



Galway Get Together

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A bi-weekly online newsletter promoting local resources and opportunities

A community service of the Galway Public Library, P.O. Box 207, Galway, NY 12074
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Volunteers Needed

Galway Public Library volunteers are needed for Children's Story Time (weekly) and the annual Memorial Day Float (annual). Help grow our next generation! Contact Regina Doi at the library, 882-6385.

Services Available

Do you need help this spring to clean up your gardens? I know perennials, have a certificate in ecological horticulture, and I have my own hand tools. I charge reasonable hourly rates. Give Amy David a call at 882-1657.

Healthy Strong and Fit Personal

Training Studio — Staying motivated is one of the hardest obstacles to overcome in losing weight and staying fit. Come to my Galway studio or I can come to your home. Individualized programs or group classes in reformer pilates, strength training, nutritional counseling, etc. Call for a free consultation at 641-8121 or email healthystrongfit@aol.com.

Community Announcements

The Galway Fire Department is a volunteer organization seeking members. Interested? Call Ron Lyons, Fire Police Captain, at 521-5456 or stop by the fire house in the Village of Galway. The fire department also contributes to community causes, including the Holiday Basket Project for needy families. The department accepts unwrapped gift donations year round at the firehouse Tuesday evenings from 6:30-8pm. Or, contact Ron Lyons at the number above.

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Galway Lioness Club invites you to the Third Annual Craft Fair, April 13, 10am-3pm at the Galway School. Free of charge!

Book Fair — The Galway Middle School/High School Book Fair is coming to the High School Library April 11 - April 18. The Galway PTSA is sponsoring the return of the Book Fair for all grade levels and adults. A great family event. Select from a wide selection of the latest titles. Books may also be ordered online at:

<http://bookfairs.scholastic.com/homepage/galwaymiddlehighschool>. All books ordered online benefit the Galway School.

Coordinators Nadine Despres and Amy Derwin are also looking for volunteers to help out during the following slots:
April 11, 8:30am - 12:30pm and 2:30pm - 3:30pm;
April 12, 8:30am - 11:30am. Visit the website above for more information, or call Nadine at 882-9854.

New DVDs Now Available at the Galway Public Library

Come and browse through the library's great selection of DVDs, including these new releases just in: *Les Miserables*, *Argo*, *Lincaln*, *Dark Zero Thirty*, *The Hobbit*, *Anna Karenina*, *Flight*.



It's officially spring—Coltsfoot blooms on the roadside.

The Dockstader Charitable Trust is accepting applications from not-for-profit organizations for projects that benefit the residents of the Galway Central School District. The application deadline is May 1. To receive more information or request a grant application form, contact Julie Roy at 882-9101. Applications are available at the Galway Public Library and on the library and school web sites.

In March the Trust presented the Town of Galway with a check in the amount of \$39,590.31 toward the construction of a pavilion, recently completed at the Town athletic fields.

During 2012, the Trust provided more than \$45,000 to twelve organizations for projects that benefit the residents of the Galway community. The projects include the Friends of the Galway Public Library storage shed, Town of Providence veterans memorial, West Charlton Fire District automatic external defibrillators, Girl Scouts of NENY kayaks, Galway Central School Camp Chingachgook program and sustainable farm project, community baskets, Life in Galway publication, and Galway Senior Citizens bus trips.

The Galway Get Together seeks to help build a stronger, more cohesive and conservation-minded community through local trade and networking. The Galway Public Library is not responsible for the outcome of any exchange. To receive the newsletter and to submit postings go to:

www.gettogether.galwaypubliclibrary.org. Inquiries? Email: mcuffeperez@gmail.com.



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Galway Little Theater presents Monty Python's *Spamalot* at the Galway High School auditorium May 3 and 4, 7pm, with a matinee on May 5 at 2pm. *Spamalot* is directed by Ann Kempf. Galway actors/dancers Jason Cromie, Reeny Milton, Dave Slade, Will Sutton, Rachel Slade, Nacole Neahr, Teresa Brett, John Sutton and Beth Graham will join community theater veterans Bill Drobnack, and Mark Cieslak. The Little Theater also welcomes talented newcomers, Galway High student Noah Hitchcock as Not Dead Fred, Molly Waters as the Lady in the Lake, Nancy Radigan as the Historian, Kai Pisila as Sir Lancelot, Zak Mohamed as Herbert, Sarah La-jeunesse as Concorde and Giulia Pezzulo, Ann Boisvert, Deb Sheldon, and Rachel Cahill in the ensemble. Production team includes Beth Graham as choreographer, Giulia Pezzulo, assistant choreographer, Nadine DesPres, producer, and Beth Ruman, costumes.

