



DANBY AREA NEWS

SOLARIZE TOMPKINS IS UNDERWAY

Submitted by Mark Witmer, Solarize Tompkins SE

Solarize Tompkins SE is well underway. Our last informational workshop was on Wednesday, May 29 in the Danby Fire Hall, but our enrollment period does not close until June 15.

Solarize Tompkins is a community initiative, built by inspired volunteers from Danby, Dryden, and Caroline. It uses the power of community purchasing to bring quality products at competitive prices. The competitive bid price for solar electric systems offered to our Solarize Tompkins SE program is 32 percent below the average cost of solar electric in Tompkins County last year.

Our web site, [solarizetompkinsse.org] contains lots of useful information about our community program. It even has sample solar electric and hot water configurations and costs and all the data you'd need to calculate the cost of your own customized installation. We think you'll find that the cash incentives from NY State, along with both Federal and State tax credits, make the hurdle to solar pretty low.

Taking into account additional discounts (if we achieve community tiered pricing) and government incentives, final costs to homeowners can be about 15 percent of the initial system price. That's about 85 percent off!

Remember, enrollment is nonbinding and free—it simply starts the process of evaluating of your site for a solar system. Your commitment doesn't come until you agree to a design and sign a contract with the installer.

You, too, could be making the sun work for you...this year! ♣

PICTURES FROM SPACE

Submitted by Ted Crane, Community Council

Last January, Cornell Scientist Rick Kline played to a packed crowd at the Town Hall, with his *Spacecraft Tour of the Solar System*. The Community Council has asked him to return with another amazing collection of pictures.

On Sunday, June 9, 2013, 3-5pm, in the Danby Town Hall, Rick will present *How We Get Pictures From Space*. It's a talk about how the pictures are captured, and about all the different ways we have of displaying them using some of our new technology.

Over the past 25 years in Cornell's Department of Astronomy, Rick has served as the Data Manager of the Spacecraft Planetary Imaging Facility, one of NASA's Regional Planetary Image Facilities. During that time, he has collected his favorite images of the Sun, planets, asteroids, and comets that make up our solar system.

Anyone with an interest in the solar system will enjoy this program. Everyone with an eye for the magical beauty of the summer sky should be there! ♣

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RAPTORS: MEET MERLIN!

Submitted by Julie Clougherty, Community Council

Have you ever met a Merlin? Want to? Have you seen graceful birds up in the sky, intently circling, riding on the wind currents? Do you want to learn about birds of prey?

The Danby Community Council is hosting a presentation by Cornell's Raptor Program's on Sunday, June 23, 2pm in the Danby Town Hall. The hour-long introduction to the raptors (live and in person) will be followed by a Q&A session where you can meet the birds up close.

A similar program was presented to Danby's Youth Programs, earlier this year. It was a huge success, and not just with the youth. Every adult within shouting distance packed into the hall! ♣

These events are part of the DCC's Family Programs. They're free to all!

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DANBY NEWS NOTES

Submitted by Ted Crane

Submission Guidelines: Have a look at the "Danby News" section of the Town of Danby web site, [town.danby.ny.us/DAN]. If you're thinking of sending something for publication in the Danby News, there's two documents to read: the *Guidelines* and the *Submission Guidelines*.

You'll learn what is, and isn't acceptable material for publication. If it's acceptable, we'll make an effort to in-

clude it; *generally, we print everything we receive!* You'll find hints about how to prepare a submission. Following these guidelines makes the editing and layout easier.

A terse version of these guidelines is in the left-hand column of this page.

DANBY WEB SITE

Have you visited [town.danby.ny.us]?

Meeting agendas, minutes, and relevant documents. Happenings in Danby. Everything in a nutshell. ☘

TOWN CLERK'S DESKTOP

Submitted by Pamela Goddard, Town Clerk

As Town Clerk, I have opted to provide a free Notary Public service. A Notary Public is an appointed (by NY State) public officer with the power to assist citizens by performing a number of official legal and business actions. Most often, this means attesting to the authenticity of signatures. In order to do so, the persons appearing before the notary must be personally known or be able to prove their identity satisfactorily. Recently I have had several calls to assist people this way.



Notary Publics typically perform that service as part of another profession. You'll often find them employed by a bank, in the legal professions, in real estate offices, medical, social, or government service, or practically any other business.

Many Town Clerks are Notaries, although it is not a required part of our duties. A notary's function in town government supports the issuance of grants and bonds, where the signature of the Town Supervisor or another

public officer must be authenticated. A notary can not attest to the authenticity of their own signature, and so any documents signed by the Town Clerk (and requiring authentication) must be witnessed by someone else. I ask one of the Town Justices for this service.

