



# LaFayette

## Community Newsletter

### From the Town Supervisor



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I'm writing to update you on the old LaFayette Hotel activities and outcomes that your Town Board have taken since our last newsletter was delivered on July 2, 2022.

The Town Board approved by a unanimous vote during the July meeting a decision to apply for a \$304,000 grant through the New York Main Street Stabilization Grant Program. The results of this grant selection process will be released in the October – November 2022 timeframe. This grant could be used to shore up the roof, siding, doors, and windows of the old hotel building *if the decision is to move ahead with the restoration of the building.*

This grant application was completed by Jeanie Gleisner-Earle of the CNY Regional Planning and Development Board and Deputy Supervisor Mark Distler. There was no cost to the Town for their services as they donated their expertise and their time for this. C&S engineering completed the remediation of the soil on the Route 20 and Route 11 boundaries of the old hotel building in early July. These fuel spills date back to over 80 years ago and are located where gas pumps once stood. This 9 month effort included the research, studies, analysis, and the final remediation process. The total cost was \$150,000 and this was paid for with the funds from our Onondaga County Grant, again no cost to the taxpayer.

The Town Board voted down by a margin of a 3-2 vote during the August Town Board meeting to further invest \$5,000 from the Onondaga County Grant to create a Local Development Corporation (LDC). The LDC would be needed to sell the property on behalf of the Town if the Town was unable to find a developer to partner with in the future *if the decision was made to redevelop the hotel property and the vacant lot.*

Mark Distler and I met with/interviewed three CNY developers during June – August. Hanover Real Estate Development became the strongest potential candidate from the three firms to possibly work with the Town to *determine the "highest and best use for the Property"*. Hanover presented an introductory presentation at the September 13<sup>th</sup> Town Board meeting and the Town Board voted unanimously for a Special Meeting on September 22. This Special meeting allowed Hanover to provide an in-depth presentation to the Town Board and our residents.

#### ***"Once Around the Horn"!***

- ⇒ The Town budget meetings began on September 20<sup>th</sup> and will conclude on November 10<sup>th</sup> with a public hearing and a vote: Hope to see you there!
- ⇒ The Town has hired a new Bookkeeper / Accountant: CPA, Mr. Marty Knapp!
- ⇒ You're invited to the Town Board meetings in Person, let your voice be heard!
- ⇒ Please consider volunteering for one of the many Community opportunities!

***Let's work Together in all that we Do for Our Town!***

**—Bill McConnell**

# Financials of the Hotel Project

To give a financial background to the funding of the Hotel project we have been tasked to appropriate a \$500,000 *Onondaga County grant* toward restoration or removal of the LaFayette hotel. The total spent is \$126,660.28 to date.

Some funds from the \$492,716.47 *ARPA* (American Rescue Plan of 2021) were able to be used to purchase the corner hotel and adjacent parcel totaling \$80,715.62.

This leaves us with \$373,339.72 remaining of the County monies to continue either restoring or turning the southeast corner of our hamlet into a park.

The current and proposed grant applications are for the building's exterior work (including structural and HVAC). The interior work would require further investment and a proposal to analyze the feasibility for an investor to join in the rehabilitation of the former hotel.

—Carole Dwyer

## From the Town Clerks



*Kind words do not cost anything, yet they accomplish so much and can change someone's entire day!*

### **2022 Early Voting Communication Plan**

For the 2022 November general election, any registered voter can vote in person before Election Day during the period of October 29, 2022 – November 6, 2022.

Onondaga County Voters can vote at any of the 6 Early Voting Sites in Onondaga County, no matter where they reside: LaFayette is lucky enough to be chosen as one of the sites. You can contact the Onondaga County Board of Elections at 315-435-8683 or [www.onvote.net](http://www.onvote.net) or the State Board of Elections at 518-474-1953 or [www.elections.ny.gov](http://www.elections.ny.gov).

### **Onondaga County Early Voting Polling Hours**

**LAFAYETTE FIRE STATION #1 (rear entrance) 2444 Route 11 South, LaFayette NY 13084**

### **2022 General Election Early Voting**

#### **October 29 – November 6**

Saturday, October 29, 2022	9:00 am—5:00 pm
Sunday, October 30, 2022	9:00 am—5:00 pm
Monday, October 31, 2022	10:00 am—6:00 pm
Tuesday, November 1, 2022	12:00 pm—8:00 pm
Wednesday, November 2, 2022	12:00 pm—8:00 pm
Thursday, November 3, 2022	10:00am—6:00 pm
Friday, November 4, 2022	10:00 am—6:00pm
Saturday, November 5, 2022	9:00 am—5:00 pm
Sunday, November 6, 2022	9:00 am—5:00 pm

If you are out of Onondaga county on election day, or if you are permanently or temporarily disabled, ill or are the primary care giver for one or more people who are ill or physically disabled, or a resident of a Veterans Hospital, or detained in jail awaiting Grand Jury action or incarcerated for an offense other than a felony you may apply for an absentee ballot.

