

January 2026

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SUPERVISOR NAPPER WELCOMES YOUR FEEDBACK

Challenges While Waiting for Equipment

As I write this during the second week of December, it seems like winter has already been here for a long time, with multiple below zero mornings already. It also seems to snow most days. The early/harsh winter aggravates the Highway Department's ability to keep our roads reasonably safe.

Highway challenges have been more than normal. There is a **national shortage of CDL drivers**, made more acute in recent years by the **State and Federal mandates regarding how drivers can be trained**. Our **aging equipment fleet** and **looming electrical snowplow mandates** led our Town Board to decide to **purchase two new diesel-powered plow trucks early in 2024**. In previous times, those trucks would have been delivered in less than a year. It turns out everyone is trying to buy trucks ahead of the electric mandate. This leads to a **backlog at the factories** installing the plows and sanders. **Our two new trucks have been at the equipment factory since January 2025**. Keeping our older units running, along with CDL driver shortage, has made for **trying times at the Highway Department**.

Tax Season

With the New Year upon us, many of you will be receiving **Property Tax bills**. For the **fourth year in a row**, taxes levied by our Town Board will be **less than in 2022**. The only increase over the last year will be for **lighting districts**. I'm sure most everyone has seen their electric bills rise significantly. As the light districts must be self-sufficient, we must try to keep them adequately funded.

We Thank You for Your Service

We are in the **final stages of remodeling the Town Hall**. As the building will **soon be 50 years old**, it was time to make some updates. As we move into a new year, there will be some changes on our Town Board. **James "Beaver" Bassett** and **Josh Eggleston** will join the Board. New blood helps bring fresh ideas and perspectives to our process. Terms for **Michele Petrashune** and **James "Blue" Terry** are up. Both were heavily involved and I wish to **thank them for their service**.

Town of Saranac Activities Need Your Help

Looking back on 2025, the weather greatly impacted our **September 2025 Field Day**. We were able to have a good turnout for the **parade** and **fireworks**, but the **activities** at the Town Hall were greatly compromised by the rain. **Getting enough volunteers** to put on the events has also been **challenging**. We may opt to have fireworks after Kid's Day in July. Anyone who would **like to volunteer or has ideas** as to how we can continue or improve our efforts is encouraged to contact us. As always, we want to hear your comments and feedback as to how we should move forward.

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MOUNTAIN LIONS SNOWSLED CLUB

Seasonal Monthly Meetings
On the First Thursday
September through April
7:00 - 8:30 pm

Saranac Town Hall
Dennis Wright
Club President
518 - 572 - 7008

GIRL SCOUTS OF NORTHEASTERN NEW YORK



For information,
please contact
Crystalle Burnell
518 - 335 - 7705



Friends of the North Country, Inc. (Friends) is a not-for-profit agency dedicated to helping our neighbors address their affordable housing needs.

If you are having trouble paying your mortgage or rent payments, or need assistance with your home repairs, please call.

Crystal Narducci
Executive Director

1387 Hardscrabble Rd.
Cadyville, NY 12918
518 - 293 - 5045

www.friendsofthenorthcountry.org

NEWS FROM SARANAC TOWN ASSESSOR CUTTER

Hello Everyone. This is a note from the **new Town of Saranac Assessor, Glen Cutter.**

Exemption Season

I would like to remind everyone we are now in "Exemption Application and Renewal Season", with all forms being **due by March 1, 2026**. Renewal applications for exemptions that require it were sent out in early November. If you did not receive one, please contact me.

STAR and Enhanced STAR

This year, **School Tax Assessment Relief**, better known as **STAR** and **ENHANCED STAR** exemptions, are being **handled directly by New York State**. If you already receive either STAR exemptions, **you do not have to reapply**. NYS may be contacting you directly to request proof of income eligibility.

Eligibility

If you have **recently purchased or built a home in Saranac** and want to **find out if you are eligible** to receive either the STAR or ENHANCED STAR exemption, you can either:

Go online to the NYS website at
www.tax.ny.gov/pit/property/star/eligibility.htm

or

Call the Albany Office at 518-457-2036
(weekdays between 8:30 am and 4:30 pm).

