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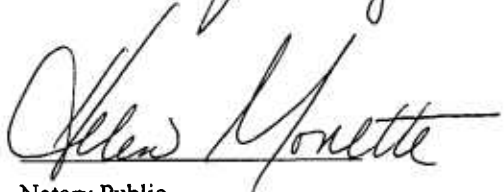
WILLIAM W. KWASNIEWSKI, being duly sworn, says that he is the publisher of the West Winfield STAR, a newspaper printed and published at West Winfield, county and state aforesaid; and that a public notice of which is annexed is a copy (cut from the columns of said paper), has been regularly published in said paper once each week for 4 successive week(s). commencing on the 3rd day of JANUARY, 20 07.



William W. Kwasniewski

Sworn to before me, this

24th day of January
2007.



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On January 11th, Cub Scout Pack 21 of West Winfield had the opportunity to listen to Boy Scout Leader Ticker Twichell. He told them all the exciting things they would get the chance to experience once they crossed over to his troop. Joining him were Eagle Scouts Kreg Kosmoski and Jedediah Twichell.

Herkimer County Issues Warnings about Carbon Monoxide Poisoning

Herkimer County Director of Emergency Services Robert Vandawalker and Public Health Director, Gregory O'Keefe have issued strong reminders to Herkimer County residents about the dangers of illness or death from carbon monoxide. Vandawalker said: "An emergency generator, or space heater, improperly installed can lead to carbon monoxide poisoning. If anyone has any questions about this type of installation, they should call their fire department for advice or inspection. If there is any doubt, be very cautious before using a device that might risk the lives of your family". Dr. O'Keefe echoed that warning: "Every year, many people, often the very young or elderly, die from carbon monoxide poisoning. Usually it is because an emergency heater, or cooking, or a generator is set up, improperly in a garage or the home. People with heart and lung ailments are the most at risk, and the only symptoms may be sleepiness or headache. Be alert and consider carbon monoxide before you use these devices." Vandawalker added that "carbon monoxide detectors are available and would be lifesaving, to detect the odorless, colorless, poisonous gas". Generators, grills, camp stoves, or other gasoline, propane, natural gas, or charcoal-burning devices should never be

used inside a home, basement, garage, or camper - or even outside near an open window. Every home should have at least one working carbon monoxide detector. The detector's batteries should be checked twice annually, at the same time smoke detector batteries are checked. When power outages occur during emergencies such as hurricanes or winter storms, the use of alternative sources of fuel or electricity for heating, cooling, or cooking can cause CO to build up in a home, garage, or camper and to poison the people and animals inside.

All people and animals are at risk for CO poisoning. Certain groups — unborn babies, infants, and people with chronic heart disease, anemia, or respiratory problems — are more susceptible to its effects. Each year, more than 500 Americans die from unintentional CO

poisoning, and more than 2,000 commit suicide by intentionally poisoning themselves.

CO is found in combustion fumes, such as those produced by small gasoline engines, stoves, generators, lanterns, and gas ranges, or by burning charcoal and wood. CO from these sources can build up in enclosed or partially enclosed spaces. People and animals in these spaces can be poisoned and can

die from breathing CO.

Exposure to CO can cause loss of consciousness and death. The most common symptoms of CO poisoning are headache, dizziness, weakness, nausea, vomiting, chest pain, and confusion. People who are sleeping or who have been drinking alcohol can die from CO poisoning before ever having symptoms.

Important CO Poisoning Prevention Tips

- Never use a gas range or oven to heat a home.
- Never use a charcoal grill, hibachi, lantern, or portable camping stove inside a home, tent, or camper.
- Never run a generator, pressure washer, or any gasoline-powered engine inside a basement, garage, or other enclosed structure, even if the doors or windows are open, unless the equipment is professionally installed and vented. Keep vents and flues free of debris, especially if winds are high. Flying debris can block ventilation lines.
- Never run a motor vehicle, generator, pressure washer, or any gasoline-powered engine outside an open window, door, or vent where exhaust can vent into an enclosed area.
- Never leave the motor running in a vehicle parked in an enclosed or partially enclosed space, such as a garage.
- If conditions are too hot or too cold, seek shelter with friends or at a community shelter.
- If CO poisoning is suspected, consult a health care professional right away.

More information on Carbon Monoxide Poisoning is available on the Internet, including CO Poisoning Prevention Guidelines <http://www.cdc.gov/co/guidelines.htm>

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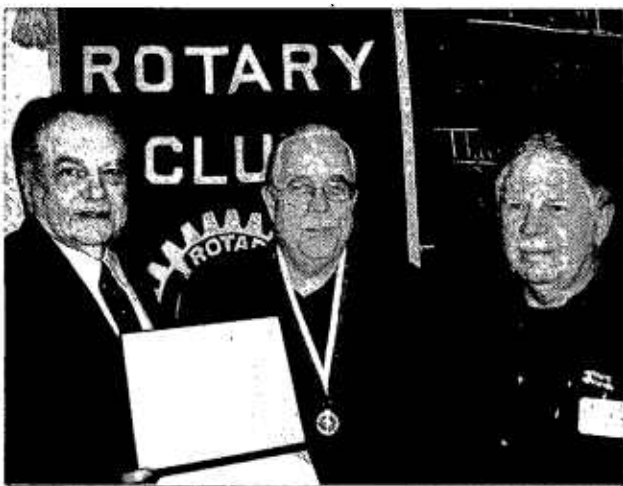
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Left to right: Frank Peo, Club Foundation Chair, Past President Carl Wheat and Club President Walter Will.