### **ELECTION DAY – NOVEMBER 8, 2022**

**Polls are open 6:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.**

Voter registration forms are available at the Town Clerk's office and the Post Office and online at [www.ongov.net/elections](http://www.ongov.net/elections) or call the Board of Elections (315) 435-3322 with any questions. If you wish to vote in the upcoming election, you must mail or deliver this form to the Onondaga County Board of Elections no later than 25 days before the election in which you want to vote. This means for the November 8<sup>th</sup> general election, the deadline is October 14, 2022, and address changes by October 19<sup>th</sup>. If mailing the registration form it must be postmarked by that date. The deadline for absentee ballot applications is October 24<sup>th</sup>. You must be 18 years old by the date of the general, primary or other election in which you want to vote. If you move, but remain in the same county, send your change of address to the Board of Elections so that your records may be updated. If you have not notified the board of your change of address, you may vote on a paper ballot (everyone votes on a paper ballot these days) and have your records updated at that time.

# From the Town Clerks cont'd....

## **2022 Polling Place**

LaFayette Fire Station #1  
2444 US Route 115 LaFayette

## **Mammography Van in Town**

Upstate University Hospitals Mobile Mammography Van will be parked in the lower parking lot near the library on November 17<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 am – 3:00pm. Preregistration is required. Register by phone at 315-464-2582 or online at [www.upstate.edu/noexcuses](http://www.upstate.edu/noexcuses)

## **SERVICES PROVIDED AT TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE**

- Dog licensing
- Marriage Licenses & Transcripts (applications can be found on the town website. PLEASE CALL FOR APPOINTMENT)
- Passport Processing (PLEASE CALL FOR APPOINTMENT)
- Hunting & Fishing Licenses and Duck Stamps
- Handicap Permits
- Notary Public Services (Free of Charge )
- Facility Rentals
- Any many other things... feel free to give us a call @ 315-677-3674 or email @ [townclerk@townoflafayette.com](mailto:townclerk@townoflafayette.com) or [deputytownclerk@townoflafayette.com](mailto:deputytownclerk@townoflafayette.com)

Many of the forms: marriage license, dog license, passport forms, handicap permit applications, building permits, etc.... can be found on the town website: [www.townoflafayette.com](http://www.townoflafayette.com)

**DOG LICENSING** - The fees are \$8.00 for Spay/Neutered dogs and \$20.00 for Unspayed/Unneutered dogs. Licenses may be obtained for 1, 2, or 3 years depending on the expiration of the rabies vaccines. You may pay with check or cash, via mail or in person. Forms for new licenses may be downloaded from our website. It is **New York State Law** that all dogs must be licensed in the municipality which they reside. Please contact Dog Control Officers; Ken Johnson (315) 263-1000; Deputy Dog Control Officer Laura Holt (315) 696-6468 for any stray/lost dogs.

**DOG IDENTIFICATION** – I strongly suggest that you put your contact information such as your phone

number on your pets. If your dog gets found after hours or on weekends, the dog control officer would contact you directly and avoid your dog/cat going to the SPCA and a \$150.00 fine. Most pet stores sell tags that you can engrave what you choose for your pet.

## **GARBAGE/RECYCLING SCHEDULE:**

If you have lost your calendar that Dependable Disposal gave you with regard to garbage/recycling days, please call (315) 472-7455 and press option #4 for a new calendar.

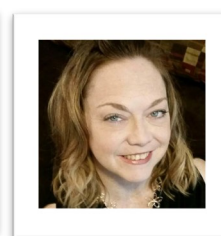
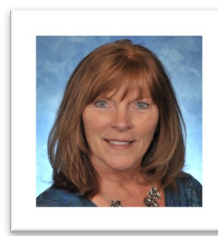
Don't forget to visit the **LaFayette Apple Festival on October 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>, 2022**. We are looking forward to a huge success for all the community groups who work so hard all weekend in order to raise funds for their organizations. Not only are you going to have a great time, great food, and great rides, you can check out all the tents full of crafts and support many of LaFayette's Organizations while doing so.

*On behalf of all of us in the Town Hall, the Town Board, etc. we wish you and your family a fun & safe Halloween, a wonderful **Thanksgiving**. Don't forget about **LaFayette's Annual Christmas Tree lighting on Sunday, December 4<sup>th</sup>, 2022** in the Post Office parking lot.*

*We hope you have a **Merry Christmas** and are hopeful that "2023" blesses you and all those you love with good health. When you've got your health, you've got it all, the rest will follow. We thank our service men and women, law enforcement, educators, medical providers, political leaders, etc. **Please Be Grateful, Be Honest, Dream Big, Be Simple, Be You, Stay Humble, Give Thanks, Laugh, Love and Always Be Kind!!!***

*God Bless,*

Be  
Kind.



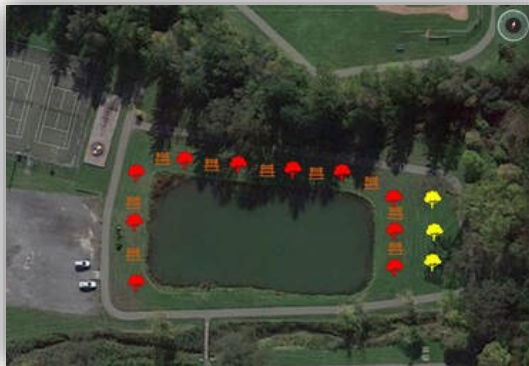
—Jackie Bush Roorda/Kristin Colburn



# Memorial Tree and Bench Program

The Town of LaFayette in conjunction with the LaFayette Optimist Club have recently launched a Memorial Tree & Bench Program at Stafford Park to give LaFayette residents the opportunity to sponsor a tree or a bench in memory of loved ones. For more details go to:

<https://www.townoflafayette.com/memorial-program---treebench.html>



# In Loving Memory

## Court Corner



School is back in session.....motorists please be aware of school children and buses. Slow down and pay attention!! No passing a stopped school bus on the

right. State law states that traffic from either direction approaching a stopped school bus with flashing red lights must stop before reaching the bus. Drivers should stop their vehicles at least 20 feet from the bus. You must stop whether you are approaching a bus from the front or from the rear, even on a divided or multi-lane highway. Fines start at a minimum of \$250 to a maximum of \$400, plus state surcharges for a first offense.

