



# Galway Get Together

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*A bi-monthly online newsletter promoting local resources and opportunities.*

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Galway, NY 12074 Phone: 882-6385. [www.galwaypubliclibrary.org](http://www.galwaypubliclibrary.org).

**Volunteer opportunities for community members and library supporters!** There will be a volunteer gathering on Wednesday February 11 at 7 pm at the Galway Town Hall. Come see how you can help to make the new Galway Public Library a reality! RSVP to Marsha Boelio at [mboelio@gmail.com](mailto:mboelio@gmail.com).

**Brendon Loya is a 14 year old Galway resident** who was recently diagnosed with Matrical Carcinoma that has impacted much of his body. This is an extremely rare form of cancer with only a few cases noted in the world. Brendon and his family are on their way to NYC to Columbia Presbyterian Children's Hospital Morgan Stanley to determine a treatment plan. Your help would be so appreciated to help offset medical costs and expenses incurred as his family embarks on this unknown path. Visit the following site to donate; <http://www.youcaring.com/medical-fundraiser/hope-for-brendon/296054#.VMQPzh1XrCF.facebook>

**Town of Greenfield Historical Society - Tuesday February 17,** meeting at 7 pm at the Community Center in Greenfield Center. Program: Show and Tell Program, members bring an item they can briefly talk about – anything that has a story.

**Sweet Briar Flower Shop – Add a little Romance this Valentine's Day,** February 14, with flowers. Phone in orders at 882-5132 or stop by at 1363 Hermance Rd Galway NY 12074

**Child Care available in my NYS registered family day care home** for infants through preschool age. I have 20+ years of experience and a B. S. in Education. I offer age-appropriate activities, preschool skills and socialization. Most importantly, I give your child loving care in a safe environment. Call 882-5001 for information or an interview.

**The Galway Lions Club is proud to present Beatles Tribute Band - HEY JUDE** for the Sixteenth Annual Cabin Fever SongFest. Saturday, February 7 at 7 pm at the Galway High School Auditorium. Tickets are available at Galway Market, Galway Library, Galway Agway, or call for VIP seats 423-9128. Come out with the whole family for a great time and help support the community!

*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.



Photo: Winter Feast  
by Thomas Ford

**The PTSA is accepting nominations** for the 2015 Honorary Life Membership and/or Distinguished Service Award. Please consider submitting nominations in the form of a letter or an email about a person you feel is deserving of recognition, particularly for serving the youth in this community and/ or abroad. One need not be a member of PTSA to be considered. Examples of those we recognize are, but are not limited to; those involved in Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, Youth ministries, Boys/ Girls clubs, teachers, etc. Letters can be mailed to Galway School attention Nadine DesPres or email at [galwayptsa@gmail.com](mailto:galwayptsa@gmail.com). Nominations will be taken through the end of March.

**Healthy Strong and Fit Personal Training Service by Patty Matthews,** certified Personal Trainer, Nutrition Coach and Aromatherapist. Valentine's Day is just around the corner. Get the person you love a gift certificate for an aromatouch healing massage or personal training! For the month of Feb buy 1 get 1 free gift certificates for all new clients. Call 641-8121



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**Send your news to: [galwaygettogether@gmail.com](mailto:galwaygettogether@gmail.com)**  
Your community news, ads, announcements and photos are always welcome!

## **Back Country Horsemen Association is a national group**

that advocates for and helps build and maintain equine trails on public lands. An affiliate organization named the Saratoga Back Country Horsemen is being formed. The next meeting will be held Wednesday, Feb. 25th at 6:30pm at the CCE Room at 50 High Street in Ballston Spa. All who are interested in trail riding and support the efforts to ensure that public lands remain open to recreational equine trails are invited to attend and learn more about this group.

## **A special treat at the February 25 meeting is a presentation by Bernice Ende,**

a long distance trail rider. Between the years of 2005 and 2013, she traveled about 21,000 miles on horseback. She is currently in the middle of an 8,000 mile trip from her home in Trego, Montana to Maine, back all the way across Canada to the Pacific coast and then back to Montana. We are fortunate enough to learn that she and her two horses are wintering in Fort Edward.

If you have questions about SBCH or the Feb. 25 meeting, contact Bill or Joanna Lasher of Galway at 882-1515 or email [duniry@aol.com](mailto:duniry@aol.com).

## **Galway Volunteer Fire Company News**

- In 2014 the G.V.F.C responded to 245 emergency calls ranging from structure fires, motor vehicle accidents, hazardous conditions, EMS, and many others. We also dedicated 7,137 total man hours with 3,505 on calls, 1,722 on training and 1,910 miscellaneous. On Saturday January 10, our members attended our annual installation banquet where the swearing in of our 2015 Executive and Firematic officers took place. Our 2014 Top Responders were Christian Wilday, Mike Stoddard, Matt Galusha, Matt Campione, Kevin Barkley Jr., Kevin Barkley Sr., Joey Lafforthun, Chris Kenyon, Michael Armitage, Tim Keller, and Russell Deridder. Special award recipients were Presidents Award, Chaplain Ron Lyon, Leonard Jones Memorial, Chiefs Award, Christian Wilday. Rookies of the year were Michael Armitage and Chris Kenyon.

**We want to remind you to travel safely on the roadways, snowmobile and ski trails and also on ponds and lakes, and while performing winter activities.**

We're reaching more subscribers, & receiving more submissions, with each issue! The *Galway Get Together* is a completely volunteer, free resource, limited to one page when printed - so please be aware we may need to edit submissions to fit, or hold until there's room.

**The Middle Grove United Methodist Church will hold a Souper Bowl of Caring Chili Fest** on Sunday February 8 from 10:15 -1 pm or until chili is sold out. The church is located at 429 Middle Grove Rd ~ corner of Middle Grove & North Creek Rd. A wide variety of homemade chili will be sold for \$6/quart (take out only). All proceeds from the Chili Fest will be donated to the ECHO (Ecumenical Community Helping Others) Food Pantry in Rock City Falls. The church is wheelchair accessible.

## **The Holiday Basket Committee, part of the Greater Galway Community Services Association (the pantry),**

extends sincere appreciation to all who contributed in any way to the 2014 Project. On the morning of December 24th, food baskets were delivered to 123 families. In addition, 170 children and adolescents received gifts as well as hats and mittens. The project functions totally with the efforts of selfless volunteers from the local churches, not-for-profit organizations and community members. It is estimated that well over 250 people work on various aspects of the project. Thank you, again, to all of those who helped.