

# Community Newsletter

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# From the Town Supervisor:

Big Wins for LaFayette Sports
Our home town of LaFayette Boys
Varsity Lacrosse Team are NYS
Champions! What an incredible
achievement and something that will
be remembered by those young men
for the rest of their lives.
Congratulations to players, coaches,

Congratulations to players, coaches, parents, relatives, and friends. Here are just a few of all the other accomplishments of our LaFayette Lancers. Boys soccer, Golf, Girls soccer, Girls Volleyball, Boys and Girls XC, Football, Indoor Track, Girls Lax,

Baseball, Softball, Track, and Tennis Teams all made sectionals. Girls Basketball were co-league champs. Boys Basketball were league champs. The hockey team were league champs, sectional champs and State champs.

LaFayette is proud of all of you and continue to excel at all you do. I would be remiss if I did not also mention the Girl's Modified Lacrosse team that went undefeated and went on to win a game without a goalie (15-7). **What talent!** 



### **LaFayette Business Network**

The town has been approached repeatedly about restarting a Chamber for local businesses. We recently resurrected the LaFayette Business Network but are working towards making it an



official formal non profit organization. Several people have approached me directly about how important it is to have their business here in town. If you are one of those people that approached me, congrats, you made it to the front page of the newsletter. In all seriousness, this is a must do and is good for our town and our local businesses.

As always, reach me easily by cell or email 315.247.1600 or <a href="mailto:fitzervisor@gmail.com">fitzervisor@gmail.com</a>.

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

## Park Uses and Upgrades



As we continue to develop the Stafford Park and surrounding area, I am pleased to note we have had great use of the pole barn on the newly acquired property for the fishing derby and community days. We have put in for a great deal of grant money to help develop the properties and are hopeful we will continue to build on the greatness of our facilities.

Community days was another huge success this year. Thank you to Legislator Dave Knapp, Justice Adrian Shute, and Former Supervisor Andy Ohstrom for all you do to keep these events going and making them such an incredible experience for all.

Danny FitzpatrickTown Supervisor

## From the Town Clerk



Hopefully you were able to attend the LaFayette's annual Memorial Day parade and ceremony honoring our Veterans that took place at the LaFayette Cemetery. Thank you for all who participated to make this a

success. Everyone commented on how much they missed the LaFayette High School Band. it just wasn't right without them. I understand they were at a competition and I hope this is never the case again in the future as their music and participation is one of the biggest highlights of the parade.

# OPTIMIST CLUB SPONSORED GOLF BALL TOURNAMENT & GOLF BALL DROP

August 17<sup>th</sup>, 2019 is the date. To sign your team up for the Tournament, contact Jim McElhannon at (315) 382-0805 or email <a href="mailto:jim@reagancompanies.com">jim@reagancompanies.com</a>. It is always a great time, before the golf ball drop. Come have some fun and win prizes!!!!

You can help support the Optimist Club by purchasing your golf ball tickets for a chance to win up to \$3,000, one of the 10 cash prizes.

Reach out to any Optimist Club Member or call Ed Castleman at (315) 391-3872 or Ron Bush rfbnjb@msn.com or (315) 415-3508. You can also purchase tickets on line at www.lafayetteoptimists.org

The Optimist Club, "Friend of the Youth" has done so many wonderful things for this Town such as developing Stafford Park, supplying the fireworks at Community Days, Bike rodeo, oratorical contest, Halloween party at Grimshaw, fishing derby, senior's scholarships, rebuilt the lacrosse box at Vinegar Hill Park, built the pavilion at the Apple Valley Timberwolves Field, 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade basketball tournament, the flags along Route 11 & 20 in Town and numerous other things. Participating in the annual golf tournament and/or purchasing golf ball tickets is a win/win situation as it all comes back to our community.

#### **LAFAYETTE COMMUNITY DAY**

The Annual LaFayette Community Day was held June 1st ending with a tremendous Fireworks Display, courtesy of the LaFayette Optimist Club. This event held at Stafford Park, as always, was a huge success enjoyed by hundreds of LaFayette residents of all ages...

