [dlambert@rhnsncny.org](mailto:dlambert@rhnsncny.org) or mail to: Search Committee, Rural Health Network of SCNY, PO Box 416, Whitney Point, NY 13862 by February 20, 2017.

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## LEGAL

Town of Afton is seeking bids on a 2012 or newer Tractor, Bid Specs can be picked up at the Town Hall at 204 County Road 39, Afton or at the Town Highway Garage on Route 7 Afton, NY until 02/08/2017 Bids must be in a sealed envelope marked Tractor Bid and delivered to the Town Clerk at 204 County Road 39 Afton, NY 13730 no later than 02/08/2017 at 5 pm. Bids will be opened at the regular February 9, 2016 board meeting at 7 pm. The Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

Dated January 18, 2017

By order of the Afton Town Board

Rosemarie A Klatz, Town Clerk

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## LEGAL

The Town Clerk of the Town of Masonville will do business hours at the Masonville Town Hall on Tuesdays from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm and Saturdays from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm beginning January 31, 2017 through the Winter Months otherwise the Town will do business at the Town clerk office located at 2024 State Highway 206 Masonville.

Pamela Walker

Town Clerk

Town of Masonville

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## LEGAL

The Village of Unadilla is committed to providing Fair Housing within constitutional limitations to all Village residents. The Federal Fair Housing Law prohibits discrimination in the sale, rental or financing of housing based on race, color, religion, sex, national origin, handicap or familial status. If any individual or family feels that they have been discriminated against in obtaining suitable housing of their choice or if anyone requires additional information regarding Fair Housing, they can contact Suzette E. Hayes, Clerk/Treasurer and Fair Housing Officer at the Village of Unadilla, Community House, 193 Main Street, Unadilla during regular office hours.

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## LEGAL

Notice is hereby given that a License "Pending" for Beer, Wine, and Cider has been applied for by The O At 112, LLC to sell beer, wine, and cider at retail in a restaurant under the Alcoholic Beverage Control Law at 112 Main Street, Otego, NY.

For on premises consumption.

The O At 112, LLC

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## NOTICE OF SPECIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING AND ELECTION

personal registration and AVAILABILITY OF absentee ballots

Bainbridge-Guilford Central School District

Chenango County, New York

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a Special School District Meeting and Election of the Bainbridge-Guilford Central School District, Chenango County, New York, will be held on Wednesday, March 22, 2017 (Snow Date: Wednesday, March 29, 2017) in the locations in the election districts as hereinafter designated, at which the polls will be kept open between the hours of 12:00 PM (noon) and 9:00 PM, Prevailing Time, for the purpose of voting by paper ballot upon the following bond proposition:

### BOND PROPOSITION

Shall the following resolution be adopted, to-wit:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Bainbridge-Guilford Central School District, Chenango County, New York, shall be authorized to reconstruct various School District facilities, including original furnishings, equipment, machinery, apparatus, appurtenances, site improvements, including playground improvements, and other incidental improvements and expenses in connection therewith, at a maximum estimated cost of \$16,500,000, and that \$2,500,000 monies from the Capital Reserve Fund shall be used to pay a portion thereof, and that the remaining \$14,000,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, shall be raised by the levy of a tax upon the taxable property of said School District and collected in annual installments as provided by Section 416 of the Education Law; and in anticipation of such tax, obligations of said School District shall be issued.

SEQRA DETERMINATION: The proposition involves "actions" which have been determined to be an "Unlisted Action" pursuant to the regulations of the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation promulgated pursuant to the State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQRA"), which the School District has determined will not result in a significant adverse environmental effect. SEQRA compliance materials are available at the Office of the School District Clerk where they may be examined during normal business hours.

