



# Shore Lines

The Saratoga Lake Association

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## Goodbye March Badness

### Note from the President

Let's give a huge and well-deserved shout-out to Sharon Urban and Julie Annotto. These two talented women (organizers, writers and editors) put out a terrific newsletter. I can only imagine how many hours of hard work they have been putting in. They have been publishing Shore Lines for 15 or 16 years, and they are still fresh enough and eager enough to look for more types of lake-related information to publish. Most recently, they have been generous with their time to publish information from various sources on real estate developments around the lake. I think that's good.

Although I still consider myself a newbie to the SLA Board, even I know that Shore Lines has won awards many, many times. So much so that the people who give the awards sometimes have felt it appropriate to give the awards to other folks just to avoid excessive repetition. I only know that we are very fortunate to have them.

Tom Bonds

Thanks Tom — S & J

GOOD BYE MARCH BADNESS and hello to Spring. Many of you will be welcoming back your Snowbird neighbors soon! It's a great opportunity to share news, travels, information, planned neighborhood events, get updated and photos are great as well. Submissions to Julie at [sinnidi@aol.com](mailto:sinnidi@aol.com). The next deadline is by noon on April 19.

### Have you RSVP'd to our Annual Breakfast?

Saturday, April 28th

9 am to noon

Soon, winter will be over and Spring will be upon us -- It will be time to reconnect with your neighbors, friends of SLA and some new faces as we gather to enjoy Mangino's great breakfast buffet again this year !

The menu consists of: Scrambled Eggs, Frittata, Bacon, Ham, Sausage, Home Fries, Juice, Toast, Pastries, Coffee and Tea

The price (including tip) for SLA Members is \$12 per person and Non-Members is \$15 per person.

#### NEW EVENT POLICY FOR ALL FUNCTIONS:

We would appreciate all RSVPs be submitted by the RSVP cut-off date. If you miss an RSVP deadline, you might be able to attend if room allows. However, late RSVPs will be accepted online through Eventbrite at the

Non-Member price for both Members and Non-Members. Please send your reservation & check (made payable to SLA) by Wednesday, APRIL 25th to:

Dianne Fedoronko - c/o SLA  
PO Box 2152 - Ballston Spa, NY 12020

Or--Pay online to EVENTBRITE at this link:  
Facebook page or SLA page: <http://saratogalake.org/sla-community/sla-events>

Direct: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/sla-annual-breakfast-tickets-43466568677>

*We look forward to seeing you at Mangino's --*

## Becoming Aware

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

The attached article appeared in the Saratoga Lake Association's Newsletter, Shore Lines for March 9th. It refers to the impact storm water runoff can have on Saratoga Lake and the increasing risks we face when accelerated development is compounded by climate change. The article was accompanied by the following request to the Editor and I can't overemphasize the insight you can gain from watching the eight episode PBS series entitled "Saving Our Waters". You can find it at: <http://video.vermontpbs.org/show/saving-our-waters/>

I would also be most grateful if you would be willing to add an editorial comment along the lines of the following: "*For those members who wish to learn more about lake water quality and the impact of storm water, please watch the excellent series from Vermont PBS entitled "Saving Our Waters". The series tackles the urgent need to protect our water, including issues facing Lake Champlain and other vital waterways. Thought-provoking short documentaries covering steps toward keeping our waterways clean; the impacts of phosphorus and other contaminants; and using the science behind the issues to derive solutions that have positive impact on our communities. An episode on Lake Champlain can be found here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=F1AmrRpGKoU>*" I think the more people become educated about the impact of development on the lake the more engaged they will become to protect the lake.

*As always, I am grateful to you and the Lake Association for allowing me this platform to share my concerns for the future of the Lake.*

Comments and suggestions on how we might continue to raise awareness are welcome. Anyone who has the chance to capture storm water runoff photos as the current snow melts and ends up in the lake, please forward your photos to me.

Enjoy the weekend.

Kind regards,  
John

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## Member View on Development

Stillwater Supervisor Ed Kinowski is quoted in the Times Union on Monday, March 5th that people are "sorely disgruntled" regarding the unanimous Town Board vote that passed the Winding Brook PDD. May I please take a moment to dispute that point with our elected officials.

Not all people are sorely disgruntled. I bet Amedore builders is quite thrilled with the Town Board decision to grant their request to squeeze 76 condos on 12.37 acres in the Saratoga watershed. Despite "vehement opposition," (not "sorely disgruntled" opposition) our entire board rubber stamped this PDD that overrides rural zoning and challenges the role of meaningful democratic community engagement in Stillwater.

On the evening of the public hearing for the Winding Brook PDD, there was a roomful of resident concern. In fact, despite property value concerns, public safety concerns, traffic concerns, rental property concerns, Saratoga Lake watershed concerns, road runoff concerns, and uncoordinated multi-municipal over-development concerns that will affect quality of life in our community, Kinowski and the entire Board still chose to not represent the valid constituent voices in the room.

Referring to the PDD, Kinowski then is quoted that "he did his homework on this" and that "I don't think at this point there is anything that could stop it." Well, yes, when a developer presents a proposal that includes a new \$1000/per unit public benefit that was specifically developed by Mr. Kinowski and appears in the first public iteration of that document, it is clear that the supervisor did his homework, with the developer, and embedded that homework in the proposal, then turned a blind eye to constituent discourse. As to who/what could have stopped this? The supervisor and the Town Board could have stopped this—that is what elected officials are for, to stand up to developers who present with ideas that threaten the town residents on many fronts.

Kinowski continues his callous non-constituent response when he is quoted that the residents "knew something was coming." Yes, that's why we all showed up to tell our elected officials we did not support this developer-led zoning change. Yet our collective concerns fell on deaf elected ears. There is hardly a feeling less empty than a democracy that does not work as so elegantly designed. Sorely disgruntled doesn't begin to define it.

Julie A. Wash

## Saratoga Business Journal

24-Unit Condominium Project Near Saratoga Lake Is  
Being Planned By Belmonte Builders

February 9, 2018

by Jill Nagy

Belmonte Builders has plans to build a 24-unit condominium development on a six-acre site near Saratoga Lake.

We are “early in the presentation phase,” said Peter Belmonte, company president.

The plans call for 12 duplexes, each comprised of two townhomes or carriage homes that will have the appearance of single-family homes.

Belmonte said the units will be sold as condominiums. He said owners would have a “very convenient life style” with maintenance-free residences. There will be sidewalks and pedestrian access to the lake

He said he hopes to be able to begin construction by the end of the year, assuming that the planning board gives its approval.