# MAY 11<sup>th</sup> SHREDDING/MEDICATION DISPOSAL & RESCUE MISSION DROP-OFF/E-WASTE AND DUMP DAYS

Once again this was a great success....the largest amount of shredding, garbage bags full of expired medications and a truck load of items donated to the Rescue Mission. It was four hours of non-stop traffic at the LaFayette Town Hall. This event along

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

with the Dump Days, e-waste drop off is a wonderful opportunity for our residents to dispose of these items and save our environment at the same time. Thank you to all who took advantage of these "free of charge" services provided by our Town Officials.

#### **GARBAGE & RECYCLING**

Dependable Disposal has been doing a great job, throughout the transition from our previous vendor. Please be sure to have your trash out by 5:00AM and for any missed pick-ups please call **Dependable Disposal** directly at **(315) 472-7455**. If your trash pick-up falls on or after a holiday there will be a 1-day delay in services. If you have any concerns or missed pick-ups, etc., please call Dependable Disposal at **(315)**472-7455.

#### **HOLIDAYS THAT INTERUPT TRASH PICK UP SERVICE**

- •Wednesday, July 4<sup>th</sup> for Independence Day
- •Wednesday, December 25<sup>th</sup> for Christmas
- Monday, September 2nd for Labor Day
- •Wednesday, January 1st for New Year's Day
- •Thursday, November 28th for Thanksgiving

# JUST A REMINDER OF WHAT SERVICES ARE PROVIDED AT YOUR TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE

New to my office are the forms for **The Yellow Dot Program**, A project of the New York State Sheriff's



Association which helps emergency responders provide prompt care in the event of an accident or medical emergency. Please call, email or stop in to pick up the official form. (An example can be found on

our website, Facebook and twitter)

- Dog licensing which is required by Town law and NYS Ag & Markets
- Marriage Licenses & Transcripts (please call for marriage license appointment)
- Passport Processing which now takes 6-8 weeks (please call for an appointment)
- Hunting & Fishing Licenses
- Handicap Permits
- Notary Public Services (Free of Charge)
- Facility Rentals (Stafford Park Pavilions & Community Center)
- FAVOR Card (Veteran's Discount card)

And many others... feel free to call @ 315-677-3674 or email @ townclerk@townoflafayette.com we are more than happy to assist in any way that we can!! Many 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** Just a reminder: <u>ALL DOGS MUST BE</u> <u>LICENSED per NYS LAW</u>. You have the option of licensing your dog for one to three years. The cost per year is \$8.00 for spayed and neutered dogs and \$20.00 for un-spayed and unneutered dogs. When doing a multiple year license, the license expiration date must be before the expiration date of the rabies vaccination. Replacement tag fee: \$3.00; Impoundment fee: \$150.00. Please be responsible for your pets.

Dog Control Officers: *Ken Johnson (315) 263-1000 and Laura Holt (315) 696-6468*.

# RABIES SHOT CLINCS sponsored by the SPCA

Thursday, July 18<sup>th,</sup> 4pm-6pm @ Onondaga Nation Fire Department, Route 11A, Nedrow

Thursday, August 1st, 5pm-7pm @ Village of Minoa DPW, 100 Kalin Drive, Minoa Thursday, August 15<sup>th</sup>, 5pm-7pm @ St. Lucy's Church, 432 Gifford Street, Syracuse Mon., September 9th, 5pm-7pm @ Cicero Parks & Rec Garage, 8236 Brewerton Rd., Cicero If you have any questions or situations involving a dog, please call dog control. If you have a concern regarding wild-life animals, you may call (607) 753-3095. If you see any suspicious/strange acting animals (possible rabies) please contact the Department of Environmental Conservation Police at (315) 426-7431.

Did you also know that you can get your pet's rabies vaccine, etc. done at Tractor Supply, Thursdays between 5:30 pm -7 pm (6641 Manlius Center Rd, East Syracuse) by the Pet Vet Affordable Preventative Clinic? You may call ahead (315) 432-1640.