New York State Unified Court System has a website for court related help. Visit [www.nycourthelp.gov](http://www.nycourthelp.gov)

### Court Help

### Our hours are as follows:

9:30—5:00 pm Monday thru Thursday  
closed from 12:30—1:30 for lunch  
Closed on Fridays

Phone number: 315-677-9350

Fax number: 315-677-4622

Webpage: [www.townoflafayette.com/court.html](http://www.townoflafayette.com/court.html)

Email: [tolcourt1@aol.com](mailto:tolcourt1@aol.com)

### Court holiday closings:

- Monday 10/10/22
- Thursday 11/23/22
- Friday 11/24/22
- Monday 12/26/22
- No court night on 12/21/22 and 12/28/22

—Honorable Maureen Perrin and  
Honorable Adrian Shute  
Carleen, Katey & JoAnne

*When coming to court you are expected to be dressed in presentable attire. Remove your hat. Turn cell phones off.*

# From the LaFayette Highway Superintendent



As we move out of summer and transition into fall, I would like to thank all our residents for their patience while our Highway employees completed work on our Town roads this summer. Our department is still ditching, mowing and completing some small projects on our town roads.

Our fall brush pick-up is completed for this year. Please take note for the spring pick-up, that your brush piles need to be stacked along the edge of the road and please no longer than 8'. This service is intended for fallen tree limbs and minor tree trimming "NOT" major tree removal and property clearing. If you have a tree removed by a contractor, that contractor is responsible for removal of the debris. Please never hesitate to contact us at 315-677-9535 if you have any questions about this service.

On August 18, 2021, we were faced with a challenge "Tropical Storm Fred". In a 24-hour period we received over 7 inches of rainfall that closed many roads and damaged some of our drainage systems. After a year of long hours and never-ending FEMA paperwork, I have been able to recover monies spent from our roads budget to repair damage received due to the storm. At this time, I have been able to recover over \$33,581 with \$51,419 still pending final approval by FEMA and the State of New York. At this time, I am working with Mark Chambers, Engineer "C&S Engineering" on a FEMA Mitigation Grant. With this process The Town of Lafayette could receive approximately \$180,000 to make improvements to our damaged drainage system.



Lastly, please be mindful of trash can placement for our plow drivers. Enjoy the fall months, stay safe and don't forget about the **LaFayette Apple Festival**.

—Steve Robson  
Highway Superintendent

**Residents— Please Help!**

**NO** Our Town of LaFayette plow drivers are asking for your help in placement of your garbage cans on snowy days. There have been many instances where the cans have been in the road causing the plow drivers to have to veer around them. The arms on the Dependable trucks can reach out to 11' so there is no need to put your cans in the road. It is also recommended

**YES** that your garbage cans be removed from roadside when your garbage is picked up as a courtesy to our plow drivers to make their jobs easier.

—Thank you for your cooperation  
Town of LaFayette Highway Department



Christmas Tree Lighting  
 Sunday, December 4, 2022  
 Christmas Carols, Refreshments, and a visit from Santa



## From the Town Historian—The Hill House

We are fast approaching our town's 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Much has changed in those years. Many of the family names and almost all of the buildings of our original settlers have long disappeared only to be replaced by new names and newer buildings. Our links to the past seem to stay with us only within the pages of our history books. There is however, until just recently, one family name that has ties to the same house since 1810 and the same property since 1795. It is known as the Hill House on Clark Hollow Road.

Our story starts with Ebenezer Hill. After arriving in Clark Hollow from Hoosick Falls, Rensselaer County, N.Y. he selected his site of settlement and bought 147 acres from Abel Owen. In addition, he married Charlotte Owen, who just happened to be Abel Owen's daughter. They had a son named Lewis Owen Hill born in 1795. He was the first white child born in the town to live to maturity and spend his entire life here. In 1810 Ebenezer had a brick house built for him by a master builder named John Woodruff. At the same time John Woodruff built a brick house for Ebenezer's brother-in-law Solomon Owen who was the first settler to arrive in the Hollow in 1793. The bricks for both houses were made on Solomon's land. They are laid in the Flemish Bond style on the front of the house.

As time went on Lewis Hill married Temperance Dixon Hill (1801-1877). He and his wife did not have children. When their nephew, Clayton Hill (born June 18, 1840) was about three years old he was brought to the brick house to be raised by them. In 1866 Clayton Hill married his cousin, Rowena Flavia Hill. Rowena's father, Milo Hill was a doctor in Buffalo and Clayton followed in his uncle's footsteps. Clayton was a surgeon in the 4<sup>th</sup> New York Artillery during the Civil War. From about 1867 to 1873 he practiced at the brick house and then moved to Buffalo. After his adopted father's death in 1878 the house and the farm passed on to him. He maintained the brick house as his summer home for more than 20 years. He would often treat neighbors and friends when in LaFayette, even delivering twin daughters to George



and Algena Hiscock Everingham on July 22, 1891.