Past President Carl Wheat Presented with Paul Harris Fellow Recognition

At the West Winfield Rotary Club Christmas Party January 6, 2007, at the Horned Dorset Restaurant, the Rotary Club honored Past Club President (2005-2006) Carl Wheat, with the recognition as a Paul Harris Fellow.

Club Foundation Chair Frank Peo and Club President Walter Will presented the Paul Harris certificate, lapel pin and medallion to Carl. The distinctive Paul Harris medallion, lapel pin and certificate, are highly respected symbols of a substantial financial commitment to the Rotary Foundation.

Paul Harris was the founder and organizer of the first Rotary Club in Chicago in 1905. Paul Harris Fellow recognition provides a very important incentive for the continuing support needed to underwrite the many programs of the Rotary Foundation that build goodwill and understanding in the world.

The Rotary Club thanked Carl for a great year as President.

January Testing Schedule

Tuesday (1/23) through Friday (1/26) will be testing days for Senior High School Students. Only students scheduled to take an exam will be attending school these days. If a student has an exam in the afternoon, but not in the morning and has no transportation at noon, they MUST ride the bus into school that morning. Any student doing this will be required to remain in the library area which will be run as a restricted study hall. The gym will not be available as it will be used for testing. Buses will not pick up students for exams at noon. Buses will run at noon to take students home if they have no afternoon exams. Transportation will be provided to and from BOCES during the a.m. and p.m. for students who do not have exams scheduled. The exam schedule is published below. Exam times are: Morning exams begin at: 8:45 a.m. Afternoon exams begin at: 12:15 p.m. Students have 3 hours for each exam. The earliest any student can be released from AM exams is 10:00 and PM exams is 2:00. Students are not allowed to carry backpacks into the building during exam week. Leave them at home: If they are brought to school with the student, they will have to be left in the hallway near the auditorium during exam time. Lunch will be served for anyone who wishes to buy. If you have any questions, please call the high school. **THERE WILL BE A REGULAR DAY OF SCHOOL ON MONDAY, 1/22, FOR ALL STUDENTS!!**

DATE OF EXAM	ROOM
Tuesday AM, 1/23 8:45 - 11:45	
RCT Writing	Spec Ed
RE Global History & Geography	B102
English 9 - Midterm	Gym
Drama - Final	Auditorium

College American History	B153
Tuesday PM, 1/23 12:15-3:15	
Comprehensive English I	Cafe
RCT Mathematics	Spec Ed
Pre-Algebra Midterm	Gym
Math A2 - 2nd yr Midterm	Gym
Wednesday AM, 1/24 8:45 - 11:45	
Comprehensive French	B139
Comprehensive Spanish	B141
RE Earth Science	C110
RCT US History & Govt	Spec Ed
Health Presentations	B153
Math B Midterm	Gym
Algebra Midterm	Gym
Pre-Calculus Final	Gym
Calculus Final	Gym
Wednesday PM, 1/24 12:15 - 3:15	
Comprehensive English II	Cafe
English 10 & 11 Midterm	Gym
RCT Science	Spec Ed
Thursday AM, 1/25 8:45 - 11:45	
RE U.S. History & Govt	B102
RCT Reading	Spec Ed
Health Presentations	B153
Thursday PM, 1/25 12:15 - 3:15	
RE Mathematics A	Gym
RE Chemistry	B153
RE Physics	B153
Friday AM, 1/26 8:45-- 11:45	
RE Living Environment	C112
RE Mathematics B	B145
RCT Global History	Spec Ed

HELP WANTED

PERSONNEL CLERK

The Herkimer County Personnel Office seeks applicants for this full time position having responsibility for the performance of varied clerical tasks requiring the exercise of judgment and an understanding of personnel agency procedures and policies. Human resource office experience is preferred. Minimum qualifications are possession of an associate's degree in business or secretarial studies plus one year of clerical experience involving the human resource function or three years of clerical experience of which one year must have involved the human resource function or an equivalent combination of training and experience. A detailed job description may be obtained at the Herkimer County Personnel Department or on our website at www.herkimercounty.org. Position is subject to competitive civil service examination. Herkimer County residency is required. Letters of application and resumes must be received by January 26, 2007. Please mail resumes to: Herkimer County Personnel Office, 109 Mary St., Suite 1304, Herkimer, NY 13350 Attn: Steve Billings, Personnel Officer.



MT. MARKHAM OPTIMIST hosted their annual Indoor Soccer Tournament for Boys on Sunday, Jan. 21. According to event coordinator Ray Sullivan, eight teams took part in the 5 on 5 tournaments, one each in morning and afternoon, coming from Mt. Markham, Poland, Oppenheim, Mohawk, Rome, and Westmoreland. The Girls Tournament will be played March 11. Above: Warming up on Sunday morning.

