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IT'S SIMPLE - READING THIS NEWSLETTER IS ANOTHER TESTIMENT TO YOUR COMMITMENT TO THE PEOPLE AND PLACES THAT MAKE THE SIX TOWN COMMUNITY UNIQUE.

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Supports Seven
Community Projects**

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NEWSLETTER**

Six Town Community Fund

**Community Calendar
of Events**

Six Town Community Funding Will Help Local Organizations with Wide Range of Quality-of-Life Initiatives

Announced this spring, seven nonprofit organizations serving residents of six southern Jefferson County communities will share \$7,500 in grant funding to support projects and initiatives that strengthen the quality of life across the region.

The following grants were awarded:

- Henderson Historical Society — \$2,000 to help restore the siding on its 184-year-old building that was once a Universalist church. Grant support will serve as catalyst funding to begin the first side of the building.
- Lorraine Volunteer Fire Company — \$2,000 to secure an updated AED that is compatible with partner agency South Jefferson Rescue Squad that will support emergency calls during the year. The fire company serves two towns, more than 1,200 people and responds to a more than 80-mile radius.
- Henderson Harbor Water Sports Programs — \$1,000 to support a water and boat safety and basic swimming education program for children ages 5 to 15 at its lakefront venue.
- South Jefferson Back Pack Program — \$1,000 to help strengthen food inventory for South Jefferson Central School students and families in need. To date, 60 families are provided backpacks of food each weekend, impacting approximately 180 children.
- Belleville Philomathean Free Library — \$500 to help expand and update second-floor space in its present location. The library envisions the space being used as a community center and meeting venue for local Boy and Girl Scouts, youth groups, Union Academy Board, and others.
- Six Town Chamber of Commerce — \$500 to help deliver holiday meals to senior citizens across the Six Town area. The organization partners with the Adams American Legion, South Jefferson Central School, and US Foods to deploy approximately 500 meals each December.
- Volunteer Transportation Center Foundation — \$500 to support mileage reimbursement for volunteer drivers who provide essential and non-emergent medical transportation for residents in Six Town communities.

“We are pleased to support seven different organizations that work hard to improve the quality of life for Six Town residents,” said Barb Greene, Six Town Community Fund committee chair. “It is wonderful to see gifts made by people who love the Six Town area put to work in such a meaningful way. We appreciate all that our donors have done to build a permanent endowment that will forever support our communities.”

Grant awards are made possible thanks to many generous donors who continue to support the Six Town Community Fund and its efforts to strengthen southern Jefferson County’s Six Town region.

The Six Town Community Fund was established in 2013 through the generosity of many donors, matched by the Community Foundation, as a permanent, charitable resource to support organizations that serve southern Jefferson County.

The Community Foundation awarded a \$30,000 matching grant to the Community Fund in 2023 to double gifts to its “Sixty for Six Town” campaign in celebration of its 10th anniversary. As of this month, the matching challenge is within 5 percent of its goal with generous gifts from individual donors, businesses, and organizations. Visit bit.ly/60-for-six-town to make a secure online gift to the Six Town Community Fund and double your impact.

Since its inception, the community fund has awarded \$46,130 in grant funding to 27 nonprofit organizations to assist with 46 different community projects and programs. These have included community improvement projects, youth programs, arts and cultural events, equipment purchases, and facility upgrades. Projects are evaluated based on their overall community benefit, effective use of grant money, and the ability of the applicant to successfully implement the project.

The community fund is focused on enhancing the quality of life in the towns of Adams, Ellisburg, Henderson, Lorraine, Rodman, and Worth. **The next grant application period is open and due by Friday, Oct. 25. Contact Max DelSignore, 315-782-7110, or max@nnycf.org, to learn more about the Six Town Community Fund.**



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Halloween Parade & Festival

Saturday, October 5th
 From 11:00 AM-2:00 P.M. **Parade Starts at 11 AM Sharp**
 18245 Minkler Rd, Adams Center

Hosted by Embellished Catering. Sponsored by the Six Town Chamber of Commerce and its members.
 Rain date is Sunday, October 6th

Best costume prizes, games and treats galore!