Mrs. Rowena Hill died in 1897 and Dr. Clayton Hill died in 1905. In the spring of 1906 their son, Robert, came to the brick house to live and about 1916 he had a new two-story wing built onto the house replacing the original one. Robert's son, Richard Hill, eventually became the owner of the brick house. In 1959 Richard Hill and his family moved. Since then the family has rented out the house.



Recently the property has been sold, thus breaking the longest link between the family name of one of our earliest settlers and his still standing house. Our best wishes goes out to the new owners.

—Rick Stout



**The LaFayette Rural Cemetery is responsible for its own cost of operations. We do welcome all public donations to help with the ongoing cost. If you would like to donate the address is:**

**LaFayette Rural Cemetery Association  
P.O. Box 94  
LaFayette, NY 13084**



## From the LaFayette Public Library



Thank you to all who participated in the Summer Reading Program. We participated in a Zoo-to-You Program. We were able to view the Zoo's one of a kind artifacts and ask a professional zoo educator animal questions while learning to make a difference with wildlife. We wrapped up the program with a visit from the Bubble Man followed by a visit to the MOST for a live science demonstration about ocean ecosystems. The program was a great success!

In September, we had a therapy dog come visit. A beautiful and gentle "reading dog" ready to be petted and read to.

Please make sure you are following your library's Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/lafayettelibrary](http://www.facebook.com/lafayettelibrary).

We post "What's New" weekly updates on new best sellers, movies, audiobooks, and children's books. We also announce any activities taking place. Many books are available online in an electronic format at

a link that is provided weekly. If you would like that link sent directly to your email, you can sign up at [www.wowbrary.org](http://www.wowbrary.org).

We continue with Tuesday Tea through the Fall. The library couch is cozy and comfy. Come join us on the **3rd Tuesday** of the month from 2:00—4:00 pm.

—Jessica Rice



### Library Hours

Mondays	10:00 am—7:00 pm
Tuesdays	10:00 am—7:00 pm
Wednesdays	10:00 am—5:00 pm
Thursdays	10:00 am—7:00 pm
Fridays	10:00 am—5:00 pm
Saturdays	10:00 am—2:00 pm
Closed Saturdays during the summer July through Labor Day	

## From the LaFayette Lacrosse Alumni Association



**SAVE THE DATE!** The LaFayette Lacrosse Alumni Association is pleased to announce the 15th annual alumni event will return this year on the morning of Saturday, November 26, 2022, at 11:00am preceding the LaFayette Sports Hall of Fame Induction ceremony. Location is at Tsha' Thoñ'nhes, the Onondaga Nation Fieldhouse. Please check the Facebook page or reach out to Brian Gormley for further details ([gormley.brian.j@gmail.com](mailto:gormley.brian.j@gmail.com)).

A BIG THANK YOU to Chris Evans for helping the Lacrosse Alumni Association design and fabricate the new signs that went up in Town this summer, and also to the Town Highway Department for the installation!

—Brian Gormley



# From the LaFayette Advisory Conservation Commission

## **Invasive Species –harmful non-native plants, insects and more**

Invasive species are organisms that when introduced outside their native range, harm ecosystems, the economy, and/or human health. There are hundreds of impactful invasive species in NYS, and these contribute to habitat degradation, loss of native species, loss of recreational income, crop damage, risks to public safety and more.

One great way to get involved is to become a data collector using iMapInvasives, a mobile-friendly GIS-based data management system that allows you to quickly and easily report information about invasives. To sign up for a free account and explore the iMapInvasives application, visit [imapinvasives.natureserve.org](http://imapinvasives.natureserve.org).

The Finger Lakes Partnership for Regional Invasive Species Management (PRISM) is the place to go to learn about specific and immediate needs for volunteer efforts detecting and controlling invasive species. Learn more at [fingerlakesinvasives.org](http://fingerlakesinvasives.org).



So what are some invasives to worry about now? Here are a few examples:

### **Spotted Lanternfly (SLF)** – a new invader in CNY

- Destroys crops and native plants
- Vandalizes with sooty mold
- Threatens food, beer and wine industries
- Sabotages our local economy

**Hemlock Woolly Adelgid (HWA)** – This tiny insect is

a big problem for forests and water resources. Hemlocks in NYS lack natural resistance and we have no predators to control HWA.

Hemlocks provide wildlife wintering areas by reducing snow depths and moderating temperatures. Death of hemlock trees would alter forest structure and expose wildlife to harsh winter extremes.

- Damages and eventually kills Hemlocks
- Loss of habitat
- Damages our economy



**Poison Hemlock** – This common invasive has a purple blotchy stem and small fern-like leaves and can grow to 10 feet. All parts of Poison Hemlock are highly toxic and can be fatal to humans and animals. Never handle this plant without gloves and other protective clothing including eye wear. Shower afterwards to be sure you have no toxic sap on your skin, and launder your clothes.

- Crowds out other vegetation
- Extremely toxic to livestock, pets and humans
- *Easily confused with Queen Anne's Lace and other similar plants*

Ready to learn more and get involved? Contact Kelly at [kelly.wypych@outlook.com](mailto:kelly.wypych@outlook.com) to learn about local iMapInvasive training sessions and projects to detect and manage invasives.