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Cervical Cancer Awareness Night

Stay ahead of cervical cancer with regular Pap tests

It is estimated that close to 10,000 women in this country will be diagnosed with cervical cancer in 2007. Nearly 4,000 women will die from the disease. Yet, when caught early, cervical cancer is almost 100% curable. The problem is that early cervical pre-cancers or cancers often have no signs or symptoms. This is why it is so important for all women to get screened regularly. January is Cervical Cancer Awareness Month and the goal is to educate women and reduce the number of cervical cancer deaths by encouraging women to receive regular Pap tests.

Learn more and sign up for a cervical cancer screening at Bassett Healthcare's Cervical Cancer Awareness Night at the Herkimer Wal-Mart January 19 from 4 - 7 p.m. A Bassett nurse practitioner will be on hand to answer questions and distribute information about cervical cancer prevention and the HPV vaccine. A sign-up will be available for women who'd like to take advantage of having a Pap test done in a location convenient to them. Representatives from the Healthy Living Partnership and Family Planning Benefit will also be on hand. There are certain issues that seem to make a woman more susceptible to developing cervical cancer. HPV or Human Papilloma Virus causes about 99.7% of cervical cancers. It is also one of the most common sexually transmitted diseases in the United States. The onset of intercourse at a young age often means a woman will have multiple sexual partners, therefore increasing her chance of an HPV infection.

A Pap test is a simple screening test that can help identify abnormal cells on the cervix. The American Cancer Society and the American College of Obstetrics and Gynecology recommend that a woman should begin having a yearly Pap test about three years after she starts having intercourse, but no later than age 21. Testing for HPV with a normal result in women under 30 years of age is not necessary as most

women will have been exposed to and cleared the virus by age 30. If a woman has an atypical Pap result, HPV testing should be performed. If the result shows a higher grade abnormal change, your gynecologic provider will discuss with you the next step in detection and/or treatment.

Each individual woman has her own distinct medical history and risk factors. Your health care provider will discuss this with you and help decide which is the best choice for your screening interval. Women over the age of 70 with three or more normal Pap tests within 10 years and no other risk factors can discuss the possibility of discontinuing Pap tests. It is important that women and their health care providers remember that a yearly pelvic exam is still recommended no matter what. A Pap test and a pelvic exam are not the same thing!

The good news is that a vaccine has been developed that can help protect against certain types of HPV. There are over 120 different types of HPV and some are linked to cervical abnormalities and others to genital warts. The vaccine helps prevent types 6, 11 (genital warts) and 16, 18 (cervical cancer). This vaccine is currently recommended for girls and young women ages 9-26 years. Even women that already have an HPV infection may benefit from receiving the vaccine.

This is because most people are not exposed to all four types of HPV that are in the vaccine. It will help prevent those types of HPV, but will not treat them if you already have been exposed. Most insurance carriers and Medicaid are already covering the vaccine.

If being *underinsured* or *uninsured* is a reason you are not getting screened, there is help available. The Healthy Living Partnership in your county provides FREE Pap test screening

as well as mammograms. The Family Planning Benefit also covers a Pap test when family planning is needed. For more information on the programs available call: Marianne Stalteri, CNM/NP: Cervical Cancer Screening Coordinator, Bassett Regional Cancer Program at 607-547-3558.



SNO-BALL SOFTBALL at the Lanterns this past weekend took on the appearance of more like fog-ball or mud-ball as snow remained elusive so far this winter. It was all in good fun though and Marine Corps League coordinator Ron Sterling predicted the event would raise over \$1000 for the Corps' Children's Holiday Fund to provide toys next Christmas for needy kids in Onondaga and Herkimer Counties.

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West Winfield Fire Dept. Offers Home Energy Raffle

Due to the overwhelming response of their most recent Home Energy Raffle, the Henry Hiteman Engine & Hose Co. Inc. has decided to begin 2007 with another! The donation is \$5.00 per entry and the winner will have \$500 applied to their account with their local energy supplier. Concern was received by some of those who may not heat with fuel oil. No cause for concern! Henry Hiteman Engine & Hose Co. Inc. will apply the winnings to your account for your supplier of any type of energy whether it is fuel oil, propane, natural gas, electricity, or even wood if you choose! The winner must provide the name of the supplier and the account number to which the winnings are to be applied.

Tickets are on sale now and are available from any West Winfield Fire Department member, Davis Hardware, NAPA, or stop in at the station Monday evenings or whenever you may see activity there. The Fire Dept. is extremely grateful for the support of our community! It is your generosity and support that helps to make their job easier. The Fire Dept. pledges continued service and protection to this community and all of our friends and neighbors.

Courses on Pearl Harbor, Cosmology, Natural Cures, Herbs, and More Offered by MVILR

UTICA, NY: Retirees and semi-retirees interested in taking daytime courses on the beautiful SUNYIT campus can choose from among 24 courses being offered this winter by the Mohawk Valley Institute for Learning in Retirement (MVILR).

