



LaFayette

Community Newsletter

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From the Town Supervisor:



"Thank You to Legislature Chairman Dave Knapp"



Dave Knapp comes through for LaFayette again - the Town is getting \$50,000 for new tennis courts and new basketball courts at Stafford Park, \$123,000 in snow plow assistance grants, funding for road repair in Jamesville Grove, and all of this on top of the more than \$300,000 he has brought in for our park system. We should all be grateful for him as our local representative and serving as the Chairman of our County Legislature. On top of all of that, I found a picture of him advising Dino Babers on how to run a better Syracuse defense moving forward. He swears this picture was taken AFTER the Maryland game and coach hadn't taken to heart Dave's advice.



Municipal Water



There is a strong possibility the town will be moving toward running a municipal water system in Cardiff. If this is the case, it seems like it would create an opportunity to bring water to a larger segment of the town. Your town board and I are looking for your input on how best to move forward so please reach out with your thoughts. Does LaFayette need water? Sure could be the case.



LaFayette Chamber of Commerce

I have had dozens of people reaching out about the rebirth of the LaFayette Chamber. Please continue to reach out and keep an eye on the website and Facebook for a meeting date. This is going to be a solid asset for our local business community, especially our work from home professionals who can network and build off one another. The hope is to have a formal meeting before the 1st of the year.



From the Town Supervisor cont'd.....

Thank You to Our Highway Workers



Year after year, our highway team performs better than anywhere else in Onondaga County. Our winter severity money, over \$500,000 in two years, is not possible without this incredible group of guys. While we are home sleeping comfortably, they are out dealing with snow, ice, floods, and

making sure we all get to work safely. We should all be grateful.

John Greeley, Steve Robson, and the whole highway team,

"OUR TOWN THANKS YOU! Excellent work."

Thank You —Danny Fitzpatrick
Town Supervisor

From the Town Clerk



New travel identification requirements will be taking place October 2020, therefore, I will be offering a **"PASSPORT DAY"** for LaFayette residents in the Town Clerk's Office.

November 2, 2019 "Passport Day" at LaFayette Town Hall 9:00 am—1:00 pm

Please bring the items listed below:

Completed Form DS-11 Application for a US Passport (BLACK INK ONLY) form that can be found online at: www.travel.state.gov or picked up in our office.

Proof of US Citizenship- Certified birth certificate must include your full name, date & place of birth, sex, date the birth record was filed with full names of both parent (s) & raised seal.

Proof of Identity-copy front & back Driver's license, State Issued ID Card, Passport, Military, SS card.

Color 2"x2" Passport Photograph (taken within 6 months) that can be obtained at any Kinney's, Rite Aid, Walmart, Walgreen's etc. (Anywhere that processes film)

Fees - \$110.00 adults \$80.00 minors younger than 16 yrs. (1 Check per application, made out to US Dept. of State) \$35.00 application processing fee (cash or check made out to LaFayette Town Clerk, if more than 1 family member is applying, you may include all application processing fees on 1 check)

Please visit www.travel.state.gov to print any forms or answer any questions regarding your application.

2019 Early Voting Communication Plan

For the 2019 November general election, any registered

voter can vote in person before Election Day during the period of October 26, 2019 – November 3, 2019.

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 or the State Board of Elections at 518-474-1953 or www.elections.ny.gov.

Onondaga County Early Voting Polling Hours

LaFayette Fire Station #1 (rear entrance) 2444 Route 11 South, LaFayette NY 13084

- SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2019: 9:00AM TO 2:00PM
- SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2019: 9:00AM TO 2:00PM
- MONDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2019: 9:00AM TO 5:00PM
- TUESDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2019: 12:00PM TO 8:00PM
- WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2019: 12:00PM TO 8:00PM
- THURSDAY, OCTOBER 31, 2019: 7:00AM TO 3:00PM
- FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2019: 7:00AM TO 3:00PM
- SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2019: 9:00AM TO 2:00PM
- SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2019: 9:00AM TO 2:00PM

Election Day—November 5, 2019—Polls are open 6:00 am – 9:00 pm

Voter registration forms are available at the Town Clerk's office and the Post Office and online at www.ongov.net/elections or call the Board of Election (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 5th general election, the deadline is October 11, 2019. If mailing the registration form it must be

From the Town Clerk cont'd...

postmarked by that date. The deadline for absentee ballot applications is October 29th. 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.



2019 Polling Places

District(s)

- 1, 2** LaFayette Fire Station #1
2444 US Route 11, South LaFayette
- 3, 5** LaFayette Commons Office Bldg.
2577 US Route 11 North, LaFayette
- 4, Onon-5** Southwood Fire Department
4581 Grace Place, Jamesville

Defensive Driving Course –Saturday November 16, 2019

We are pleased to partner with Branch's Driving School to offer the **6 hour Defensive Driving Class** in the meeting room of the Town Hall
Time: 9:00 am – 3:00 pm. Cost \$35.00 per student



Their instructors are certified through the *Empire Safety Council* for the 6 Hour Defensive Driving course which is approved by the [NYS DMV](#) for the Point and Insurance Reduction Program (PIRP). Benefits include:

- Insurance premium reduction of 10% for three years (base rate of liability, no-fault and collision premiums). *Principal operator*
- Up to a 4-point reduction with NYS DMV.
- Be part of a program that sets the standard for accident prevention and vehicle safety in New York State.