ABSENTEE BALLOTS: Absentee ballots may be applied for at the District Clerk's Office. The District Clerk must receive applications for absentee ballots at least seven days prior to the vote if the ballot is to be mailed to the voter, or on or prior to March 21, 2017, the day before the vote, if the ballot is to be issued to the voter in person. The District Clerk must receive absentee ballots at said office not later than 5:00 PM on March 22, 2017. A list of all persons to whom absentee ballots shall have been issued will be available for public inspection in the District Clerk's Office not less than five days

prior to the date of the vote during regular office hours (8:00 AM to 4:00 PM) until the day of the election, including each of the five days prior to March 22, 2017 except Sunday, March 19, 2017, and will be posted conspicuously at the polling place on March 22, 2017 during the hours of the Special District Meeting. Any qualified voter may submit a written challenge to the qualifications of any person whose name appears on the list of absentee voters and provide reasons therefore known to the District Clerk for transmittal to the Inspectors of Election on the date of the vote. In addition, any qualified voter may challenge the acceptance of the absentee voter's ballot of any person on such list by making his/her reasons known to the election inspector before the close of the polls.

PERSONAL REGISTRATION: NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that pursuant to Section 2014 of the Education Law, personal registration of voters is required for said Special District Meeting and no person shall be entitled to vote thereafter whose name does not appear upon the register of the School District or on the permanent personal registration lists of the County of Chenango. Persons otherwise qualified to vote, who have been previously registered for School District voting and who have voted at any annual or special election during the four (4) calendar years prior hereto, need not personally register for this special election. Persons who have registered to vote in town, county, or national elections pursuant to Article 5 of the Election Law need not personally register for this special election. All other persons who wish to vote must register. Any person eighteen years of age or over, and a citizen of the United States, and a resident of the District for thirty (30) days next preceding the day for voting (and not otherwise prohibited from voting (i.e. mentally incompetent or convicted felon) is entitled to register and vote. The Board of Registration shall meet on March 15, 2017 in each election district at the location hereinafter designated between the hours of 2:00 PM and 7:00 PM to prepare a register for the March 22, 2017 election.

Anyone not presently registered will be registered in accordance with Section 2014 of the Education Law. Any person shall be entitled to have his/her name placed upon such register, provided that at such meeting of the Board of Registration, he/she is known or proven to the satisfaction of such Board of Registration to be then or thereafter the person entitled to vote at the school meeting or election for which such registered is prepared.

The register prepared will be filed in the office of the District Clerk and will be open for inspection by any qualified voter of the District between the hours of 9:00 AM and 4:00 PM on each of the five days prior to the election except Sunday, March 19, 2017. The register will not be available on Sundays. The

register will also be available for inspection on the day of the election at the polling places.

SCHOOL ELECTION VOTING SITES: FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that Election Districts have been established in the School District. The boundaries of the Election Districts, as adopted by resolution of the Board of Education, and the place in each election district for voting at the Special District Meeting and Election shall be as follows:

Election Districts Boundaries Voting Sites

Election District No. 1 Please refer to the map of Election District No. 1 in the District Office located at 18 Juliand Street, Bainbridge, NY. The map may be inspected between the hours of 9 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.

Greenlawn Elementary School

43 Greenlawn Avenue  
Bainbridge, NY 13733

Election District No. 2 Please refer to the map of Election District No. 2 in the District Office located at 18 Juliand Street, Bainbridge, NY. The map may be inspected between the hours of 9 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.

Guilford Town Hall  
223 Marble Rd.

Guilford, NY 13780

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that in the event of a weather or other emergency which necessitates cancellation of the March 22, 2017 meeting, said Special District Meeting and Election shall be held on March 29, 2017 at the aforementioned time and places.

Dated: Bainbridge, New York,  
January 26, 2017.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE BAINBRIDGE-GUILFORD CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, CHENANGO COUNTY, NEW YORK.

By Susan L. Weibel, School District Clerk  
2-2,2-16,3-9,3-16(4w)b

## LEGAL

### NOTICE OF SPECIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING

AND AVAILABILITY OF ABSENTEE BALLOTS

Harpursville Central School District

Broome and Chenango Counties, New York

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a Special School District Meeting of the Harpursville Central School District, Broome and Chenango Counties, New York, will be held on February 7, 2017 (the "Election Date") at 1:30 o'clock P.M., at the W.A. Olmsted Elementary School, 54 Main Street in Harpursville, New York, at which the polls will be kept open between the hours of 1:30 o'clock P.M. and 8:00 o'clock P.M., Prevailing Time, for the purpose of voting by paper ballot upon the following bond proposition:

BUS BOND PROPOSITION

Shall the following resolution be adopted, to wit:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Harpursville Central School District, Broome and Chenango Coun-

ties, New York, is hereby authorized to purchase school buses at a maximum estimated cost of \$220,000 and one suburban student transport vehicle at a maximum estimated cost of \$55,000, including incidental equipment and expenses, and that the aggregate \$275,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, shall be raised by the levy of a tax upon the taxable property of said School District and collected in annual installments as provided by Section 416 of the Education Law; and, in anticipation of such tax, obligations of said School District shall be issued.

ABSENTEE BALLOTS. 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 School 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 personally to the voter. A list of all persons to whom absentee voter's 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 from 7:30 A.M. to 3:30 P.M. until the date of the aforesaid Special District Meeting. In addition, such list shall also be posted conspicuously at the place of voting during the hours of such Special District Meeting. Absentee ballots must be received by 3:30 P.M. on date of election in the office of the School District Clerk.

Any qualified voter may, upon examination of such list, file written challenge to the qualifications of a voter of any person whose name appears on the list, stating the reason for challenge. Such written challenge shall be transmitted by the School District Clerk or designee to the inspectors of election on the date of the election.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that in the event of a weather or other emergency which necessitates cancellation of the February 7, 2017 Special District Meeting, said Special District Meeting shall be held on February 9, 2017 at the aforementioned time and place.

Dated: Harpursville, New York.

December 12, 2016.  
BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE HARPURSVILLE CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, BROOME AND CHENANGO COUNTIES, NEW YORK.

Darlene Noyes  
School District Clerk  
12-22,1-5,1-18,2-2(4w)b

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# TRI-TOWN PUZZLE PAGE

- ACROSS**
- 1 Taj —
  - 6 Search hastily
  - 11 Volcanic glass
  - 12 Paddled
  - 13 Storm warnings
  - 14 Greek alphabet enders
  - 15 "Walk Away —"
  - 16 Grate upon
  - 17 Changes color
  - 19 Braxton or Tennille
  - 23 Oom- — band
  - 26 Chooses
  - 28 Wire gauge
  - 29 Use a coupon
  - 31 Explorer — de Leon
  - 33 Gives thumbs-up
  - 34 Refined women
  - 35 Daily record
  - 36 Huge hairstyle

- 39 Play it by —
- 40 Onion kin
- 42 Ancient empire
- 44 Big black dogs
- 46 Cheeky
- 51 Point the finger
- 54 Paying guest
- 55 Dillydally
- 56 Obligations
- 57 Turnpike stop
- 58 Fiery horse

- DOWN**
- 1 Backless slipper
  - 2 You said it!
  - 3 Engage
  - 4 Performed
  - 5 Guitarist Paul
  - 6 Smashes into
  - 7 Bumbling
  - 8 Runway hazard
  - 9 Open meadow
  - 10 Sullivan and Murrow

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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- 11 Golf score
- 12 Shoreline
- 16 Gym iteration
- 18 — Kippur
- 20 "— vincit amor"
- 21 More helpful
- 22 Cousteau's islands
- 23 Tea choice
- 24 Platitude
- 25 Yo!
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- 29 Wallpaper unit
- 30 NASA counterpart
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9	5	3	1	8	2	7	6	4
8	1	6	7	4	3	9	2	5

### HOW TO PLAY:

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

**Fun Fact: No piece of paper can be folded more than seven times.**

**Fun Fact: There are more telephones than people in Washington D.C.**

### 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.

" M K J C Z B F I O M O N J O E E C U Z . . .

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F I T Z X E B C S C Z B . " — F U Z L A O Z Z O F F

Previous Solution: "I don't understand how some people would want fame so bad that they'd go out and get negative attention to earn it." — Zac Efron

TODAY'S CLUE: *M equals P*

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## MASONVILLE NEWS

This week's quote comes from Stanislaw J. Lec: "No snowflake in the avalanche ever feels responsible."

