#### December 2014

#### FREE TO RESIDENTS



### UPCYCLING: New Life from Old Objects

Submitted by Julie Clougherty, Community Council

New life from old objects—old timers know this concept isn't revolutionary, but there's a nifty new name for it these days: Upcycling!

Kids in Danby have been turning discarded items into treasures as part of the Danby's Youth Program, *Upcycling*, and will be selling their crafty creations to raise funds for a natural playground in Dotson Park. The idea came straight from one of the kids, so please come support their efforts on Sunday, December 14, Noon-3pm in Danby's Town Hall. That's right before the DCC's concert featuring Dee Specker and Bob Walpole!

See the Youth Flyer at the back of the newsletter if your youth is interested in joining the program—there's still time and there's still room!

# SEASONAL CAROLING IN WEST DANBY Submitted by Joel Gagnon

Thanks to a generous offer by Lisa and Cory Baclawski, this year's West Danby Community Association Christmas Caroling event will be at the Baclawski residence—2086 West Danby Road (a.k.a. Spencer Road, NYS Rt.34/96), at 3pm on Sunday, December 21.

The Baclawski's driveway is just downhill of Slator's Lane, if you approach from the south, and on the left. The house, a contemporary dwelling painted a nice bright blue, is well set back from the highway with ample parking.

Inside, it has the resonant space that makes singing a pleasure. And sing we will, with just about any song you can —continued on page 3 ⊃

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#### DEE SPECKER AND BOB WALPOLE Submitted by Ted Crane, Community Council

Danby is home to extraordinary musical talent of all styles. On December 14, at 3pm in Danby's Town Hall, the Danby Community Council is pleased to present one of our "home girls," Dee Specker, with Bob Walpole. Joined together after decades of approaching life from separate musical directions, they've a wonderful pair.

An award-winning Nashville recording artist, Grammy nominee, and Danby resident, Dee sings while playing the fiddle. She spent a good part of the last two decades touring the country with Cornerstone, a nationally recognized bluegrass band. Specker can be found performing with A-list Ithaca and area musicians playing a wide range of music from bluegrass to jazz.

Bob now resides by the lake in Romulus. He's been singing and playing acoustic guitar for his entire life on both coasts. Until teaming up with Dee, Walpole had been primarily a solo performer and is a familiar face at Finger Lakes wineries and bistros.

> Together Dee and Bob create tons of music with big harmonies and enchanting melodies. Dee's lovely voice and imaginative violin solos meet up with Bob's airy and exuberant rhythms and vocal harmonies. Their eclectic song list takes you effortlessly from genre to genre. Join them on their musical journey, Sunday, December 14 at 3pm.

> All of the Danby Community Council Concerts are free and open to the public. The series receives support from the Town of Danby and grant support from the Community Arts Partnership **2** of Tompkins County, but this "extra" concert is happening because of the generous donations received during other concerts this year!

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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 include 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.

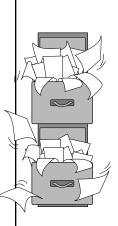
# TOWN CLERK'S DESKTOP

Submitted by Pamela Goddard, Town Clerk

#### **Making Strides**

As we approach the end-of-year holidays, Thanksgiving through New Year's Eve, I find it useful to look back on some of the accomplishments we've made in the Town Clerk's office. There have been many.

2014 has brought major accomplishments in records management. With thanks to Mary Ann Barr, our Town's record storage is climate-controlled and orderly,



making it much easier to find records from the past and to preserve those records for the future.

I'm particularly pleased about a giant step forward thanks to the Tompkins Shared Services Electronic Records Repository (TSSERR) group and the Laserfiche electronic document management system. Thanks to an initiative from the County Clerk's Office, ten participating local governments now have access to a system that would be outside of the economic scope of any individual municipality. For a low annual licensing fee, we are able to

be part of a state-of-the-art electronic document management system.

The Laserfiche system makes possible several key aspects of good records management: *Back-file conversion*, the import and indexing of existing documents; Redundancy of records and true disaster recovery, because documents—past and future—are now stored in an additional format and location and, most important, the option for the public to view the stored documents directly via Laserfiche's public access link.

New programs often mean learning new procedures. A major accomplishment has been the establishment of Conservation Easements in the Town of Danby and, in the Town Clerk's office, learning a new legal filing process.