We are the Land of the Free, We are the home of the Brave, Let's pay tribute to our brave American Heroes On this day and forever.



Summer!! Be safe!!!

-Jackie Bush Roorda

# From the Highway Department



## **Happy Summer time residents!**

The LaFayette Highway Department has an aggressive work schedule for the summer of 2019. Work is being done on Ortloff, Mill, Webster, Nichols, Bear Mountain, Drumm, Rowland Road, Newell Hill and Tully Farms extension.

In addition, Onondaga County will have Tully Farms Road closed from late June through August to rebuild the Blue hole Bridge located south of Nichols Road. All traffic will be re-routed via Route 11A from Field Lane to Solvay Road. Only Local Traffic will be allowed on Webster, Nichols and a Truck Weight Limit will be Posted and Enforced.



In addition the NYSDOT has Contracted Barrett Paving to Resurface Route 11A from the Onondaga Nation Line to Route 80 in Tully later in the summer (After Tully Farms Road is open). Any Questions, feel free to contact me @

315-677-9535.

I would ask to please obey Road Work/Men Working signs and slow down in work zones. Our Highway guys have loved ones to go home to also.



Deputy Robson and the rest of the Highway guys did an outstanding job during the "Town Cleanup Days".

During that week they hand stacked over 25,000 pounds of "E" Waste onto trucks. In addition, the Town recycled over 69 tons of general household trash. I thank them for their hard work and dedication during this event!



## **Summertime / Fall upcoming events:**

- Fall "E" waste event Saturday August 3rd –
   9 am 2 pm ( at the garage ).
- Fall Brush pick-up Late August / early September (Do not put brush out now!).



As the summer months roll along, please take time to enjoy Family, Friends and Neighbors. Lets make LaFayette a better place to live by showing love and respect to all of Gods creatures.

—John Greeley Highway Superintendent



## **Court Corner**



With the nice summer weather finally here, the road construction season is well under way!

Please obey the reduced speed zones....lives depend on it!!!!!! Fines are doubled in work zones, with a \$93 state

surcharge and points on your license.

We have a web page under the Town of LaFayette, select the court department and our question and answer tab which may answer a lot of your questions. Please check it out!

https://www.townoflafayette.com/court.html



**Hours**: 9:30-12:30 & 1:30-5:00pm

Mon-Thurs Closed Fridays

**Phone**: (315)677-9350

Fax number: (315)677-4622

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

- There will be no court night on Wednesday,
   7/3/19. The court office is closed 7/4/19 and
   9/2/2019
- Court nights are every Wednesday starting at 6:00pm
- Evictions are also on Wednesday at 5:30.
   Please call court to schedule.
- District Attorney nights are the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month starting at 5:30pm by appointment. A confirmation letter will be sent to you. This is subject to change when needed.

District Attorney requests can be mailed to:

PO Box 135 LaFayette, NY 13084

#### Did you know:

Texting while driving is against the law. If you receive a ticket for texting while driving it is 5 points on your license and \$50-\$150 fine to \$50-\$400 fine for third offense with a \$93 state surcharge. The law covers all portable electronic devices and is in effect in 48 states. Don't text and drive!!! Don't risk your life and the lives of others.....don't be a distracted driver. Be safe!

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



## **LaFayette Small Business Owners**

Please make sure you are joining the LaFayette Business Network to promote your business and to be listed in the chamber listing for the Town of LaFayette.

More improvements are coming and plans to

make this an official not for profit organization. If you would like to have your business listed in this database, please fill out the application form found at:

https://www.townoflafayette.com/business-network-application.html



# From the LaFayette Town Assessor

The Town of LaFayette would like to announce that Ms. Sherry LaVancher has been appointed as our new Assessor effective July 1, 2019. Sherry comes to us



with many years of prior assessment experience

in the Towns of Sullivan and Onondaga and is board certified by the State of New York. She will assume the same office hours of Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 8:30 am until 1:30 pm or by special appointment. Her contact information will also remain unchanged: Telephone 315-677-3420; Fax 315-677-7806; Email:

### assessor@townoflafayette.com.

Please stop by to introduce yourself and welcome her to our community.