Don't forget about the pancake breakfast at the Masonville Federated Church this Saturday, Feb. 4, from 7 a.m. until 10:30 a.m. The menu will include hot-off-the-grill pancakes served buffet style with home fries, scrambled

eggs, applesauce, real maple syrup (with a sugarless option), sausage and a choice of beverage. There will also be some donuts for your eating pleasure on the tables. This promises to be a great breakfast, so bring friends, relatives and family for good food and fellowship. There will be help available for those unable to stand in line.

Mark calendars for the next pancake breakfast on Saturday, March 4.

A bake sale will take place at each breakfast so guests may take home something for later.

Here on the farm it has been a quiet week. On Saturday morning the cows were tested for their milk production and they are doing well.

The meadows where the manure is being spread seem to be very soft and everyone has to be very careful not to get stuck. Keep watch for those spreaders along the roads and be very careful to stay safe when following them.

We hear that there is lots of sickness around, so try to keep safe from the germs.

Keep all our farmers in

your thoughts and hope for a better future for all of them.

This week we send birthday greetings to Katie Chesebrough on Feb. 9; Marty Freyer on Feb. 10; Shawn Walker on Feb. 11; Sharon Sherman on Feb. 12; Jonathon Carvin and Julia Freeman on Feb. 13; Austin Michael Dean on Feb. 15; Pacabo Lynn Scott and Brenda Manley Waite on

Feb. 16 and Marjorie Wilcox on Feb. 17. Have a great day, everyone.

Masonville Federated Church services are Sunday mornings at 11 a.m. with adult Sunday school at 9:45 a.m. Bible study is at 6:30 p.m. on Thursdays. Saturday, Feb. 4 will be the pancake breakfast and Monday, Feb. 13 at 6:30 p.m. is church council.

## GILBERTSVILLE NEWS

GILBERTSVILLE - Tyler Peck was expected to leave Fort Drum on Jan. 31 for Germany and on to countries around Europe including Romania, Turkey and other unknown places. He will be gone for ten months.

Jeff, Megan, Sophie, two-week-old Juliette Halbert and Debbie Hoffmann of Allentown, Pa. spent last Friday with Roger and Helen Halbert.

On Sunday, members and friends of the Garrattsville Presbyterian Church joined the local church for morning worship.

## Tri-County Seniors Plan Dance and Trip to See *Wicked*

SIDNEY - Area seniors are invited to join the Tri-County Senior Center in Sidney for a dance in February and a trip to see the play *Wicked* in March.

The Valentine's dance will be held at the Sidney Moose Lodge on Friday, Feb. 10 from 6:30-9:30 p.m. Attendees are asked to bring a snack to share. A donation to help cover expenses will be accepted at the door and music will be provided by DJ Steve Rutherford.

On Thursday, March 16 the seniors will travel to the Land-

mark Theatre in Syracuse to see the play *Wicked*. The bus will leave from the McDonald's parking lot in Sidney at 9:30 a.m. Lunch will be at the Spaghetti Warehouse in Syracuse prior to the play. There will be a brief fast food stop on the way home, with arrival back in Sidney at approximately 7:30 pm. For more information and pricing, call Carol at 563-8065. Payment should be sent to Tri-County Senior Center, PO Box 275, Sidney, N.Y., 13838 and must be received by Feb. 15.

## Sidney Historical Association to Meet Feb. 8

SIDNEY - The Sidney Historical Association will meet on Wednesday, Feb. 8 at 1:30 p.m. in the Smart Community Room at the Sidney Memorial Public Library. The agenda will include searching for grants and seeking a new home for the museum. Anyone interested in preserving and promoting the history of

the town and village is welcome to attend.

Due to the sale of the Sidney Civic Center, the Sidney Historical Museum was required to vacate the building no later than Feb. 1, 2017. Association members looked for places that could house the museum but were unable to find an appropriate build-

ing. It was decided to ask the Sidney Town Board about storing museum items in Tri-Town Regional Hospital. The association is grateful that the board voted to allot several rooms in the hospital for museum storage. The SHA is also grateful for a grant from United Way enabling the purchase of packing supplies, U-

Haul rental and hired movers. The SHA is still selling 2017 historic calendars. If interested, contact Bonnie Curtis at 563-1547 or jnbcurtis@stny.rr.com. The association's new mailing address is PO Box 65 Sidney, N.Y., 13838. The SHA is also on Facebook.