The site is near Regatta View Drive and Dyer Switch Road, near Fish Creek and Saratoga Lake. It will adjoin the much larger Regatta View and Interlaken developments, developed by Belmonte in the 1980s.

He described the proposed development as “green” and “environmentally friendly.”

“We are leaving a massive amount of open space and tree vegetation,” he said. Because the development is small, Belmonte said, no community facilities are planned. However, residents will have access to facilities in the larger subdivisions nearby.

He said prices will probably be in the upper \$300,000 range. They will be two- or three-bedroom units with the master bedroom and a family room on the first floor and the additional bedroom or bedrooms, and a loft, on the second floor. Sizes will vary. They will be 1,800 square feet, 2,200 square feet, or 2,400 square feet.

Belmonte Builders was started in 1977. The company has residential developments throughout the area. It has won Capital Region Builders & Remodelers Association awards, as well as local Showcase of Homes awards. Its website is [www.belmontebuilders.com](http://www.belmontebuilders.com)

## Holiday Entertainment, Shopping and More

### Bus Trip

November 29-December 1, 2018

Single ~ \$599    Double ~ \$475 per person    Triple ~\$435. pp.  
Quad- \$420 pp.

- 2 Nights lodging ~1 in Lancaster & 1 in Bethlehem PA at Sands Casino
  - Full Buffet Breakfast at Heritage House
  - Smorgasbord-style Dinner at Bird in Hand Restaurant
  - 2 \$15 Food Vouchers and \$40 in Free Slot Play at Sands Casino
  - American Candle Company
  - QVC Studio Tour
  - “Magic & Wonder Christmas Show” on the Bird-in-Hand Stage”
  - “The First Noel” at the American Music Theater
  - Flower and Home Marketplace
  - Outlet Shopping at the Sands Casino
  - Towne of Historic Smithville
  - “Dyker Heights” Lights (Brooklyn light tour)
  - Souvenir gift
  - Luggage handling
  - All taxes and meal gratuities
  - Motor coach transportation from Clifton Park
- For Information and Reservations, call or e-mail:
- Eileen Seery ~ [customtravel@nycap.rr.com](mailto:customtravel@nycap.rr.com);    518-383-1588
  - Angie Rybak~ [rrybak@nycap.rr.com](mailto:rrybak@nycap.rr.com); 518-877-7129
  - Jim Loucks ~ [jloucks1@nycap.rr.com](mailto:jloucks1@nycap.rr.com); 518-371-9777

**For the Flea market fans**, the new plan for Malta is exciting. If you wonder where the term came from, the Oxford Dictionary defines it: “Flea market comes from the French *marche aux puces*, a name originally given to a market in Paris which specialized in shabby second-hand goods of the kind that might contain fleas. The earliest English use that the 20-volume Oxford English Dictionary has found dates from 1922”

Flea market coming to iconic Malta Drive-In <http://www.saratogian.com/general-news/20180210/flea-market-coming-to-iconic-malta-drive-in>

## Getting ready for Sailing School Season

While the lake is still covered in ice, many of us at the Saratoga lake sailing Club have been busy getting ready for the upcoming season. We always joke about the amount of work that needs to get done in the “slow season” in order to be ready to go by the time we are actually able to sail.

That is certainly the case in the Sailing School as we prep for the upcoming 2018 season. A few things that are happening:



### New Web Site:

The Sailing School is pleased to release an updated website for the 2018 season. Please visit [www.saratogasailingschool.org](http://www.saratogasailingschool.org) to check it out. The site has all of this years sailing classes listed as well as a link to our online registrations system. We already have close to 100 people registered for the season and a few sessions are almost full so please don't wait and secure your spots for the 2018 sailing season. As always, we will try to accommodate as many people as we can.

We look forward to sailing with you and your kids in 2018. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact us at [info@saratogasailingschool.org](mailto:info@saratogasailingschool.org)

### New Junior Boats!

We are looking forward to a new fleet of Junior Boats for our kids classes in 2018. We are working with the Saratoga Lake Sailing Foundation ([www.sailsaratogafoundation.org](http://www.sailsaratogafoundation.org)) to finalize a grant that will give us the rest of the necessary money to purchase a Fleet of Hartley 12.2 sailboats as well as an RS Quest sailboat for older/larger kids. A huge thank you to the club membership for approving the purchase and to the many people around the lake who have donated to the Foundation in order to support this effort. As you can imagine, it is a very large purchase for a small non-profit sailing club and we cannot do it without the support of everyone.

This new fleet will be great for the juniors as the new boats:

- Are larger and can fit more of their friends on the boat. Sailing is a very social activity!
- Have more sail options so that we can teach the kids how to sail with both main and jib right from the beginning
- These also have a spinnaker (the big colorful sail up front) which both looks really cool and also gets the boats moving even faster

Require much less maintenance than our previous fleets which is very helpful for our volunteers.

### Free Sailing Programs

Once again this year we will be offering several options for people and families that want to come out and try sailing for free

For Malta resident, we are once again very thankful to the GlobalFoundries Town of Malta Foundation for supporting the Free Malta Sailing classes with a grant. This program allows us to offer free Invitation to Sail lessons to any resident of the Town of Malta. We currently have 8 classes scheduled and you can go to [www.saratogasailingschool.org](http://www.saratogasailingschool.org) for details. We appreciate all the support that the Foundation has given us over the last couple of years. This program has resulted in hundreds of residents being introduced to sailing.

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*Sailing Season, continued*

We will also be hosting our annual Summer Sailstice event this year on June 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>. Anyone can go to [www.saratogasailingschool.org](http://www.saratogasailingschool.org) for details and to sign up to come on out and go sailing with us. The purpose of the event is to introduce everyone to the joys of sailing with an experienced skipper at the helm. Sails are about an hour and a half (maybe longer if the wind is beautiful!) and it's a lot of fun. We encourage everyone to bring their family and friends and have a great time out on the water with us.

**Junior Racing Program**

We are still accepting registrations for our Junior Racing program for the season, and it already looks like we will have a great group of juniors racing with us this summer with some new faces on the team. The Junior racers race with the club on Wednesday evenings, but also travel around the region competing against other clubs.

Our home regatta, the FJ Horse Race, kicks off the season in early July and then we will be heading to Lake Champlain for the Champ Chase regatta in Mallets Bay, followed by a trip to Northern Lake George Yacht Club for the Cheeseburger Regatta. We are also going to try to head east to Lake Sunapee NH to compete in the Rig it Up Regatta at Lake Sunapee YC. If your child/grandchild/junior might be interested in racing, please just drop a note to Mark Welcome ([slsc\\_sailingpgm@sailsaratoga.org](mailto:slsc_sailingpgm@sailsaratoga.org)) to discuss it. For kids who are unsure if they would like to pursue it, we often have them come out to some of our more informal early season practice sessions and have them try it out in a no pressure setting.