—Shawn Adam Outgoing Assessor

# LAFAYETTE, NEW YORK Historic Photos of a Four-Cornered Hamlet



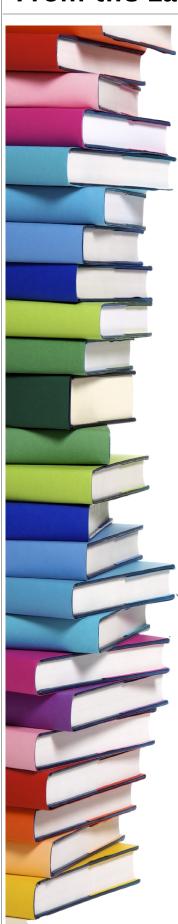
LaFayette, NY:
Historic photos of a
four-cornered hamlet
is now available at the
Town Clerk's office. It
contains over two
hundred photographs
and more than twenty
five other illustrations
in 94 pages. The price
is \$25.00.
It is the fourth in the
series of old-time

It is the fourth in the series of old-time picture books from the collection of former town historian Roy Dodge.



SAVE THE DATE!!!! - The LaFayette Lacrosse Alumni Association is pleased to announce the 13th annual alumni event to be held at Tsha' Thoñ'nhes, the Onondaga Nation Fieldhouse on Saturday, Nov 30th, 2019.

# From the LaFayette Public Library



Please go to our website – <u>www.lafayettelibrary.org</u> or our Facebook page for up to date information about any events.

## **Upcoming events:**

Imagination Lab - June

June 12<sup>th</sup> – Space decorations

Imagination Lab off for the summer!

<u>Tuesday Tea – June 18- 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.</u> Our Tuesday Teas are every month on the third Tuesday, 2:00-4:00 p.m. People bring everything from knitting to coloring books or just bring yourself. We also have a jig saw puzzle set up. Come join us

Adult Summer Reading rollout - June 17th

Summer Reading kickoff party – Jim McCarthy – 2:00 p.m.

<u>Step to stop falling:</u> Done for the summer. Will restart on September 11, Wednesday @10:00 a.m. in the library community room

## Summer Reading Scheduled events

## Adult (both Tully and LaFayette)

Adult Summer reading rollout – June 17<sup>th</sup>

All about tomatoes - 6/8 -

11:30 – 1:00 p.m. (TFL)

Grow Microgreens – 6/10 –

5:30 – 7:00 p.m. (TFL)

Energy Efficiency – 6/17- 5:30 – 7:00 p.m. (TFL)

Movie Screening -6/24 - 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. (LPL)

Heat Smart CNY -7/8 - 5:30 - 7:00 p.m. (TFL)

Beekeeping Wkshp 7/1 5:30 – 7:00 p.m. (TFL)

Teacup Planters 7/9 @Blooming Cup

Waste Reduction 7/15 5:00 – 6:30 (TFL)

Soap making -7/17 - 3:00 - 5:00 p.m. (LPL)

Fairy Jar Lanterns – 7/22 12:00 - 2:00 p.m. (LPL)

Movie Screenings (TFL)

7/23 - 3:00 - 5:00 p.m.

8/5 - 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Craft Time – 8/6 @Blooming Cup

Seed saving Wkshp -8/10 - 11:30 - 1:00 p.m. (TFL)

Teen – at LaFayette unless otherwise indicated

Kick off party – June 26<sup>th</sup> – 2:00 p.m.

TCG Player: Pokeman Tournament – July 13<sup>th</sup> 12:00—2:00(TFL)

Tie Dye on the lawn – July  $15^{th}$  – 11:00 -1:00 p.m.

Teen DIY Day – July 24<sup>th</sup> 11:00 - 1:00 p.m.

Minute to win it Games – July 31<sup>st</sup> – 11:00 -1:00 p.m.