—Kelly Wypich



# From the LaFayette Optimists

Greetings LaFayette Community!

I hope everyone has had a wonderful summer. I would like to offer a big THANK YOU to the Community for supporting the Optimist Golf Ball Drop. We had a successful event with strong support that will allow us to fund our scholarships and event schedule. Please see the list of Ball Drop winners:

The Ball Drop capped off an enjoyable summer. Stafford Park was heavily used this summer. If you have not heard, a dog park was added to Stafford Park this summer. Several four legged family members have been enjoying this new addition.

The Optimist Club is looking for your feedback on Community Projects for us to support. Please use the Suggestion Box (and Donation Box!) at the Park Pavilion to share your thoughts with us. You can also post to the Optimist Facebook page, or reach out to a member to give us your ideas.

Looking forward, we will have our Halloween Party coming up late October. We will announce the date on our Facebook page. We look forward to seeing everyone at Applefest this October. Please stop by and say hello and grab one of our famous steak sandwiches.

After Thanksgiving we will be putting up the Christmas decorations and preparing for the Tree Lighting event on December 4, 2022 .

facebook



—Dave Coakley, Secretary

## 2022 LaFayette Optimist Golf Ball Drop Winners

1 <sup>st</sup>	James Mcelhannon
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Cheryl Chapman
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Diggy
4 <sup>th</sup>	Bob Tew
5 <sup>th</sup>	Mark Young
6 <sup>th</sup>	Mike Smith
7 <sup>th</sup>	Joe Marzo
8 <sup>th</sup>	Steve Ecker
9 <sup>th</sup>	Bill Fox
10 <sup>th</sup>	Heidi Johnson

*“Promise yourself to look at the sunny side of everything and make your optimism come true.” – from The Optimist Creed*

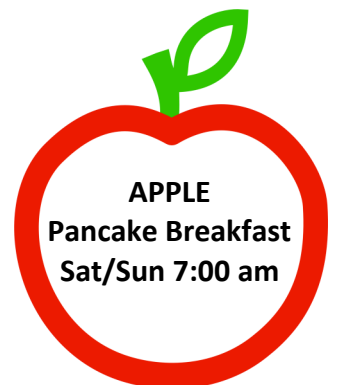


# 49th Annual Apple Fest

This is our 49th Apple Festival but it is our 50th year due to our one-year lapse in 2020 due to COVID. In celebration of 50 years there will be a fireworks display at 6:30 pm on Saturday, October 8.

Please come out and enjoy the food, rides, crafts, entertainment and support all our local non-profits.

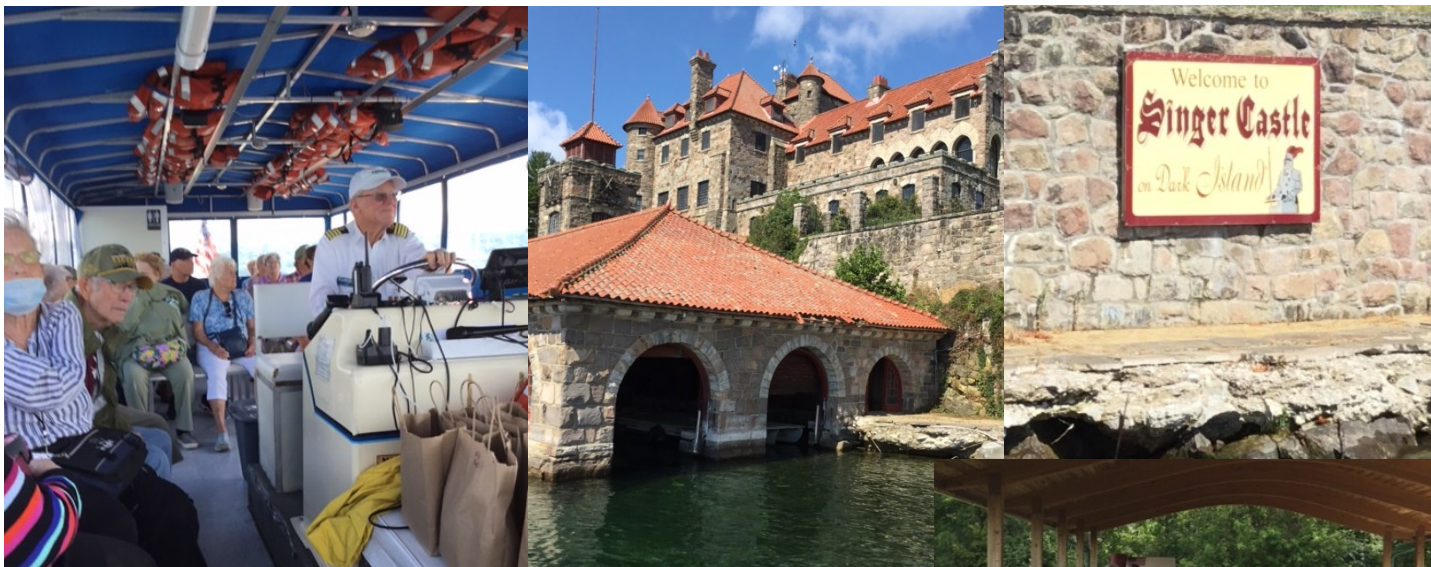
- Saturday, October 8— 9:00 am—6:00 pm
- Saturday, October 8 Fireworks—6:30 pm
- Sunday, October 9— 9:00 am—5:00 pm
- Thomas LaClair Classic 10k—Sunday, October 9 9:00 race time—registration at 7:30 am
- Apple Pie Baking Contest Friday, October 7; judging begins at 6:15 pm



# From the LaFayette Seniors

The LaFayette Senior Citizens' group meets on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month at 12:00 noon in the LaFayette Fire Station, on Route #11 in LaFayette. (Please note that if school is cancelled due to inclement weather, the group will not meet).