No Exam Required!

Must bring NYS Driver's License or Learner's Permit.

Pre - Registration is required to save a spot. Contact Branch's Driving School at 315-478-2446 to register. Once you have registered, payment for the class is accepted in advance over the phone or you can pay at the door the day of class.

Services Provided at the Town Clerk's Office

- Dog licensing which is required by Town law and NYS Ag & Markets
- Marriage Licenses & Transcripts (applications can be found on the town website. Please call for an appointment.

- Passport Processing (again please call for an appointment)
- Hunting & Fishing Licenses and Duck Stamps may be purchased as well
- Handicap Permits
- Notary Public Services (Free of Charge)
- Facility Rentals (Stafford Park Pavilions & Community Center)

Any many other things... feel free to give us a call @ 315-677-3674 or email @ townclerk@townoflafayette.com. We will be more than happy to assist in any way that we can!!

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

Dog Licensing - The fees are \$8.00 for Spay/Neutered dogs and \$20.00 for Un-spayed/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.



Rabies Shot Clinics/Onondaga County Health

- Saturday October 5, 10:00AM – 12:00noon, SPCA, 5878 East Malloy Road, Mattydale
- Saturday December 7 10:00AM – 12:00noon, SPCA, 5878 East Malloy Road, Mattydale

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 12th and 13th**. 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.

From the Town Clerk cont'd...

On behalf of all of us in the Town Hall, the Town Board, etc. we wish you and your family a wonderful **Thanksgiving**. Don't forget about **LaFayette's Annual Christmas Tree lighting on Sunday, December 8th, 2019** in the Post Office parking lot. We hope you have a **Merry Christmas and wonderful New Year**. We also hope "2020" blesses you, your family and friends with good health, wealth, prosperity and lots to laugh about. As always we pray for all our service men and women and thank them for all the freedoms we enjoy every day, especially during the holidays because of their sacrifices.

—Jackie Bush Roorda



Court Corner

Court closings: 10/14/19 for Columbus Day, 11/11/19 for Veterans Day, 11/27/19 & 11/28/19 for Thanksgiving, 12/24/19 & 12/25/19 for Christmas, and 12/31/19 & 1/1/20 for New Years day.

Justice Court Assistance Program (JCAP Grant)

The Town Court has received JCAP Grant dollars from the NYS Justice Court Fund to improve our meeting room/ courtroom over the last few years. For example, we have:

- New seating
- New tables
- New carpeting
- Reconstruction of the court bench, including a witness box
- New bullet resistant pay window
- Ventilation of the Court Office
- Office items and equipment
- New window blinds
- Many small items too numerous to mention

Along with the grant process, this year we are going to apply for bullet-resistant windows on the north side of the building, and a new speaker system.

Two years ago, for their senior project, three high school seniors painted a mural on the east wall of the meeting room. If you haven't seen it yet, please stop by. The gals did a great job of depicting some of the prominent places in LaFayette, including our "sleeping giant".

While you're admiring our mural, walk around the room to look at all the wonderful pictures of yesteryear, courtesy of Roy Dodge, Town Historian, Emeritus. The court room is open Monday thru Thursday.



Did you know:

School is now in session!! Please watch and be aware of school buses picking up and dropping off our children. Their lives depend on it!!!! Do not pass, and you must stop when their lights are flashing!! If you are ticketed, the fines start at \$250 to \$400 with a \$93 NYS surcharge, plus 5 points on your license.

Speed in school zones are reduced for the safety of our children! Fines start at \$90 and go up depending on how over the limit your speed is, plus a NYS surcharge of \$93, and at least 3 points on your license.

When you come to court you are expected to be dressed in presentable attire.

Remove your hats.

Turn your cell phones off.

A sign in desk with instructions is located upon entry into the court

**Honorable Maureen Perrin and
Honorable Adrian Shute
Carleen, Katey & JoAnne
your court clerks**

From the Highway Department



As we move out of summer and step into fall I would like to thank all residents for their patience and kindness while our Highway guys worked on our Town roads this summer. I hope everyone enjoyed the spectacular, but short summer! Our Department is still ditching and mowing Town roads . #localroadsmatter

- Brush pick-up is completed for 2019. Please no more brush until Spring 2020
- The Highway department ground up last year's brush so we have plenty of mulch to offer. FREE – FREE – FREE ! Mulch will be available in the Spring of 2020.
- Thank you to all residents for another successful August “E” Waste event.



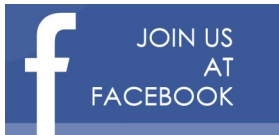
Our Highway Department takes pedestrian safety very seriously. As school gets underway, use extreme caution while driving through Town and near crosswalks. While working with NYSDOT the last several years, I'm pleased to announce major improvements to “our” pedestrian crossings and signal light in Town in the 2021-2022 construction season. Follow this link to read all about it.

<https://www.townoflafayette.com/traffic-signals.html>

I would like to thank County Legislator, Dave Knapp for securing a grant for the Town of LaFayette for \$35,000 for the Jamesville Grove Flying Fish Lane drainage project. This grant is made available to adjust and install drain inlets, cut shoulders, and pave to direct water into proper drains.

