



SIXTOWN SNAPSHOTS

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ICE CREAM AT THE COMMUNITY PARK

HELD ON JUNE 29TH, COMMUNITY MEMBERS ENJOYED AN EVENING OF ICE CREAM AND SOCIALIZING AT THE SITE OF THE NEW COMMUNITY PARK IN ADAMS. THE NEWEST LITTLE LIBRARY, BUILT BY OWEN NEWTON, WAS SHOWCASED. AT THE EVENT, THE COMMITTEE WAS PRESENTED WITH A CHECK FOR \$4,500 FROM THE NORTHERN NEW YORK COMMUNITY FOUNDATION'S SOUTH JEFFERSON YOUTH PHILANTHROPIC GROUP. FUNDRAISING EFFORTS CONTINUE THROUGH MAKE CENTS REDEMPTION CENTER BOTTLE AND CAN COLLECTION AT THE ADAMS FIRE DEPARTMENT.

WE NEED YOU!

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NEWSLETTER

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Cornhole Tournament
Henderson Harbor Performing Arts Association
July 10th - Sunny day, great event!

Harbor Happenings As Seen on Facebook



Annual Christmas in July
Celebrating early with seasonal friends.
July 2022

Upcoming Events

Adams Revitalization Committee Concert Series Finale

Aug. 10: Patti Stanford and the versatile pianist Jim Burr will perform a variety of classic country, popular songs and early rock music. Patti is lead vocalist of the popular Patti Stanford Band, a five-piece group that plays regularly throughout the north country. Piano virtuoso Jim Burr is an adept interpreter of jazz, blues, popular and country music. They will be joined by Patti's husband, Merle Arndt, on bass. The trio performed a beautiful concert for the Adams series a few years ago.

6:30 p.m. at the Adams Fireman's Pavilion, Main Street, Adams



100 Year Anniversary

The Henderson Free Library is celebrating its 100th birthday! It was April 25th, 1922 that the Regents of the State of New York granted the library its first provisional charter. We are proud of our library and its 100 years of service to the Henderson community.

A celebratory Open House will be held at the library on Wednesday, August 17th from 4-6pm. Refreshments will be available as well as an opportunity to contribute to the Centennial Time Capsule, and exhibits on library history. A pictorial postmark signifying the library's 100th Anniversary will be released at the Henderson Historical Society's Museum during Heritage Day on August 13th from 11a.m. to 1p.m. Help us celebrate 100 years of the Henderson Free Library and all it's done for the Henderson Community! Join us as we enter the next 100 years!

Places of Worship

Submitted by: Rev. Jon F. Lavelle, Emmanuel Episcopal Church, Adams

At this time of year, we feel particularly blessed to live in the Six Towns of South Jefferson County. We delight in the blueberries and strawberries of spring, the beans and tomatoes of summer, and the apples, squash, and corn of the autumn. We pray for our farmers and thank God for their good work which sustains life.

I am moved by the prayers for the preparation of the table for celebrating the Lord's Supper in the book of Common Worship from the Church of England:

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation: through your goodness we have this bread to set before you, which earth has given and human hands have made. It will become for us the bread of life. Blessed be God for ever.

God is active in our lives and environment, calling us to participate in His life-giving creation. I cannot imagine a more meaningful way of life than heeding God's commandments to bear fruit in the Kingdom of God. We are called to bear fruit in this life, and in life eternal through Christ.

Now it's time for me to get back down to Earth! Let's talk about God's creation, especially apples, beans, squash, blueberries, and strawberries. Did you know that all of these rely on pollinators for their growth? According to Dr. Scott McArt of the Entymology Department at Cornell University, 70% of the global food supply relies on pollinators such as flies, beetles, butterflies, bats, hummingbirds, and, of course, bees! According to Dr. McArt, 54% of wild and farmer-managed bees in New York State died in the year 2014. Some species, such as the Rusty Patched Bumblebee, no longer live in our state and are nearly extinct.

The good people of Cornell University are cooperating with our farmers and researching how the bees are dying. There are, according to Dr. McArt complex combinations of causes being researched, including:

- pests & pathogens (such as the varroa mite)
- climate change
- loss of habitat
- management practices
- agrochemicals (various fungicides and pesticides)



For more information, please visit: <https://cals.cornell.edu/pollinator-network>

If you would like to cooperate in creating a pollinator-friendly habitat, especially at your church or cemetery, please contact me by e-mail at jonlavelle@yahoo.com. I hope to form a community to work on this Creation Care project to help our pollinators.

The 80th Ecumenical Galilean Service took place behind St. Luke's Chapel in Henderson Harbor on July 10th. As we sang, "Lord, you have come to the Lakeshore" we were provided with a beautiful sunny cool evening with another gorgeous sunset.

John McFadden from the Adams Episcopal Church called us to worship and Pastor Al Dowker from the Honeyville Church led us in the unison prayer.

Pastor Gary George from Adams Village Baptist Church read scripture from Ephesians 2:18-22.