Teen Silent Library – August 7<sup>th</sup> 3:00—4:30 p.m.

Wii get together tournaments – TBA

# LaFayette Library cont'd...

#### Children

June  $26^{th}-2:00$  p.m. Kick off party featuring McCarthy Family Players July  $3^{rd}$  – free craft day all day July  $10^{th}-11:00$  a.m. Gravitational Bull July  $15^{th}-11:00-1:00$  p.m. Tie Dye on the lawn (all ages) July  $16^{th}-11:00$  a.m. – Dan the Snakeman July  $31^{st}-10:00$  a.m. – Zoo-to-you Aug.  $7^{th}-11:00$  a.m. The MOST Aug  $14^{th}-11:00$  a.m. Summer reading finale with the Bubbleman

Raffle tickets will be drawn on August 19<sup>th</sup>. Last day to turn in tickets is August 16<sup>th</sup>

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. Enjoy!

We would like to thank you for your ongoing support when using Amazon Smile <a href="https://smile.amazon.com/">https://smile.amazon.com/</a>, 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 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.

If you would like to display your craft, hobby or collection or know of someone who might be interested in displaying their work in our display case, please let us know. Right now we have on display a special circulating collection we have developed about the Haudenosaunee, or "people of the longhouse".

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 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



# From the Community Council

Questions about recreational activities can be found 24/7 on the town's web site at the following link <a href="www.townoflafayette.com/lafayette-community-council.html">www.townoflafayette.com/lafayette-community-council.html</a>, 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,



#### **Youth Programs:**

**Lacrosse** – Instructional programs for girls and boys in grades K-2 (fullday kindergarten), and

developmental programs for boys and girls in grades 2-6. Programs are expected to begin the week of July 8 and run for six weeks. Fee is \$5. PLEASE NOTE: This is not ULA (Upstate Lacrosse Association) – LCC will not be hosting ULA teams this year due to past difficulties finding coaches and fielding teams.

If you would like to help coach in this program, please contact LCC: 315-677-7272.

Tennis Camp (boys and girls entering Grades 3-7)

– Camp will run July 29th - August 1<sup>st</sup>, 4:30-6:00 p.m. Stafford Park tennis courts. The camp will be conducted by LaFayette Jr. /Sr. High School Varsity tennis coach, Joe Fox. Flyers with registration form and additional details will be sent home from school and available on line. Fee is \$25.

Soccer Camp – Ultimate Goal will not hold a summer soccer camp in LaFayette this year. For information on summer sports camps through Ultimate Goal, please refer to their web site.

Fall Soccer – Will begin in August before school is back in session. The starting date is still To Be

back in session. The starting date is still To Be
Determined and will be announced on LCC's web
page, the Town's Facebook page and LCC's sign at
the corner of Rte.'s 11& 20. If you would like to
be notified by phone, leave a message at 315-6777272, or by e-mail, send a request to

lafayettecommunitycouncil@cnymail.com .

## **Adult Programs:**

**Daytime/Senior Exercise:** Classes are held Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays, 8:30 – 9:30 a.m., at the LaFayette VFW on Rte. 11.

**Yoga:** Classes are held Mondays and Wednesdays, 6:30-7:45 p.m.

Aerobic Exercise Class (WERQ®/Zumba/Tabata):

Classes are held Mondays and Wednesdays, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Call LCC for details about summer sessions for the above classes: 315-677-7272.

**Tai Chi:** Beginner and advance classes. Call instructor Lynn Perrine at 315-677-8114 for details.

#### Thank you:

LCC would like to thank the following individuals who volunteered their time and efforts as coaches for LCC's spring sports programs.

Baseball Majors: Mike White; Travis Homer; Wayne Brennan, and

Baseball Minors: Ashlie Carrier; Darlene Young; Steve Albro and Cindi Comins

Softball: Joe and Heidi Greco, and Tim Bice

Rookies: Chris Baker and Ashley Kolbeck; Erin Amidon and Sabrina Harmatuk

T-Ball: Angela Enigk and; Holly and Michael Schadt Instructional T-Ball: Sarah Stanton

LCC thanks the following businesses that sponsored a baseball, softball or T-Ball team:

- B&B Lumber
- C & C Ag. Trucking
- Empire Freight Logistics
- JDK Enterprises (McDonalds)
- LaFayette Optimist
- LaFayette Fire Department
- LaFayette Veterinary Clinic
- Ron Bush Oil, Inc.