SFTCC
 ADAMS CENTER
 EMBELLISHED CATERING & EVENTS

SIX TOWN CHAMBER of COMMERCE
 A GREAT PLACE TO SPEND A DAY OR A LIFETIME

Members of the Six Town Chamber of Commerce extend their deepest gratitude to all the businesses, organizations, and community members who continue to support local.

Small Business Saturday is nationally celebrated on November 30, 2024. We sincerely hope that our businesses, both small and large, will enjoy a prosperous holiday shopping season and ongoing success throughout the year. Many of these businesses support our organizations, fundraisers, and provide employment to your friends, family members, and neighbors. Your continued patronage and word-of-mouth support for our local businesses, their products, and services are greatly appreciated. Thank you for your ongoing support!

Six Town Chamber President, Susan Creighton, and members:
 Marlene Norfolk, Joe Hodges, Ken Eysaman, Tammy Bossinger, Chris Castle,
 Olivia Patterson, Michaela Rounds, Connie Elliott, Keith Snyder, and Kathy Taber-Montgomery

Upcoming Community Events

Business After Hours - Small Business Neighborhood Bash

All are invited on October 2, 2024, 6-8 p.m.

18249 Hazelwood Lane, Adams Center.

Annual Fall Outreach Banquet - Fellowship of Christian Farmers, International, NNY Chapter

Friday, October 4, 2024, Sixtown Meeting House, Church Street, Adams

\$16 per person for dinner with keynote speaker Russ Johnson. You can call 315-788-5247 to RSVP.

Live More Ministries Celebrates 15th Anniversary

Saturday, October 5, 2024

Mannsville United Methodist Church

Breakfast 9 - 9:45 a.m. and guest speaker, Cheryl Gmitter: "The Gift of Adversity"

All are welcome.

Drive-Thru Turkey Dinner

Lorraine United Methodist Church

October 10, 2024, 4 p.m. - sold out, \$14 per meal, includes dessert.

Ladies of St. Cecilia's Fall Rummage Sale

Thursday, October 17 - Saturday, October 19, 2024

Local Author Event at Henderson Free Library

Saturday, October 19, 2024, at 10 a.m., children's Author Marcia Moore will be at the library to give an author talk and read her book Bonnie's Scary Escape! Afterward, the children will have a craft, and light refreshments will be available.

Annual Family Halloween Party Henderson Free Library

Saturday, October 26, 2024, from 10 - 11:30 a.m.! The party will start off with a spooky story time and then we will have fun activities, games, and refreshments! Costumes are encouraged, but not required!

Trunk-or-Treat

Saturday, October 26, 2024, 4-6 p.m.

Lorraine United Methodist Church

Rain or shine!

200 Club Dinner and Slide Show at Sixtown Meeting House
29 East Church St Adams
Saturday, November 2, 2024
Takeouts will be between 5:30 and 6 p.m.
Social Hour at 6-6:30 p.m. and Dinner at 6:30 p.m.

Organ Concert

Sunday, November 10, 2024, at 3 p.m.
Historical Association of South Jeff
29 East Church St. Adams, NY

The Historical Association of South Jefferson sponsors the event. The music will be patriotic. Jason Comet, Sally Jerome, and Laura Whitehead will be the organists. The concert is Free and open to the public.

Community Memorial Service

Adams Village Baptist Church will hold its 27th annual Memorial Service on Sunday, November 10, 2024, at 4 p.m. This service is held to remember those in our community who passed away between October 2023, and September 2024.



The Six Town Chamber of Commerce presents

“The Movies of Christmas”

Annual Christmas Parade

Saturday—December 14th

4 p.m. SHARP

Village of Adams

Please join us and participate in the parade.

For information and application contact

Missy Fone at 315-778-9782 or email Missy at

missy@odgreenelumber.com

Let's make this a great parade and have some fun with the theme—lots of choices! Choose your favorite.

Prizes for best themed float, best marching unit, best municipal unit, best business unit and best overall float. Please remember there is only one Santa in the parade at the very end. Entries cannot include a Santa please.