May 2024

Lyons Falls ALIVE

Newsletter of upcoming events and activities

MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW!

Falls Festival will be JULY 6TH



We are once again planning a parade, amazing car show, kids' games, kickball tournament, Firemen's Food and BBQ, live music, and FIREWORKS!

This is turning out to be MUCH BIGGER than in previous years. Come one, come all. If you were thinking of going elsewhere for the July 4th weekend, don't! Bring your family event here!

We could, however, use lots of help. The only way to make this wonderful village event possible is for the community to come out and get involved. If you are willing to volunteer a few hours, please contact Anne Huntress at (315)783-1947



YARD SALE DAY

Will be June 1st! Start getting stuff together now!



FALLS FESTIVAL

Mark your calendar for JULY 6th Games, food, & fireworks



BAND AT THE PARK

The Patti Stanford Band will be LIVE at the Park on July 13th from 6-9pm!



NY Forward Grant

Has been submitted announcement of awards coming soon.



Upcoming Project: Veterans Banners

Plans are in the works for Veteran's Banners. We are figuring out final cost before accepting applications



Farmers Market

Our wonderful Market will open on June 11th

The Patti Stanford Band is coming to LYONS FALLS on July 13th!!

The Patti Stanford band is coming to Lyons Falls for the first time ever! Mark your calendars now for July 13 from 6-9 pm at Riverside Park in Lyons Falls. There will be food, prize drawings, basket raffles, and much more! Bring a chair and your dancing shoes! It's also Chris Chaufty's 70th birthday. Let's help her celebrate! She will have cake for everyone!!



SEE A PROBLEM, TRY TO SOLVE IT....IGGY THE SNAKE NEEDED HELP FROM HIBERNATION

Many thanks and appreciation to all the kids and teens that helped to



beautify our village on Earth Day!. Not only was the Fitness Trail cleared, parks cleaned of garbage and Little Library organized, but Iggy was helped out of his winter hibernation! Please stop by McAlpine Street hill to visit him and add your own painted rocks to help him grow even more this summer!



Lyons Falls Farmers & Crafters Market



Lyons Falls ALIVE Farmers' & Crafter's Market Opening SOON

The opening day of the market is June 11th, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., every Tuesday until the last market day, October 1st. The market will have fresh vegetables, fruits, baked goods, meats, fish, cheeses, and a vast variety of craft items.

The market will continue to participate in the SNAP/EBT program so eligible customers can purchase eggs, meats, vegetables, fruits, and baked goods. Come to the market booth in the pavilion to use your EBT card and obtain tokens to purchase goods. Our market also participates in Fresh Connect NYS Coupons. When a SNAP customer obtains \$5 worth of tokens, they also get a \$5 Fresh Connect Coupon to purchase their foods at our market, with a capped amount of \$50 per market day. The Lyons Falls Farmers' Market is the only farmers' market participating in the SNAP program in Lewis County.

Lyons Falls ALIVE was awarded \$800 from **Stewart's Holiday Match** to help support activities for children. The Market will be using \$200 of that award to give \$4 coupons to children to purchase fruits & vegetables at our market. The "coupons for kids" was a huge success last year. It was heartfelt to see the kids excited to purchase fruits and vegetables. We will be looking for other grants for our "coupons for kids" project.

The Lyons Falls Market Vendors also participate in the FMNP (Farmers' Market Nutrition Program) for seniors, WIC, and veterans, for the purchase of fruits & vegetables. FMNP Senior coupons are given out by Office for the Aging sometime in June at various sites. No dates of distribution have been released.

Patty Corey is the manager of crafters, if you have any questions please contact her at lucycatmcalpine@icloud.com Katie Liendecker is the manager of farmers, bakers, and nonprofit groups, if you have any questions contact her at cliendecker@gmail.com

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 UPDATE

The park Pavilion can be reserved by contacting the Village Office at 315-348-5081 or emailing the village clerk at clerk@lyonsfallsconnects.com

There will be a \$100 DEPOSIT at the time of booking.

The pavilion will be available May 1st (when bathrooms are opened for the season) through October 3rd (when bathrooms are winterized)



Small Business SPOTLIGHT



Little Friends Veterinary Services is our local, family owned and operated veterinary hospital. We are happy to continue caring for pets and families in a safe, comforting environment. We are open for all appointments including wellness visits, immunizations, illness and emergencies, puppy and kitten visits and feline surgical services including our community spay and neuter program and feline dentistry, as well as limited canine surgical services.

At Little Friends, you will always have the same doctor and friendly, caring staff for your pets. For your pet's visit, you will receive a FULL HALF-HOUR with the doctor, not just 15 or 20 minutes! We strive to provide a safe and calm environment with a focus on what is best for your pets and family. Contact us today!

Our appointments fill quickly, so be sure to call ahead. Contact us by phone, email or text and please be sure to leave a message if you call - we may be busy with another patient and we will do our very best to call you back as soon as we can. We are also very excited to offer text messaging services! Text us at

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.



Village-wide Yard Sale Day JUNE 1st!

ALIVE is once again sponsoring Village-wide YARD SALE DAY on the first Saturday of June.

If you are planning on having a sale or need the motivation to get organized, please SIGN UP AT THE LIBRARY and have your sale on JUNE 1st!

This event is more successful for everyone if there are many sales going on. Bonus: We will do the advertising for you!

Maps will be available at the joint Firemen's Auxiliary/Library BBQ (in the park) at St. John's Sales (at the church). If you don't have your own sale but want to donate items to ALIVE'S Annual Sale, contact Anne Huntress about drop-off locations.

COMMUNITY CORNER!!

Library events for May

(all programs are free)
Saturday, May 11th: Journaling for
Beginners, all ages, 10am, Please
sign up ahead of time.

Friday, May 17th: Senior Planet Finding Information Online, designed for older adults, 2pm, Please sign up ahead of time.

Friday, May 24th: Lego Club, school-aged children and their adults, 3:45pm

Wednesday, May 29th: Native Plant
Gardening with Dani Baker, author
visit and presentation, 6pm, adults
& teens

Community YARD SALES

Turin & Constableville May 4th

Lyons Falls
June 1st

Port Leyden June 8th

Continual Can Drive

Keep bringing your cans to
CASH FOR CANS on
Walker Road.
They have generously
agreed to continually accept
redeemable cans for ALIVE.
All proceeds go towards the
July Fireworks!

Forest Presbyterian Church

The Thrift Store was awarded \$250 from **STEWART'S MATCH** to be used for annual winter coat giveaway

The church was awarded \$2000 from Utica Presbytery to help with the "Caring Hearts program delivering food to those in need

Forest Finds will be having their annual basket auction at the Lyons Falls ALIVE Festival (Saturday, July 6). This year Forest Finds will be partnering with other groups to obtain baskets/gift certificates. All the proceeds will be donated to ALIVE for the fireworks. If you would like to volunteer with the auction or donate an item please contact Katie Liendecker at

cliendecker@gmail.com or 315-348-8744.