Our wonderful Summer weather gave the LaFayette Senior Citizens an opportunity for a splendid trip in July on a boat that was just the right size for our group! We had a narrated tour of the St. Lawrence River for about 5 hours, making stops at both the Singer and Boldt Castles along the way. We all enjoyed touring the castles, and learning about their history, as well as the history of the St. Lawrence River.



In August, because of the Primary Elections, we were unable to gather at the LaFayette Fire Department, so we enjoyed a nice day with a Meeting/picnic at Stafford Park.

In September, we are looking forward to taking a train ride from Utica to the Thendara Station in the Adirondacks, and then will have lunch and be able to explore the shops in Old Forge before returning home.

The Tully Senior Citizens group has several great trips planned for the remainder of 2022. Anyone can take part in whatever trip is being offered, which helps "fill the bus" as well as create camaraderie.

*In October, Tully will have a day trip to Seneca Allegany Resort and Casino for some gambling and the Sweet Caroline performance. Christmas Time in Branson, Missouri, will be from November 13-21, featuring 7 Christmas shows, and much more, including lodging and many meals. For pricing, and more information about these trips, contact Esther Hoose at (315) 317-1618*

*Our LaFayette Seniors Group is always looking for new members .... If you are over 50 years of age, come and enjoy the companionship, have a delicious pot-luck lunch, and take part in the fun activities that are planned. To join, all you need to do is to bring a dish to pass, your own table service, and \$5 for dues for the year. Coffee and tea are provided. Anyone can join, whether you live in the immediate area, or not!*

So, join us on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month, see what the "Seniors" is all about, and hear about the upcoming trips that are planned! Hope to see you at a meeting soon ....

—Rita Bush



## From Boy Scout Troop 100

In July, 13 Scouts went to Summer Camp at Sabattis, near Long Lake. We achieved badges in areas such as Archery, Fishing, Swimming, Shotgun, Small Boat Sailing and Wood Carving. We also spent an overnight on Pole Island under an occupied eagle's nest. Adventures like this doesn't take place solely at Sabattis- the Scouts have planned a venturesome Fall!



Activities for autumn include mountain biking at Green Lakes, backpacking campout at Pharoah Lake, a campout on Wellesley Island with Canadian Scouts and a metal working campout at Camp Woodland where we'll make their own knives!



In addition to these ventures, the Troop will have helped with the VFW's Spaghetti Dinner on 9/15 as well as supported three apple pie making evenings at St. Joseph's Church. Our Scouts need to earn service hours to be able to participate in an annual video game lock-in at Sentinel Heights FD, where they bring their consoles for some late-night gaming and snacking!

Does this sound like fun? Well, we invite all youth ages 11-16 to join in the fun, too! We do our best to accommodate sports schedules and design our meetings with activities in mind, such as chair making and leather work- those knives will need sheaths, after all!

Our next meeting is at Sentinel Heights Fire Department, October 12, from 6:30-8PM. Cost per Scout is \$125 for the year, but we spend >\$450 per Scout on programming, food & badges! Oh yeah- we have our own pizza oven!!!

Email or text Unit Commissioner Christian Borchert for more information. [chrisandal@hotmail.com](mailto:chrisandal@hotmail.com)  
315.729.9555

—Christian Borchert

## From the Southern Hills Garden Club



Southern Hills Garden Club meets the third Tuesday of each month, February through November at the LaFayette Community Center, 2508 US Route 11, LaFayette NY. Meetings typically take place at 7:00 pm unless otherwise noted. Some meetings do take place off site and generally have an earlier start time. Guests are welcome and membership is open to anyone interested in gardening. For information please contact, Cathy Nagel 315-677-9342 or email to [CEN42085@aol.com](mailto:CEN42085@aol.com).  
—Patricia Kroneck

October 18, 2022	7:00 pm	LaFayette Community Center	Tim and Lisa Ballantyne of Ballantyne Gardens will present "Fall Back to Spring Ahead"
November 15, 2022	7:00 pm	LaFayette Community Center	Holiday Craft & Pizza Party—Contact Cathy Nagel 315-677-9342 or email <a href="mailto:cen42085@aol.com">cen42085@aol.com</a>

# From the LaFayette Community Council

Questions about recreational activities can be found 24/7 on the town's web site at the following link <https://www.townoflafayette.com/community-council.html>, on the main navigation bar or by calling the Community Council phone, 315-677-7272. Messages will be retrieved five times per week and an LCC board member will return your call. Emails are also accepted at [lcc@townoflafayette.com](mailto:lcc@townoflafayette.com) The mailing address is: LCC, PO Box 98, LaFayette, NY 13084. Follow us on Facebook.