Lastly , Enjoy the bounty that the fall has to offer in LaFayette. Appreciate the volunteers that make the Apple Festival such an amazing event every year! Eat some fritters or apple pie. Enjoy family and friends. God Bless-

—John Greeley
Highway Superintendent



christmas Tree Lighting

Brought to you by:

Town of LaFayette
Town of LaFayette Fire Department
LaFayette Optimists
LaFayette Community Council
Michael Grimm
LaFayette High School Band/Choir

Sunday, December 8, 2019 4:30 pm
Christmas Carols, Refreshments
Visit from Santa on the Fire Truck

From LaFayette Outreach

You are welcome at Lafayette Outreach, your community food pantry. If you live in the LaFayette area, we want you to visit us whenever you need a hand with food, or if we can refer you to other agencies available to help with ongoing needs. We are small, but mighty!

The LaFayette community, churches, businesses and individuals generously support Outreach. We all work together. Recently, Grimshaw Elementary School lent us freezer storage space!

Canned and boxed foods, meat, and soaps or paper products are available for you. We do not want anyone in our community to be in need. We also handle dinners for the holidays, and gifts at Christmas for seniors and children who have



been part of our program.

LAFAYETTE, NEW YORK

Historic Photos of a
Four-Cornered Hamlet



LaFayette, NY:
Historic photos of a four-cornered hamlet is available at the Town Clerk's office. It contains over two hundred photographs and more than twenty five other illustrations in 94 pages. The price is \$25.00. It is the fourth in the series of old-time picture books from the collection of former town historian Roy Dodge.

If you have fresh produce or other food donations (nothing outdated) we welcome your help! We are a registered non-profit agency and also would be grateful for your designated donations through United Way, SEFA, or Central New York Community Foundation.

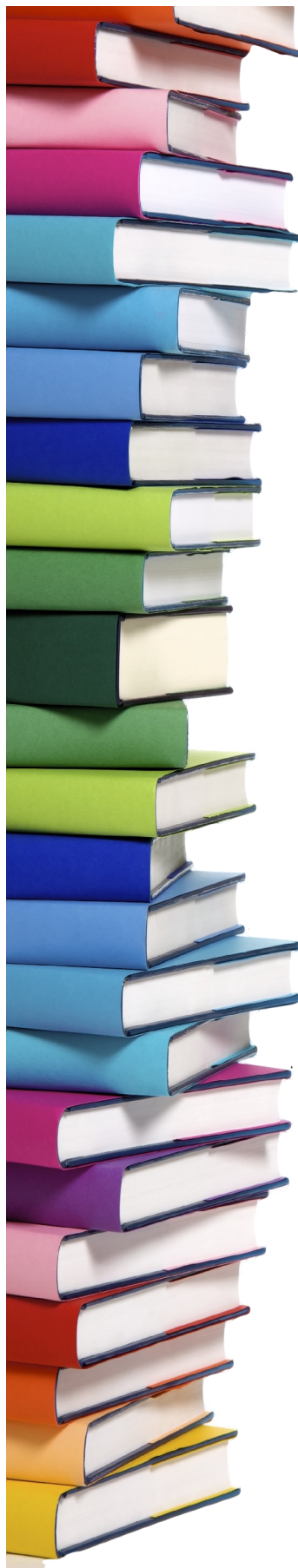
We are located in St. Josephs Church of the Nativity on Route 20. We are open every Tuesday morning from 9:30 am to 12:00 noon. We are also open the first and third Thursdays of the month from 5:00 pm to 6:30 pm. Our phone contact is 315- 677- 5221, or contact us at Lafoutreach@gmail.com.



The LaFayette Lacrosse Alumni Association is calling the lacrosse community to the 13th annual alumni event to be held at Tsha' Thoñ'nhes, the Onondaga Nation Fieldhouse on Saturday, Nov 30th, 2019. A dinner will be held at the LaFayette fire barn following the event. Please check the Facebook page or reach out to Brian Gormley (gormley.brian.j@gmail.com) for details!

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From the LaFayette Public Library



Please go to our website – www.lafayettelibrary.org or our Facebook page for up to date information about any events, closings, etc.

As many of you know, the library system shut down July 12 by some outside group. It took quite a while for us to get back to reasonable functionality. As of this writing, we are near complete restoration. We apologize for any inconvenience and thank you for your patience!

Upcoming events:

- Imagination has resumed: Wednesdays, 3:30-4:30. Please check our Facebook page and our website (lafayettelibrary.org) for details.
- Step up to stop falling: Resumed on September 11, Wednesday @10 a.m. in the library community room. Will go for 12 weeks.
- Census 2020 job recruitment - October 1 , 3-5. A rep of the Census Bureau will be available with job applications, information, etc. Other times to be announced throughout the fall.
- Census 2020 – Informational program about the 2020 Census. Time and date TBD.
- Michael Czarnecki – Saturday, October 19, 12:30 – 2:00 p.m. Multimedia presentation about Route 20.

We have a new art display from the students in the Junior/Senior High School. They range from photography to paintings and some 3 dimensional art. They are hung primarily in the teen section in the library. Come take a look!