## 9th Annual Project Easter Bunny 2018 Terrific success!!

floydwarriors delivered 375 Big Baskets to 11 cancer support organizations and oncology centers from Glens Falls to Albany. Thank you generous donors and Home Front Hero Quad Graphics for opening your doors for us to assemble all!



Newest [floydwarriors.com](http://floydwarriors.com) Board member Ellington Montgomery, The Easter Bunny, Caden Morahan and [floydwarriors.com](http://floydwarriors.com) Founder, Lisa Morahan.

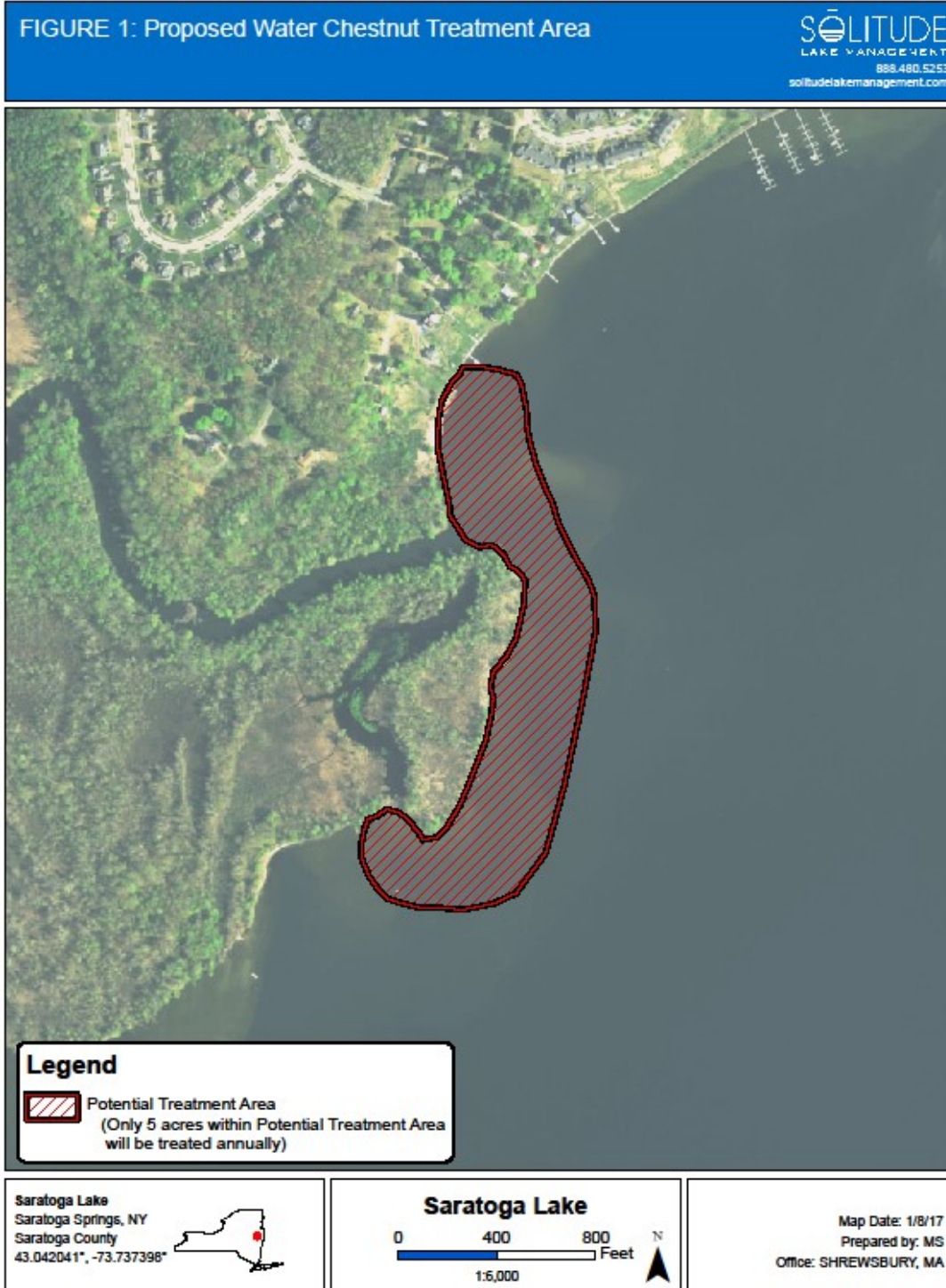
About six weeks ago, my 30 year old husband, Rich, was diagnosed with Acute Myeloid Leukemia. My two year old son lived at his grandmothers house while I stayed with my husband in the hospital. Two weeks ago, Rich was discharged and we've been released to be home for the time being while awaiting a stem cell transplant. The amount of support from strangers has absolutely touched my heart. This small family of three has gone through hell, and your simple act of kindness has brought a smile to all of our faces. Please enjoy the attached photos of Max, my son, opening up his Easter gift basket!