During the past three and a half years, I have provided far more notary services for citizens than I have for government actions. The types of documents I've authenticated included sales agreements, documents related to retirement and/or pension benefits, pistol permits, powers of attorney...and almost any legal document you can imagine. In each case I am serving as a legal witness that the signature is that of the person named in the document, that he or she swears or affirms that he or she has freely and willfully signed the document for the purpose so stated, and/or that the contents of the document are known to them and are that the information is true.

Since the primary service of a notary is to attest to the authenticity of a signature, anyone needing notary services should bring some form of photo identification. Of course, if you're already known and familiar to me, personally, I don't have to see your identification.

When you visit a notary public, you should expect to sign the document in front of the notary. After I have

witnessed the signature and administered the affirmation or acknowledgment, I add my own signature and stamp the document with a "seal" that includes my official notary commission number and the date when my commission expires.

A notary's service is really quite limited to a general role: "Swearing that something is true." A notary public may not give advice on the law or draw up any legal papers such as wills, leases, bills of sale, contracts, eviction papers, or powers of attorney. These actions would illegally cross over into an unauthorized practice of law. Notaries, however, may certify the signatures of witnesses or persons named in such documents that have been prepared by an attorney, court, or legal business.

A Notary Public is allowed to charge \$2 per notary service, I have made it a practice to provide the service without charge. I think that this is just part of my job.

As Spring blossoms thru June, the Town Clerk's office will be open 10am-5pm Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday. We are closed on Saturdays through August, while summer hours are in effect. As always, the Clerk's is closed on Sundays and Thursdays. And yes, there's still chocolate in the bowl by the Clerk's office window.

Questions? Call 607.277.4788 or send Email to [townclerk@town.danby.ny.us].

Clerk, check. Notary, too. Folk Singer? Your Town Clerk is also a folk singer and balladeer. On June 23, I'm performing, along with my singing buddies, Diamonds in the Rough, on the Bound for Glory radio show. Live sets at 8:30, 9:30, and 10:30pm in Anabel Taylor's Café on the Cornell Campus, or WVBR FM93.5 on your radio.



Want to learn how pictures like this one from the Mars Rover are made? Come to the *Pictures From Space* event! Sunday, June 9, 3pm, in Town Hall.

COUNTY LEGISLATURE UPDATE

Submitted by Frank P. Proto, Tompkins County Legislator

Looking toward 2014, it probably seems early, but the County has begun its budget process already. At our recent budget retreat we discussed the continued effects of the State's pension fund woes, and the impact of Medicaid costs on our County programs and services. Though our tax cap isn't finalized yet, setting a tax levy with the least effect on tax payers while continuing the service delivery will again be a challenge. Dealing with State cutbacks has already impacted the Youth Services, Mental Health, and Health Departments somewhat. Much more discussion will take place, and your guidance is always appreciated.

Please keep abreast of the coming changes precipitated by the Affordable Health Care Act. As of January 2014 each of us will be required to have health insurance, or suffer a financial penalty. Health insurance exchanges are currently being established to help guide residents through the options using program navigators. The Human Services Coalition/Health Planning Council, the Tompkins County Chamber of Commerce, and the Department of Social Services, are positioning for these sites now, but there will be others. It's not too soon to begin exploring options with your employer either. As Health Committee Chairman I'd be happy to try to answer any questions, or guide you to an appropriate resource.

On the job development front, meetings have been taking place involving TST-BOCES and Workforce Development to address opportunities in health care. Utilizing the current programs and expanding them to adult education/retraining have some promise, especially with some State support.

Our efforts on the Water Resources Council regarding arresting the hydrilla growth in the inlet and preventing its expansion into Cayuga Lake are paying off. We're planning another treatment this year, and have successfully met with Congressman Tom Reed getting his support for the program. The economic impact on our tourism industry could be devastating in the Finger Lakes if this plant gets established.

Progress on the Courthouse renovations, TCAT, and agricultural focus groups will be topics for next month's newsletter. A big plus is the new County Office for the Aging location at 214 West Martin Luther King Jr./ State St., Human Services Annex. Stop in and visit the next time you are downtown.

If you'd like to discuss any item or have a question please don't hesitate to contact me, 607.277.4875 or [fproto@tompkins-co.org].

Enjoy getting into the garden! ❁

H2O NEWS

Submitted by Tod Sukontarak, WD Water Commissioner

Carl and I will be flushing hydrants during the first week of June. To limit any potential negative effect of stirring sediment within the system, we will do it during the late morning in the middle of the week.

