

# Galway Get Together

### 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 Phone: 882-6385.

#### For Sale

Poole Melodigrand Spinet Piano — 52 keys, S/N 178523. \$475. You must pick up. Galway. Call 366-1010.

#### Looking for ...

Yarn Wanted — If you have left-over yarn you'd like to donate to a good cause, please call 882-6147. I make afghans and baby blankets for non-profits, and can always use yarn of any color (worsted weight or sport acrylic.)

#### Services Available

Sweet Briar Flower Shop, 1363 Hermance Rd., Galway - Floral arrangements for weddings, anniversaries, holidays and more. Book spring, summer and fall wedding arrangements now. House plants 30% off. Winter hours: 10am – 3pm. Open Saturdays and holidays until Noon. Call 882-5132.

#### **Healthy Strong and Fit Personal** Training Service by Patty Matthews,

RDH Certified Personal Trainer and Nutrition Coach, specializing in weight loss and rehabilitation. Together we can make lifestyle changes to reach and support your health goals. Reformer pilates classes, core training, snowshoeing, spinning, cardiac rehabilitation, medically based nutrition and more. Call 641 -8121 (cell) or 882-1916 (home). Email: Healthystrongfit@aol.com.

#### **Community Announcements**

**Crafters/Vendors/Sellers Wanted:** Come sell your wares at the W. Charlton 11th Annual Community Craft Fair, April 25 and 26, 9am-3pm, rain or shine. Rent an 8-foot table at the firehouse for \$25/day. To reserve a table, call (518) 207-6409 by April 13. Space is limited. Supports the West Charlton Volunteer Fire Department Auxiliary.

#### **Community Announcements** (cont'd)

Library Design Workshops and **Brainstorming Sessions** — February 26, 7-9pm and on March 1, 10am - Noon, Galway Town Hall. Community members are encouraged to attend either session to share ideas with the library's architect, Paul Mays, of Butler Rowland Mays Architects, Ballston Spa. This is an opportunity for the public to help shape plans for services at the future library building. Refreshments will be served. Preregistration encouraged but not required. Stop in at the library to sign up, call 882-6385 or email: director@ galwaypubliclibrary.org.

"Borrow a Wheel Chair" Project The Greater Galway Food Pantry is proud to partner with the Galway Lions, Lionesses and Leos in a new loan wheel chairs to those in need for one week up to three months. If you could benefit from the loan of a wheelchair, simply call 882-1316 or 882-5426 and leave a message (make sure to include your phone made to deliver wheelchairs to those unable to come to the Lions' building on East Street. We would like to keep this opportunity within the 125 square miles included in the Galway Central School District. If you would also like to donate a "gently used" wheel chair in good working condition, please call one of the above numbers.

We'd like to receive your news item, short article or photo for the Galway Get Together. Email to: mcuffeperez@ gmail.com. Next issue deadline: February 27,



Winter evening snowscape

The Galway Lions Club extends a big "thank you" to the community and beyond for their support of the 2014 Songfest, featuring Hey Jude, and the sound of the Beatles! Over 400 people attended. The clapping, singing and dancing attested to how much everyone enjoyed the evening. A great way to reduce that cabin fever! Proceeds from the event will go directly into the community.

Story Quilt presented at Charlton Historical Society — March 5, 7pm, District 8 Schoolhouse, Maple Avenue, Charlton. The making of the Story Quilt, an award winning literary, social history project of the Galway Public Library, 2005-2007, will wheelchair loan program. We will be the topic of a talk and PowerPoint presentation by Mary Cuffe Perez. Story Quilt was a community-wide effort to collect stories from residents of Galway and turn them into short, narrative poems. The poems were published in Story Quilt: Poems of a number). Arrangements can also be *Place*, and performed live on stage by the Galway Players. Readings from the collection were given throughout the region. All poems were contributed by members of the Galway **community** – either written from their own experience or from stories gathered from other residents. The March 5 event will include a brief reading. All invited to attend!

> **Readers sought:** If you were a *Story* Quilt contributor and would like to read a favorite poem at the above event, we'd love to have you! Call 944-5843 for details.