Thank you so much. Happy Easter!  
Rich, Patrice, and Max Mainville

### Saratoga Lake Protection and Improvement District (SLPID)

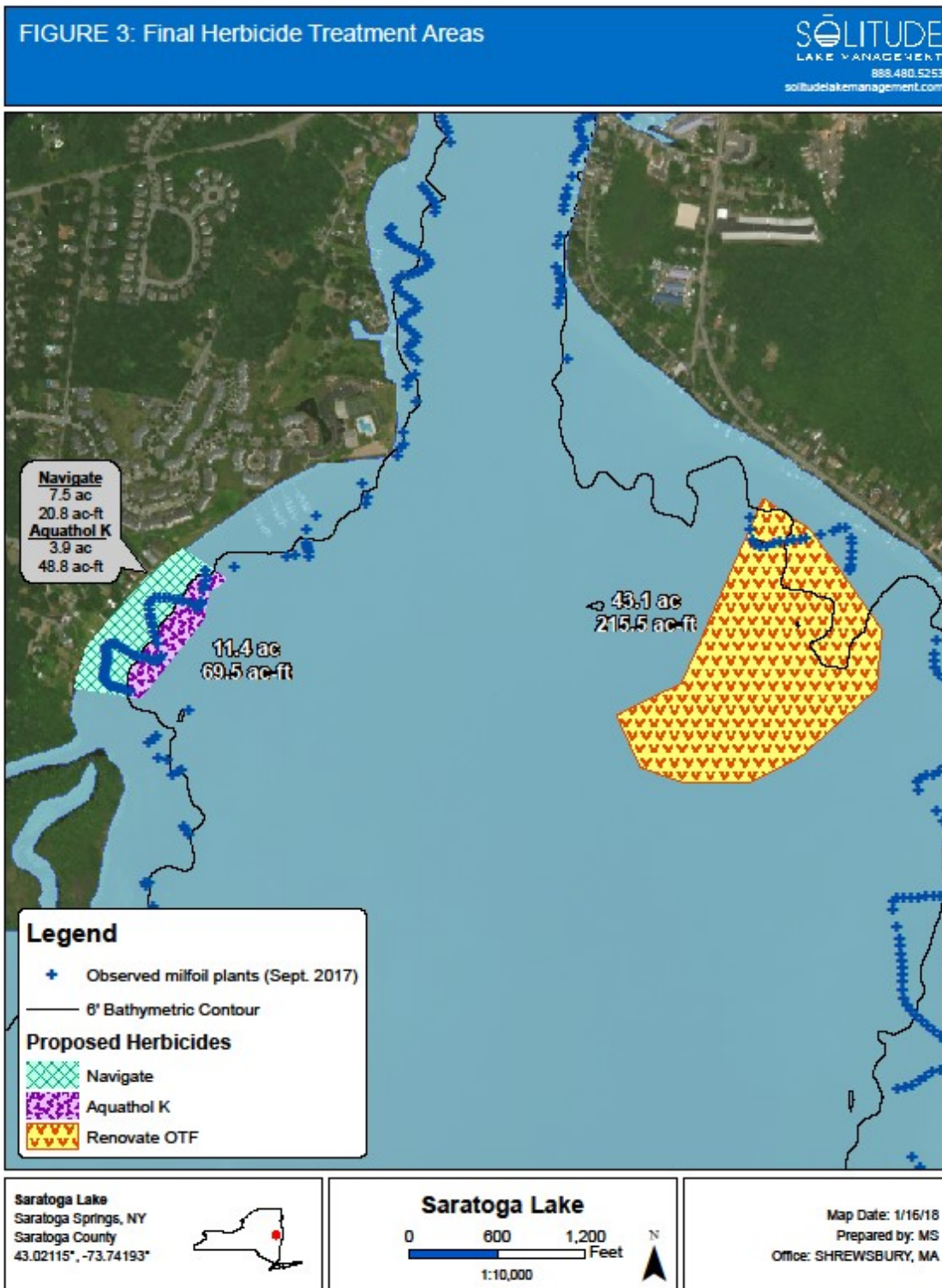
#### Proposed Weed Treatment Areas for 2018



The plan for this year is to treat sections of the north end of the lake. The map to the left indicates the area of Sandy Beach north to the mouth of the Kayaderos. The treatment will take place around Memorial Day.  
*(see next page)*

SLPID, continued

The two remaining areas for treatment are the Water's Edge to Kaydeross Creek area on the northwest side and the Franklin Beach area on the northeast side. For additional information, or if you have any questions, please contact SLPID Commissioner David Wallingford at 518-584-9137.



## Already, the traffic circle in Malta's town center must rank as one of the busiest intersections in Saratoga County.

### Larry Goodwin

News & Business Reporter, Editor  
Saratoga Today

Most drivers there seem so focused on avoiding other vehicles that they ignore an important historical marker by the road. The tall, blue sign with yellow letters honors Col. Elmer Ellsworth, who it says was “born nearby” 181 years ago. He reportedly was “the first” Union Army officer killed in the Civil War.

The volume of traffic east of I-87 Exit 12 has increased rapidly with the recent arrival of a sprawling, four-story, mixed-use commercial and residential complex that also was named after Ellsworth—not to mention the construction of new banks, hotels, offices, restaurants and several more housing developments on either side of Routes 9 and 67.

This week, officials in the Town of Malta indicated that the localized business boom will continue, as they moved plans through the approval process for an ambitious commercial plaza on Route 9 and a Cumberland Farms on Route 67.

A well-organized team of professionals presented maps and details for the Cumberland Farms project on Tuesday before the Malta Planning Board. Stefanie Dilallo Bitter of the Glens Falls law firm Bartlett, Pontiff, Stewart and Rhodes, led them.

“We didn’t submit this application in haste,” began Bitter, noting how her team members are closely analyzing applicable town codes. She said the 24-hour convenience store would be “a very attractive building” that stands as a “perfect” complement to recent development in the area.

After obtaining town approvals, Bitter said she anticipates construction of the 5,200-square-foot store to start in April 2019 and finish by that autumn. It will be located on the vacant lot owned by DCG Development between Blacksmith Drive and a Verizon Wireless outlet.

Saratoga Water Services President Marissa Mackay, whose company supplies considerable amounts of water in the same area, said in an email that the store “will utilize roughly 572 gallons per day based on our typical calculation of similar structures and building use.”

In general, Mackay added, her company is well prepared to supply any increases in water usage amidst Malta’s building boom.

“We are acutely aware of the growth of the town and incidentally the needed growth of our facilities in order to properly service our existing customers, as well as be able to support the growth—be it commercial, industrial or residential,” she wrote.

Bitter’s team and planning board members did discuss numerous “constraints” at the Cumberland Farms site, including the proximity of a traffic circle and the possible difficulties that tractor-trailer drivers may face as they navigate turns to deliver store supplies.

Malta Building and Planning Coordinator Jaime O’Neill explained that the applicants have proposed a driveway on Route 67 with right turns only for vehicles entering and exiting. Those specific site plans are being reviewed by the state Department of Transportation, she said.

The Cumberland Farms project is covered by Malta’s “form-based code” process, which enables applicants to negotiate directly with town planning staff on specific site plan changes and thereby avoid more time-consuming municipal approvals.

However, Malta Planner Floria Huizinga made it clear that the proposal would require a number of modifications, in addition to variances from the Zoning Board of Appeals.

She mentioned, in particular, the proper setbacks from Route 67; the precise dimensions of a patio; a lack of suitable landscaping and sidewalks; and the presence of “faux” windows on the proposed building.

“They have some challenges in front of them when they go to the zoning board,” Huizinga advised, referring to the applicants.

Planning Board Member Roger Laime said he appreciated modern Cumberland Farms stores. But the brightness of any lights and the visibility of “mechanicals” both need to be addressed, he said.

At the Feb. 27 meeting, the planning board agenda also listed a concept site plan for the “Park Place commercial project.” It will fill most of a nearly 10-acre site on either side of Landau Boulevard, which connects to Route 9 across from a gas station.