Reminder: the library has three Empire passes that allow access to any of the New York State parks, and two passes to the Onondaga County parks. The Empire passes and the Onondaga County park passes can be

checked out for a three day loan period, only one per family at a time and no holds or renewals. These passes are good throughout the year. Enjoy!

We would like to thank you for your ongoing support when using Amazon Smile <https://smile.amazon.com/>. Login as you normally would, and choose LaFayette Public Library for your charity of choice, and for every \$1000 spent Amazon donates \$5.00 back to the library – with no extra charge to you! Thanks!

Along with many other libraries in Onondaga County, LaFayette Public Library is working with an organization called “Field Goods”. They deliver fresh foods from small farms. The library serves as a drop off/pick up place to deliver the food. This is a “local supports local” effort. There is an option to add \$1.00 to your order that will go to the

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library so it serves as a fundraiser besides helping to support the local economy. It is custom ordering so you can pick what you want delivered. The food is delivered on a weekly basis on Wednesday. For more information or to sign up, go to <https://www.field-goods.com>.

We have an ongoing jigsaw puzzle exchange in the entryway to the library. Pick up a puzzle or two – leave a puzzle or two. It's very popular and we have some really cool puzzles come through here! Also we have a puzzle set up in the library so come in and fit a piece or two (or three).

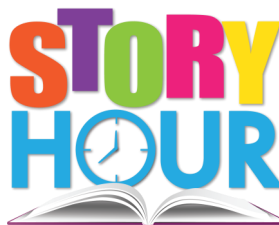
The library system has a number of databases available that range from full courses to newspaper archives to genealogy. Many of these databases are available on any device that can access the internet using your library card and pin number. Others are in-library use only. Ancestry.com is one that is accessible for in library use.

A reminder that we have a children's computer that has over 60 educational programs on it. It is very popular and we encourage everyone to come and use it. We also have two ipads in the children's area with lots of fun and education apps on them.

We continue to offer computer training for our patrons. This is a one on one session by appointment only. Please call 677-3782 and ask for Scott to make arrangements.



—Scott Kirschner



WEDNESDAY

10:30 - 11:30 AM

From the Community Council

Questions about recreational activities can be found 24/7 on the town's web site at the following link www.townoflafayette.com/lafayette-community-council.html, on the main navigation bar or by calling the Community Council phone, 677-7272. Messages will be retrieved twice per week and an LCC board member will return your call. You can speak to an LCC representative face to face during Town Hall Tuesdays every Tuesday from 6:00 pm to 6:30 pm. Emails are also accepted at lafayettecommunitycouncil@townoflafayette.com. The mailing address is: LCC, PO Box 98, LaFayette, NY 13084



WE NEED YOU: What if this space was blank? What if there were no Community Council (LCC) programs to tell you about? LCC runs through the

benefit of volunteers, whether they are coaches or board members. Without volunteers, there would be no LCC, and therefore, no programs for our children. At this time, there are three officer vacancies on the LCC board, and we are always in need of coaches for our programs. Please consider becoming a board member or coach so that we can continue to provide wholesome programs for the youth of our community, and keep this column filled with information about our programs.

Youth Programs:

Soccer: The Fall season is under way and runs through mid October. Thank you to Rhett Harmatuk and Harmatuk Construction and Concrete Services for their sponsorship of the soccer teams and help underwriting the cost of the soccer jerseys.

Basketball*: Grades 5 & 6, boys and girls practices will begin Saturdays in November; games will begin in January. The grades 2-4 basketball program for boys and girls will begin in February 2020.

Wrestling*: For girls and boys in grades K-6. Practices will begin in November.

Volleyball*: For girls in grades 3-6 will. The program will begin after January 1, 2020; dates and times are TBD.

From the Community Council cont'd...

***A flyer with specific information and registration form for each of the respective programs above will be sent home from school.**

If you are interested and able to help out with the basketball, volleyball or wrestling programs – **AND WE DO NEED YOUR HELP** - please contact LCC at 677-7272. We cannot offer these programs without volunteers who are willing to share their expertise as coaches. Thank you.

Adult Programs:

Daytime/Senior Exercise Class: Classes are held Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays, 8:30 – 9:30 a.m. at the LaFayette VFW. Sessions run for 6 weeks. The cost for an entire session is \$36, and cannot be pro-rated. Walk-in fee is \$5/per class. The current session runs September to October 17. The subsequent session will run October 22 to November 27, and be followed by a mini-session, December 3-19 (\$18).

Yoga: Classes are held Mondays and Wednesdays, 6:30-7:45 p.m. at the Grimshaw Elementary School cafeteria. The Fall Session begins September 9 and will run through December 18. The cost for attending class one night per week is \$40*, and \$80* for two nights per week (approximately \$3 per class). ***Fees cannot be pro-rated.** The walk-in fee is \$5 per class.

Aerobics: At this time, LCC will not be offering an aerobics program as we do not have an instructor available. We are actively working on locating an instructor to run these classes. If you are interested in participating in this program, please contact LCC and provide contact information in order for us to notify you once an instructor is found.

Tai Chi: Beginner and advanced classes are offered. For additional information, contact instructor Lynn Perrine at 315-677-8114.