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#### Galway Lions Community Breakfast, Sat., March 15, 7-11am, at Bob's Trees Ski Lodge. \$7/adults; \$4/ children 10 and under. Breakfast includes pancakes and syrup, French Toast bake and syrup, home fried potatoes, ham, sausage and eggs. Take out is available. For more information, go to www.galwaylionsclub.ny.org.

**Greenfield Historical Society will** meet February 18, 7pm at Greenfield Community Center. Program: "Greenfield Before it Became Greenfield" by writer and historian, Ron Feulner,

Smart Driving Course — March 20, 9am-3:30pm at the Galway Town Hall. This course will allow a discount on your automobile insurance. Approved AARP instructor. AARP Members: \$20: non-members: \$25. Pack a lunch for lunch break. To register call 882-9796. Or leave phone message.

Pirogi Sale, Saturday, April 12, 9am-**3pm** at the Providence Volunteer Fire Hagadorn Fire Station, 7171 Fish House Road. \$5/dozen. Pre-order deadline March 15. Potato, cheese. onion filled only. Contact Inez Houston at 588-8430 or Ihouston@dhouston.com.

**Fourth Annual Galway Lioness** Craft Fair, Saturday, April 12, 10am -3pm, at Galway High School, free admission.

#### **Focus on Business**

West Charlton Frame, 1093 Westline Road, Charlton — custom framing for over 30 years. They specialize in framing of artwork, and offer artists quick and easy framing options for shows and exhibits. They also provide framing and framing kits for all other occasions.

Discounts now on fully assembled archival framing kits. All frames are made of wood and custom sized on kits \$39.95 and over. Phone calls always welcomed to discuss your framing needs: 888-569-5571; email: Barbara@westcharltonframe.com. For more information on all the services and framing options go to: www.westcharltonframe.com.

#### **Recipe Box** Winter Soup

The recipe below was contributed by Vera Boerenko Titterington, formerly on Crane Road in Galway, now living in Florida. This recipe comes with a memory of being snowbound during the 1930s when Vera was 9 years old. The family of ten had only potatoes and a few other supplies to sustain them for the week. Her mother made potatoes every way possible, but to this day, Vera remembers her potato soup. Here it is in Vera's words:

"Mother would cut up a piece of salt pork into very small pieces (people used a lot of salt pork in those days), chop up some onions and fry together until the pork was slightly brown and the onions soft. She set these aside while she boiled up some potatoes (never counted how many).

She mashed some of the potatoes and cut up the rest, then cooked them together with water and milk. (Luckily we had a good cow!) Then she added the salt pork and onions, a good sprinkle of pepper, and salt was needed.

Even after that week, I still like potatoes, but never could make a potato soup like Mom's. I keep trying!

The Galway Get Together seeks to help build a more cohesive and conservation-minded community through local trade and networking. The Galway Public Library is not responsible for the outcome of any exchange.

#### **Favorite** Things

#### A Collector of Cookbooks By Elaine Podwirny

frame kits are available. Free shipping I find myself a collector of cookbooks. They can be specialty or all inclusive, of ours or of a different culture, in English or not, new or very old. I have a treasured one I bought from E-Bay about 8 years ago. It is a Homesteader's Cookbook from the late 1800's. It's pages are worn, but once in a while I sit down and enjoy the history between its covers. It was essentially a homesteader's bible with instructions for building an icehouse, a well and cistern, making ink, curing your cows, even delivering babies! I find the most fascinating cookbooks not only in the grocery store, but in the antique store, the book shop at the library, and in restaurants.

> I sometimes add a new cookbook as the mood strikes me, hence, my newest is "Miss Kay's Duck Commander Kitchen," but my favorites, will always be my Mother's and my Grandmother's. They are the most valuable of all to me. They remind me where I learned my love of my kitchen.

#### Nature Notes



#### Who dunnit?

Reading tracks in the snow is as interesting as a good mystery novel. Coyotes, fox, fishers, rabbits, squirrels, skunks, mice and more write their stories on the freshly fallen snow. The above tracks are probably coyote. It's coyote breeding season so they've got a lot of story to tell. Break out those snowshoes or skis and have a good read.