MVILR's four-week Winter term begins on Monday, January 29. There is still time to become a member and enroll in some of the stimulating and enjoyable courses in this lifelong learning program.

Courses range from "Day of Infamy: December 7, 1941" taught by Cheryl Pula from Whitesboro to "Calligraphy for Beginners" taught by Judy Mattson of Clinton to "Weapons of the American Revolution", by John Stacy, Saquoit.

The wide range of courses offered in the Winter semester also includes: Fort Stanwix: Then and Now; A Taste of Faulkner; Bridge; John Coltrane, The Man and the Mystic; Conversational French; How About Herbs; a Walkers' group; and many others.

All classes are held once a week during the day, Monday through Friday. There are no grades, exams or homework. Instructors are volunteers from the community who often teach courses that have been their passions over a lifetime.

In addition to taking courses, MVILR members enjoy socializing between classes, meeting new friends with common interests, attending events and trips, and more.

There is an annual fee to become a member of MVILR, and members may take at no additional charge, two academic classes, and any number of bonus and specialty courses each semester. MVILR is currently offering a special Winter introductory membership fee of \$100 for first time members.

For more information, including how to receive a copy of the Winter catalog, contact the MVILR office at 315 792-7192 or visit the website at www.sunyit.edu/mvilr.

Use of Non-Print Media (continued from front page)

The following procedures will be followed when using non-print materials – including commercially produced films. Instructional Materials – The following non-print materials are approved for use:

1. Films and Documentaries produced specifically as educational materials and disseminated by NYSED or the BOCES Library system.
2. Commercially produced films and documentaries when used for direct instructional purposes in College level courses taught within the district are not subject to this policy.
3. The following procedure is to be used for all other non-print media:
 - a. G-rated films may be shown at any grade level.
 - b. PG films may be appropriate at any grade level. However, informed consent is required grades K-6
 - c. PG-13 films may be appropriate for grades 7-12. However, informed consent is required from grade 7-9.
 - d. R films may be appropriate for grades 10 and up. However, informed consent is required. Sensational, lurid, graphically violent, patently indecent scenes or materials of a sexual nature will be excluded. However, non-print material of high quality that includes sexual incidents or profanity that is consistent with the lesson objectives shall not be automatically disqualified.
 - e. NC-17 films may not be shown at any grade level including college level courses.

Procedure for Informed consent:

1. The instructor will present the building level review committee with a written justification for use of the material. This justification will outline the rationale for use of the material and explore the applicability of the material to current subject area and state standards. Justifications must be submitted to the committee at least 4 weeks prior to the proposed analysis of the material.

2. Each building will have a review committee consisting of at least 5 individuals. This committee will include the library media specialist, the building principal, a pupil services representative (school counselor, nurse, psychologist), and no fewer than two department/team members. When possible, the entire department from that particular building should be included. This committee will watch and review the film prior to voting on its justification. The committee will decide upon the film's use or non-use in the educational setting described in the rationale. This determination will be made based on the review criteria established under the "Use of Non-Print Media Checklist." A unanimous decision by all committee members is required in order for a proposed film to be approved for use. The teacher submitting the proposal shall not be a voting member on their submission. Once material is approved for use for a particular setting and grade level, it may be retained for use each year thereafter.

3. If the film is to be used, a letter of "Informed Consent" along with the procedures for the use of non-print media will be mailed home to parents two weeks prior to the study of the film informing parents of the content of the film (including the reasoning behind the film's MPAA rating), the teacher's rationale for using the film, and available resources for the parent to review/research the film. Teachers will offer an alternate assignment for students should parents choose to opt their son or daughter out of viewing the film. The alternate assignment will be of equal rigor and consistent with the subject and or content to that explored through the films' usage.

4. Only those students whose parent or guardian has returned a signed con-

sent form to the instructor will be allowed to view the film.
5. A student who wishes to opt out of viewing material, for which a parent has granted permission, may choose the alternative assignment.
6. A conflict arising from a review committee decision will be directed through the building principal to the committee for discussion.

The following is text from the new parental consent form Informed Consent for viewing of Non-print media.

Dear Parents/Guardians,
The following film has been approved in accordance with the districts' procedures (included in this mailing) for the use of non-print media and will be included in the class indicated below.

If you choose not to have your child view this film, an alternative assignment will be provided. Additional information on this film may also be available through web sites such as www.imdb.com, www.netflix.com, and www.kids-in-mind.com. If you have questions or concerns about this movie, please don't hesitate to contact the teacher listed below at: High School 822-6343 Middle School 822-6361 Elementary School 822-6326.

(The following would be filled in before presented to parents)

Teacher _____

Grade level/ Course title _____

Film title _____

MPAA Rating _____

MPAA Explanation for the Rating: _____

Anticipated viewing date(s) _____

Purpose of the Film: _____

Additional Information and/or omissions made in accordance with the districts' policies and procedures for the use of non-print media. (Below portion would be for parental consent)

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Bill Marris presents a \$50.00 gift certificate courtesy of Unadilla Valley Auto Parts, West Winfield Door to Sue Jennison, Plainfield, one of the top prizes in the Deck Your Halls holiday lighting contest.