Creating and filing the paperwork for a Conservation Easement is rather different from the process of filing a local law (described in the November Danby News). Our Town Attorney has been most helpful in guiding us through the first few easements. The easement is recorded at the County Clerk's office (as part of the deed record) and with the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation, Real Property Bureau. These filings contribute to the package of information provided to the property owner for their tax records. In addition to its role as the Town's administrative branch, the Town Clerk's office is the public face of local government. We're here to answer questions and serve residents by providing needed information, issuing handicap parking permits, dog licenses, providing notary services, and issuing marriage licenses. When we can't help with a particular need, we direct you to the appropriate office for your problem. Sue McLellan, Mary Ann Barr, and I all hope that we have done our best to make this "public face" as helpful and cheerful as possible.

In December, the Town Clerk's office will be open 10am-5pm Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday and 10am-Noon on Saturdays. As always, the Clerk's is closed on Sundays and Thursdays. And yes, there's plenty of chocolate in the bowl at the Clerk's office window.

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

### MOBILE FOOD TRUCK

Submitted by Margie VanDeMark

The Mobile Food Truck is provided by the Food Bank of the Southern Tier and sponsored by the Danby Federated Church. The truck is usually at the DFC at 1pm on the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday (not the last Monday!) of each month.

Free food is offered to anyone who needs it. Held rain or shine...and please bring bags or boxes to carry your items. You may pick up food for one other family in addition to your own.

This December, the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday falls during the holiday week for the Food Bank, so there will be no Truck.

During 2015 we have arranged to have the food truck *inside* the Danby Fire Station during the cold months of January, February and March.

### FIRE DISTRICT ELECTION

This year's Fire District Election takes place on Tuesday, December 9, in both Fire Stations; voting is typically from 5-9pm; lines are seldom long, so it's a quick visit.

As of press time, no information about candidates has been released.

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# COUNTY LEGISLATURE UPDATE

Submitted by Dan Klein, County Legislator

The County Legislature has been hearing a lot about a proposed natural gas pipeline expansion in Dryden and Lansing. There have been residents of the area where the pipeline would run, and also environmental activists from Danby and elsewhere who have spoken out against this pipeline.

They argue that we should not be increasing infrastructure that will accelerate global warming and also increase markets for fracked gas. They say now is the time to draw the line and insist that future energy consumption does not add to global warming.

On the other side is the Tompkins County Chamber of Commerce and Tompkins County Area Development (TCAD) saying that we need increased gas capacity for businesses and homes in our county, which will be good for our local economy. They cite specific companies in our county, which most people agree provide good jobs, who want to expand their facilities and need more energy to do so.

It is questionable whether Tompkins County government has any real say in this decision, although there are related aspects concerning road permits and funding of TCAD. I have not yet decided what I think about all this, and feel I need more information and discussion. I am not ready to say that a new pipeline is automatically bad. In my experience, reality is not simplistic like that.

How would new businesses and homes be powered if natural gas is not available? Are those alternatives financially realistic? Are the alternatives genuinely better for the environment (for example, half of our electricity is generated by burning natural gas and a quarter is generated from nuclear power). What are the other implications of changing the rules for growth in that part of our county? Will stopping the pipeline actually result in any less greenhouse gas production or will the businesses and houses just go elsewhere and use the same amount of energy?

I believe that energy policy is central to environmental, economic, international, and social issues. I believe we need to find ways to reduce greenhouse gas. This pipeline issue is bringing these and other issues to the forefront, and I think that discussion is very valuable. I look forward to this discussion, to learning a lot, and to have the County act in a way that considers our future energy needs alongside all the other elements that affect our quality of life, now and in the future.

Contact: 607.272.7582 or [danbydan@hotmail.com]. \$

### West Danby Water District Update

Submitted by Tod Sukontarak, Water Commissioner

The District's water pump is in need of repair. We have a leaking shaft seal that is allowing water to come into the pump house.

The seal that is leaking is at the bottom of the pump shaft, approximately 250 feet below ground. Repairs will take the water pump offline for approximately three days to allow for the time required to remove the pump and shaft from the pump house and either replace it

with a temporary one or repair the existing one and reinstall it.

At our current water consumption rate, we would have five days of district use stored in our tank so the three days down should not be a problem.

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Moody & Associates of Meadville, PA is the company that diagnosed the cause of the leak, after

> we contacted them on the recommendation of the Newfield Water District. We will contract them to do the work at a time yet to be determined but, hopefully, soon. The plan is to be prepared for either work option based on what they find when they get the pump out. In the event that we use a temporary pump on loan from Moody, there will be another approximately 3-day pump down time period to remove it and return the repaired pump to service.