The Greenfield Historical Society will meet April 16, 7pm at the Community Center in Greenfield Center. Program: Bradford Smith and Ellen Kostroff will discuss their book, *From New York to Florida – An American Family's Life on the Road Between the World Wars*. Mr. Smith's family journeyed from their Galway farm to Florida in a 1920 Willys Knight sedan. His mother kept a diary and the family took many photographs.

The Galway Preservation Society will meet April 1, at the Galway Town Hall. Program: Paul Perrault, Town Of Malta historian, will present "Bertha Denton Snell of Galway: A True Pioneer." Social time at 7:15pm, business meeting at 7:30pm and the program begins around 8pm.

The Galway Preservations Society also invites the public to come and view the new, intriguing exhibit at the Town Hall on **family heirlooms belonging to GPS members.**

The Galway Seniors are happy to announce that Patricia Kay will be their guest speaker at the April 18 meeting at the Town Hall, 1pm. The artist will give a PowerPoint presentation entitled: "Destiny, Ruins and Pretty Ladies," exploring the inspirations and challenges faced while pursuing her passion for Maya culture and producing the exhibition, *The Maya: An Artistic Homage*. In addition, she will have examples of the many projects she has undertaken throughout her artistic career of 38 years. All welcome to attend this extra special event.

The Senior's first trip is scheduled for April, with sign-up deadline April 4. Come to the meeting and learn more.

Crafters/Artists/Vendors Wanted: West Charlton 11th Annual Community Tag Sale and Craft Fair—Friday and Saturday, April 26-27, 9 am -3pm. Vendors may rent an eight foot table at the firehouse for \$25 per day. To reserve a table, call (315) 762-3121 by April 12. Space is limited. The Firehouse is located at 1293 Eastern Avenue. Proceeds benefit the activities of the Auxiliary.

Providence Fire Department Announces Volunteer New York, April 27 from 10am – 2pm. Programs will be held at the Hagadorn Station, 7171 Fish House Road and the Barkersville Station, 7259 Barkersville Road.

This is an opportunity to learn more about the volunteer fire service in your community.

Sustainable Agriculture: Thinking Globally and Farming Locally, April 11, 7pm, Schenectady County Library, 99 Clinton St., Schenectady. Speaker: Ken Mulder, Ph.D., Green Mountain College Farm Manager and Environmental Studies faculty. This program is free and open to the public. For more information contact Cornell Cooperative Extension at 372-1622.

The Galway Food Pantry, located in the Lions Building, 2167 Galway Road, always welcomes your donations. Especially needed now are: Paper towels, mayonnaise and any kind of baking supplies, including cooking oil, flour, sugar, etc. Your donations welcome on Thursdays, 10am-7pm.

Text Abuse

(This letter is excerpted from a U.S. Air force Safety newsletter, and sent to us by a GGT reader)

As a single mother, I'm never far from my phone. A side effect of this is that I have developed an obsessive compulsion with texting. If I receive a text while driving, I HAVE to respond immediately. I don't have enough self-control to ignore it, even with my kids in their car seats behind me. I am THAT person!

How do I work with my compulsion? The only answer, for me, is to place the phone out of reach in the car. All text messages and phone messages can wait.

I write this because I can be the accident that never happened. I am lucky I'm not writing this from a wheelchair, at my kids' gravesites, or from jail. I challenge you all to make that extra effort to save yourself by using this simple precaution — put the phone out of reach while driving!

Send your submissions to the Galway Get Together to: <http://www.gettogether.galwaypubliclibrary.org>. **Submit articles and photos:** mcuf-feperez@gmail.com. Also, "Like" GGT on Facebook and read news as it happens: <http://www.facebook.com/GalwayGetTogether> **GalwayPublicLibrary**