Men's Basketball: Mondays, 7-9 p.m., at the Grimshaw Elementary School gymnasium, September 2019 – April 2020. Fee is \$20.

Other Programs:

Ski Program: The information and registration night for the ski program will be Thursday, October 24, 6:00-8:00 p.m., at the Town Offices. Please bring a picture (close up head shot, e.g., school picture) to the registration to be submitted with your registration form, otherwise you will need to go to the ski area to have your picture taken. Pricing information and forms are available on line at the Town of LaFayette web site (www.townoflafayette.com) under the LCC tab. ***The deadline for registration is November 15.***

Walking – The recreation path at Stafford Park is also available, every day, dawn to dusk. The South section (adjacent to the Town Highway garage) of the walking path will be maintained throughout the winter, and a portable restroom will be available when the park's bathrooms are closed for the winter.

If it is too cold for you to walk outside, the hallways of Grimshaw Elementary School will be available for walking weekday evenings from 6-8 p.m., December 1, 2019 – April 30, 2020. Please use the cafeteria entrance and bring dry footwear to wear while walking the halls. A note book will be provided near the cafeteria entrance for sign-in.

Announcements:

Apple Festival: We need your help running the pizza booth at the Apple Festival; please consider putting in an hour or two selling pizza to support our youth programs. Kids are welcome to help too.

Trunk-Or-Treat: LCC will be participating in Trunk-Or-Treat at the Columbia Presbyterian Church on Halloween, October 31.

LaFayette Tree Lighting: December 8. LCC will be serving warm beverages and other refreshments prior to Santa's arrival.

Community Council Board Meetings: Are held monthly. All are welcome and encouraged to attend as we need your help and input. **Please consider becoming a member of LCC as a participant on its board or as a coach – we can't provide our programs without your help.**

Thank You:

LCC would also like to thank the following individuals for volunteering their time and efforts to help LCC provide our community with positive and quality sports experiences; you have our sincere gratitude for all you do.

Lacrosse: Todd Briggs; Tyler Gale; Ben Ternosky; Paige Skinner; Patrick Dwyer; DJ Mahar, and Sam Carlton
Please consider following the example of these fine people and volunteer to help out – we need your participation for LCC to continue to thrive.

—Dave Prince



Fond Lookback at Summer

**COMMUNITY
DAY
2019**

On June 1st we held our 11th Annual LaFayette Community Day. The afternoon started at 3:00pm with the Optimist Club Bike Rodeo and the LaFayette Volunteer Fire

Department Push Ball Tournament. At 4:00pm the LaFayette Junior/Senior High School Jazz Band performed and did a fantastic job as always. Next, back by popular demand, was the Apple Pie Eating Contest. We had three thrilling, hotly contested, rounds of competition with the fastest time being 86 seconds! We awarded 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place prizes, but really, are there any actual losers in an apple pie eating contest. Continuing the afternoon's entertainment was perennial favorite the LaFayette Community Band playing many of our familiar patriotic songs culminating with the Armed Forces Medley where we saluted our veterans from all the armed services. As has become our tradition, we then retired our beautiful, but worn American Flag which was raised at last year's Community Day. As in the past we were assisted by LaFayette Boy Scout Troop 100, who properly folded the flag and presented it to the President of our local VFW Post. Immediately following the flag retirement, the LaFayette Volunteer Fire Department set up old pallets for our Watchfire. For the past year the Boy Scouts, and others, including the Town of LaFayette have been collecting old flags to be properly retired. It was a solemn but impressive display of respect for our flag. Next was another annual tradition, always competitive, Hula Hoop contest with over 25 participants showing off their prowess. The last organized event of the day was the Community Council Duck Race down Kennedy Creek. Throughout the entire day local

DJ, Ron Lejoie of D.J. Express, kept the air filled with popular music. While waiting for dusk we were entertained by local band *Jigawatt*. The capstone on a wonderful day was a spectacular fireworks display sponsored by the *LaFayette Optimist Club*. Rain had threatened all day but held off until the fireworks finale. The goal of Community Day has always been to help bring our families, friends, and residents together to celebrate our wonderful community. We have been able to keep this a totally free event with the help of many generous sponsors. *Andy Ohstrom* and his crew served over 1100 hot dogs paid for by the *Town of LaFayette, Community Council* provided free popcorn and snow cones and the *Fire Department* donated 50 cases of water. *Shute's Water Systems* and *Byrne Dairy* passed out free ice cream throughout the afternoon. The *LaFayette Apple Festival* shared their picnic tables and garbage cans and *Dan Palladino of Heritage Hill Brewhouse & Kitchen* lent his large tent for the different bands. Financial support was donated by *LaFayette Kennels, LaFayette Veterinary Clinic, the LaFayette Inn, Michael Grimm Tree Service, and Knapp Shute Insurance Agency*. Community Day is organized by a small group of volunteers each year. The members include *Adrian Shute, Andy Ohstrom, Paul Ellis, Dave Prince, Dan Cummings, Don Bush, and Dave Knapp*. See you next year on May 30th!

—Dave Knapp

AS A THANK YOU TO OUR DONORS

**BUY
Local
FIRST**

From the LaFayette Optimists

Greetings LaFayette community! We trust everyone had an enjoyable summer and hopefully you spent some time relaxing, vacationing, and walking or playing at the park. We are gearing up for another Optimist year and look forward to seeing the youth in our community prosper.