On May 8, in the West Danby Fire Station, the Danby Town Board held a public hearing on the progress of the Water District's infrastructure improvements project. There was discussion on leak detection, water quality and conservation, billing, and project management and timing. Thanks to all who attended.

There was also a question about the potential negative health effects associated with exposure to the electromagnetic fields of a remote meter reading system. I was unable to answer the question then, but have done some research since.

The waves we are considering are radio waves in the frequency range of 910-920MHz. That is the same

frequency as garage door openers and operates on the same principle as cordless telephones. I haven't been able to find an instance of someone's health being adversely affected by the exposure.

Both of the companies that are proposing to bid on our project's meters have provided documentation of their compliance with FCC regulations concerning these issues. One of the company's representatives relayed to me an instance where they did not install a remote reader in a household in Johnson City because the homeowner had a legal document drawn up to prohibit it. In that case, the homeowner's son had a neurological disorder and their concern was the radio waves in any frequency were bad. That home did not use cell phones or a cordless telephone, had no garage door openers or any other appliances that operate on radio waves.

It's not a definitive answer to the question but, perhaps, it's useful background information. ❁

SUPERVISOR'S UPDATE

Submitted by Ric Dietrich, Town Supervisor

If you've ever wondered whether familiar terms like, "a pride of Lions," or, "a string of ponies," were only the tip of the linguistic iceberg, the book, *Exaltation of Larks* provides the definitive answer.

It tells me about: a stoop of elders, a Giggle of girls, a Google of boys, a pluck of firefighters, a prance of equestrians, a rod of fishermen, a wheeze of joggers, an entrop of full professors, and a cuddle of Homecoming Queens.

Yes, the English language is fun and full of surprise and delight. My garden is also weathering surprises, like 26 degrees. The potatoes and pumpkins, just breaking the surface and going for home plate were rocked; I have no idea of what the frost might have done to the fruit trees who are all showing off their new flowers.

Never mind the freeze, where are the bees this year? No bees means questionable pollination. Am I the only one or are others noticing the same lack of these creatures this year?

The Town Hall solar panels are up, but the connection to the Town Hall electrical system will take a little time to complete. Afterward, we will be able to start tracking our monthly billing to get a cost benefit analysis.

We are still fine tuning our biomass boiler, and need another winter to start getting feedback about that system's impact on our energy consumption.

Negotiations with the Tompkins County SPCA are running again, with a hot topic of the present system of revolving dog enumeration for each Town. Similarly, a proposed Cable TV contract with Time Warner, is in the works but, this time around, we will be handing T-W our proposal to kick start the talks.

There's no significant visible progress on the Broadband buildout so far this month. We're told that Clarity Connect is hard at work planning the implementation of its project.

We've moved the West Danby water project along with a public meeting, and there's been several meetings with County Youth Services about the future of Youth Programming in towns around he County.

Upgrades to bathrooms and refinishing of the Town Hall floor were discussed during the Town Board meetings in May.

Solarize Tompkins has held informational meetings in Dryden, Caroline, and Danby, and all of them were

well-attended. Dozens of people have indicated interest. The program provides some very good pricing for electric and thermal solar systems. I hope you'll give the idea serious consideration!

How would you like to see Danby grow? The Community Council has created a needs survey that appears in this month's Danby News and online. Please respond, it is an important building block to help us learn how to serve you better.

As always, if there is an issue the Town should address, please contact me, [supervisor@town.danby.ny.us]. ☘



Code Enforcement Officer Matt Cooper with the new solar electric array at Town Hall. (photo by Ted Crane)

HIGHWAY DEP'T SUMMER HOURS

Along with other Town offices, the Highway Department is now on "summer hours". The office will be open Monday–Thursday, 6am–4:30pm.

For information, contact [highway@town.danby.ny.us] or 607.272.9169.