Hopefully, we won't have any major water leaks or fires while the pump is down. I will notify the Danby Fire District's fire companies of the pump repair schedule once it is determined. I have already notified the Tompkins County Health Department of our plan and will keep them informed of the work schedule as well.

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# SUPERVISOR'S UPDATE

Submitted by Ric Dietrich, Town Supervisor

Well, as I write I am also listening to the weather reports: some areas north of us are expecting to get seventy inches of snow and really cold weather.

My mind cannot imagine four to six feet of snow on the ground by the end of the week...and it's not even winter yet. I sent off an Email to the powers that be, to keep the winds blowing west to east, and not north to south.

If we were Watertown or Buffalo, I would have already thrown the budget out because the road maintenance costs would have eaten it up. Where do you put all this stuff?

Danby's Budget for 2015 is in and approved by the Town Board. I will fill you in in next Danby News. It was a busy budget season, what with getting the CHIPS report in and working on a year-end report to the State. Once we are on top of this I will give you some background on this coming years' finances.

Youth service contracts were an object of discussion during this last Board in November, along with the Town's Email policy. The final public hearing on the water district—which effectively concludes all interactions over the new West Danby water rebuild projectalso took place. As I mentioned in last month's report, we attend many county-sponsored events, and again invite you to read the minutes of the Council of Governments, which monitor the progress of projects we are engaged with.

Can you believe that Thanksgiving is almost here and, by the time you read this, I will probably be out there, still napping off the event.

For some things, time passes very quickly, while others are like molasses in sub-zero conditions. The Highway Department's boiler project is a good example. I always like to show competence and successful conclusions to projects that I put before the Town. Sadly, I have to say that the long-running problems so far have left me not very happy about how this project is working. What I can say, is that we have been working with all the entities evolved, including NYSERDA and should have their recommendations in hand before my next report to you.

I do remember a Thanksgiving in shirtsleeves on my back porch. There was lots of sun. What do you think this winter will bring? Should I get a snowmobile?

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

# DANBY SENIORS UPDATE

Submitted by Margie VanDeMark

There was a great turnout of 69 seniors at our November "Thanksgiving" luncheon on November 6. Big thanks go out to Linda Howe for spending the day in the kitchen cooking our turkey & gravy, and to the Cuyles and Pat Addy & Sunny Ameigh for hosting! Ted raffled off two turkeys as door prizes.

We started signing up for our December holiday luncheon at the Oasis on December 10. The luncheon features entertainment by Rich Wilson. Contact Margie, 607.273.8046, for information. Current officers will remain with the addition of a new travel committee.

Since our January normal meeting time is the New Year's Day holiday, we decided to meet instead on Thursday, January 8, at Noon in the Danby Federated Church. All seniors 55 and over are welcomed to attend.

### **Town Hours**

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#### A SNAPSHOT OF DANBY'S HISTORY Submitted by Julie Clougherty

Sitting on the table next to me as I write this, is a precious document--an old, rough-looking tome, three inches thick, loaned to me for the purpose of sharing some of the stories that lie hidden in its pages.

The book is the *Census of the State of New York for the year 1865*, one of those taken by the state every ten years from 1825 to 1875; then again in 1892; then again every ten years from 1905 to 1925. The 1865 census is especially useful for revealing some of the effects of the Civil War on the population of our state.

The Preface to the book notes that it presents, "indications of the effects of the war in the increased number of widows, and the reduced number of males within the ages liable to military service." It goes on to note that it was taken "under peculiar difficulties, occasioned by the late war." What an understatement! Basically, Enumerators (who until 1865 had been called Marshals) had their work cut out for them. Many people took them for army conscription agents, and this did not inspire cooperation.

There's plenty of detail about military service. Questions were asked of veterans and surviving family members about regiment, where and when and at what age they first entered the service, length of enlistment, rank, promotions, transfers, and if they were drafted or were a substitute. Even war injuries were enumerated, specifying loss of limbs, down to which actual limb was lost and which side of the body it came from. A final section with observations on the effect of war on farm wages, land value, and crime was included.