First of all, we would like to thank everyone who purchased golf ball drop tickets for our annual fundraiser. As you may know, the proceeds from the golf ball drop help fund the various community activities we provide, so thank you again. If you have not seen our Facebook page with the winners listed, please see the list of winners provided.

Second, we have several events planned this fall and we look forward to your participation.

Apple festival (October 12 & 13). Please stop by and enjoy a delicious steak sandwich while you appreciate the beautiful valley and surrounding hills from the apple festival grounds.

Halloween Party (October 25- Grimshaw School). Always a kid favorite! Please bring them in their costumes and set them free to enjoy Halloween themed activities and their goody bags.

Tree Lighting (December 8- Town Center). Bring the family and take in the music, food and Christmas lights as we kick off the holiday season. Special thanks to Michael Grimm for installing the tree lights.

Lastly, we would to share how grateful we are to the community for supporting us and our efforts to provide safe and rewarding experiences and opportunities for the youth of our town.

Golf Ball Drop Winners

1. Blair Hayes
2. Terry Wood
3. Chris Storrier
4. BMA (Steffany) Diggy
5. Jeff Shute
6. Cameron McDuffie
7. Wes Vadala
8. Paul Shiltz
9. Matt Routman
10. Mark Albright

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—Scott Gates
Secretary

A Special Thank You from Ron Bush



Thank You

Thanks to the Marcellus Optimist Club for sponsoring and getting the LaFayette Optimist Club Chartered on December 19, 1968.

13 years ago I convinced our club to do a golf ball drop as a fund raiser. We just completed our 12th annual one with great success. These funds allow us to continue the many projects we do for our great community; Stafford Park improvements, 2 -\$1000 annual scholarships, a great fishing derby, Halloween Party with free refreshments for the kids and parents, Christmas Tree lighting and candy for Santa to give away, We put American flags up in town, and the \$2500 fireworks display that we all enjoy on Community day.

I want to thank Sandy and **Orchard Vali** for a fine meal after the Golf Ball Tournament. A special thanks to Dave and the staff at the **LaFayette Inn** for their help selling tickets. **And real special thanks to all who did not say NO when we asked you to support the LaFayette Optimists ball drop this year.** I got support from LaFayette and all over the country; CA, AZ, TX, CO, IN, FL, CT, ME, Canada and EVEN Ireland. For those who bought tickets from me, I can proudly say we accounted for 40% of the total sales.

Again, a very sincere thank you!

50-year Optimist Member
Ron Bush

From the LaFayette Senior Citizens

The LaFayette Senior Citizens' group meets on the 3rd 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 for any reason, the group will not meet).

The Senior Group is always looking for new members If you are over 50 years of age, come and enjoy the camaraderie, have a delicious 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 is provided. Anyone can join, whether you live in the immediate area, or not!



At our July meeting, Jean Ryan, from the State of NY Bureau of Consumer Frauds & Protection, presented very informative information on all kinds of crime directed at senior citizens ... some of the topics she covered were identity theft, telemarketers, online Internet theft by scams, threatening telephone calls, and counterfeit money identification. Jean also handed out many helpful pamphlets for us to take home and review.

Jennifer Hopper, our trip coordinator, notes the following trip as our last for 2019. Come to the meetings and see what she has planned for 2020!

November 4 is a trip to the Corning Museum of Glass in Corning, NY. **Cost is only \$75 per person**, and includes a guided tour of Corning Museum, and then a visit to the Rockwell Museum. Lunch at Sorge's Restaurant is also included.

For more information please contact Jennifer Hopper at (315) 469-6592. You can also contact Jennifer to see if any trips that the Fabius or Tully Seniors are hosting might be of interest to you.

Hope to see you at a meeting soon



—Rita Bush

LaFayette VFW Veteran's Day Dinner—2019

Monday, November 11, 2019

4:00 pm till gone

Menu: Roast Pork, Mashed Potatoes, Dressing, Squash, Desserts, Coffee and Juice

Cost: Adults—\$10—Seniors— \$9
12 and under—\$7
5 and under—free

All Veterans with I.D. dine for free



LaFayette VFW Pancake Breakfasts—2019

October 27, 2019

November 24, 2019

December 22, 2019 Breakfast with Santa

8:00 am—noon

Cost: Adults—\$8—Seniors—\$6
Kids 6-12—\$6
5 and under—free



LaFayette Outdoors— Poisoned by Nature



A few years back my buddy Rich asked me to help load some fresh cut oak. Sure, no problem I will be there! Rich had a side business selling firewood. He was one of those friends that would stop everything to lend a hand in time of need and I was always happy to return the favor.

It was early fall when I met up with Rich to load some wood. Crisp but a nice day, T-shirt kind of weather. I asked which pile needs moving and where do you want it? He said let's start with the oak and start loading my pickup truck first. I jumped right in carrying 2-3 logs at a time in my arms. This went on for about an hour. I got warm so I was constantly wiping sweat away in between loads..