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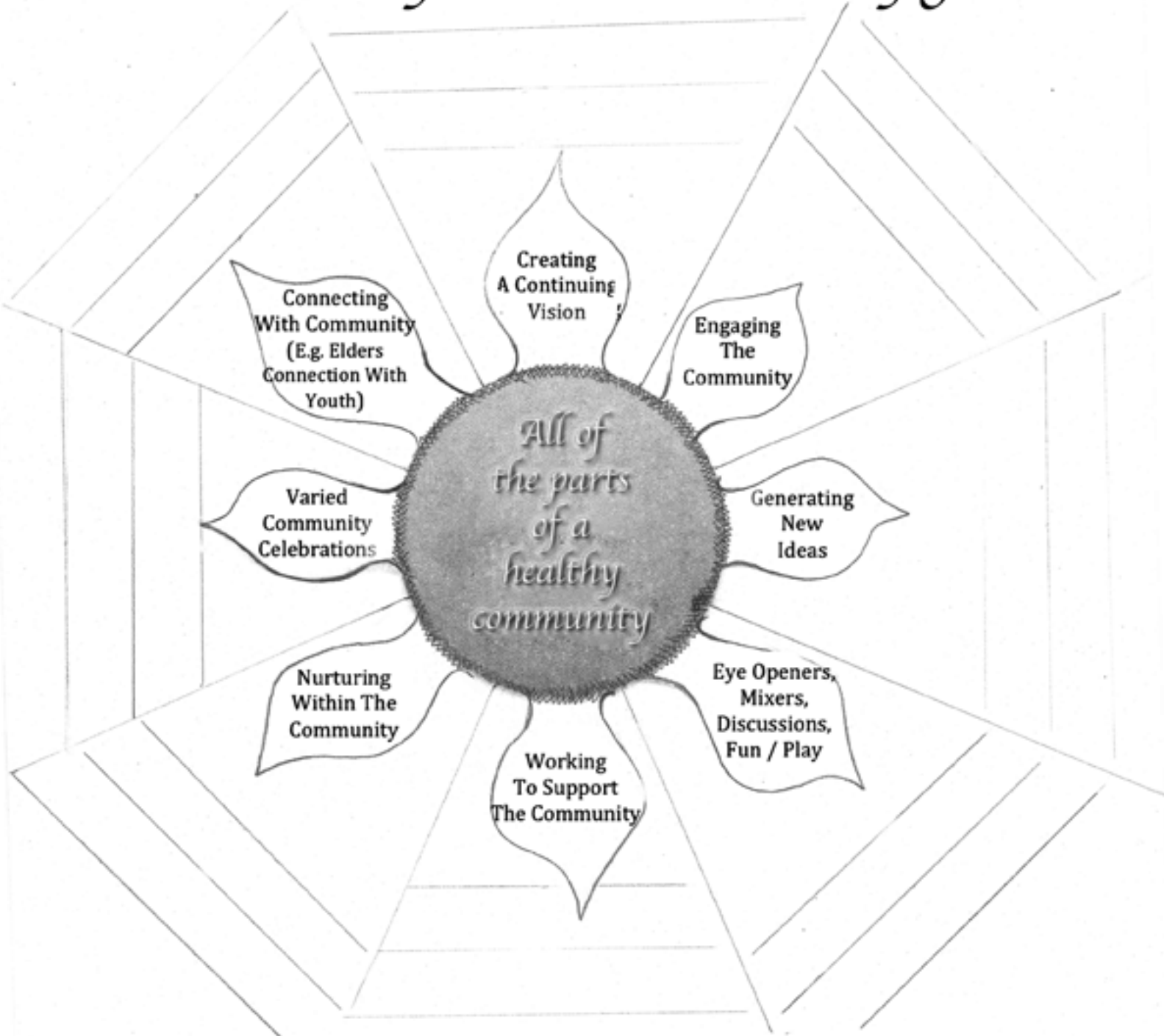
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Mon–Wed, 9am–4pm; Thu–Fri, by appointment

Town Court

Phone: 277.0095 • Fax: 277.0031
Tue, 7pm

All offices at Danby Town Hall except where noted.

How would you like to see Danby grow?



Here's an opportunity for you to add your own ideas to help our community thrive.

Add your ideas on the lines above. Drop this off in a box at the Danby Town Hall library, at the Danby Community Council (DCC) table at Danby Fun Day, or see the DCC web site for more options: <http://town.danby.ny.us/DCC>

Return completed surveys to the box in Town Hall, or to the DCC table at Fun Day

Connection

- ◇ history talks, articles, exhibits
- ◇ learning about community building
- ◇ compassionate communication
- ◇ *Danby Area News*
- ◇ neighborhood block parties, potlucks
- ◇ internet access
- ◇ deeper wellness support

Coordination

- ◇ love of our community, good neighbors
- ◇ earth care, biodynamic, regenerating
- ◇ people friendly, cooperative
- ◇ Elder Council promoting justice, inclusiveness, tolerance, balance
- ◇ elder stories
- ◇ understanding, healing
- ◇ generous, appreciation, happiness

Spirit / Support

- ◇ Danby Community Council
- ◇ Mentoring program
- ◇ Danby parade, FUN Days
- ◇ youth participation in Danby government
- ◇ Danby recognition days - people, places, achievements
- ◇ Nature-based, interfaith or intellectual events

Presenting

- ◇ sports events
- ◇ dances, concerts, storytellers
- ◇ art exhibits, fairs, festivals
- ◇ picnics, parties, dining
- ◇ learning opportunities
- ◇ green homes tour, garden tour