Other Available Exemptions

In addition to the STAR program, **there are several other exemptions available**. The best way to review these exemptions is to **look at the Clinton County Real Property website's Exemption page**, found at www.clintoncountyny.gov/realproperty/exemptions. This page gives several **links to more information** for each exemption available.

I am available at the Town Hall **Mondays 10:00 - 4:00, or Wednesdays by appointment**. You can also **call me** to discuss what exemptions are available, or if you have any other questions, at 518-293-6666 extension 6.

COURT CLERK

MARGARET SHUTTS

- **Court Phone**
518 - 293 - 8082
- **Fax Number (New)**
518 - 704 - 2956
- **Email**
mshutts@nycourts.gov

**3668 STATE ROUTE 3
(NEXT TO THE TOWN HALL)**

Saranac Town Court is open MONDAY'S only.

We are closed on ALL State and Federal holidays, or their observance day, if it is a Monday.

Court normally begins about 4:30 pm, unless you are otherwise advised by the Court or your attorney.

The Clerk is at court starting at 2:00 pm to collect fines and provide general information. We have no set closing time; when our calendar is cleared, we do our paperwork and close for the night.

If Court is closed due to an unexpected emergency, there will be a notice posted on the door. You should contact the Court, or your attorney if you have one, to get a new return date.

HILL AND HOLLOW PRESENTS



CORDÂME

Sunday, February 1 at 3:00 pm

Saranac Methodist Church

Admission \$20 at the door; open seating

Montreal-based Cordâme is a dynamic ensemble of **violin, piano, double bass, and percussion** exploring the sonorities of strings on the borders of classical music and jazz. Led by the composer and double bassist **Jean Félix Mailloux**, Cordâme is a key force in Québec's music scene, offering emotionally charged concerts of subtle and sensitive music. Cordâme has earned major recognition, including a 2018 RIDEAU Tour Award and the 2020 OPUS Prize for Jazz Concert of the Year. Their album "Debussy Impressions" received glowing reviews, with the track "Plante Caméléon" airing on SIRIUS XM. Recent highlights include tours in Asia and the US, as well as their acclaimed "Satie Variations" tour, which featured 60 performances across Québec.

TAPESTRY

Sunday, March 8 at 3:00 pm

Saranac Methodist Church

Admission \$20 at the door; open seating

The trademark of the **Boston-based** ensemble is their unique **blend of medieval, classical, and contemporary music** in bold, conceptual programming. In their program "Postcards from France," soprano and mezzo-soprano voices with **clarinet, accordion, and guitar**, bring together a rich blend of Impressionism and folk roots filtered through a contemporary lens. Critics hail their distinctive voice and passionate performances. The *LA Times* writes



"They sing beautifully separately and together with a glistening tone and precise intonation", and *The Cleveland Plain Dealer* describes Tapestry as "an ensemble that plants haunting vibrations, old and new, in our ears." "Postcards from France" is a musical voyage from Auvergne to Provence, Brittany to Paris and beyond, with French and Occitan folk songs, works of Gabriel Fauré, Caesar Frank, Cécile Chaminade, dance tunes, Django Reinhardt, Edith Piaf and more!

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Mark Your Calendar:

BOARD MEETINGS

Organizational Meeting

Monday, January 5th

Tentative Regular Meetings

Monday, January 26th

Monday, February TBD

Monday, March TBD

6:00 pm Saranac Town Hall
Open to the Public

NEW YEAR'S DAY

Thursday, January 1

MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DAY

Monday, January 19

GROUNDHOG DAY

Monday, February 2

VALENTINE'S DAY

Saturday, February 14

PRESIDENTS' DAY

Monday, February 16

MARDI GRAS

Tuesday, February 17

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME BEGINS

Sunday, March 8

ST. PATRICK'S DAY

Tuesday, March 17

SPRING EQUINOX

Friday, March 20

VILLAGE OF DANNEMORA BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE UPDATES

Happy Winter from the Village of Dannemora! We hope everyone enjoyed peaceful and joyful holidays surrounded by family and friends.