The Park Place project falls under Malta’s form-based code as well. But last year the Town Board approved a related Planned Development District measure, requiring the applicant to cap its square footage on the lower level of the complex.

Michael Bianchino of the Malta firm Lansing Engineering said the project consists of 80,000 square feet of “ground floor commercial space.” Significant additional square footage will be available on the upper levels.

Bianchino explained that negotiations with prospective tenants are ongoing, and that they may include a restaurant, day-care facility and drive-thru pharmacy.

“The surrounding infrastructure was designed to accommodate this development,” he told the board members.

If the final town approvals can be secured by the end of March, Bianchino added, construction of the commercial plaza is expected to start later this summer.

O’Neill expressed confidence that the town planning staff would usher both current projects—and a slew of others in the immediate area—toward successful conclusions.

She welcomed the challenge of managing Malta’s continued growth, too. “I would say it’s extremely robust, and it doesn’t show any signs of slowing down,” O’Neill said.



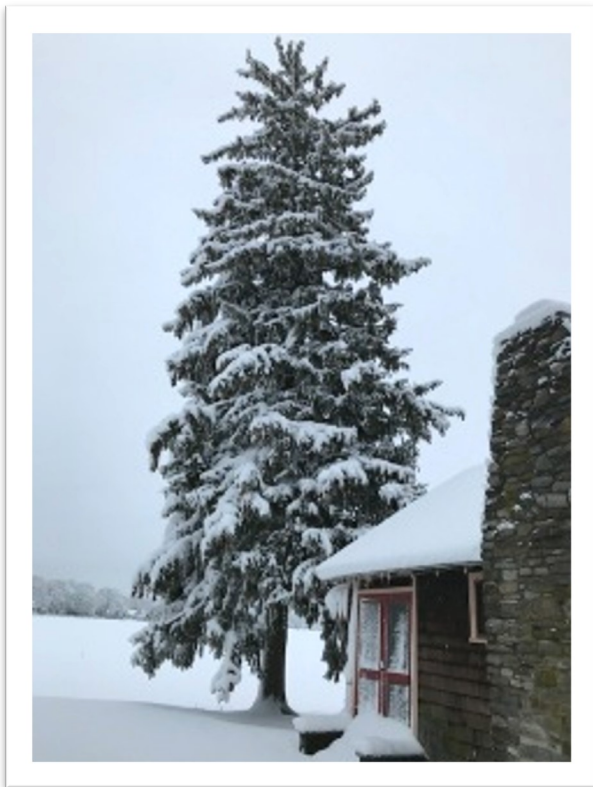
## Greetings NYSFOLA Members

The DRAFT conference program is now on the web at [www.nysfola.org](http://www.nysfola.org) under EVENTS. It's still a work in progress as we are finalizing a couple of sessions. We almost always have speakers added or cancelled between March and May so consider that it's still a work in progress! However, 14 people are already registered, so we're pretty happy about that.

We will continue to update the program as more speaker information becomes available.

THE REGISTRATION DEADLINE FOR ROOMS AND MEALS IS APRIL 27TH.

See you in Lake George.



*Sometimes a wet snow storm can be beautiful as well as destructive.*

Al McCauley

## Saratoga National Park

This is a wonderful place for a family outing. There are so many activities that are not only fun but educational.....a bit of history! Events are explained fully on their website at [www.nps.gov/sara](http://www.nps.gov/sara) or you can call (518) 670-2985 for details on events. April events include:

- April 21—Junior Ranger Day 10am-4pm
- April 22—Earth Day 12p-1p
- April 26—Woodcock Walk 7pm-9pm

  
**The Stillwater Area Community Center**  
**4th Annual**  
**Wine Pull**

**Friday, April 13th**  
**6:30-9pm**

**\$20 General Admission**  
**\$25 General Admission\***  
 \*PLUS Entry Into Grand Prize Drawing

Live Entertainment by Meehan Road  
 Raffles  
 Cocktail Hors D'oeuvres Provided  
 & Cash Bar

Tickets available for purchase in the  
 Main Office at SACC

 [www.stillwaterareacommunitycenter.org](http://www.stillwaterareacommunitycenter.org) 

## In the News

Bridge work on the northway: [http://www.saratogian.com/general-news/20180323/bridges-over-northway-scheduled-for-replacement?source=most\\_viewed](http://www.saratogian.com/general-news/20180323/bridges-over-northway-scheduled-for-replacement?source=most_viewed)

Spa City looking to boost internet service for residents, businesses <http://www.saratogian.com/general-news/20180324/spa-city-looking-to-boost-internet-service-for-residents-businesses>

Saratoga Springs officials issues new parking system proposal <http://www.saratogian.com/general-news/20180313/saratoga-springs-officials-issues-new-parking-system-proposal>

Upgrades to Route 9 costly: <https://saratogatodaynewspaper.com/home/item/8265-route-9-upgrades-costly#.Wr4qAOOYGJY.email>



Bob McKenna, Cathy McKenna, Neal Kramer, Gwen Nielsen, Ken Johnson, Sheryl Camardo, Nadine Kramer, Marie McNamara, Larry McNamara celebrating with 130 Saratoga residents at Saratoga Day in Ft. Lauderdale

David Townsend, Gerianne Eddy, Michael Panza at Casablanca Restaurant for Saratoga Day in Ft Lauderdale

## Note

The bridge over I87 Crescent Ave will be closing for about 4 months in April for repair.



## Entertainment at Carson's Woodside Tavern

### April 2018

Fri, April 7 - Black Abbey

Sat, April 8 - Citizens Treasure Duo

Sun, April 9, Bobby Dick & Susie Q

Thurs, April 13 - Mike LaPoint

Fri, April 14- John Stack

Sat, April 15 - John Eisenhart

Thurs, April 20 - Mike LaPoint

Fri, April 21 - Mitch Frasier

Sat, April 22- DJ Damien Dance Party

Thurs, April 27 - Fay & Mollica

Fri, April 28 - Steve Smith

Sat, April 29 - Chuck Kelsey



**Saratoga Glen Hollow Water** does testing for lead and copper in accordance with NYS Department of Health Regulations. The water that Saratoga Glen Hollow Water Company supplies to customer's homes at Saratoga Lake DOES NOT contain any lead or copper. The NYSDOH requires that The Water Company does do testing of customer's water for lead and copper in the older homes which have copper plumbing and lead solder. Ten older homes have been selected and will be tested for lead and copper this summer at no charge. Homes built before 1986 with copper plumbing fit the DOH criteria for periodic monitoring. A "Lead in Water" informational flyer as provided by the DOH is printed here for the SLA Newsletter. *(submitted by Tom Orsini)*

## Get the Lead out of Drinking Water

**What is lead?** Lead is a metal found naturally in the environment. It has also been widely used over the years in gasoline, house paint and plumbing fixtures. The amount of lead that is released into the environment each year has been greatly reduced by less use of leaded gas starting in the mid-1970's. Laws forbidding the use of lead in house paint (1978) and lead in plumbing solder (1986) have helped as well. Still, lead can be a problem, especially in older homes.