Valuable basic vital statistics are listed in the census, including the names of the individuals living in the home and their country, state, or county (in the case of native New Yorkers) of birth. Danby's 2,041 residents included people born in other states from Maine to Florida and even a Texan but, by far, the biggest numbers were from Massachusetts (48), Pennsylvania (49), New Jersey (76), and Connecticut (90). Foreignborn Danbyites in 1865 came from England, Ireland, Canada, Germany, and the West Indies.

The agricultural and occupational data in this old census is of special interest to me. In 1865, the job scene was quite different than it is today! The census gives us only county-level numbers, but the story is still rich. While there were 32 papermakers, 56 coopers, 67 physicians, 74 masons, 98 millers, 169 blacksmiths, and

### RARE CHANCE TO MEET TOM REED

Our local Congressman doesn't often wander down to Danby...but we have a rare chance to meet with him and maybe even ask questions on Saturday, December 13, 10:30am-Noon in the Town Hall.

His Congressional web page doesn't list any events beyond last April, but his office called just before the Danby News press time to reserve Danby's Town Hall for that date.

The Town Hall-style meeting will be open to the public—of all of Tompkins County and beyond—so get there early for a good seat! \$

4,062(!) farmers in the County in 1865, there were also 12 dentists, 10 brewers and distillers, 5 cooks, 5 builders, 4 nurses, and one each of musician, plumber, and miner. Oh, and 38 students, along with zero professors. To put it into perspective, the total population of the county in 1865 was just over 30,696, compared to today's 103,000.

What's the ratio in Danby of farmers to everyone else...today?

The 1865 census reveals wonderful agricultural details like how many pounds of butter Danby produced in 1864 (can you believe 161,486?), how many horses (not including colts) lived here in 1865 (632), and how many apple trees were in fruit in Danby (16,829). In that year, Danbyites produced over three tons of tobacco, more than a ton of hops, over 36,000 bushels of apples, and 278 gallons of maple syrup. And, unlike every other town in Tompkins County, none of Danby's thousands of sheep were killed by dogs that year.

There is truly much to be gleaned from this incredible document, from genealogical to sociological data (the section, *Additional Inquiries Relating to the Deaf and Dumb, Blind, Insane and Idiotic,* goes into the reported causes of insanity...truly fascinating stuff). Given the sweeping changes in rural life revealed by delving into the 1865 Census, I can only wonder what kinds of changes the one taken 150 years from now will reveal.

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#### GRATITUDE

Submitted by The West Danby Community Association: Mary Grace, Peter, Pat, Sally, Joel, and Alison

We had a record turnout for our Volunteer Firefighter Appreciation and Fundraising Dinner on October 25. It was wonderful to serve delicious fare to our valued volunteers, their families, and so many community members.

This event would not have been possible without the generous support of our sponsor Jay-Z Auto Repair. The folks at The Piggery, Indian Creek Orchard, and Little Tree Orchard provided delicious and local products, too. The winner of our 50-50 raffle, Colin Mc-Naull, generously donated back his winnings as well!

Our outstanding volunteers made the magic happen! Thank you Yeppi, Bill, Ted, Polley, Charlotte, Sarah, Christine, Augusto, Thompson, Blake, and Liam! And to those who brought delicious desserts—yum!

We can't wait to plan the next one!

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Supervisor Ric Dietrich presenting a Thank You Certificate to Water Commissioner Tod Sukontarak, for his hard work on the West Danby Water Tank Project. (photo: Ted Crane)

#### Caroling, continued from page 1—

associate with Christmas now in our book of lyrics. If there is a particular song you would like to do and you want to make sure we have the words for it, give me a call and I can let you know. We can add it in if it isn't there. Or, bring copies so we can all join in.

Musicians of all types, both vocalists and accompanists, are urged to attend. Bring some friends! Hot chocolate, fresh whole wheat bread and peanut butter, fruit, and some sweets provided. For more info, 607.564.7647 or [joelpgagnon@hotmail.com].

# TOWN SEEKING APPLICANTS

Have you ever thought about getting more involved in local government? It's not too soon to think about Board appointments for 2015.

The Danby Town Board will seek applications for several Boards and positions, including (among others):

- Planning Board
- Board of Zoning Appeals
- West Danby Water Commission
- Conservation Advisory Council
- Board of Assessment Review
- BZA Secretary
- Historian
- Webmaster

Persons interested in serving in these capacities should fill out an application (available at the Town Clerk's office) or write a letter of intent listing professional, educational, or other experience that would assist the applicant in serving and answering the following questions: Why you are interested in this position and what you hope to accomplish in this position. Include mailing and Email addresses and telephone contact information. More information about application deadlines will be in the January issue of the Danby Area News.