Pastor Sally Buyea of Belleville United Methodist Church shared a hopeful message and Rev. Marty Bovee played "My hope is built on nothing less" on the keyboard. Thank you to all for attending and to the Henderson United Methodist Church for refreshments. -Elfriede Brown

Once upon a Wednesday at the Museum

The OPEN flag was in place along with three volunteers, Barb, Mary, and Connie, the door opened, and a man and a lady came in. Barb and Mary jumped to help (I don't jump). He was looking for info on the Ramsdell's, and they immediately found all the information and set it up at the kitchen table so they could look at all the files. They told them to let them know if they could help, and we returned to our clipping, cutting, and filing in the dining room. Barb was trying to find something in Deb's private laptop that wasn't working very well. Mary answered the phone, which was not working well either, so we discussed it a bit, and I said I think I would request a new museum computer and a phone that works.

So Ed came out and asked a question about Rural Cemetery, and as I live across the street and am pretty fond of the couple that run it, I said I would give you Glenn's cell phone and tell him

Connie told you to call. Then he said he was looking for a farm on Rt 11 that his three back great grandfather once owned; he had it on google maps. Still, he was not showing much, so I said give me the address, so I googled the address, and lo and behold, there was the picture of the little green farmhouse on Rt 11 once owned by the Castors, so I called Dottie to see if she had any info, which she did not. Still, they at least had a name and were going to knock on the door. We also became FB friends right then.

So they went back to the kitchen, and when they finished and were getting ready to leave, we were saying our goodbyes; Ed said I would love to donate a laptop and new phones to the museum; well, if you don't think that brought a few tears. He gave me his card and told us to research a laptop and phone and get with him, and he would see that we got them.

The last night, while I was at the concert, Ed texted me and said he had gone to Best Buy, bought the laptop, a case, and mouse, and let him know about the phones. This morning he brought them to me and the receipt so I can go pick it up when it comes in on Sunday. Thank you, Ed Ramsdell. You are one special guy in my book. I hope our paths cross again... Connie Elliott ...I forgot to mention Ed is from Connecticut

Scenes from Strawberry Festival



Six Town Community Fund Update

Need a grant for a special project? Applications will be available soon for not-for-profit organizations in the Six Town area to apply for a grant from the Six Town Community Fund. The Six Town Community Fund committee is also seeking individual ideas for projects to enhance the lives of residents in our area.

The Northern New York Community Foundation's Six Town Community Fund has been developed by some wise individuals who believe in the strength of the Six Town area. Nearly 10 years ago, they had the foresight to create a permanent endowment for our future. They created a permanent fund to offer a place for all to work together to have the Six Town area remain a vital part of our world as the gem that it is. And not only to remain, but to become more than it is today.

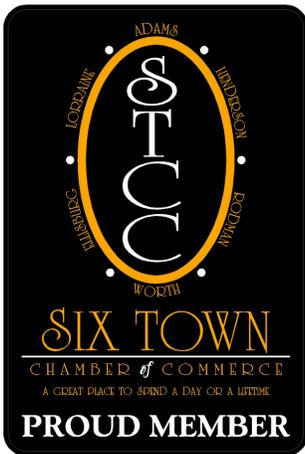
Since its inception, the fund has awarded grants supporting nearly 40 programs, projects, and organizations to enhance our opportunities to improve quality of life. Everything from a sign to honor our fallen heroes to musical performances for enjoyment and equipment for fire departments, to a monetary donation to support bigger projects for the South Jeff Rescue Squad. One of our latest grants will bring the successful "Getting Ahead" program to the Six Town community to help empower individuals to find a pathway out of poverty.

The Six Town Community Fund belongs to the Six Town area and each of its residents. Every gift each of us provides to the fund is designated for our six towns. The projects that are supported would not be possible without our collective effort. You need to know that your gifts are welcomed and appreciated. Any gift — large or small — helps to build the fund to enhance the lives of those who live and work in the Six Town area.

Contact the Northern New York Community Foundation for information on grants or donations. On behalf of the Six Town Community Fund Advisory Committee, we thank you in advance for your support of this incredible resource for our wonderful communities.

From Barb Greene, Chairperson of the Six Town Community Fund





Grand Opening: Embellished Catering

Business After Hours

June 16th Business After Hours was held at Detail This. Food was provided by Carson's and M&M Ice Cream.

The July 21st event was held at the Sixtown Meeting Hall, hosted by the Historical Association. Food was provided by Embellished Catering.

The August 18th event will be held at the Adams Country Club with Motivated Realty from 5:30 p.m. - 7 p.m.



2022 Cheddar Cheese Festival



Summer Snapshots



Upcoming Event

Heritage Day

The Henderson Historical Society is pleased to invite you to join us for the Henderson Heritage Day Craft Show, to be held on Saturday, August 13, 2022.

We are excited to announce that Henderson Historical Society will be hosting a Photography Contest at this year's Henderson Heritage Day.

<https://hendersonnyhistoricalsociety.com>



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CLASS OF 2022 YOUTH PHILANTHROPY COUNCIL GRADUATES: From left, **Hailyn Buker**, South Jefferson High School; **Anmolika Bolla**, Watertown High School; **Sidney Wheeler III**, South Jefferson High School; **Ella Arnott**, Watertown High School; **Romi LaClair**, South Jefferson High School; and **Katherine Banazek**, South Jefferson High School.

Congratulations, Class of 2022!

With generous support from families, businesses, and donors like **you**, we are honored to help hundreds of Northern New York students reach their educational goals through more than 400 scholarships we manage on behalf of individuals, families, organizations, and 32 school districts.

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