Beginnings

- ◇ Danby Energy meetings
- ◇ Annual town meeting with "open space" meeting format
- ◇ Multi-generational, gender, racial, and ethnic inclusiveness at council meetings

Grounded Support

- ◇ beautification team
- ◇ mentor program for youth, including elders
- ◇ tutor equipped study hall times for youth
- ◇ nature walks
- ◇ primitive pursuits
- ◇ wellness workshops and support groups
- ◇ social, environmental, food justice meetings and workshops
- ◇ really free market, seed swap, harvest swap

Hard Work

- ◇ Arts education
- ◇ community builds, cleanup
- ◇ community gardens
- ◇ fund raisers
- ◇ repair, maintenance, renewal, revitalization
- ◇ volunteering with ideas and planning
- ◇ educational workshops, lecture series
- ◇ physical fitness activities

What's Next

- ◇ craft/sewing/woodworking workshops
- ◇ youth and elders find connection and community
- ◇ community kitchen
- ◇ food/garden skills workshop
- ◇ skill share network, tool share cooperative
- ◇ money matters workshop (finance education)
- ◇ developing community space
- ◇ cooperative or private general store/coffee shop
- ◇ family and individual support programs
- ◇ revitalize farmers market

What would you like to see in Danby?

Mark the items that you would like to see prioritized in our community.

Return completed surveys to the box in Town Hall, or to the DCC table at Fun Day

WEST DANBY YARD SALE DAY

Submitted by Peter Fraissinet, WD Comm. Assoc. and Marrell Cortright, West Danby Fire Department

Get ready to browse treasures, have a sale, or both! Once again, West Danby is teaming up with Spencer and Van Etten for a tri-county, Route 34 Yard Sale Day on Saturday June 8.

The West Danby FD will be setting up a food kiosk at the Fairchilds, 2245 Rt.34 (West Danby Road, near the intersection with Short Road), serving donuts and coffee in the morning, burgers and dogs around midday, and water, soda, and chips.

The West Danby Community Association will place an ad in the Ithaca Journal and submit notices to other weekly papers and online bulletin boards. We will also place large signs at the intersection of Rt. 13 and Rte 34/96 to direct people south toward West Danby and Spencer.

Maps will be available at the Four Corners of West Danby, listing the local sales that we have found out about. If you want to get your sale on this map, please contact me at [pf13@cornell.edu] or leave a message at 607.255.0443, giving the address and a few items of interest. The deadline for getting your sale on the map is Wednesday, June 5 (a firm deadline).

There is no cost to participate with your own sale, unless you decide to place an additional ad of your own ad...somewhere.

Recycling made fun! ❄

DOTSON PARK UPDATE

Submitted by Julie Clougherty

Please come to the Danby Community Park Association's Annual Meeting on Saturday, June 15, 2pm in Dotson Park.

Every Danby resident, 18 and older is a voting member of the DCPA, so come out to learn what's been going on in the park, hear the current financial status and plans for the coming year, and vote for new Board members. We are seeking new Board members, so if you'd like to have a hand in the running of the DCPA and Dotson Park, please consider joining us!

For more info, Email us at [dotsonpark@gmail.com]. ❄

30TH ANNIVERSARY DANBY FAIR/DANBY FUN DAY

Submitted by Sharon Gaden, Danby Volunteer Fire Company

Anyone one who has pictures from previous Danby Fair/Danby Fun Days we would love to look at them and maybe make copies of them. Please contact me at 607.659.3116 or [sgaden@danbyfiredistrict.org]. Thank you! ❄

BLANKET RAFFLE ON FUN DAY

Submitted by Marrell Cortright, WD Fire Company

The West Danby Fire Company is holding a blanket raffle! A winner of this impressive covering (or wall hanging) will be drawn during Danby Fun Day, July 13.

The blanket itself was donated, anonymously, in memory of lifetime member Roy Casterline. The proceeds will benefit the West Danby Fire Company. Tickets are \$2 each or 3 for \$5, and can be purchased from any Fire Company member or at the West Danby Fire Company's ice cream booth at Danby Fun Day.

Don't pass up the chance to have this heirloom-quality blanket in your home! ❄

DANBY TOWN TALK

Submitted by Gay Huddle, Ithaca Journal Correspondent

Maria Salino of Danby has been baking and cooking in the kitchen with her Mom, Barb Cacciotti, for years. Maria is the owner of *Dolce Delight*, a very delightful shop located at 1080 Danby Road, next to the Italian Carry-Out, owned and managed by Christina, Michael and Tyler Salino.

Joey Salino passed away in March of 2010 and has been missed every day by everyone who knew him.