ESPN Decision Knocks Mets Out of HOF Game

A decision by ESPN to make the Yankees-Mets game played on May 20 it's "marquee" game will keep the Mets from coming to Cooperstown for the annual Hall of Fame Game scheduled to be played Monday, May 21, 2007. The designation by ESPN means the starting time for the New York teams match-up will be moved to Sunday evening, rather than a day game as originally scheduled. The Mets will be replaced by the Toronto Blue Jays in the game to be played on Monday against the Baltimore Orioles. Tickets for the HOF game go on sale Saturday, February 17. Tickets can be purchased that day in person at the HOF, over the Internet at www.baseballhalloffame.org, or by phone at 1-888-HALL-OF-FAME, beginning at 10 a.m.



Diane Bard, right, West Winfield Diner, presents a gift certificate for two Friday Fish Frys to Paul and Betty Lewis, Fairground Drive, West Winfield. Their house was one of those judged best in the Deck the Halls holiday lighting contest.

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WINFIELD COLLECTOR'S NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF TAX ROLL

Take notice that I, the undersigned receiver of taxes of the Town of Winfield have received the tax roll and taxes for the fiscal year and have designated the following place and hours for receiving taxes:

January - at the Red Door, 661 US Hwy 20, West Winfield Monday-Friday 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Saturday, January 6 and Saturday, January 27, 9 a.m. - 12:00 (Noon) at the Winfield Town Garage, Stone Road, West Winfield, NY.

February and March - By Appointment - 822-6563 or 292-0076

Taxes may be paid on or before January 31, 2007 without charge or interest. Taxes remaining unpaid after January 31, 2007 will have one per centum added for February and another one per centum for March until April 2, 2007 when unpaid taxes are returned to the Herkimer County Treasurer.

Debrah B. Jones, Collector
Town of Winfield
December 31, 2006

Bassett Offers New Parent Classes

Bassett Healthcare is offering the following free classes & support groups for new parents/expectant-parents:

- Childbirth Class: January 20, Cooperstown, Bassett Hall Auditorium (Beaver St.), 9:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
- Breastfeeding Class: January 17; Cooperstown, 3rd floor Inpatient Conference Room, 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Classes are for new parents and families; to help grow a family, from before your child is born, and through the years ahead. Classes and support groups provide education, support, and community resources. Those interested should call 1-800-BASSETT or 607-547-4593 to register.

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 - 11 Teresa Land
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 - 12 Robert Cole
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 - 13 Adam Haggerty
 - 14 Sue Kelly
Kevin Brown
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Alyssa Manion
Elizabeth Baker
 - 15 Cameron Davis
Jean Burkner
Tori Roberts
Amber Rose
 - 16 Chuck Scholl
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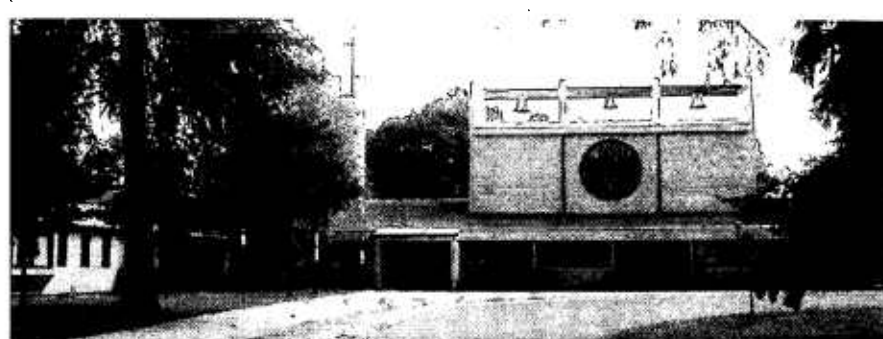
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Sauquoit Valley News

By Janet Bennett

Isn't this weather something else!!

Belated happy birthdays Jan. 4th Curiy White and the 7th Barry Fumer.

Happy Birthdays Jan. 10th Danielle Taylor; 12th Shauna Reath; 13th Lisa Addington, Lily Jane Casler at Heritage Health Care Center, Utica; 16th Todd Zuccaro Sr.

Sympathy is extended to Earl Kinch, Sauquoit on the recent death of his brother.

Also to the family of Ronald Fancett, Sauquoit who died Dec. 21st.

Dick, Todd, and I were Christmas Day dinner guests of Sally and Darcie DeGouff, Sauquoit.

Dec. 28th we had Christmas with Rick and Linda Bennett and family, Whitesboro.

Allison Rose Kovacks, daughter of Jim and Beth Skinner Kovacks, Grange Hill Rd. was christened at St. Anthony of Padua Church, Chadwicks on Dec. 30th. Godparents were Tom and Darlene Williams, Montana, cousins and Mrs. Louise Skinner, New Hartford, great-grandmother.

Next Sunday Morning Breakfast sponsored by Clayville Fire Dept. will be Saturday, Feb. 4th from 7:30 to 11:30 a.m.