LCC would also like to thank the following people who helped at Community Day:

Melissa & Joseph Wallis; Melissa and Bailey Hogan; Kaia Morgan; Robin O'Kane, and Angela Enigk.

# From the Community Council cont'd.....

#### **Announcements:**

Community Council Board: Board meetings are held monthly and 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.

### LCC Information:

For additional information about the above programs, or if you are able to help out with them – AND WE DO NEED YOUR HELP - please contact LCC.



-Dave Prince







# From the LaFayette Senior Citizens

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 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!

Our trip coordinator, Jennifer Hopper, has planned two trips for the coming months:

September 20 is a trip to Binghamton (The Parlor City) for a visit to the Windy Hill Farms Candle Factory, and Candyland. Then, on to lunch at Little Venice Restaurant. After lunch, there will be a guided tour to learn about Christ Church, the city court house, Security Mutual, Perry Building, and Press Building. After this tour, it is on to the Black Bear Winery, for wine tasting and a souvenir glass. Cost for this trip is \$70 per person.

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, or to book either of these trips, 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

## From the Southern Hills Garden Club



Please contact Cathy Nagel, phone: 315-677-9342 or

email: <a href="mailto:cen42085@aol.com">CEN42085@aol.com</a>, for information

John Rogers, Co-founder of the NY State Bluebird Society, will give a presentation on bluebirds

Date: July 16, 2019

Time: 7:00 pm

**Location: LaFayette Community Center** 

# From the LaFayette Optimists

Greetings from the Optimists. We had another successful bike rodeo at Community Day this year and I believe each participant had fun and was given the opportunity to show off their bike riding skills. We addressed safe bike operation and navigation as well as inspecting each bike and helmet. Good luck young riders!



We also saw a great fireworks show on Saturday night that finished right before the heavy rain soaked the park. Good job to everyone involved with Community Day. It is one of our favorite annual town events. Please remember the proceeds from the golf ball drop fundraiser go toward the fireworks show so purchasing tickets is essential. The Optimists now have the ability to accept credit cards for ticket purchases through our website www.lafayetteoptimists.org.



New this summer we would like to see family game nights at the park. The park offers great opportunities for friendly competition in horse shoes, volleyball, and kickball. The

pavilion provides shelter and the ability to cook summertime favorites like hot dogs and

hamburgers. Please contact us through Facebook if anyone would like help setting up and coordinating this event.



I would also like to mention another great showing at the annual fishing derby in May. We had nearly 100 participants and I believe the largest fish caught was 15-inches. The weather was better this year and it made a big difference in attendance and fishing. The flower planting and food were



wonderful as usual and we would like to thank everyone who participated.

As for the park expansion, we hope to start shaping the property to maximize its potential for community activities soon with help from the Town of Lafayette. The Optimist park project subcommittee has been working on designs for new tennis courts, drainage systems, bathrooms, property development, and a potential water feature. We cannot wait for the community to start enjoying the new portion of the park. Have a safe and enjoyable summer and we will see you at the park!

facebook

—Scott Gates Secretary

GOLF BALL DROP—AUGUST 17, 2019—3:00 PM

ORCHARD VALI GOLF COURSE



1ST PRIZE \$3,000
2ND PRIZE \$1,000/3RD PRIZE \$750
4TH PRIZE \$500/5TH PRIZE \$300
6TH—10TH PRIZES \$200 EACH

1 BALL—\$10 OR 3 BALLS—\$25

PURCHASE TICKETS ONLINE @
WWW.LAFAYETTEOPTIMISTS.ORG OR AT
LAFAYETTE INN, THOR LOUNGE, M&T BANK, ORCHARD
VALI GOLF COURSE, THE HOME OF RON BUSH (315-6779932) OR FROM ANY OPTIMIST MEMBER