**Lacrosse:** LCC would like to thank the following individuals who helped with the ULA and Instructional

programs - Nate Loughlin, Victoria With, Pat Dwyer, Matt Amidon, Sid Hill Sr, Aiden Abbott, Renee Clemens, Mike Phinney, Dave Watkins, DJ Mahar, Mike Johnson, Josh Groth, Justin Knapp, Aidan Griffin, Brittany Gale, Mackenzie Loughlin, Ellie

McElhannon, Bella Kurtz, Maddie Simmons, Tyler Gale and Kevin Gale.

**Track:** LCC would like to thank Larkin Podsiedlik, Bill O'Leary and the members of the Modified & Varsity Boys Cross Country team, Sean Zehner and the members of the Modified & Varsity Girls Cross Country team, Eric Mangold and Paul Elm.

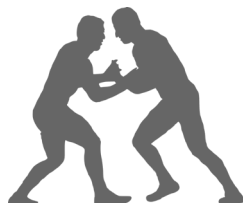


Thank you to the adults and kids that helped with concessions for youth lacrosse and Friday night adult softball.



**Fall Sports:** Soccer is underway and will conclude on October 22.

**Winter Sports:** Wrestling will begin in December. Volleyball and Basketball will be scheduled based upon space availability.



## Adult Programs:



**Men's Basketball:** Mondays 7:00-9:00 PM at Grimshaw Elementary, currently in session and will run through Monday, June 11, 2023.

**Co-Ed Volleyball:** Begins Friday, November 4, 7:30-9:30 PM at Grimshaw Elementary and will run through Friday, June 16, 2023.



## Announcements:

**Apple Festival:** We need your help running the pizza booth at the Apple Festival; please consider putting in an hour or two to support our youth programs. Kids are welcome to help too. Please contact LCC via email or leave a message if you are available to volunteer.



## Other Programs:



**Ski Program:** LCC's Friday night skiing. We will hold two information and registration sign-up nights: Thursday, October 27 and Thursday, November 3, both 6:00-7:30 PM at the Community Room in the Town Hall. Documents will be available for individuals/families to complete on those evenings. There will be no transportation provided for Friday night skiing. Participants under the age of 18 will need to have an adult on site.



## From LCC cont'd...

If you are able to help with the LCC programs – **AND WE DO NEED YOUR HELP** - please contact LCC. We cannot offer these programs without volunteers who are willing to share their time and efforts as coaches. Thank you.



Updates on all LCC programs can be found on the Town's web site under the "Community

Council" tab. Information is also posted on LCC's Facebook page and the Town's social media outlets (Twitter, Facebook). When possible, notices will also be provided through the LaFayette School District.

—Kimberly Tingley  
Secretary



### REMEMBER THOSE WHO SERVED

LaFayette VFW

Friday, November 11, 2022

4:00 pm till gone

Roast Pork, mashed potatoes, squash, stuffing, rolls, dessert

Price: TBD

All Veterans with military id dinner is on us

## From the LaFayette Fire Department

Some Safety Updates:



- Check batteries on all smoke and Co2 detectors
- Adjust driving habits for ice/snow on roads
- Check/clean chimneys and smoke flues before firing up

Check out improvements at the Fire Department Apple Fest booth making it easier to pay and pick up food. **Please support the Fire Department.**

Information coming soon on plans for a Trunk n Treat at the Fire Station

—Sean Doolittle



## From the LaFayette Athletic Booster Club



The bottle trailer has been relocated to the Dollar General parking lot, where it is under better watchful surveillance and less phone calls to the Town. Please drop only returnable 5 cent cans and bottles. Shot bottles, Wine bottles, TV's, bikes are not returnable here.

This bottle trailer is housed in the Town for all 12 months and the monies raised from these returnables benefit local organizations for our youth like The Boys Scouts, LaFayette Lacrosse, After Prom, LaFayette Athletic Booster Club. In 2021 the bottle trailer brought in close to \$18,000 for our youth organizations. Thank you for your support.

# LAFAYETTE HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS HALL OF FAME

## Open to the Public—RSVP Form—Due by 11/12/22

(if after due date, please contact us to make arrangements)

Saturday, November 26th—Starting at 4:00 pm—Doors open at 3:00 pm

*The induction ceremony will be held at the*

*LaFayette Jr./Sr. High School—3122 Route 11—LaFayette, NY 13084*

*Casual Business Attire*

Name	_____
Address	_____
Phone	_____
Email	_____
Hall of Famer	_____

(or if no one just write none above)

**The cost: \$40.00/ per Adult ~ Children 12 and Under : \$15.00 ~ Children 4 and under Free**

\_\_\_\_\_ Total Number of people attending the Hall of Fame Inaugural Event

*If you have additional people, please contact us at the contact info listed below.*

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### If paying by credit card:

You may pay via check or credit card. If by credit card, please provide:

CC# \_\_\_\_\_ Exp Date M/Y \_\_\_\_\_

CVV # \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

### NOTE:

There will be a 3% additional charge to manual punched credit card purchases, sorry! If you are local and would like to make arrangements to pay via credit card by a swiped transaction, please contact Lisa Shenandoah-Kurtz

### If paying by check:

Check payable to LaFayette Athletic Booster Club and mail to: PO Box 294, LaFayette NY 13084.

Indicate Attention: Hall of Fame

### If paying by Venmo:

LaFayette Athletic-BoosterClub. Please note: Hall of Fame Ceremony.