Continued get well wishes to Mrs. Carolyn Thomas, Chadwicks, Mrs. Norma Clarke, The Meadows Apts., New Hartford.

The Christmas lights and decorations in our Sauquoit Valley were beautiful this year. Main St., Cassville was specially nice and the lighted trees at the home of Mike and Marsha Steiger, Crooked, Hill Rd. were great - very unusual.

West Exeter News By Louise Douglas

Our weather is something to write home about; today it is very warm - 62 degrees - in January. That is something. The sun is shining making it great for a walk or other outside activities. Hope you all take advantage of it - before we receive some of the white stuff. We know it has to make an appearance before long.

Robert Lamb and his family moved his brother Gene Lamb to Willow Park for a while until he is ready to return to his home in Unadilla Forks. Gene had a stroke but is gaining every day. We send our best wishes to him.

Marsha Douglas, my daughter, has also been in the hospital but is home and gaining and will go back to work. Our best wishes to her also.

I have the picture of The Singing Pastors at our "Christmas Around the World" dinner at Edmeston Central School. They led everyone in song.

We are sorry to hear the store Country Bargains is closing - it was a nice place to pick up many items. I think most people enjoyed having it in town. So handy for all to pick up cards, books, and many other things. I will miss the friendly greeting you always received as you shopped there.

Happy birthday to Connie Bennett, Virginia Stoeter, Donald Davies, Mary Ellen Murdoch, Michael Hibbard, and Helen Palmatier. Happy anniversary to Mr. and Mrs. Carl Burdick, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Johnson. We wish all these people happiness on their special day!

I have been very busy answering Christmas letters. While I can't move around much, I have also been working on a quilt. I have two more to finish. Bonnie has tied them for me as I don't have any quilting frames. She does a very good job.

They were very old, Lena Miller's mother pieced them. I bought them at their auction. So you see that was a very long time ago. Louise Price and I did some many years ago on my front porch on her frames.

Thought for the week: A little boy, age eight, gave a profound definition of parenthood: "Parents are just babysitters for God."

West Winfield Fire Dept. Offers Home Energy Raffle

Due to the overwhelming response of their most recent Home Energy Raffle, the Henry Hiteman Engine & Hose Co. Inc. has decided to begin 2007 with another! The donation is \$5.00 per entry and the winner will have \$500 applied to their account with their local energy supplier. Concern was received by some of those who may not heat with fuel oil. No cause for concern! Henry Hiteman Engine & Hose Co. Inc. will apply the winnings to your account for your supplier of any type of energy whether it is fuel oil, propane, natural gas, electricity, or even wood if you choose! The winner must provide the name of the supplier and the account number to which the winnings are to be applied.

Tickets are on sale now and are available from any West Winfield Fire Department member, Davis Hardware, NAPA, or stop in at the station Monday evenings or whenever you may see activity there. The Fire Dept. is extremely grateful for the support of our community! It is your generosity and support that helps to make their job easier. The Fire Dept. pledges continued service and protection to this community and all of our friends and neighbors.

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25 Years Ago This Week

A proposal by New York Telephone could change service in West Winfield, Clayville, and Waterville turning some calls then made free into toll calls.

James F. DuRoss Jr. of Utica purchased the Bridgewater school building for \$31,100.

Dr. Bruno DeSimone was retiring from his dental practice in West Winfield. Dr. Joseph Giovannone and Dr. Mark Slavin were to continue the practice ensuring over 60 years of uninterrupted dental service in West Winfield.

Sharon Ray and Susan Perkins of West Winfield were named to the President's List at Utica School of Commerce.

The Central New York Dairy Goat Society planned their monthly meeting at Bridgewater Municipal Building.

James Menhennett was named chairman of the 4-H Advisory Committee.

West Winfield Free Library reported a 13% increase in book circulation over the past year.

Wicks-Staley American Legion Post of Clayville was starting a "Sons of the American Legion" group.

Keith Schiebel, Frankfort, was named to the Dean's List at the State University of New York Agricultural and Technical College at Cobleskill.

The Business and Professional Women's Club of West Winfield announced it would be giving an incentive award to a girl in the senior class who most successfully reached her personal potential in academic achievement.

High scores at Bridgewater were D. Carey's 248 (men's) and M Brown's 223 (women's).

In the ads: Sorel boots \$35.00 . . . 15 cent coffee at Ed's Lunch, Cassville.

DEC Firewood Program

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) is accepting applications from homeowners and other interested parties to cut firewood on State forests in Chenango, Madison and Broome Counties.

Firewood can be purchased in volumes of three to ten cords for \$ 10. 00 per standard cord. Due to increased demand, firewood is limited to a maximum of 10 cords per household. A standard cord is a pile of firewood measuring 4'x4'x8' when cut and stacked. Firewood for sale is standing, live trees located off-road and will require a chainsaw and tractor or 4-wheel drive truck for cutting, access and hauling.