Despite the blustery cold, many of you joined us for our **Annual Tree Lighting** December 5th. While the weather was chilly, the warmth of community spirit made the evening truly special. **Thank you to all who braved the cold to celebrate together!**

In just a few months we will be preparing for a **visit from the Easter Bunny**. Our annual **Easter Egg Hunt** will take place **March 29, 2026, from 1:00 – 3:00 pm** at the **Community Center**. Be sure to mark this on your calendars – it will be an “egg”cellent time!

The **Mainely Lobster Fundraiser Dinner** will be **Monday, April 13, 2026 from 4:00 – 7:00 pm**. Please come enjoy some great food with excellent company. It's always fun to enjoy a meal with friends!

Our annual **Village Fest**, which is the **125th Birthday of the Village**, will be **July 17 – July 19, 2026**. Plans for events throughout the weekend are in the works and details will be released later. Be sure to sport your **Red, White, and Blue!**

The **new pavilion** in front of the Community Center is underway **thanks to the Village Beautification Committee**. Their dedication and fundraising efforts are making this project possible, adding another space for gatherings and celebrations.

From winter lights to summer celebrations, **our Village thrives on togetherness**. We look forward to seeing you at these upcoming events and **thank you for your continued support** in making Dannemora a wonderful community.

Please contact the Village Offices if you would like to volunteer to help with any of these activities.

Laurie Cross
Village Trustee

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townclerk@townofsaranac.com

TOWN OFFICES

518-293-6666

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DEFENSIVE DRIVING CLASSES THIS WINTER

Greetings Saranac Town residents. Our next **Defensive Driving** class at the **Saranac Town Hall**, 3662 State Route 3, is **January 17, 2026**. Please arrive 10 minutes early to register; we start promptly at 9:00 am. Class will end at 3:00 pm. Bring a pen, your Driver's License, and a bag lunch.

If you miss this class offering, you may also attend our next class **March 7th, 2026** in Rouses Point at the Community Center Ice Rink, 139 Lake Street, Rouses Point.

The cost is ONLY \$29.99

Call, Text, or Email us today to sign up and a seat will be reserved for you at one of these classroom courses. Pre-paying is NOT necessary; just pay the day of the class.

All attendees, as well those who take the online course, will receive the same 10% off Collision, No-Fault & Liability Auto and Motorcycle Insurance costs, as well as up to a 4-Point Reduction off New York State Driver's License Point total. **The benefits will cover the next 3-year period.**

If you would prefer the convenience of taking this course online from home, at your own pace, you can sign up for the **Online Defensive Driving Class** and you will have 30 days to complete it.

Sign Up for Auto Insurance Savings
DEFENSIVE DRIVING COURSE
www.additionaltraining.com
518-578-9626
signup@additionaltraining.com

RPC - HOW CAN WE HELP?

GRANT AVAILABILITY

RPC **still has availability** on the following grants: Access to Home (Accessibility Needs), and HEROES (Disabled Veteran Home Repair and accessibility needs). These repairs could include, but are not limited to, roofs, heating systems, foundations, electrical, plumbing, as well as accessibility needs such as ramps, grab bars, and walk-in showers. If you have questions, feel free to reach out; we are always willing to answer questions and help.

SMALLER EMERGENCY HOME REPAIRS

RPC's **EHRF (Emergency Home Repair Fund)** offers a **one-time** emergency home repair for income-eligible homeowners. This fund is made possible with **donations from foundations, local businesses, and citizens**. Last year we were able to help Clinton County homeowners with frozen pipes, leaking roofs, plumbing and septic issues, electrical problems, etc. Before stressing over an emergency repair, we may be able to help.

RPC IS ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR SENIOR HOUSING!!

Saranac Valley Housing (SARANAC), Twin Oaks Senior Housing (ALTONA), Centennial House (SARANAC), and Beekmantown Senior Housing (WEST CHAZY) are all managed by RPC and apartments frequently come available, so it is best to be on the list for when they do. Information and applications can be found on our website.

CONTRACTORS

RPC is still seeking licensed contractors. If you have Workers' Compensation insurance, you are EPA certified, and would like to be added to our contractor list to bid on grant projects, give us a call. All our grant projects are located in Clinton County.