Please return this completed form **ASAP**. If you have any questions, please feel free to email Lisa Shenandoah-Kurtz at [Ljkurtz1975@verizon.net](mailto:Ljkurtz1975@verizon.net) or call 315-415-7932.

**Committee: Dave Knapp-LaVerne Doctor-Sherwin Hill-Tom LaRose-Bill McConnell  
Heather Storrer-Castleman-John Liddy-Jeremy Belfield-Lisa Shenandoah-Kurtz**





## Sunday Services

LaFayette Alliance Church	10:30 am
Columbian Presbyterian Church	10:00 am
Onativia United Methodist Church	9:00 am
St. Joseph's Church of the Nativity	9:00 am



## Church Events

### LaFayette Alliance Church

Sunday School	Sundays	9:00—10:00 am
Coffee/Fellowship Time	Sundays	10:00—10:25 am
Ignite Prayer Ministry	1st & 3rd Sunday	6:00 pm
Bible Quizzing	Thursday	6:00—8:00 pm
Word of Life Olympians Program	1st Wednesday of month	6:30—8:00 pm
Trunk or Treat	October 29, 2022	5:30 pm
Clothing Give-away	December 10, 2022	9:00 am—noon
Thanksgiving Eve Service	November 23, 2022	7:00 pm
Christmas Eve Service	December 24, 2022	7:00 pm

LaFayette Alliance Church  
315-677-9810  
[www.lafayettealliance.org](http://www.lafayettealliance.org)



### Columbian Presbyterian Church

The Great \$5 Sweater Sale	October 7, 2022 October 8, 2022 October 9, 2022	6:00—8:00 pm 9:00 am—4:00 pm Noon—4:00 pm
Chicken Barbecue	October 15, 2022	11:00—gone
Trunk or Treat	October 31, 2022	5:00—6:30 pm
Election Night Roast Beef Dinner	November 8, 2022	4:00—7:00 pm
Thanksgiving Eve Service	November 23, 2022	7:00 pm
Christmas Eve Service	December 24, 2022	7:00 pm
Cookie Café	December 10, 2022	9:30—noon

Columbian Presbyterian Church  
315-677-3293  
[cpresbyt@twcny.rr.com](mailto:cpresbyt@twcny.rr.com)  
[columbianpresbyterianchurch.com](http://columbianpresbyterianchurch.com)



Crumb top and 2 crust Apple Pie Sale—Frozen pies will be available at the end of September  
Pre-order now for your holiday table—315-677-3293

### Onativia United Methodist Church

**WELCOME** new pastor Ray Lessongang

Onativia United Methodist Church  
[onatviachurch@hotmail.com](mailto:onatviachurch@hotmail.com)

### St. Joseph's Church of the Nativity

Thanksgiving Mass	November 24, 2022	8:30 am
Christmas Mass	December 25, 2022	9:00 am

St. Joseph's Church of the Nativity  
315-677-3439  
[www.stjosephslafayette.org](http://www.stjosephslafayette.org)



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## UPCOMING EVENTS—OCT-NOV-DEC

(Visit [www.townoflafayette.com](http://www.townoflafayette.com) home page for complete town calendar)  
Need to add a Town event email [infoofficer@townoflafayette.com](mailto:infoofficer@townoflafayette.com)

# EVENTS

October 8, 2022	LaFayette Apple Festival	Apple Festival Grounds	9:00 am—6:00 pm
October 8, 2022	50th Anniversary Apple Fest Fireworks	Apple Festival Grounds	6:30 pm
October 9, 2022	LaFayette Apple Festival	Apple Festival Grounds	9:00 am—5:00 pm
October 9, 2022	Thomas LaClair Classic 10k	Apple Festival Grounds	9:00 am
October 11, 2022	Town Board Meeting	LaFayette Town Hall	6:30 pm
October 15, 2022	Chicken Barbecue	Columbian Presbyterian Church	11:00 am—gone
October 18, 2022	Southern Hills Garden Club	LaFayette Community Center	7:00 pm
October 23, 2022	VFW Pancake Breakfast	LaFayette VFW	8:00am —11:00 am
November 8, 2022	Election Day	LaFayette Fire Station #1	6:00 am—9:00pm
November 8, 2022	Election Day Night Roast Beef Dinner	Columbian Presbyterian Church	4:00 pm—7:00 pm
November 8, 2022	Town Board Meeting	LaFayette Town Hall	6:30 pm
November 11, 2022	Veterans Day Dinner	LaFayette VFW	4:00 pm—gone
November 15, 2022	Southern Hills Garden Club	LaFayette Community Center	7:00 pm
November 17, 2022	Mammography Van	Lower Lot Town Hall	9:00 am—3:00 pm
November 26, 2022	LaFayette Lacrosse Alumni Game	Tsha' Thoñ'nhes Nation Fieldhouse	11:00 am
November 26, 2022	LaFayette Hall of Fame Dinner	LaFayette Jr./Sr. High School	4:00 pm
November 27, 2022	VFW Pancake Breakfast	LaFayette VFW	8:00am—11:00 am
December 4, 2022	Tree Lighting Ceremony	Four Corners	4:30 pm
December 10, 2022	Cookie Café	Columbian Presbyterian Church	9:30 am—noon
December 13, 2022	Town Board Meeting	LaFayette Town Hall	6:30 pm
December 18, 2022	Breakfast with Santa	LaFayette VFW	8:00—11:00 am

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Ph.: 677-3674 Fax: 677-7806

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