**How can I test water for lead?** Certified commercial laboratories can test for lead in drinking water. The cost ranges from \$15 to \$50 per sample. Contact your local health department or the New York State Department of Health for the names of laboratories approved to test drinking water for lead. Consumer Beware: Unscrupulous businesses have been caught using tests or selling filtering devices that have not been found to be effective. Use only approved laboratories for testing.

**What do the laboratory results mean?** If the test results of your drinking water show lead higher than 15 parts per billion, then your local health department can advise you on what to do. If the results are for what is called a "first draw" sample, these results probably represent what was sitting in the pipes overnight and the best action is probably to run the water until it is cold before using it. If you have results from a "flush" sample, they are likely to represent what you would be drinking; the proper response to an elevated level in that case would be to identify and remove the lead source or treat the water.

**How do I know if someone in my family has high blood lead levels?** Lead in drinking water is only one possible source of lead in the body. Since our biggest concern is for small children, a New York State regulation calls for universal screening of all children at about age one and age two for blood lead levels. It is important to identify an elevated level of lead in a child as early as possible to reduce or remove the source of exposure, before any long-term health problems occur. Pregnant women should also discuss with their physicians the need for blood lead testing.

**If you have any questions** ~ about testing for lead in ~ drinking water or if you want L..J advice on how to lower the lead levels in your drinking water, contact the local health department for your county. The New York State Department of Health can also provide information about lead. For more information about control of lead in public water supplies, call the Bureau of Public Water Supply Protection toll free at 800-458-1158 and request extension 27650. For questions about lead poisoning prevention and education, call 518-473-4602.

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## Construction at Brown's Beach

Many are asking what is being built at Brown's. Supervisor Kinowski of Stillwater wrote:

"A community pavilion with bathrooms and showers, new entrance to the beach and covered picnic area. May also include a small snack kitchen."

## Round-about Malta

A Brief Synopsis

- No Town-wide household pick up this year.
- Spring/Summer Town newsletter will be mailed beginning of April
- Town's Veteran Memorial Walkway Brick Project - Applications available at the Town Hall to purchase a memorial brick
- Veterans Honor Flight Program - Are you a Malta World War II or Korean War veteran or know one - Applications available for honor flights to Washington D.C. Call the Malta Community Center for more information at 518-899-4411.
- Save the Date - May 19th 10AM Downtown Malta - Armed Forces Day Military, Veterans, First Responder's Annual Parade
- State Department of Environmental Conservation reminder that with conditions for wildfires heightened, residential brush burning is prohibited through May 14 across the state.

(submitted by Roseanne Clavin)



Member Joan Siciliano, sent in a picture with Carolyn & Charlie Lawrence, actress Jennifer Lawrence's grandparents. Jennifer is a much in-demand young actress with such movies as the Hunger Games Series, Passengers, X-Men, and many more.

## 31st Colonie PBA Fishing Tournament



The Colonie PBA will be holding its 31<sup>st</sup> Annual PIKE - PICKEREL - WALLEYE fishing tournament on FRIDAY MAY 18<sup>th</sup> 2018 at Saratoga Lake.

The format this year will be the same as last. The tournament will START at 5:00 AM and the WEIGH IN will be from 12 NOON TILL 12:45 at the NYS BOAT LAUNCH on Rt. 9P at SARATOGA LAKE. We will be weighing your best 3 fish (pike, pickerel, wall eye). Food and drink will be provided at the SARATOGA EAGLES CLUB immediately after the weigh in. Once again we will have prizes for the largest catch and raffle prizes. The price this year will remain at \$30.00 per person.

Contact JOHN RICCITELLI at 518-577-9191 for entry forms and tournament rules. I have moved to "the lake"...and my new address is:  
2 Czupil Road  
Saratoga Lake, NY 12020

Make checks payable to COLONIE PBA

**ALL ENTRIES MUST BE RECEIVED BY  
MAY 1<sup>ST</sup> 2018.**



### Malta Highway Department

Last year was a busy year for road improvements. We repaved a little over 7 miles of roads, replaced culverts/ stormwater drainage on Beverly Court, Brownell Road, Hills Road, Knapp Road, Miller Road and Moccasin Bend. We continued to cut trees within our right-of-way, continuously cleared beaver activity and picked up resident brush in the spring. The Highway Department has a 7 truck plow run and plowed/salted our streets close to 60 times last year.

Because of limited funds, we will be approaching our resurfacing of our town roads a little differently these next few years. There are areas in our town that need culvert replacement so a part of our permanent improvement funds will go toward culvert replacement to keep our roads safe. Typically, we have been able to do about 7 miles of resurfacing each year so that all roads are resurfaced within a 12 year timespan. By doing the necessary culvert replacements, the timespan will more likely be at a 14 to 15 year schedule.

The following roads are expected to be resurfaced this year:

Payne Road	Moccasin Bend	Meadow Rue
Old State	Gleneagle	Glade Mallow
Dugan Hill	Sierra Trace	Featherfoil
Suntree	Rum Cherry	Tuckaway

### Brush pick-up:

Our brush pick-up is scheduled for the **week of May 14<sup>th</sup>**. Have all items out by Sunday night of May 13<sup>th</sup>. We go thru each area one time ONLY. We do not go down private roads.

### Guidelines for brush pick-up:

- Place cut-end of branches toward road, 4 to 6 feet in length and under 12" in diameter.
- Piles no bigger than 4' by 8'.
- Tree stumps or root balls WILL NOT BE accepted. NO lot clearing.
- Anything that does not meet the above criteria will have to be disposed of by the homeowner.
- If you have any further questions please call 899-2818.  
THERE WILL BE NO EXCEPTIONS!

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### Reminder:

- LEAF PICK-UP: The town does NOT do leaf pick-up.
- DEAD TREES IN YOUR YARD: Please remove before they are a danger to you, your neighbor or fall into the road.
- FLAGMEN: PLEASE show courtesy toward our flagmen for everyone's safety!

Remember the Town right-of-way when doing outdoor projects! The town is NOT responsible for repairing or replacing any items within this area.

Resurfacing driveways: Proper drainage and slope is a must when resurfacing your driveway. If you have any questions regarding this, call the Highway Department.

### HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT SUMMER HOURS

April 2<sup>nd</sup> thru October 5<sup>th</sup>  
Monday thru Thursday  
6:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Contact us at 899-2818 or [highway@malta-town.org](mailto:highway@malta-town.org) with any questions!  
Roger Crandall, Highway Superintendent  
(submitted by Nancy Fodera)

### Ice out dates since 2002. What'll it be this year?

2002	March 10
2003	April 15
2004	April 11
2005	April 8
2006	March 19
2007	April 15
2008	April 8
2009	March 30
2010	March 17
2011	April 10
2012	March 12
2013	March 11
2014	April 13
2015	April 13
2016	March 11
2017	March 3

## In the Kitchen with Donna Bove



### Beef Stew with Dumplings

This is my Mom's recipe.....not really a recipe per say, just 'a little of this and a little of that' kind of recipe as she told me. So that's how I will give it to you.....

- In a large saucepan, add a little oil and brown about 1 to 1 1/2 lb of beef stew meat, cut into small chucks. Season with salt and pepper.
- Add a chopped onion to this.
- Then add 32 oz (1 box) beef stock and 1 c water with 2 beef bouillon cubes.
- Bring to boil and then turn down to simmer, for about an hour.
- Add 1 lb bag carrots and 4 large potatoes, cubed.
- Cook til the veggies are almost done, about 20 minutes.
- Mix 2 c Bisquick and 2/3 c milk in a small bowl. Drop in by spoonfuls, in a circle, around the top of the stew.
- Makes about 10 dumplings.
- Cook uncovered for 10 minutes and then covered for 10 minutes.

Delicious!! Enjoy!!

## Volunteer Opportunity

The Stillwater Food Pantry, a 100% volunteer, non-profit, located in the Stillwater United Church, 747 Hudson Avenue, Stillwater, NY, is looking for a volunteer coordinator, recently vacated when its current director retired.

It would be your responsibility, to mention a few, to manage the all-volunteer team, to assist with food procurement through the Regional Food Bank of NE NY in Latham, and to provide general office support for the operations of the facility. This is a wonderful and fulfilling opportunity to interact with people, to give back to the community, and to help fulfill a mission of assisting those in need of food. The scheduled hours of the Food Pantry are Monday and Wednesday, 10-12 and Thursday, 5-7. If you are interested, call the office of the Stillwater United Church at 518-664-7984, or email the church at [stillwaterunit.edhurch.ny@gmail.com](mailto:stillwaterunit.edhurch.ny@gmail.com).

For a look at who we are and what we do, visit our website: <http://stillwaterfoodpantry.com/>.

## Saratoga Springs Recreation Department

There are many offerings this summer from the Saratoga Springs Recreation Department including summer camp, ice skating, sports including baseball and basketball and many more. To see their complete brochure, click the link below. *(submitted by Jill Ramos, program coordinator)*

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## Stillwater Public Library

All events are free with all supplies provided. Call ahead if you can...

### WEEKLY PROGRAMS:

- Morning Story Time every Wednesday at 1:00pm (ages 3-5)
- Thursdays at 6:30pm Evening Story Time (elementary students)
- Fridays at 11:00am Baby-and-Me (newborn to 2 years old)

### MONTHLY PROGRAMS:

- Teen Game Night on the first Friday of each month from 5:00pm-8:00pm: Just a chance for teens in grade 6 and up to get the library to themselves, play some games, eat some food, and enjoy a Friday with something different to do.
- Explorer's Club on Second Monday of each month during the school year at 6:30pm: 8-12 years olds are invited to our STEAM club!
- Saturday Morning Cartoons! Second Saturday of each month at 11:00am: Come one, come all!
- Family Crafts on the third Mondays at 6:30pm ~ call for more info
- Mystery Club on the third Monday of each month at 1:00pm: a group who meets to solve a "Hunt-a-Killer" subscription mystery!
- "B" Rated Monster Movie Night on the third Friday of each month at 6:00pm
- Teen Crafts on the fourth Wednesdays at 6:30pm ~ call for more info.

### OUR BOOK CLUBS:

- Afternoon Book Talk on Monday, 4/2 at 1:00pm: No required title, read what you like!
- Cookbook Book Club on Wednesday, 4/4 at 7:00pm: Martha's American Food by Martha Stewart
- Non-Fiction Discussion on Monday, 4/9 at 7:00pm: My Own Words by Ruth Bader Ginsburg
- Teen Fiction Book Talk on Wednesday 4/11 at 6:30pm: No required title, read what you like, any age welcome!
- Fiction Book Club on Tuesday, 4/17 at 7:00pm: The Mountain Between Us by Charles Martin

## Saratoga Plan

### Yoga Along the Trail



Join yoga instructor and Functional Medicine Health Coach, Dawn Marie on Sunday, April 15 from 1-2:30 PM at the Round Lake Preserve. To learn more about Dawn Marie, visit her [website](#).

Sessions will be held on a monthly basis at a variety of Saratoga PLAN preserves and will feature a different local yogi every time.

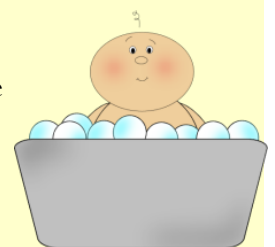
\$15 per class. Pre-registration by April 15th required. Class size limited. Suitable for all levels. No mats needed. Attire: sneakers and stretchy or loose clothing. [Map and directions to the preserves](#).

**Stay tuned for other upcoming Yoga Along the Trail dates!**

For more information call 518-587-5554

### Where'd that saying come from???

Talk about saving water.....many years ago baths consisted of a big tub filled with hot water. The man of the house had the privilege of the nice clean water, then all the other sons and men, then the women and finally the children. Last of all the babies. By then the water was so dirty you could actually lose someone in it. Hence the saying, "don't throw the baby out with the bath water!"



## Fireworks, What About Them and How Dangerous?

New York State Law allows for the sale and use of a specific category of consumer fireworks known as *Sparkling Devices*. *Sparkling Devices* are ground based or handheld devices that produce a shower of colored sparks and or a colored flame, audible crackling or whistling noise and smoke. The law limits the type, size and construction of *Sparkling Devices* and requires that these devices must be hand held or mounted on a base or spike and be limited in sizes that range from 1 to 500 grams of pyrotechnic composition. Sale and use of *Sparkling Devices* is legal only in counties and cities that have **NOT** enacted a local law pursuant to section 405.00 of the Penal Law of NY prohibiting them. Many counties including Saratoga allow the sale of these devices in the hope for a windfall in sales tax monies.