More information about each and any of these appointments is available at the office of the Town Clerk at the Danby Town Hall, 1830 Danby Road, Ithaca NY 14850 or [townclerk@town.danby.ny.us].



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# TOMPKINS TIME TRADERS

Submitted by Eric Banford

The previous Tompkins Time Traders (T3) gatherings in Danby Town Hall have been very successful, so we are planning another one for January 4, 4-7pm.

T3 is a not-for-profit community organization that provides a time exchange network of services and goods for all residents of Tompkins County, empowering individuals to utilize their skills and enhance their lives, neighborhood and community. Each person's time and service are valued equally.

4:30-5:30 Orientation Session 5:30-6:30 Potluck and Trade Connection Session

There's no obligation to join, come out to learn about it and share in a nice potluck with your neighbors! For more information: [tompkinstimetraders.net].

### **EVENTS 'ROUND TOWN**

This column appears monthly, featuring brief descriptions of events—current and upcoming months—around Danby. If you have a non-profit event that the general public is invited to...send a notice to the Danby News!

#### Community Thanksgiving Dinner

The Big Bird—fried turkey with all the fixings—returns to Danby's Federated Church on Saturday, November 29, Noon-2pm. For Free! Join your neighbors.

At the Danby Federated Church, 1859 Danby Road.

#### Chicken and Biscuit Dinner

- The smaller bird with biscuit, mashed potatos, vege-
- tables, rolls, dessert, and beverage. \$9. December 12, Friday, 5-7pm. Also at the DFC.

#### The Giving Tree

A local tradition, it's a tree deorated with warm hats, scarves & mittens for children, all to be distributed during the Food Pantry on December 19. Deadline to give items is Monday, December 15, also at the DFC.

#### **Bake Sale**

And jut when you thought you couldn't eat another bite, you return to the DFC for its Bake Sale on Friday, December 19 (5-7pm) and Saturday, December 20 (10am-2pm). These tasties will tide you through the rest of the year!

# Evergreen Wreath-Making

Submitted by Pat Curran

Make a beautiful evergreen wreath to decorate your home for the holidays! Fresh-cut greens, ring, wires, and ribbons supplied. Bring any special decorating materials you like to personalize your wreath. Wear casual clothes and bring pruning shears, scissors, and gloves.

If you have never made a wreath before, you should sign up for the Sautrday morning session, at which Master Gardener volunteers will include how-to instructions.

Two sessions will be held: Friday, December 5, 6:30-8:30pm, for people who have made wreaths before, and Saturday, December 6, 10am-Noon, for people who have never made a wreath. The fee for each session is \$18, Pre-registration and prepayment are required.

Both sessions will be held at the Tompkins County Cornell Cooperative Extension Education Center, 615 Willow Avenue, Ithaca. Please call 607.272.2292 for more information or registration.

### FLYWESTPRIMS IS OPEN

Submitted by Marrell Cortright

Here's the word about a new local store! *FlyWestPrims* opened in late October. We carry handmade items from here on Hillview Road in West Danby.

Quilts, hand loomed rugs, wool vests, notecards, wool penny rugs, primitive home decor plus local honey, syrup, jelly, hand dipped tapers and soap. We have the Bald hill history books and the West Danby bumper sticker.

Now that the holiday season is upon us, we also have hand knitted socks, mittens and hats. Christmas quilts and homemade ornaments. Hand woven scarves and vintage jewelry.

We are located on our farm at 89 Hillview Road in West Danby. Look for the building with the bright red roof! From mid-April to the end of December, our hours are Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, 10am-5pm, and Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday by chance or appointment.

Contact us at 607.319.6166 (store), 607.564.0020 (home), [flywestprims@aol.com], and on Facebook.

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# Community Council Youth Programs

#### Jump into the Fall!

Submitted by Karlita Bleam, Danby Youth Program Manager

Welcome all to another wonderful season of Danby Youth programming. This fall we will be running three programs, Primitive Pursuits, Gifting Up the Cycle: a lesson in Up-Cycling, and Harvesting at the Youth Farm. Transportation by bus to the program locations will be provided from South Hill and Boynton schools.

If you would like to contribute your thoughts and insights regarding Danby's youth population so that the Danby Youth Program can better meet the town's needs please complete the survey at [surveymonkey. com/s/LVRXWGQ]. Your answers will be completely anonymous.

