

Monthly Newsletter



Falls Festival planning has begun— HELP NEEDED!

Welcome to this month's edition of our ALIVE newsletter! As we embrace the promise of spring, we're excited to invite both long-time members and new attendees to join us at the upcoming meeting on April 6th at 5 PM in the Library Community Room. This gathering is your chance to help shape the spirit and success of our July 5th Falls Festival—a celebration that truly reflects the creativity and warmth of our small community. Whether you're sharing fresh ideas or bringing tried-and-true traditions, your voice is key to making this festival a memorable event for all.

We deeply appreciate the ongoing commitment and neighborly kindness that makes our village such a welcoming place. By coming together at the meeting, we not only plan a fantastic festival but also strengthen the bonds that tie us as a community. Let's celebrate our shared values and work hand-in-hand to continue being the great neighbors we are, ensuring that every event is a testament to our collective spirit and gratitude. We look forward to seeing you there and making a difference together!

Anne Huntress
ALIVE President

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LYONS FALLS ALIVE RECEIVES GRANT

The Northern New York Community Foundation has approved the following grant to Lyons Falls ALIVE: \$1,100.00 from the LEAD Impact Grant Program designated as support to provide coupons to children to purchase fruits and vegetables at their seasonal market. Each week families with children will be given \$4.00 coupons to purchase vegetables and fruits from any of the farmer vendors at the market. There are no financial criteria, just a family with children living at home. The program is called "Coupons for Kids".

The Lyons Falls ALIVE Farmers' & Crafters Market is scheduled to open June 10, 2025, 11 am to 4 pm, as usual at Riverside Park, Laura Street, Lyons Falls. If you or someone you know would like to be a farmer or baker vendor at the market please contact Katie Liendecker, 315-348-8744, or cliendecker@gmail.com. If you are a crafter and would like to be a vendor please contact Patty Corey, 315-348-6590, or lucycatmcalpine@icloud.com

Second USDA-certified meat packing plant coming to Lewis County-from WWNYTV7

TOWN OF LYONSDALE, New York (WWNY) - A second USDA-certified meat packing plant is planning to move into Lewis County.

In 2019, the former ReEnergy biomass plant was torn down in the town of Lyonsdale. It has sat empty waiting for plans to come together for a USDA-certified meatpacking plant.

McRez Packing International will be the second USDA-certified meat packing plant in the county, joining Red Barn Meats, which is located just outside of Croghan. USDA-Certified ensures its products are safe and sanitary for its consumers.

Naturally Lewis Director of Development Cheyenne Steria says this could create 40 jobs when the plant is finished, which could trickle down to benefit farmers. "Not only would we have more jobs at the plant directly but it would have a ripple effect on area farmers," she said.

There is no start date for when the developer will begin breaking ground, but Steria is hoping it will start soon.



St. John's and St. Martin's Catholic Churches are having an Easter Raffle

Drawing will be Sunday, April 13th

Prizes:

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| 1. Easter Egg (\$) Money Basket | 6. Homemade Easter Cookies |
| 2. Easter Egg (\$) Money Basket | 7. Easter Basket for Adults. |
| 3. Easter Ham | 8. Easter Basket for Kids. |
| 4. Lisk's Floral Gift Certificate. | 9. Box of Croghan Candy |
| 5. Marino's Gift Certificate. | |

Tickets: \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00

For Tickets call: Kathy 315 348 8577 or Stacy 315 348 5138

Seeking Stories About Our Local River Monster!

Do you have a tale to tell about the mysterious river monster said to inhabit our local waters? Anne Huntress has received the SLCA Individual Artist Grant for 2025. She is collecting stories for an upcoming book, and is looking for any accounts—whether passed down through generations or more recent sightings—that might shed light on our legendary creature. If you've heard whispers of strange occurrences by the river or have your own spine-tingling story to share, she'd love to hear from you.

Please note: This will not be a historical account. Anne is writing a children-middle grade, fictional tale about a young boy who hears about the creature, does some research to help in his hunt, and adventures around the village in hopes of finding the mysterious monster. He will make a few new friends and, along with his trusty pet turtle, may or may not actually find our friendly village protector.

This is a unique opportunity to contribute to a piece of local folklore and help create the narrative of an actual novel! Please reach out with your stories or any information you might have—who knows, your experience could become part of a legendary tale for future generations! (anne.huntress@yahoo.com)



An example of a Giant Sturgeon captured. Today, the Lake Sturgeons found in the Great Lakes region are being considered for the endangered species list.

Community Choir is preparing for the Eater Season

Rehearsals start at 1:30 pm on March 9th for a 4pm April 6th performance of A MOST AMAZING MAN including songs from Godspell and Jesus Christ Superstar. Rehearsals and the performance are at the Lowville Presbyterian Church. All singers are welcome! Contact pegandterry@gmail.com if interested.

HAPPENINGS IN OUR AREA!

Growing up in Constableville In the 1960s

Come and hear what it was like living in our village 60 years ago. Have things changed?? Bring your own stories!

Presented by Village Historian

Peter Hayes

Saturday March 8, 2025 11 AM ... FREE

Constableville Volunteer Fire Department



ALL YOU CAN EAT BREAKFAST BUFFET

CONSTABLEVILLE VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY
& CONSTABLEVILLE AMBULANCE COMPANY

January 26, 2025
February 23, 2025
March 23, 2025

ADULTS: \$14
AGES 6-12: \$9
Kids 5 & under: FREE



BASKET RAFFLE

AND

LOCAL STUDENT ART SHOW



3918 High Street
Lyons Falls, NY 13368
(315) 348-6180

MARCH 18 - 29

Visit us during library hours!
Tuesday & Wednesday: 3 - 7PM
Thursday & Friday: 1 - 5PM
Saturday: 8AM - 12PM

\$5 per raffle card = 25 tickets plus 1 door prize ticket

We will host an art show reception with light refreshments on March 18 from 5:30 to 7PM. Please join us!

Drawing will be held Saturday, March 29th at 11:30am. Winners will be called to pick up their prizes during library hours in the month of April.

RAFFLE PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT THE GENERAL LIBRARY FUND



COMMUNITY RENEWABLES & CLEAN HEATING Presentation



Speaker:
CARSON SCHWEINSBERG
Energy Advisor

About the Presentation:

- No sign up is needed, just stop by! Its free!
- Join for free energy saving giveaways!
- Come learn about community solar & hydro!
- Come learn about heat pumps!

CONTACT INFO

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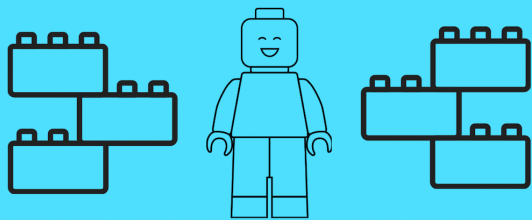
📅 March 6th, 2025

📍 Lyons Falls Free Library
3918 High St, Lyons Falls, NY 13368

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LEGO DAY



Friday, Mar. 14

2PM - 5PM

Open to all children and their caregivers.
Use our blocks and LEGO books!



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OPEN MIC JAM



TUESDAY, MAR. 11

5PM-7PM

Bring an instrument, a friend, or just come to sing along! Tasteful content of any kind is welcome.
This is a family-friendly event.



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