Before I was done stacking wood I pretty much touched every part of my body. I thought nothing of the little leafless fresh cut vines attached to all of the wood I was carrying in my sleeveless arms and hands...fast forward 36 hours and then it started to happen. Small innocent red spots started to appear and itch. At 48 hours, code red, I knew I was in big trouble. Every part (yes every!) started to break out with the nastiest poison ivy attack of my life. I jumped on the internet to find a quick solution and there was none. Other than going to the doctor for prescription steroids I realized I was in deep...trouble. All of the over the counter medicines basically were treating the symptoms and would not make it go away. I was trapped inside a body that was waging war with poison ivy, it was no contest, I was whipped! I couldn't sleep, concentrate or do much of anything for over a week. Call me Captain Miserable.

Let's discuss how to avoid this little 3 leafed devil. What to do when you think you may have come in contact with it and how to best treat the symptoms.

The photo below shows what a typical poison ivy plant looks like. Please note that it can grow on vines as well. Its close cousin poison oak is very similar in appearance and equally dangerous.



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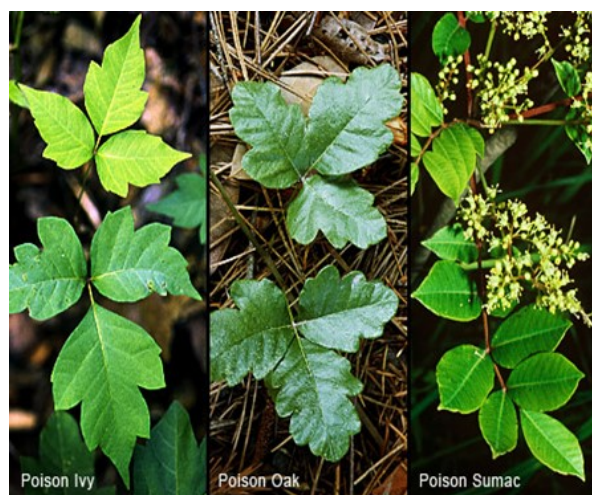
VINE



MATURE POISON IVY VINE—AFTER LEAF DROP

6 Ways to Avoid Poisonous Plants

1. Steer clear of areas where you know they grow.
2. Cover up with closed shoes, socks, long pants, long sleeves, and gloves. Wash any clothes that come in contact with poisonous plants as soon as possible.
3. If you get exposed, wash your skin with soap and warm water right away to get the plant's oils off your skin. Some experts say that washing within the first hour may help limit the rash.
4. Scrub under your nails. You can spread poison ivy to other parts of your body if the oil is on your fingers.
5. If you think your pet has rolled around in a poisonous plant, give him a bath with pet shampoo and water. Wear rubber gloves while you do that.
6. Make it a habit to wash sports equipment, gardening tools, and other outdoor items with soap and water. Oil from poison ivy and other poisonous plants can get on golf clubs, balls, bats, and other objects, **and can remain potent for as long as 5 years!**



LaFayette Outdoors— Poisoned by Nature cont'd...

How to Treat a Poison Ivy Rash

Use a cold compress, calamine lotion, non-prescription hydrocortisone cream, or an antihistamine to ease itching. Call your doctor if the rash is near your eyes or covers a large part of your body.

One of the best tips I learned from my frantic internet search during my poison ivy outbreak was this; If you think you may have come in contact with poison ivy shower as soon as possible, scrub your body with a wash cloth and an aggressive soap such as Fels-Naptha. Here is the critical part; when drying off, squeegee your limbs, body etc. with a bath towel. These steps will help remove the evil urushiol oil (technical name for the oil that causes the outbreak) from your skin. Then pray...!!! Get out and enjoy the great outdoors but be alert at all times as there are plants lurking about that would love to make your life miserable.

—Craig Giancola



Onativia United Methodist Church

Please join us for worship - Sunday mornings at 9:00

Celebrating 160 years of worship at the corner of

Apulia Road and Dodge Road

6257 Dodge Rd. (P.O. Box 316) LaFayette, NY 13084

Church email: onativiachurch@hotmail.com

Phone: 315-677-9843

Pastor: Stephen Jackson

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Pastor Office Hours: Thursdays 1:00 to 4:00pm



Come Celebrate Mass with Us St. Joseph's Catholic Church of the Nativity

6104 Route 20 East, Lafayette, New York 13084

Ph- 315-677-3439 / Website- www.stjosephslafayette.org

Sunday 9:00am with Rev. James H. Carey

Additional Mass Locations and Times:

Immaculate Conception (Pompey)	Sunday – 9:30 am
St. Leo's (Tully)	Saturday – 4:30 pm / Sunday – 8:00 am
St. Patrick's (Otisco)	Sunday – 9:00 am

****Our weekly Bulletin or website can provide upcoming Holy Days or Christmas Mass times****

St. Joseph's - Schedules/Events

*Apple Pie baking at St. Joseph's will begin Sept 18th /Apple Pie sales at St. Joseph's will start around Sept 22nd

* St. Joseph's appreciates anyone who would like to help making or baking Apple Pies. Just stop in at St. Joseph's anytime

*Be sure to come to St. Joseph's Booth at the Apple Festival to get the best Apple Pies and our Famous Apple Fritters

*Faith Formation classes start in October- Kids Kindergarten and up will continue to learn about our faith and God

*Women's Catholic Conference at Syracuse Oncenter – Oct.26th 9am ~5pm
(Call the church office 315-677-3439 by Oct 12th for details to attend conference)

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"A Christ-Centered Family Church"

Robert Gates, Senior Pastor

Brian Mandigo, Associate Pastor of Discipleship

Sunday Worship Schedule

9:00—10:00 am	Bible-In-Life Hour
10:00—10:30 am	Coffee/Fellowship Time
10:30 am	Morning Worship Service
6:00 pm	Ignite Prayer Ministry (1st & 3rd Sundays)
4:30 pm	Thrive Youth Group (2nd & 4th Sundays)

If you would like further information concerning our church or its programs, please contact the church office at 677-9810.