# **LaFayette Outdoors**— Ticked Off



About 16+ years ago I was headed in to my tree stand at zero-dark-thirty in a little honey hole near Green Lakes State Park. Sitting and waiting for sunrise, I dreamed that one of the giant bucks that roamed the park would wander off state property and come by my tree stand. Hunting with only my trusty recurve bow I would need the deer to come within my comfortable range of 20 yards or less. That seemed to happen occasionally but certainly not as much as I hoped. As the sun came up and began to illuminate the woodlot I heard the unmistakable sound of crunching leaves coming my way. As I slowly turned my head to

investigate the intruder...

Back in the late 90's and early 2,000s there was talk about ticks and their dangers to humans. Lyme disease is a very serious debilitating illness. Back then most of the cases of Lyme disease were found in the New England states. Fast forward to today...no longer are Connecticut and Massachusetts the epicenter of Lyme disease. The place we call home is rapidly catching up with the number of ticks and threat of Lyme disease.

New York sees about 8,000 cases of Lyme disease annually, according to the state Department of Health. Early symptoms include flu-like symptoms such as headaches, body aches, fevers, chills and joint pain. About half of people infected with the Lyme bacteria will also get a circular rash that grows outward from the center. The disease can be treated with antibiotics if caught early, but can cause serious health problems if left untreated.

As the leaf crunching got louder I caught movement and there he was...a cute young 6 point buck coming down the trail that was located 18 yards upwind of my position. I gave him a pass and enjoyed watching him walk by. Young bucks are like teenagers, they are full of testosterone and spend about 100% of their time aimlessly walking through their turf looking for a girlfriend. They are the stupidest animal in the woods when the rut (mating season) kicks in. Totally oblivious to their surroundings. After the hunt, I headed home with hopes of knocking a few things off of the honey do list. As all good hunters know, in order to get "hunt time" one must keep the home front happy!

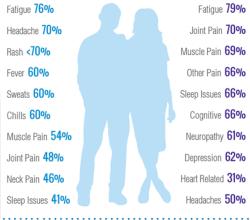
On the drive home, I kept rubbing a bump under my chin on my neck. I thought must be razor stubble, then I remembered I don't get razor stubble... As I walked into our home I took a glance at the mirror and saw something on my neck. I called for Gina and asked her what it was. "It looks like a bug, no wait..., it is and it's half buried into your neck and moving". She let out a shriek which got me pretty wound up. We acted like we had a grenade in our hands and one of us pulled the pin. Thank God video cell phones weren't around as I am sure one of our "sweet little daughters" would have been there to take a video and launch it worldwide. We would never have lived that scene down!

Not knowing what to do next, I asked Gina for tweezers, I grabbed the tick as close to the skin as possible and slowly pulled the tick off. My neck skin literally stretched over an inch before that little bugger released. I got it off fully intact and put it in a Ziploc bag. I found a lab in Albany to send it to for testing. It came back positive for Lyme disease. My heart sunk. However, the tick was only on me for a maximum of 10 hours. Studies have shown that a tick must be on you for a minimum of

36-48 hours to transmit Lyme disease. I have had two ticks on me, one related to this story and the other just last month while working our land. That tick was on me for 28-32 hours. I went to the doctor and to be safe he prescribed doxycycline which is an antibiotic. I had a similar rash as shown in this picture.



# LYME DISEASE SYMPTOMS EARLY LYME" -VS- CHRONIC LYME"



\*(Aucott 2013) \*\*(Johnson 2014. Moderate to very severe symptoms) Estimates of rash rates range from 25-80% http://tinyurl.com/kfvu8yt



What can you do to prevent being bitten? Here is a good illustration showing the steps you can take.