All sellers, wholesalers, manufacturers and distributors of Sparkling Devices who wish to do business in New York State or otherwise sell, ship, or assign for sale its products into New York State are required to apply for a certification with the Office of Fire Prevention and Control, pay an annual fee and be subject to other rules and conditions. OFPC has developed a certification process required of all sellers. Sales of Sparkling Devices by certified permanent and specialty retailers **can only occur from June 1 to July 5 and December 26 to January 1**. Sales of Sparkling Devices by certified temporary stands or tents can only occur from June 20 to July 5 and December 26 to January 1. All other types of consumer fireworks, including firecrackers, bottle rockets, roman candles, spinners and aerial devices, remain illegal statewide.

In a statement to the Suffolk County Legislature which is currently considering rescinding their law; Doctor Steven Sandoval, MD - Medical Director of The Suffolk county Volunteer Firefighter Burn Center states the following: As the Director of the Burn Center and the receiving facility in Suffolk County New York which would potentially be treating the victims of firework and most specifically Sparkler related injuries I feel that I must weigh in on the use of these devices. We see and admit multiple patients per year around the 4th of July that have incurred injuries as a result of sparklers, most years exceeding the numbers injured

by more traditional fireworks. This is most likely due to the perceived safety of these items and that for the most part these are given to small children to play with instead of letting them use other items like the aforementioned fireworks. For these sparklers, the blend of metals on a stick can burn at 2000 degrees Fahrenheit, enough to cause severe burns. Add to that the dexterity of a child and you have a situation which can result in child waving these around and striking themselves and others.

The statistics from the Consumer Products Safety Commission, which tracks this yearly has a 45 page report about the prior year experience with injuries relating to fireworks and sparklers. There were 11,100 injuries in 2016 (the most recent data), which is the second highest year they have ever recorded. Of those 900 were sparkler injuries (12%); 400 of those were 4 years old and younger, with males having 61% of all injuries. Burns made up 69% of all injuries, 100 of those injuries being to head and face, 700 to the hands, 100 to the legs. 92% of the reported injuries were estimated to be treated in a hospital. In 2014 the percent of sparkler injures of the total firework injuries were 28%. Overall to make these devices not only legal but also to realize that we would be giving them to the most vulnerable population makes no sense to me, it would only serve to fill up our Emergency departments and Burn Units.

Steven Sandoval, MD

While the fire service opposed legislation allowing these devices, we were ignored. The results will stand on their own.

Tom Rinaldi  
Commissioner Stillwater Fire District  
Arvin Hart Fire Co.



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## Business Listings

### New Since Last Edition



#### Gold Tier

Saratoga Lake Marina | 549 Union Ave., Saratoga Springs, NY 12866 | (518) 744-1616

## Saratoga Outdoor Showers

Rob McCoy

570 Route 9P  
Saratoga Springs, NY 12866

Work 518 306 6789 Cell 781 223 2673

Rob@saratogaoutdoorshowers.com



#### Silver Tier

## Gold Members

### The Creative Advantage

620 Union Street  
Schenectady, NY 12305  
(518) 370-0312 | thecreativeadvantage.com

### Panza's Restaurant

510 Route 9P  
Saratoga Springs, NY 12866  
(518) 584-6882 | panzasrestaurant.com

### Kayak Shak

251 County Route 67  
Saratoga Springs, NY 12866 (518) 587-9788 | kayakshak.com

### Adirondack Cruise & Charter Company

549 Union Avenue  
Saratoga Springs, NY 12866  
(518) 956-2626

### Mountainman Outdoor Supply

490 Broadway  
Saratoga Springs, NY 12866  
(518) 584-3500

### Power Communications

1114 Ellsworth Boulevard  
Malta, NY 12020  
(518) 587-5995 | powerny.com

### Absolute Seamless Gutters

211 Old Loudon Road  
Latham, NY 12110  
(518) 782-7509 | absolutegutter.com

### Prime Building Corporation

712 Route 9P  
Saratoga Springs, NY 12866  
(518) 810-2390 | primewaterfrontbuilders.com

### Carson's Woodside Tavern

57 Route 9P  
Ballston Spa, NY 12020  
(518) 584-9791 | carsonswoodside.com

### The Connors Agency

40 North Central Avenue  
PO Box 71  
Mechanicville, NY 12118  
(518) 664-7307 | connorsgroup.com

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**Business Listings, continued****Massage: Delivered**

245 Gronczniak Road  
Stillwater, NY 12170  
(518) 378-7362 | massagedelivered.com

Debra LaMay Agency  
2537 Route 9, Suite 200  
Malta, NY 12020  
(518) 400-1175 | debralamayagency.com

Lakeshore Inn  
738 Route 9P  
Saratoga Springs, NY 12866  
(518) 527-4026 | lakeshoreinnsaratoga.com

Barrymore's Wine and Spirits  
1456 Route 9P  
Saratoga Springs, NY 12866  
(518) 583-2633 | barrymoreswineandspirits@gmail.com

<b>Silver Tier</b>
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G.A. Bove Fuels  
76 Railroad Street  
Mechanicville, NY 12118  
(518) 664-5111 | bovefuels.com

Northwestern Mutual  
494 Maple Avenue  
Saratoga Springs, NY 12866  
(518) 583-0041 | northwesternmutual.com

<b>Bronze Tier</b>
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Smiles for Life Dental Care  
170 South Broadway  
Saratoga Springs, NY 12866  
(518) 886-8610 | www.my518dentist.com

Boat 'N RV Condos  
1428 Route 9P  
Saratoga Springs, NY 12866  
(518) 583-1600 | www.boatnrvcondos.com

Avon  
538 Route 9P  
Saratoga Springs, NY 12866  
(518) 573-6762  
slstudio2@aol.com | youravon.com/tpamper

Mangino's Ristorante  
149 Route 9P  
Saratoga Springs, NY 12866  
(518) 584-5599 | manginos.com

DeVoe Properties  
757 Route 9P  
Saratoga Springs, NY 12866  
(518) 577-3032

Quick Response Restoration  
PO Box 824  
Clifton Park, NY 12065  
(518) 899-7090 | quick-response-restoration.com

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**Dunning Street Station Brunch is Here!!!**  
Saturday and Sunday from 10:30 to 2:00. Call for reservations or just stop in and see us.

- Station Breakfast
- Belgian Pecan Waffle
- Eggs Benedict Station Style
- Breakfast Pizza
- Cinnamon French Toast
- Prime Steak and Eggs
- Smoked Salmon Brunch Pasta
- Breakfast Sandwich
- Chicken and Waffle Slider
- Blackened Chicken Monte Cristo
- Breakfast Burger
- Reuben
- Smoked Salmon Toast