We are located at the corner of Route 20 and LaFayette Road in LaFayette.
The church is handicap accessible

Check us out on the web! You can listen to Pastor Rob's messages, subscribe to our weekly email update, *The Weekly Connection*, and find out even more details about our various programs www.lafayettealliance.org

~ Missions Emphasis Week ~

November 10 – November 16:

Keith, an International Worker from Africa, will be with us for the week.

~ Clothing Give-away ~

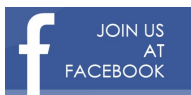
We hold this event four times each year. We are planning the next Clothing Give-away on Saturday, December 14th, from 9am – noon at our church. Contact the church or visit our website for more details as they become available.

~ Holiday Service Schedule ~

On Wednesday, November 27th, at 7:00 pm we will have a Thanksgiving Eve service.

On Tuesday, December 24th, at 7:00 pm we will have a candlelight Christmas Eve service.

Columbian Presbyterian Church



For a full schedule of upcoming events, find us on-line at Columbianpresbyterianchurch.com or follow us on FACEBOOK www.facebook.com/pages/LaFayette-Columbian-Presbyterian-Church

Pastor Shawn Reyburn

Corner of Route 11 & Route 20
LaFayette, N.Y. 13084
(315) 677-3293

Columbianpresbyterianchurch.com
cpresbyt@twcny.rr.com
Worship Service 10:00am

Oct 4 & 18, Nov 1 & 15, Dec 6 & 20	Jr. High Youth Breakfast FREE; prepared by Chef Shawn	7:00—8:00 am
Oct 7, Nov 11, Dec 2	Men's Breakfast FREE; prepared by Chef Shawn	6:00—7:00 am
Oct 20	Pastor Appreciation Potluck Lunch	11:30 am
Oct 31	Trunk or Treat w/ games, soup and chili in the Session Bldg.	6:00—7:30 pm
Nov 2	Making ugly quilts	8:00—1:00 pm
Nov 5	Election Night Roast Beef Dinner	4:00—7:00 pm
Oct 25, Nov 22, Dec 13	Sr. High Youth Breakfast FREE; prepared by Chef Shawn	7:00—8:00 am
Nov 9	Holiday Festival Open House & \$5 Great Sweater Sale	10:00—2:00 pm
Oct 20, Nov 17, Dec 15	Logos Family Service w/dinner	6:00—8:00 pm
Nov 27	Thanksgiving Eve Potluck Meal and Worship Service	6:00—8:00 pm
Dec 1	Women's Potluck Lunch	11:00—2:00 pm
Dec 7	Great \$5 Sweater Sale @ Tully Craft Show	10:00—3:00 pm
Dec 14	Cookie Café—Cookies by the pound	9:30—12:00 noon
Dec 24	Christmas Eve Candlelight Service	7:00—8:00 pm

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Upcoming Events

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION	ADD'L INFO
10/4/19	Onativia UMC Fish Dinner	Onativia Church	4:30 pm until done
10/8/19	Town Board Meeting	LaFayette Town Offices	6:30 pm
10/12/19	Apple Festival	Apple Festival Grounds Field Lane	9:00 am—6:00 pm
10/13/19	Apple Festival	Apple Festival Grounds Field Lane	9:00 am—5:00 pm
10/25/19	Optimist Halloween Party	Grimshaw School	6:00 pm
10/27/19	VFW Pancake Breakfast	LaFayette VFW	8:00 am—noon
10/31/19	Trunk or Treat	LaFayette Columbian Church	6:00—7:30 pm
11/2/19	Passport Day	Town Clerk's Office	9:00 am—1:00 pm
11/5/19	Election Night Roast Beef Dinner	LaFayette Columbian Church	4:00—7:00 pm
11/9/19	Holiday Festival	LaFayette Columbian Church	10:00—2:00 pm
11/11/19	Veterans Day Dinner	LaFayette VFW	4:00 pm
11/12/19	Town Board Meeting	LaFayette Town Offices	6:30 pm
11/24/19	VFW Pancake Breakfast	LaFayette VFW	8:00 am—noon
11/30/19	LaFayette Alumni Lacrosse Game	Tsha' Thoñ'nhes	TBD
12/8/19	Christmas Tree Lighting	Town Center	4:30 pm
12/10/19	Town Board Meeting	LaFayette Town Offices	6:30 pm
12/14/19	Cookie Café	LaFayette Columbian Church	9:30 am—noon
12/14/19	Free Clothing Giveaway	LaFayette Alliance Church	9:00 am—noon
12/22/19	VFW Pancake Breakfast w/Santa	LaFayette VFW	8:00 am—noon

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