DONATIONS

REMEMBER, even if you don't need help with repairs or accessibility needs, it is always nice to help others. If you would like to help, **monetary donations** for the **Emergency Home Repair Fund** are always welcome. Since RPC is a registered 501(c)3 non-profit organization, **all donations are 100% tax deductible!**

518-293-7569

M -F 8:00 am to 3:30 pm

www.clintonrpc.org

YOUR LOCAL
POLITICAL
COMMITTEES:

STEVE FULTON
DEMOCRAT
CONTACT

FULTONFARM48@MSN.COM

JIM "BLUE" TERRY
REPUBLICAN
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AND FOOD
PANTRY

Dale Buskey
saranacor@jceo.org
dannemoraor@jceo.org
www.jceo.org

SARANAC
3668 STATE ROUTE 3
518 - 293 - 6661

Monday, Wednesday
& Friday
8:00 - 3:30

DANNEMORA
78 HIGBY ROAD
ELLENBURG DEPOT
518 - 492 - 7357

Tuesday & Thursday
8:00 - 3:30

Volunteers are Welcome
Donations Accepted
Services Are Confidential

SARANAC AMERICAN LEGION POST 1618

Winter showed up early this year, but we don't let a little cold weather deter Legionnaires, Sons of the American Legion, Legion Riders, and Legion Auxiliary of Post 1618 from meeting the needs of our community, paying respect to the service of our military brothers and sisters, and setting an example for new generation of American patriots. Here are a few highlights of our many activities.

VETERANS:

Post 1618 continued to support the **North Country Honor Flight** in 2025. The final Honor Flight for this year was held on October 4, 2025. More than 100 motorcycles from the Legion Riders and other groups escorted the attendees to the event, and more than 60 motorcycles escorted them back home at the conclusion of the day. Legionnaires, the Legion Riders, and the **Keyser** and **Laware** families **donated \$12,000** to cover the cost of one flight, including all the veterans on the flight and their guardians. Additional donations were collected for next year's events, scheduled to begin in May 2026. Members from Post 1618, including members from the **Plumadore, Facticeau, and Lafountain families** attended this flight. A dedicated group from the **Iroquois Campground** made **more than 30 quilts** for the honorees to use during the ceremonies.

This year's **Hometown Heroes Banners** were removed after Veteran's Day for winter cleaning and storage. **Town of Saranac employees** assisted with this effort. Banners will be re-installed in the spring in time for Memorial Day. **Applications are available at the Town Hall and Legion headquarters on Wilson Road.** Instructions and contact information can be found on the applications. You can contact the Legion building at (518) 293-7887 or saranaheroes@yahoo.com with any questions or if you wish to assist in this worthwhile effort.

The **"Wreaths Across America"** program is growing nationwide every year. December 13, 2025, volunteers and supporters gathered to **"Remember, Honor and Teach"** at more than **5,200 participating locations in all 50 states, at sea and abroad.** The 2025 theme is **"Keep Moving Forward"**. We were honored to recognize our deceased fellow Veterans in the **Redford and Dannemora cemeteries** by placing **480 wreaths** at their gravesides. We then held a ceremony at the Legion building on Wilson Rd., placing a wreath for each branch of military service during an Honor Guard rifle salute at our memorial site. A fellowship luncheon, open to the public, followed the event.

In keeping with our mission of service, the Legion continues to **assist fellow Veterans in need** in several ways. Post 1618 recently contributed to a **dinner held by the Mountain Riders**, who were raising funds for a member suffering from a stroke. The Legion family also **contributed to one of the Sons of the American Legion**, whose family member needed eye surgery which was not covered by insurance. Legion members have also **made donations of time and funds to the Vets feeding Vets program, the Folds of Honor, the Albany Veterans Housing Services, and the Homeward Bound of the Adirondacks.**

COMMUNITY:

The Legion Auxiliary held their **Children's Halloween Party** October 25, 2025 for **70 children and families.** The **Auxiliary** also held their annual **Christmas Breakfast with Santa** December 14, 2024. Gifts were then handed out to local children by Santa. It was another fun time for the kids and the community.