## Tri-Town Youth Club, Inc. to Hold Open House in New Home Feb. 8

SIDNEY - The newly relocated Tri-Town Youth Club, Inc., now open in the Sidney United Methodist Church, will be holding an open house at 12 Liberty St. on Wednesday, Feb. 8 from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. The open house will begin with a social gathering. A free ziti dinner will be served at 6 p.m., followed by a tour of the club's facility.

The club is open Monday through Friday, from 2:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. for ages 5 to 19. Bus transportation is provided by the Sidney school district daily. Registration forms will be available at the open house.

**Pancake Breakfast**  
**Masonville Church Hall,**  
**Saturday, Feb. 4th & Mar. 4th 7am-10am**

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**Bake Sale**

**Acoustic Music Jam 7-10 p.m.**  
 at St. Luke's Lutheran Church  
 139 W. Main St. in Sidney

This is a very friendly country & bluegrass jam open to the public. Bring your instrument to play or just come and watch!

Donations are appreciated, but not required.

*This is the same as the Covered Bridge Jam moved here for February*

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# Sidney Tax Prep & Financial Planning Firm Opens, Brings Decades of Expertise

SIDNEY – Serafino Maiorano, owner and operator of the Brooklyn-based financial management firm Maiorano & Associates, Inc., celebrated the grand opening of his new Sidney satellite office on the afternoon of Friday, Jan. 27 with a ribbon cutting, reception and free financial seminar.

The newly opened business, located at 7-9 Main St., Sidney, specializes in financial planning for the future alongside income tax preparation.

To the Sidney site Serafino Maiorano brings his 26 plus years of experience in the financial industry. According to a release provided at the Jan. 27 ribbon cutting and open house, Maiorano began as a tax and financial planning advisor with Gilman and Ciocia after graduating from

St. John's University. While there, Maiorano rose swiftly through the ranks, ultimately becoming a senior partner in the firm.

His initial achievements and personal growth with Gilman and Ciocia soon made it apparent to Maiorano that he needed to start his own firm, where he could better focus on his clients' diversity of needs.

To that end, while he is CEO of Maiorano & Associates, Inc., Maiorano's most prominent role in the operation is as a tax specialist and financial consultant, working closely with clients young and old. According to Maiorano, his clients are like family and, as such, are treated accordingly.

A resident of Woodmere, Maiorano lives with his wife

and five children and enjoys spending time with them as well as extended family members.

To visit or learn more about the Sidney Maiorano & Associates, Inc. firm, call 1-800-715-7582, email [Serafino.Maiorano@fino411.com](mailto:Serafino.Maiorano@fino411.com), stop by the newly renovated office at 7-9 Main St., or check out [www.maioranoandassociates.com](http://www.maioranoandassociates.com).

Among many available resources and forthcoming workshop opportunities, the firm is currently offering new clients a free, one-hour financial check up. Interested prospective clients should call to set up a consultation appointment.

There is also office space available for rent in the downtown Sidney buildings.



Center, holding the ribbon and wearing a tie, is CEO of Maiorano & Associates, Inc., Serafino Maiorano. The photo was taken on Friday, Jan. 27 outside of Maiorano's new financial planning and tax preparation firm located at 7-9 Main St., Sidney. To the right and back of him is company president, Joseph Maiorano, Maiorano's father, Rosario and Sidney mayor, Andy Matviak. Pictured with Serafino is his wife, Michelle and several of their children. Also in the photograph are the firm's receptionist, Toni Spencer, and her husband, Mike, of Do-All-Construction, the contracting firm behind the building's recent improvements. Bob Root, building inspector, and Henry Sanders, project engineer, are in the photo as well. Photo credit: Anna Ritchey.

## Learn to Weave a Baker's Basket at DCHA Workshop Feb. 11

DELHI - Experience the satisfaction of weaving your own basket at a Delaware County Historical Association workshop on Saturday, Feb. 11.