Firewood applications are available from DEC's Sherburne and Kirkwood offices and will be accepted between January 8 and April 4, 2007. In addition to the name, address and phone number of the person requesting firewood; completed applications will include the number of cords requested and the State forest where applicant prefers to cut firewood. For applications and additional information on the homeowner firewood program, contact the DEC in Sherburne for Chenango and Madison Counties at (607) 674-4036 or Kirkwood for Broome County at (607) 775-2545.

Firewood is a local renewable energy source that provides an alternative to imported fossil fuels for home heating. Participation in the program helps improve forest growing conditions and reduces consumption of non renewable energy supplies.

Winter Parking Restrictions in Effect

Winter parking restrictions are now in affect in the Village of Vast Winfield. and will continue until May 1, in accordance with the village's local law. Parking is prohibited on all streets and in Municipal Parking Lots from 10 p.m. - 6 a.m. In the event of a snow emergency, all vehicles must be removed from the streets and parking lots at a time so designated by the Mayor. Violators of these ordinances may be subject to fine and/or towing charges.

Residents are also reminded that it is their responsibility to keep their sidewalks clear and fire hydrants in the vicinity open.

Also, that it is their responsibility to provide a warm enough environment to keep waterlines and meters from freezing. Should they freeze, property owners will be financially obligated for all replacements, repairs and other expenses involved in restoring service.

Christmas Tree Collection in Village

Christmas trees will be collected in the Village of West Winfield on Friday, January 5 and Friday, January 12 only. They should be placed at curbside and be free of all plastic bags, tinsel, and ornaments.

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF BRIDGEWATER

The Town of Bridgewater Zoning Board of Appeals will be conducted a public hearing on January 10, 2007 at 7 p.m. at the Town of Bridgewater municipal

building. The hearing is for an area variance for John Christian, 9234 Donley Rd, for construction of a pole barn.

David Washburn
ZBA Chairperson

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Looking Back (continued from front page)

June

Kevin Lynk and Sabattis Twichell were named Valedictorian and Salutatorian respectively of the Mt. Markham Class of 2006. John Lloyd Young, an actor with family locally, won a Tony award on Broadway for his lead role in the hit show "Jersey Boys". Forty-four Mt. Markham seniors received Clark scholarships. A large group of parents spoke out against the showing of R-rated movies in the classroom. Team Leonardsville reached the Platinum level for the second straight year in collecting donations and participating in the 24 Hour Relay for Life. Doug Boone and Stanley Lonchek, West Winfield, and Ray Jones of Cedarville were recognized at the Midstate EMS banquet. Proceeds from the Mt. Markham Foundation Golf Tournament were earmarked for a new sound system for the Elementary school. Mt. Markham's Class of 2006 featured no less than four sets of twins. The 2nd Annual Justin R. Williams Memorial Golf Tournament was played at Stonegate Country Club with 124 golfers participating. Mt. Markham Elementary was recognized by the NYS Board of Regents as one of New York's "high performing / gap closing" schools. Joan Evans was guest speaker at Mt. Markham graduation ceremonies. Former teacher Roslyn King was Mt. Markham's Distinguished Service honoree. Dr. Steven Szalko was guest speaker at Brookfield graduation ceremonies. Outgoing Rotary President Carl Wheat passed the gavel to Walter Will. Heavy rains resulting in extensive flooding across the state turned Wall Street into an extension of the NYS Thruway as I-90 was closed and flooding also closed a portion of Rt. 20 in East Winfield where traffic had been re-routed.

July

Thousands helped the West Winfield Fire Department celebrate their centennial at the Field Days. The parade was one of the largest ever staged in the Village and featured a reunion of the famous Tanners Drum and Bugle Corps as well as likely the most spectacular fire works display ever in west Winfield. Aaron Sirtoli, West Winfield finished 91st overall in the Utica Boilermaker, one of the highest local finishes while the Mt. Markham team finished 2nd for the Corporate Cup. Leonardsville grads held their annual reunion at their old school. 172 runners took part in the Millers Mills Sundae Run; Aaron Sirtoli was the event's overall winner while 15 year old Moira Ryan from Washington DC became the event's youngest winner as she led the lady runners. Over 5 inches of rain fell on the 22nd further complicating flooding woes. West Winfield Rotary were Tri County Little League Baseball champs. Seventeen former Negro League Baseball standouts along with former National Leaguer Bruce Sutter were inducted into the Hall of Hall. More severe weather stuck the area in the form of rain, high winds, and reports of funnel clouds.

August

Temperatures topped 100 degrees on August 1. \$3.3M in state funding was announced for the municipal water project in Bridgewater. The Madison-Bouckville Antiques Show marked its 35th year. "Friends of the Forks" held a gathering in Unadilla Forks to reflect on the community's long, proud history. Several state and area fire fighting organizations

recognized the West Winfield Fire Department for their 100 years of service to the area. The Richard Roberts farm in Bridgewater was named as a "Dairy of Distinction" in Madison County. British bikes were featured at the annual Empire Meet of the Antique Motorcycle Club of America event at the fairgrounds in Brookfield. Gordon Terry of Edmeston was named Vice President of NYS Funeral Directors Association. The Henderson and General Herkimer Chapters of the NSDAR met after having recently merged. The PGA announced it would hold an annual tournament at the Turning Stone as part of its Fall Series. The EPA met with local residents to discuss final clean-up of the former tannery site on South in West Winfield as funds became available. Mt. Markham students Joe Maugeri, Brendan McGurk, and Hannah Barrett were award winners in photography at the New York State Fair; several other students received honorable mention. They'd participated in a program directed by Mt. Markham teacher Sue Carney in July.