This fall, the Legion continued to sponsor the Lady Mariners softball program by hosting and donating to several spaghetti fundraiser dinners. The **Terry Mountain Boys** continued to entertain members of the community this summer and fall. They played every other Tuesday from 5:30-7:30pm, and **will begin again after the holidays.** Keep an eye on the message board on Route 3 for details. The **Post 1618 Honor Guard** marched in the **2025 Saranac Field Day parade** September 6, 2025. The parade concluded at the Town Green, where a dedication ceremony was held for the newly installed memorial clock. **This clock and accompanying commemorative plaque, were donated by the American Legion family to honor all the veterans from the Town of Saranac who have served and sacrificed for our Nation.**

You may have heard of the **St. Joseph's Outreach Center** on the Military Turnpike Extension in Plattsburgh. They have been **raising funds to help pay for a new delivery vehicle**, and related equipment. They deliver food to the needy, including in support of the **Vets feeding Vets** program. **The Legion, Auxiliary, Legion Riders, and Sons of the American Legion made a donation in support of this worthwhile effort.**

November 18, 2025, the Legion hosted the **Clinton County Office for the Aging**, as they **assisted seniors in this year's Medicare open enrollment**, as well as other offered services. **Kinney Drugs** was also on site, **offering vaccines** for seniors and community members.

STUDENTS:

September 2025, the Legion **donated \$3,000 for Saranac students to purchase needed supplies** for the year. A warm thank you letter of gratitude was received from the students and staff.

You may recall in the Spring of 2025, the Legion, Sons of the American Legion (SAL), Legion Auxiliary, and Legion Riders **awarded 13 \$1,000 scholarships to worthy High School Seniors attending college.** Scholarship applications at the Post and the County level are available at Saranac Central School or by contacting the Legion.

Post 1618 continues to support local students who participate in academic and leadership competitions like the **American Legion Oratorical Contest**, and the **Boys' State Program.** Applications can be found at the High School guidance office, or you can contact the Legion.

The Legion has been a longtime sponsor of the local **Scouting America** program. This summer and fall, the Troop has been busy with **service projects clearing brush and debris from local cemeteries**, as well as **taking part in a flag retirement ceremony** at the Legion. The Troop is always looking for interested young people to join their ranks and is expected to grow this year.

(CONT. SARANAC AMERICAN LEGION POST 1618)

This fall, Post 1618 made a **financial donation to the Saranac hockey team** help defray the cost of equipment. We also **donated ingredients for a fundraising meal to the Saranac ross country team** for their competition expenses.

The Legion pavilion has been closed for winterization, but we still remain busy almost every weekend. We look forward to several bookings, including weddings, baby and wedding showers, birthday parties, fundraisers, and funeral meals for members of the Legion Family, and the community. If you are interested in booking an event or finding out more about our American Legion Family, contact the Post 1618 Commander or Adjutant at (518) 293-7887, email at adjutant1618@outlook.com, or visit us at our Post 1618 Legion Hall located at 275 Wilson Road in Redford.

LEGION HERO HIGHLIGHT:

In this edition of our **Hero Highlight**, we honor the service of our **Sergeant at Arms, Raymond A. "Ray" LeDuc**. Ray was born in 1944 on a farm in Quebec, near the US border in Chateaugay, the oldest of 8 children. His family moved to the Saranac Valley when he was 9 years old. Ray attended school in Saranac until he was 17. He worked in the logging industry until enlisting in the **US Army** at the age of 18. He was stationed at **Fort Campbell, KY**, distinguishing himself as a **paratrooper**, and **completing 24 high risk jumps**. After his enlistment, Ray returned to Saranac and married his wife, **Barbara "Bobbie" Lamkins**, in 1968. They were blessed with 2 sons: **Ray, Jr. and Scott**, and their daughter, **Jeanine**. Ray worked in the **trucking and logging trades**, and later retired from the **NYS Department of Corrections as a hospital officer** after serving from 1983-2006. Ray has been a member of Post 1618 since 2004, serving as our **Sergeant at Arms** and member of the **Honor Guard** and our **Scholarship Committee** for the past 15 years. Ray is an **accomplished woodworker**, specializing in making **cabinetry and even violins**. You may have seen his **lumber mill and workshop on the True Brook Road**. Ray is a **dedicated member of our Legion family**, and even an **author**. Come up to the Legion and say hello to Ray. Ask him, and he will share a copy of his memoir, **"My Life - My Stories"**, which I can attest is a pretty good read.