Recently, Maria traveled to Florida, accompanied by sisters Lisa and Christa, to compete in the Crisco National Pie Baking Contest. As she said, "I had set that goal for myself and I wanted to go for it!" Maria's pie, which had to be made from a first-time original recipe, was called "a slice of apple spice" and was awarded second prize in the apple pie category nationwide.

Dolce Delight offers breakfast, lunch, and supper items, ice cream, desserts of all kinds, gifts and much more. For catering information please call 607.272.0282. ❄



AMERICAN LEGION UPDATE

Submitted by Marv English

Well, we're getting off to a very hectic summer season here at the Ithaca American Legion. The Fish and Steak Dinners are over for the summer and I would like to thank all who attended and made them a great success.

We have a lot of benefits and other activities going on, starting with a Motorcycle Ride and Chicken BBQ on June 8 to benefit Hospicare. The day starts at 9:30am with the motorcycle ride. Stop by early and get some coffee to start your day. It'll be a leisurely ride around Seneca Lake, \$15 for the driver and \$10 for the passenger (riders and passengers get their Chicken BBQ for half price). At Noon, we will be serving up mouth-watering BBQ Chicken with a choice of two of Ken-ny's Famous Baked (BBQ) Beans, Macaroni Salad, or Salt Potatoes, all for just \$8. There will be 50/50 raffles throughout the day. All of the proceeds go to benefit Hospicare.

On June 15, starting at Noon, there will be a Benefit for Jackie Kastenhuber-Maycumber. Jackie is battling a rare and aggressive cancer; little or nothing can be done locally, so she will be going to NYC or Maryland for Clinical Trials. You will have your choice of a Chicken or Pork Dinner, Salt Potatoes, Beans, and a dinner roll for \$10. There will be a D.J. as well as several raffles and a cake wheel. 50/50 raffles will run throughout the day. Pre-sale tickets are available; call or text 607.342.6188.

Try to attend one or both of these worthy events to help Hospicare and Jackie.

On July 20, we will be having a benefit as well - check back later for details.

Remember if you are looking for a place for your family gathering or other function, and the garage just isn't big enough, give us a call at 607.272.1129. Stop by and see what we can do for you: large banquet room, large pavilion. Check us out! ❀

GOT WEB SITE IDEAS?

Submitted by Ted Crane

If you've been a frequent user of the Town of Danby web site, you probably have a good feeling for its strengths and weaknesses.

Work is already in progress to pro-

vide better access to documents such as the laws and resolutions passed by the Town Board. You'll be able to locate them by name, title, year passed, and even see the record of the vote that approved them.

But what do *you* need on the web site? Is something missing, or hard

to find? What are the questions you'd like to get the answers to, from the web site?

If you'd like to pass on your ideas, and perhaps participate in some brainstorming for great new features, please drop me a line at webmaster@town.danby.ny.us. ❀

DANBY SENIORS UPDATE

Submitted by Margie VanDeMark

The next meeting of the Danby Seniors will be on Thursday, June 6, at 6pm in the Danby Church. It's a dish to share dinner.

Thank you to Bill & Pat Dougherty and Jack & Nancy Gould for hosting our May meeting!

All seniors 55 and over are welcomed and encouraged to attend. There's still time to join us for the June 26 luncheon cruise on Seneca Lake--call Margie VanDeMark to sign up.

A reminder: there is no July meeting due to the holiday. We'll meet on August 1 for our BBQ at Merritt's--call them to sign up for this one. And, on October 1 we'll be going to the Merry Go Round theater for the /Hank Williams Story/. Ted & Connie have a lot going but call him regarding availability. ❀

AT THE DFC...

Blood Drive

The Red Cross Blood Drive visits Danby on Friday, June 7, 1-6pm.

BBQ Pork Dinner

The DFC hosts its BBQ Pork Dinner on Saturday, June 29, 4pm-gone. The menu includes a choice of smoked ribs or pulled pork loin, potato, cole slaw, beans, beverage & dessert, all for \$12.

Both events are in the Danby Federated Church, 1859 Danby Road. For information, contact 607.272.1687 or [\[info@danbyfederatedchurch.org\]](mailto:info@danbyfederatedchurch.org). ❀

DANBY COMMUNITY LIBRARY

Submitted by Patti Meyers

When I was working at the Library the other day, I went out to check our outdoor book return and found two armloads of items returned. It's working! Thank you to everyone who is using it and to all of the people who were instrumental in acquiring it.

Remember to sign out all materials and bring them back on time. Please heed our gentle overdue reminders so people can borrow the items you return. We have a generous one month policy for books and two weeks for DVDs.

New Items:

Silver Linings Playbook DVD (and the book, too!)