September

Bridgewater held its annual Community Day. Mike Bailey of Plainfield was recognized in the Accent on Excellence program. Wayne King, West Winfield was one of six local stock card legends honored by the Old Time Stock Car Hall of Fame. Julia Wick of Leonardsville joined the Mt. Markham Board of Education replacing Ralph Wellington Sr. who had resigned several weeks before. Sonne's BMX Team who raced at CNY-BMX won a BMX State Championship for the second time. VFW Post 2338 hosted a POW/MIA ceremony remembering comrades in arms. The Red Door hosted its second annual Business Showcase featuring two dozen local businesses and organizations.

October

Pvt. Steven Smith, former Brookfield Central student, received a Purple Heart after having lost portions of both legs in Iraq. Bridgewater Congregational Church rededicated its stained glass windows after completing their restoration program. Dollar General announced it was looking at a possible location in West Winfield. The Leonardsville Fire Department was awarded a \$18,043 Assistance to Firefighters Grant through the U.S. Department of Homeland Security. A book tracing 75 years of photography by members of the Chenango Valley Camera Club was released, edited by Albert Starkweather Sr. of Leonardsville, who was also one of its contributors. The Upper Unadilla Valley Association published an expanded edition of "Saving Our Valley". Eight members of the Snyder family were admitted to practice before the U.S. Supreme Court, the first time an entire family has been admitted at the same time, drawing national attention. The Mt. Markham football team finished in a tie for first place in their league, the best finish for a Mustang team in over 10 years. The 11th annual Maine Event run was held in Brookfield. The West Winfield Fire Department capped off its year long centennial celebration with a Centennial Ball held at Hart's Hill Inn. Ghost stories and ghost hunting were the subjects of the October meeting of the Greater Winfield Area Historical Society.

November

The Mt. Markham Lady Mustangs field hockey team won their fourth straight Section III title. Local youth Cody Dye received a national hunting honor. The Mt. Markham High School Drama Club presented "Death by Chocolate". Popular singing group The Benjamins released their second CD. The West Winfield American Legion hosted the Herkimer County Veterans Day

Parade. The Route 20 Association held their annual banquet at Dominick's Italian Bistro in Bridgewater. The Middle School Drama Club presented "Aladdin Jr.". The Mid-Atlantic Region of the Allied Orders of the Grand Army of the Republic (Civil War) were hosted by the Bridgewater Masons. Millers Mills writer Bruce Rubin under the pen name of Vincenzo Spaggi, released his third book "Smalltown Weekly". Jim Gould was honored for his service to Leonardsville at their annual lighting ceremonies. Local writer Carol Behan released her second novel, "Downstream". The local American Legion proposed several youth programs for the community including American Legion baseball.

December

Checks were received by both the Village and Town of Winfield from FEMA to cover some of the damages caused by the June flooding. Local educator Steve Mezik was recognized for his work in helping to provide educational opportunities for orphans in Ecuador. The annual Rotary Christmas Basket Program helped over 80 local families enjoy a better holiday season. A 13-point buck was taken by Patrick Reid, West Winfield. Cedarville Fire Department hosted their first ever Parade of Lights. Country Bargains, the variety store that partially filled a void on Main Street following the loss of a village drug store, announced they were closing.

Meanwhile . . .

Other events happening around the area that could/would have an impact (or just plain interesting):

Concerned citizens led efforts and rallied all year long against a new power line that was proposed to follow the Susquehanna rail bed from Utica south to the Binghamton area and on to New York City. Rattlesnakes were popping up in the Prospect-Remsen area. The PGA came to Central New York as Turning Stone Casino and Resort hosted the B.C. Open, filling in for the flooded En Joie Golf Course near Binghamton. Grossly negative campaign ads probably cost heavily favored Ray Meier the opportunity to succeed Sherwood Boehlert in Congress as he lost to underdog Michael Arcuri. The hotly contested landfill finally opened in Ava. Cherry Valley received grants to build a tourist center on Route 20 to inspire more recreational travel on the newly designated Scenic Byway.

The weather, which was probably the biggest story of the year in terms of universal impact, began with an uncharacteristically warm January, turned monster in the summer and fall as rains caused the worst flooding ever seen in parts of the state, finished the year by giving us a green Christmas and promise of mild weather going into January.

That was the past year in a nutshell, highlighting some of the major events and top newsmakers. May the coming year bring you and yours good health, peace, prosperity and plenty of good news.

LEGAL NOTICE

HAYNES WHITE HOUSE INN, LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 10/4/06. Office in Herkimer Co. SSNY desig. agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to 2945 Main Street, Old Forge, New York 13420. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. Principal business location: 2945 State Rt. 28, Old Forge, NY 13420.

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