Adults and teens alike are encouraged to come learn the basics of basketry - no prior experience is necessary. Create a classic basket whose design has been around since the 1950s and is known as a

baker's basket. Such a basket can be used for gathering flowers, holding mail or as a centerpiece for the table. Approximate size will be 15 inches wide, 26 inches long and 3 and a half inches high. Participants will be working with natural and dyed rattan and a hardwood handle. All materials and tools will be included.

This class is taught by

master basket weaver, Martha Bremer. She has been teaching and weaving baskets regionally for the past 30 years. Registration is required by Feb. 4. Call 746-3849 or e-mail [dcha@delhi.net](mailto:dcha@delhi.net) to register.

DCHA is located three miles northeast of Delhi on State Rt. 10.



## Country Express to Perform at Bainbridge Town Hall Theatre Feb. 4

BAINBRIDGE - looking to hear a classic country sound? Don't miss Country Express perform songs from some of the greatest artists in country music history, including Patsy Cline, Merle Haggard, Loretta Lynn and Johnny Cash. In addition to these artists, Country Express also enjoys performing songs from newer country artists such as Martina McBride and Shania Twain as well as a number of 50s and 60s rock and roll songs.

They will be performing at the Bainbridge Town Hall Theatre, 15 North Main St., on Saturday, Feb. 4 at 7 p.m.

Members of the band include Terri Whitney, lead singer and manager for Country Express, singer since early childhood. She formed a band in high school to play for school events and in recent years participated in the local Ultimate Idol competitions, where she placed second overall. In addition she performs at local Christmas tree lighting and sock hop events and was lucky enough to perform with Kenny Rogers on stage. Terri is from Franklin.

Larry Jamieson, one of the original founders of Country Express, plays lead guitar and sings lead vocals for the band.

He is a graduate of Hank Thompson School of Country Music, Claremore College in Oklahoma, where he appeared on stage with Hank Thompson. Larry has mastered many instruments including guitar, bass, piano, valve trombone, banjo and pedal steel guitar. Larry is from Walton.

John DeMaille, who plays pedal steel guitar for Country Express, has played guitar and pedal steel since his teen years. Having played for many bands during his music career, including Johnny Paycheck, John has opened for George Jones, Flying Burrito Brothers, Freddy Fender and Tom T. Hall. He is renowned in recording studios for his back-up abilities and has done many recording sessions. Since moving to Halcottsville, NY, he's continued playing with his own band and Country Express.

Darlene DeMaille, who plays bass guitar and adds vocals for Country Express, has been singing and playing guitar and bass since high school. While living in Long Island, she sang with several country bands, including her own. Since moving to Halcottsville, NY, she has worked in her own band as well as with

Country Express. She had the opportunity of opening for country music legend George Jones and performed with country music stars Merle Haggard and Jack Greene.

Ken Whitney studied percussion at the Tony Monforte School of Modern Drumming in Binghamton. Ken began playing country music with E-Z Feeling Band, Country Melody, Phoenix, which he formed and managed, Route 66 and Alderhollow. During his career he has opened for country singing legends Dottie West, Billy Walker, The Whites, Little Jimmy Dickens and Randy Travis. He currently plays with both Country Express and Dirt Road Express. Ken lives in Greene.

Doors will open at 6 p.m. and all performances are open seating. Tickets are available at the door or may be reserved ahead by calling 288-3882. In the art gallery that evening the works of Joanne Osterhout, Mark Picone and Cookie Witham will be displayed. The gallery is open at 6 p.m. before the show through intermission and is free to the public. The artists will be available to meet and answer questions.



## "National Holidays" This Week

### February 2

National Groundhog Day

### February 3

National Wear Red Day - First Friday in February to support women's heart health

### February 4

National Thank A Mail Carrier Day

### February 5

World Nutella Day - A day to celebrate, get creative, and most importantly, EAT Nutella

### February 6

National Lame Duck Day - Recognition to those whose tenure is about to run out

### February 7

National Send A Card To A Friend Day

### February 8

National Boy Scouts Day - Did you know 181 Astronauts have been a part of the Boy Scouts program?