

Lyons Falls ALIVE

Newsletter of upcoming events and activities



Community Award

Jim and Chris
Chauffy honored

Small Business Spotlight



Have you heard of
HumbleBee Farms?

Upcoming Project: Veterans Banners

Lots of great things coming up in addition to Festival, working on Veteran's Banners



Santa Claus is coming to town!

Santa will be delivering gifts to kids throughout the village on DEC 10th. The adventure will begin at noon so that everyone can attend the Community Choir Concert at Forrest Presbyterian that evening (see attached map for details).

His progress will be updated via Lyons Falls ALIVE on Facebook

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SANTA

December 10th
Starting at noon
(Thank you Fireman/
Auxiliary)

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DECK THE FALLS

House decorations will
be judged the week of
Dec 17

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MEETING CHANGES

Alive meetings will be
quarterly and at the
Lyons Falls Library

The Annual Village Decorating Contest has returned

It's time for Deck the Falls 2023!!! It is the most wonderful time of the year! Once again, Lyons Falls ALIVE will be sponsoring its "Deck The Falls" house decorating competition. There will be prizes for the best house decorations but also, NEW THIS YEAR, there will be a special award to the BUSINESS that is decorated with the most festive cheer! No need to register, just decorate your home/business within the 13368 zip code and the elves will venture around Christmas week to select the winners.



FOCUS FOR 2024- Veterans Banners

ALIVE has a big project planned for the coming year. We will be moving ahead on our downtown adornment of the light poles with Veteran Banners. More information will be coming shortly.



ALIVE MEETING UPDATES

ALIVE will now be meeting QUARTERLY and as needed for special events. All meetings will be held at the Lyons Falls Library and are open to the public. New ideas and members are welcomed as we organize and plan community events that will strengthen our little village.

Mark your calendars for February 14th, May 8th, August 14th, and October 9th. Meetings begin at 5pm and last under an hour.

VILLAGE BOARD MEETING UPDATES

The December and January Village Board meeting dates have been changed. The next meeting is November 27th. December's meeting will be Dec. 18th and January's meeting will be January 29th. The meetings are held at the Village office, 4059 Cherry Street at 6:00 pm.



[Chafty's awarded honors at Older New Yorkers Day](#)

Several awardees across New York state were honored on Older New Yorkers' Day, Nov. 3. Among the honorees were Lewis County residents James and Christine Chafty. James and Christine go above and beyond to help people in their community, especially older adults who may not have any family or support. They volunteer for seven different organizations between the two of them, including the food pantry, St. Martin's Church, Salvation Army Red Kettle, Lyons Falls ALIVE, fundraising dinners at St. John's Catholic Church, and the Knights of Columbus. (See more [here](#))



[Small Business SPOTLIGHT](#)

HUMBLEBEE FARMS in downtown Lyons Falls began operating last spring.

The Cunninghams purchased their entire system, ready to operate, from a Massachusetts company called Freight Farms. It is a hydroponic system, meaning that plants are grown with a water-based nutrient solution rather than soil. The mineral-rich water is circulated through a sponge-like medium attached to the grow panels. This material is also where the roots embed themselves.

Their operation provides a stark contrast to the industrial farms that supply most grocery



stores. For example, everything produced by the Freight Farm is harvested and sold to locals all in the same day, while mass-produced vegetables are shipped across the continent, over the course of several days. (See more information [here](#))

Customers order online and pick up on Thursdays at the farm from 10 a.m. to noon, and at the Lewis County Fairgrounds from 3:30 to 6 p.m. (See more information [here](#))

COMMUNITY CORNER!!

Christmas Bazaar on December 2nd at the Port Leyden Fire hall from 10am-3pm. Benefits will go to the food pantry.

Happening at the Library: We have a family Christmas party on 12/16 and we are doing a tabletop tree decorating contest starting Friday with voting happening during the party.

December 9, 2023, Forest church will have their Christmas give away. People need to register to take part by calling Kathy Huzzy at [315-348-8119](tel:315-348-8119)

RT Federal Credit Union will be hosting a Community Education on Fraud Event next Tuesday, December 5, 2023. The event will take place at its original location: 3 Willows Event Center in Lyons Falls, NY from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. Call for more details: 315-336-7810.

South Lewis will again sponsor the Operation Christmas Spirit event. This will again be a drive through Christmas tour through one of the bus garage bays that is festively decorated with characters on hand and candy canes to distribute.

As we look toward this year and have a target date of the evening of Thursday, December 21st.

**Tentative Route
FOR SANTA**
Dec 10th
Starting at noon and ending at the
Village Christmas Tree (by
Community Bank)