Respectfully submitted, Perry J. Lawton, Post 1618 Adjutant

RAYMOND A. LEDUC



Arrow of Light Den
helping lay wreaths
for Veterans



Cub Scouts learning first aid



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RURAL PRESERVATION COMPANY (RPC) OF CLINTON COUNTY, INC.

Jennifer Amell
Executive Director

Jolita Aubin
Program & Properties Director

We are a not-for-profit dedicated to help improve housing conditions of low-income families within Clinton County. RPC uses grant funding, as well as donations, to help homeowners with necessary or emergency repairs.

RPC is also ready to **help find other agencies** willing to assist homeowners who may not qualify for available grants. If you, or someone you know, need help with emergency home repairs, please reach out.

(518) 293 - 7569

48 Ganong Drive, Suite 1
Saranac, NY

M - F 8:00 - 3:30
rpc@clintonrpc.org
www.clintonrpc.org

DANNEMORA MUSEUM

Larry Seney
Town Historian
and Colleen Seney
518 - 293 - 7025

Open By Appointment

April - November
1st Saturday
10:00 - 2:00

Photo Gallery
Please Stop By

DANNEMORA FREE LIBRARY UPDATE

Our winter hours are:

Tuesday: 11:00 am – 4:00 pm
Wednesday: 11:00 am - 4:00 pm
Thursday: 3:00 pm – 8:00 pm
Friday: 3:00 pm – 8:00 pm
Saturday: 11:00 am – 4:00 pm

Furniture for Comfort

We have recently **updated the furniture in the children's room** so you can comfortably sit and relax while the kids take advantage of all the games, books and toys.

New Purchases

We are currently **working on purchasing kits** for the **Library of Things** so patrons will be able to checkout kits that **enhance experiences** such as **Bird Watching** and **Photography**.

Lake Placid Education Foundation

We received a **generous grant through the Lake Placid Education Foundation** and we will also be **expanding our large print collection, repairing the story walk, and purchasing a picnic table** for the space behind the library.

Advantages of Holding A Library Card

We would like to remind local community members to **take advantage of a library card**, which is **free**, and gives you **access to books and movies from the whole area of libraries through the CEFLS catalog**, as well as magazines, eBooks, e-audiobooks through **Libby**.

The card also gives you access to movies through Kanopy and graphic novels through Comics Plus. Please feel free to come down to the library while we are open and fill out an application for a library card.

Book Club Update

The **Book Club** meets the **first Wednesday** of the month from **3:30 to 4:30 pm**. Picks for the upcoming months are:

January - no meeting

February 2026 - The Echo of Old Books by
Barbara Davis

Alexander Chase
Dannemora Free Library
40 Emmons St.
518-492-7005

VILLAGE OF DANNEMORA COMMUNITY CENTER

40 Emmons Street
P.O. Box 566
Dannemora, NY 12929

518 - 492 - 7000

Village Office Hours
9:00 am - 4:00 pm MTuW
(Closed to Public Thursday)
9:00 am - 4:00 pm Fri

Calendar of Events
is available at <http://www.dannemoravillage.com>

Visit our Facebook page,
Village of Dannemora

DANNEMORA FREE LIBRARY

Winter Hours of
Operation

Tuesday 11:00 - 4:00

Wednesday 11:00 - 4:00

Thursday 3:00 - 8:00

Friday 3:00 - 8:00

Saturday 11:00 - 4:00

FREE WiFi available
when the building is open.

SARANAC
CUB SCOUTS
Grades K-5
Boys and Girls

For more information,
please call:

Jen Drucker
518 - 569 - 1978
Louis Plante
518 - 578 - 8609
Jane Cannon
518 - 492 - 3058

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THE NEW LAND TRUST

236 Plumadore Road
Saranac, NY

After Dark Policy:

For night visiting or
overnight outdoor camping,
contact **Hal Moore**

518 - 570 - 5375

No camping allowed
in the Clubhouse.