For more information about programs visit our web site, [ccetompkins.org/4h/rural-youth-services/danby]orcontact me at [kb578@cornell.edu] or 607.272.2292.X222. I hope to see you soon!

#### Primitive Pursuits–Grade 3 to 8

Tuesdays, September 30-December 2, 2:30-5:30pm (except 10/28 and 11/11) June Pollack's (43 Hornbrook Road)

Learn ancestral living skills such as shelter building, native crafts and nature awareness. Explore the outdoors, go hiking and get moving! Please dress for the



weather of the day (including rain and snow), wear clothes that can get dirty and bring a water bottle! Bus is available from South Hill Elementary and Boynton Middle School.

Gifting Up the Cycle: Up-Cycling–Grades 3 to 8 Wednesdays, October 1-December 3, 2:30-5:30pm Location to be determined

While recycling is the process of changing waste materials into new goods, Upcycling is the process of converting waste materials or useless products into new materials or products. In this program we will explore the ways that seemingly useless items can be altered to become useful again. Creativity is the key word for this program. What will you create? Bus is available from South Hill Elementary and Boynton Middle School. \$

### DANBY COMMUNITY LIBRARY

Submitted by Patti Meyers

Do you use social media? All I know about it I learned from my kids. Terms such as "like" have taken on new meaning.

I really liked reading Garth Stein's book *The Art of Racing in the Rain* so I ordered his new book, *A Sudden Light* for the Danby Library and, guess what? I "like" it! It is about family, history, spirits, the timber industry in Seattle...it's a great read and I highly recommend it.

So what authors, titles or movies do you "like"? Let us know what your wish list is, so we can guide our buying for the library. New at the library?

- Board books for babies and toddlers
- New collection of juvenile fiction and nonfiction from Tompkins County Public Library
- On DVD: Maleficent, How to Train Your Dragon 2, and Jersey Boys
- *Lucky Us* by Amy Bloom
- Gray Mountain by John Grisham
- *The Handsome Man's Deluxe Cafe* by Alexander Mc-Call Smith
- Lila by Marilynne Robinson

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# Danby Area News: Event Calendar

Nov 29 • Sat Noon-2pm A Danby Federated Church Community Thanksgiving Dinner. Free! Dec 4 • Thu Seniors: moved to December 10

7pm 🙀 Town Hall • Danby Community Council

Dec 6 • Sat

9am 🕰 Town Hall • Library Volunteers Meeting 5:15pm 🙀 Amer Legion • Steak Dinner

Dec 8 • 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

Dec 9 • Tue

5-9pm 🙀 Danby and West Danby Fire Halls Fire District Election 7pm 🙀 West Danby Fire Hall • Fire District Meeting

Dec 10 • Wed

Noon 🕰 Oasis • Seniors Holiday Luncheon

Dec 12 • Fri 5-7pm 👜 Danby Federated Church Chicken and Biscuit Dinner

Dec 13 • Sat 10:30am 🕰 Town Hall **Town Hall Meeting with Tom Reed** 

Dec 14 • Sun

Noon-3pm 🙀 Town Hall UpCycle - Youth recycling/craft sale 3pm 🙀 Town Hall DCC Concert: Dee Specker and Bob Walpole

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Dec 15 • Mon 7pm 🙀 Town Hall • Town Board Meeting

Dec 16 • Tue

7:30pm 🙀 West Danby Fire Hall • Fire District Meeting

Dec 18 • Thu 3-6pm 🔁 Danby Federated Church • Food Pantry 7pm 🙀 Town Hall • Planning Board Meeting 7:30pm 🕰 Oasis • Park Association Meeting Dec 19/20 🕰 Danby Federated Church 5-7pm Fri: Bake Sale 10am-2pm Sat: Bake Sale Dec 19 • Fri 5:15pm 🙀 Amer Legion • Fish Dinner Dec 21 • Sun 3pm 🙀 2086 West Danby Road • Seasonal Caroling Dec 22 • Mon Mobile Food Truck Cancelled 7pm 🙀 Town Hall • Conservation Adv Council Mtg Jan 1 • Thu Seniors: moved to January 8 7pm 🙀 Town Hall • Danby Community Council Jan 4 • Sun 4-7pm 🙀 Town Hall • Tompkins Time Traders Jul 11, 2015 • 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