Life After Life by Jill McCorkle

Life After Life by Kate Atkinson

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Graphic Novels

Juvenile Fiction

Juvenile NonFiction

What's your favorite place to read? In bed, on the hammock, in the bathtub, on the beach, in the car (listening!), anywhere, anywhere? ❁

CLASSIC COMICS

Submitted by Ms. Mystery

My first introduction to adult literature was by way of the Junior Classics Illustrated, in comic form. This style exists in an improved form to serve as a gateway dose of high literature. See our graphic novels.

The Danby Community Library currently has on loan esteemed works like *Beowulf*, *Remembrance of Things Past* by Marcel Proust, *Fahrenheit 451* by Ray Bradbury, and Edgar Allen Poe as adapted by an artist who calls his work, .

Other selections include *Kick-Ass*. We were also most fortunate to get all first four volumes of *Locke and Key*. These will appeal to readers of all sexes. Please stop by and enjoy. ❁



Jude and Bill Thomas playing during the Danby Community Library's Open House in April. Photo by Patti Meyers

NEWFIELD GIRL SCOUT EVENTS

Submitted by Lori Bellavigna-Robbins

The Newfield Girl Scout Service Unit is holding a Pancake Breakfast with Basket Raffles on Saturday, June 15, 8am-10am in the Newfield Fire Hall. Tickets for Breakfast at \$6 (pre-sale and at the door); kids 2 and under are free. Raffle tickets are \$1 or 6 for \$5.

The following weekend, on June 15, 10am-1pm, the Scouts will offer their Annual Carwash & Can-Bottle Drive at the Tioga State Bank, on Main Street in Newfield. Donation \$5 per car.

The Service Unit is the development stages for a new kindergarten GS Daisy troop for fall of 2014. Any girl entering kindergarten is eligible. At this time we are seeking parents or individuals who may be interested in becoming leaders, co-leaders, and or parent volunteers. Please contact me at [lorianne3666@aol.com] or 607.564.7031 if you or someone you know is interested in filling these roles. Previous experience is not necessary. ❁

Community Council Youth Programs Summer 2013

Danby Youth Flyer

Outdoor Explorers at
Dotson Park, Ages 8-13

July 15-17, 9am-3pm

Family Cruise on Cayuga Lake,
July 17, 6-8pm

We will create a primitive village, explore the animals, amphibians, birds and plants of Danby, and play a bit of disc golf in the park. Wednesday Evening there will be a family cruise on the Floating Classroom leaving from the Ithaca Farmers Market. Please indicate if your family will be joining and how many of our there are. Be sure to bring a water bottle and lunch.

Girls Week at Jennings Pond, Ages 10-14

July 31-August 3, 9am-3pm

Overnight camp-out on Friday to Saturday Morning

We will play games, take a Yoga class, and have a "spa" day outdoors. We will take the Cooperative Extension Van to Seneca Falls and visit the Women's Rights National Historical Park and National Women's Hall of Fame. And we will go on an adventure to Shindagin Hollow for an all-girls campout! Be sure to bring a water bottle and lunch. Dinner and breakfast will be provided on campout.

Water Color at Jennings Pond, Ages 8-13

August 15-16, 9am-12pm

Come relax by Jennings Pond, learn some water color techniques and enjoy painting landscapes, friends and much more! Swim when the life guard is on duty and play games in the woods. Be sure to bring a water bottle and a snack.

Homestead Explorations, Ages 8-13

August 19-21, 9am-3:30pm

Danby Town Hall

Three days of awesome field trips and to check out three different amazing homesteads in our area. Learn about growing and harvesting food, flowers and herbs, taking care of animals, neat technologies for self-sufficiency and all the cool projects that happen around each homestead. And of course, get to try your hand at homestead skills. Be sure to bring a water bottle and lunch. ❁

Hi There!

Hope everyone is enjoying the green of spring and all the sunshine! May-June programs are rolling along and full of fun and I am excited to share the schedule of summer programs with you! Also, we are still looking for youth employees for summer work. If you are interested in applying please get your application in ASAP.

—Simone

Program flyers and permission slips are available at the Danby Town Hall, South Hill Elementary (Ms. Sommer's office), Boynton Middle School (Main Office), and can be found at [ccetompkins.org/4h/rural-youth-services/danby].

Questions? Contact me at 607.272.2292 x222 or [sc1223@cornell.edu].

A Day at Sapsucker Woods, Ages 8-13

July 1, 9am-4pm

Drop off and pick up at Danby Town Hall.

Enjoy a day at Sapsucker woods watching and listening to birds. We'll have binoculars to see more than our human eyes allow us and find our selves surrounded by a chorus of song birds. Be sure to bring a water bottle and lunch.