For events, updates, photos,
and a printable map, visit:
www.thenewlandtrust.org

or contact by email:
newlandtrust@gmail.com

911 ADDRESS SIGNS

Visit your local Fire
Department, **Monday**
evenings, between 6:00 and
8:00 pm to complete
paperwork or call
518-293-8290
to place an order
over the phone

OUTBACK RIDERS INC. ATV CLUB

Monthly meetings are held
year-round every second
Monday, 7:00 pm

Clinton County Fairgrounds
Fish and Game Building

Alfred Chapple
Club President
518 - 566 - 9571
Outbackridersinc.org

Membership is open
to the public

NEW LAND TRUST WINTER EVENTS

January 18, 2026

14th Annual 5K/10K Cock-A-Doodle Snowshoe Race

February 22, 2026

Chili Festival

Recommended DEC Winter Hiking Essentials:

- * day pack
- * water and high-energy snacks
- * first aid kit
- * trail map and compass/GPS
- * extra clothing, including hat, socks, mittens
- * plastic whistle
- * microspikes or crampons
- * flashlight or headlamp, extra batteries

Dannemora Village Museum ...40 Emmons St
Community Center 1st Saturday of month 10-2
By appointment call 518-293-7025 Larry and Colleen Seney

Please share any history on this building
with us reach out call 518-293-7025

Chazy Lake Pump House Chazy Lake, NY

The State Pump House land was purchased in 1931 to supply Clinton Prison clean
water from the Chazy Lake Reality Corp.

The water line was dug from Dannemora, over the mountain through the forest,
fields and along the road to Chazy Lake.

Many found employment during this difficult period of time.
In May 1942 repairs and line improvement were made. Use of this facility was dis-
continued around 1983.

This stone structure was site of "The Chazy Lake Museum".
The collection of Wilfred King was displayed in this pump station was a "must see"
for all.

Also at this site there was "The Town Beach" with a "Beach House" michigans were
sold by Hazel and Laura King.

Mr. McCasland and Harold King or Miles Martin were familiar faces.

Pump House operators were Wilfred King retired in 1946,
Adrian King until 1961, Edgar Rasco till?



DOG CONTROL OFFICER, LOU PLANTE

All **DOG** calls are through Town of Saranac 518-293-6666, ext. 8

Please leave your **name, phone number, date** and **time** of your call, **address relating to the issue**, and a **detailed message** to describe the nature of the complaint or concern. **DO NOT** personally contact Tri-Lakes Animal Shelter.

License Your Dogs - State Law requires all dogs 4 months of age or older **MUST** be licensed with the Saranac Town Clerk.

Local Law - It shall be unlawful for any owner of any dog to permit or allow such dog to engage in habitual howling, barking, crying or whining or to conduct itself in such a manner as to unreasonably and habitually annoy or disturb any person other than the owner of the dog, regardless of whether or not the dog is on the owner's premises.

Missing Dog - If your dog is missing or you pick up a stray, aside from leaving a voicemail message, **posting a photo on Facebook** helps get owners and pets reunited.

SARANAC BOOK CLUB

Our Saranac Book Club meetings for January, February, & March will be **virtual** beginning at **7:00 pm** on the **third Wednesday** of each month. Here are our upcoming selections:

January: The Women by Kristin Hannah

February: It Ends with Us by Colleen Hoover

March: The Echo of Old Books by Barbara Davis

As always, people may email me for more information.

New members are welcome and may contact Marcia (mnewcombe728@gmail.com)

WHAT OUR LOCAL GIRL SCOUTS ARE DOING

The Dannemora/Saranac Girl Scouts of Northeastern New York Service Unit is looking for girls ages 5 and up and parents to join our troops. Our leaders watch the shyest of girls grow and become confident in themselves. Our troop participates in a variety of activities throughout the year, such as **community fundraisers/service projects, ice skating, dance parties, movie days, bowling**, and so many more.



Our troop is a multi-level troop from **Daisies to Juniors**. At meetings, we do numerous fun activities, from making bracelets to science experiments. We talk about things in our community we love, or ways we can help make the world a better place.

Our troop has a few events coming up that interested girls are welcome to attend. **January 24, 2026 from Noon -1:00 pm**, we will have a **Paint & Snack** event at the Dannemora Community Center cafeteria. In February we will be having a **sledding day**, and in March will bring **bowling fun** (dates & details to come).