If you have been bitten and want the peace of mind knowing the status of the tick, you can send it in to Tick Report. <a href="https://www.tickreport.com/">https://www.tickreport.com/</a> they will evaluate the tick to see if it is a Lyme disease carrier. They can usually tell how long the tick was attached to you by the amount of blood in it. I recommend you being proactive and take the precautions listed above before going in the outdoors. I placed an order today from Amazon for Permethrin spray. I plan on spraying my outdoor clothing and boots and recommend you do the same. Get out and enjoy the great outdoors, but be smart and protect yourselves!

—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

Pastor: Stephen Jackson Phone: (315) 558-3534

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



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

St. Joseph's LaFayette Sunday 9:00 am

## **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

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Email: parish@stjosephslafayette.org
Rev. James. H. Carey
Weekend Associate: Rev. Ed Reimer

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#### St. Joseph's-Summer Schedules

Vacation Bible School	August 5th—9th
Apple Pie baking at St. Joseph's	Mid September
Fresh Apple Pie sales at St. Joseph's	Starting September 22
Faith Formation	Resumes in September

"This is my Commandment: Love One Another as I Love You"

John 15:12

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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	Praise & Worship Service (Blended Contemporary)		
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 any of 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

<u>GriefShare</u> - GriefShare is a friendly, caring group of people who will walk alongside you through one of life's most difficult experiences. You don't have to go through the grieving process alone. GriefShare classes are held each Sunday Night in July at 4:30pm.

Vacation Bible School -We would like to invite

your children to join us this summer as we journey through an Egyptian Safari on our discovery of God's goodness, even during difficult times. ROAR VBS will be



held August 5<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> from 6:30pm to 8:30pm each night. We will have games, crafts, Bible Time, Skits, and snacks. Please join us!

Clothing Give-away—We hold this event four times each year. We are planning the next Clothing Give-away on Saturday, August 24th, from 9am — Noon at our church. Contact the church or visit our website for more details as they become available.

# **Columbian** Presbyterian Church





For a full schedule of upcoming events, find us on-line at Columbian Columbi

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

July 1	Men's Breakfast (free)	6:00—7:00 am
July 20	Chicken Barbecue—call before Friday noon to reserve halves	11:00 am—sold out
August 13	LaFayette Concert Band for LaFayette Outreach reception to follow with check presentation from Memorial Day Benefit  Thank you for your generous support!	7:30 pm
August 17	Chicken Barbecue	11:00 am—sold out
September 27	Youth Breakfast (free)	7:00 am—8:00 am

We will soon be making Apple Pies Mondays—Thursdays 9:00 am—noon and 6:00—9:00 pm until the end of September. Frozen pies will be available at the end of September and baked pies will go on sale in the Session Building on Thursday and Friday, October 10 and 11 and at the Apple Fest. Come join us for the fun and visit us at our booth at Apple Fest! ARE YOU HUNGRY? Call to pre-order your one or two crust pies @ 315-677-3293.



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## **Upcoming Events**

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION	ADD'L INFO
7/9/19	Town Board Meeting	LaFayette Town Offices	6:30 pm
7/16/19	Southern Hills Garden Club	LaFayette Community Center	7:00 pm
7/18/19	Rabies Clinic	Onondaga Nation Fire Dept.	4:00 pm—6:00 pm
7/20/19	Chicken Barbecue	Columbian Presbyterian Church	11:00—soldout
8/1/19	Rabies Clinic	Village of Minoa DPW	5:00 pm—7:00 pm
8/3/19	E Waste Event	LaFayette Highway Garage	9:00 am—2:00 pm
8/13/19	Town Board Meeting	LaFayette Town Offices	6:30 pm
8/15/19	Rabies Clinic	St. Lucy's Church	5:00 pm—7:00 pm
8/17/19	LaFayette Optimists Golf Ball Drop	Orchard Vali Golf Course	3:00 pm
8/17/19	Chicken Barbecue	Columbian Presbyterian Church	11:00—soldout
9/9/19	Rabies Clinic	Cicero Parks & Rec Garage	5:00 pm—7:00 pm
9/10/19	Town Board Meeting	LaFayette Town Offices	6:30 pm

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