It's All About Danby and Having Fun, Ages 8-13

July 2-3, 9am-3pm, Jennings Pond

July 12, 5pm-7pm and July 13 10-4, Danby Fire Hall

We will be preparing for the Danby Fun Day, including planning and preparing an entry for the parade, making T-Shirts, playing games and preparing games for Fun Day. On Friday evening we'll help set up and on Saturday we will march in the parade and the help facilitate the games for the day. Be sure to bring a water bottle and lunch on July 2, 3 and 13, and fun snacks will be provided for helpers!

Youth Employment Opportunitites

Youth employment is open to any youth ages 14-17 that are looking for some first-time job experience. If you are interested in applying for any of the jobs listed bellow please complete a job application and contact Simone Lackey at [sc1223@cornell.edu] or 607.272.2292. x222 ASAP to schedule an interview. Interviews have already

been scheduled so if you are interested, it is crucial you contact Simone promptly.

Youth Employment Opportunities include:

- Danby Youth Program Assistant
- Records Management Intern in Town Clerk's Office
- Youth Farm Project Summer Crew ❁

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DANBY AREA NEWS: EVENT CALENDAR

May 29 • Wed

7pm 🏠 Danby Fire Hall
Solarize Tompkins Informational Meeting

Jun 4 • Tue

7:30pm 🏠 2353 Spencer Road
West Danby Community Association Meeting

Jun 5 • Wed

6:30pm 🏠 Town Hall • **Library Volunteers Meeting**

Jun 6 • Thu

6pm 🏠 Danby Federated Church • **Seniors Meeting**
7pm 🏠 Town Hall • **Community Council Meeting**

Jun 7 • Fri

1-6pm 🏠 Danby Federated Church
Red Cross Blood Drive

Jun 8 • Sat

All Day 🏠 Rt.34/96, West Danby to Van Etten
The Annual West Danby/Rt.34 Yard Sale

Jun 9 • Sun

3pm 🏠 Town Hall • **Pictures from Space**

Jun 10 • Mon

7pm 🏠 Town Hall • **Town Board Meeting**
7pm 🏠 Danby Fire Hall • **Fire Dep't Meeting**
7pm 🏠 West Danby Fire Hall • **WD Fire Dep't Meeting**

Jun 11 • Tue

7pm 🏠 Danby Fire Hall • **Fire District Meeting**

Jun 15 • Sat

2pm 🏠 Danby Community Park
Danby Park Association Annual Meeting

Jun 17 • Mon

7pm 🏠 Town Hall • **Town Board Meeting**

Jun 18 • Tue

7pm 🏠 Danby Fire Hall • **Fire District Meeting**

Jun 20 • Thu

3-6pm 🏠 Danby Federated Church • **Food Pantry**
7pm 🏠 Dotson Park • **Park Association Meeting**

Jun 23 • Sun

2pm 🏠 Town Hall • **Meet the Raptors!**

Jun 24 • Mon

1-2pm 🏠 Danby Federated Church • **Mobile Food Truck**
7pm 🏠 Town Hall • **Conservation Adv Council Mtg**

Jun 27 • Thu

7pm 🏠 Town Hall • **Planning Board Meeting**

Jun 29 • Sat

4pm 🏠 Danby Federated Church
Annual BBQ Pork Dinner

Jul 13, 2013 • Sat • **Danby Fun Day and Parade**

ONGOING EVENTS

Danby Community Library Open 🏠 Town Hall
Saturdays, 10am–Noon, Wednesdays, 1:30–3:30pm,
and when the **Open** sign is out!

Seniors Strength Training Group 🏠 Federated Church
Mondays and Thursdays, 9am.

AA Meeting 🏠 Federated Church
Wednesdays, 7pm.

Danby Quilters Group ☎ 273.2950
Fridays, 9–11am.

WHERE THINGS HAPPEN

🏠 **Danby Town Hall** • 1830 Danby Road

🏠 **Danby Fire Hall** • 1780 Danby Road

🏠 **West Danby Fire Hall** • Sylvan Lane, off Rt.34/96

🏠 **Danby Federated Church** • 1859 Danby Road

🏠 **American Legion Post 221** • 1231 Danby Road

West Danby Volunteer Fire Company 🏠 WD Fire Hall
2nd Monday, 7pm.

Danby Fire Commissioners 🏠 Fire Hall or WD Fire Hall
3rd Tuesday, 7:30pm.

Danby Community Council 🏠 Town Hall
1st Thursday, 7pm

The Town of Danby has a web site with lots more info.
Check it out: [<http://town.danby.ny.us>] 🏠

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