Meetings are at 6:00 pm every other Tuesday at the Dannemora Community Center cafeteria (January 6th is the first meeting after the holidays).

If you are interested in your daughter becoming a Girl Scout, would like to attend an upcoming event, become a volunteer, or have questions, please reach out to **Crystalle** at **518-335-7705**.



January 2026

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TAX NOTICE****Collection Location:**
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10:00 am – 8:00 pm

7:00 pm – 9:00 pm

3:00 pm – 6:00 pm

Wednesdays (Feb, Mar & Apr)
or by appointment

6:00 pm – 9:00 pm

Taxes may be viewed online at: <http://egov.basgov.com/saranac>**Make Checks Payable To:****Mark White, Tax Collector**

PO Box 183

Saranac, NY 12981

Phone: 518-293-6427

Please remember, if paying by installment method, your **first payment MUST be paid to Mark White**, Tax Collector before the end of **January 2026**, and remaining installments (2,3,4) are paid to the County Treasurer. I continue to collect full payments through the end of April, at which time the books are turned over to the County Treasurer. Just remember to include the correct penalties, as indicated on your tax bill. As always, feel free to call me with any questions.

MOUNTAIN LIONS SNOWMOBILE CLUB

Hope everyone had a Happy Thanksgiving!

All the maintenance is done on the **groomer**; it is all set and waiting for snow! The **skid** was in dire need of **new blades**, so the club invested in new blades. They are on and the skid is also ready to go.

Our club raffled a new **Skidoo MXZ 600** from **Robert's Sports**. The winning ticket was pulled December 22, 2025. **Josh Fleming**, who chairs the raffle, along with club members and friends, have worked tirelessly on selling tickets. We want to thank the following businesses for letting our club into their businesses to sell tickets:

- ◆ **IRON ORE MARKET**
- ◆ **MAGGY'S PHARMACY**
- ◆ **TRACTOR SUPPLY**
- ◆ **RUNNINGS**
- ◆ **ROCK'S GROCERY**

Mountain Lions Snowmobile Club appreciates it so much.

The **Mountain Lions** and **Outback Riders** clubs have started a **project on C8A (from Dannemora to Lyon Mountain)**. We bought **20 loads of gravel** from **Rafferty's Sand and Gravel**. **Ed Breyette** and **Chris Lautenschuetz** donated equipment and their time and have started **filling and leveling the first three-fourths of a mile** of the trail. Please be patient; it is going to be a lengthy and costly project, but it is something that needs to be done and we are going to try and accomplish it.

By the time this is published, we hope you had a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

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UPDATE FROM RAYMOND LEDUC JR., SARANAC CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

New York State has put out **new building codes** for the State to follow. They will go into effect **December 31st, 2025**. I have received training on the highlighted changes to the codes. This being said, training did not cover every change made to the codes. Therefore, when building questions come up, I may need **time to research** the new code books to make sure I give the right answer, as I do not want to steer anyone in the wrong direction on their project.

I hope everyone has a Happy & Safe Holiday Season and I look forward to help those with building projects in the new year.

Office Hours: Monday 2:30 - 5:00
Raymond LeDuc Jr.
Code Enforcement Officer
518-293-6666 Ext. 5
codeofficer@townofsaranac.com

A NOTE FROM SENIOR PATROL LEADER POTTS

Hello, I am **Bryson Potts**, Senior Patrol Leader from **Troop 8035**.

Troop 8035 currently has **seven scouts**. We anticipate **nine AOL's crossing over** from Cub Scouts in March! **Jen Drucker** is going to take the lead at running the new meeting times that will restart in January after the school holiday break. Troop meetings will be held at the **Saranac Town Hall** on **Fridays** from **7:00 - 8:00 pm** right after Cub Scouts, which will allow troop level scouts to participate as **Den Leaders to the Cubs** who meet from **6:00 -7:00 pm** every week, if they choose to come earlier.

Meeting every week will allow for **more efficient advancement** through ranks. In addition, having the larger sized group will allow for more **mentorship** and holding **leadership positions!** Our current scout leader, **Pam Hyde**, will be **retiring** by the end of this year. **Thanks for your dedication and help with the Troop!**