



Galway Get Together

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

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Sweet Briar Flower Shop is getting ready for Spring! We have cut tulips, cut daffodils, crocus bulbs, hyacinth bulbs and much more! Phone 518 882-5132.

Galway Lions Community Breakfast will be held March 14 from 7 to 11am at Bob's Trees Ski Lodge. All are welcome! The food is great! Pancakes & Syrup; French Toast Bake & Syrup; Home Fried Potatoes; Ham; Sausage; Eggs. \$7.00 adults; \$4.00 children 10 and under. Take-outs available. More information:

www.galwaylionsclubNY.org

The Galway Preservation Society will meet on March 2 with Sam Hildebrandt speaking. His topic is "Sanford Farms Revisited." Meetings are held at the Galway Town Hall, beginning at 7 pm with a social time and refreshments. A business meeting follows at 7:30, and the program starts at approximately 7:45. The public is invited to attend. For more information, visit our website at www.galwaypreservationsociety.org.

Free AARP Tax-Aid is available on March 18 and March 25, from 9:00 to 1:00 at Galway Town Hall. Assistance with State and Federal Income Tax returns for Senior Citizens or qualifying residents. No businesses, rentals or farms. Electronic filing will be available. Appointments are required. Call 882-9153. You must bring Social Security card, photo ID and copy of 2013 tax return.

Save the Date - for a great way to benefit the Galway Public Library's new building capital campaign while you enjoy an evening at the theater with *The Man Who Came to Dinner* on April 17! Purchase tickets April 7, 8 or 9 and half your purchase price will be returned to the library. See the library website for details!

The Galway Public Library's January Open Mic night was such a success we're now scheduling **Open Mics at the library** on the second Wednesday of each month, starting on March 11. Sign-ups will be at 6:45 with readings at 7:00.

This is a great opportunity to share your writings with a friendly audience. *Or if you don't feel creative this month, come for an evening of free entertainment; be the friendly audience!* If you're an artist, consider signing up to be featured as **Artist of the Month**. Your art will be hung over the circulation desks for your neighbors to enjoy!

West Charlton Presbyterian Church ("Scotch Church") will have a Corned Beef Dinner on March 14 from 3:30 - 6:30. Tickets are \$12. Corned beef, potatoes, cabbage, roll, coffee, tea, milk, dessert. Dine in or take out. Bake Sale too!



Photo: Ski trails through snowy pasture by MCPerez

Galway Senior Citizens meet on the first and third Thursday of each month at Galway Town Hall at 1:00 sharp! Anyone 55 or older is welcome to join. Call 882-9153 for more information. The meeting on March 19 will be presented by the Saratoga Public Health: "The First 72 Hours.." to help educate residents of Saratoga County on how to prepare for potential emergencies, i.e. blizzards, ice storms, tornadoes, floods, terrorist attacks, out-breaks of disease such as pandemic influenza, etc. It is important that you have a plan and are prepared for any such event.

Town of Greenfield Historical Society -- Tues March 17, meeting at 7 pm at the Community Center in Greenfield Center. Program: David Peck, a genealogist, will do a program called Graveyards and Greater Plots, the subtitle is "a summary of three years of searching for my ancestors in MA, RI, CT, NY and beyond."

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.



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Send your news to: galwaygettogether@gmail.com

Your community news, ads, announcements and photos are always welcome!

Nature Notes: North Country Wild Care

The speaker at the February meeting of the Galway Women's Club was Belinda Howe, President of North Country Wild Care, a not-for-profit with a mission to rehabilitate injured or abandoned wildlife and return them to the wild. Belinda related her work as one of the rehabilitators at the organization and gave advice about what to do if you encounter an injured animal. The first step, she emphasized, is to call the DEC licensed rehabilitators at North Country Wild Care on their emergency hotline available 24/7 at 964-6740. You will be referred to the rehabilitator closest to you.

You can also call the hotline if you have a question or need advice. Belinda explained some of the misconceptions people have about how to deal with injured or abandoned wildlife. For instance, don't assume a fawn or nest of bunnies you might come upon are orphaned – they most likely have been hidden by their mother while she is out foraging.

Another fallacy is that you cannot return a baby bird to its nest once it has fallen out. You can and should – the parent birds will not reject it.

Baby bunnies or squirrels are wild and do not make good pets; and you should never handle those cute baby raccoons. Raccoons are the number one carrier of Rabies and if you even touch a baby they will have to be tested for Rabies – a test that is fatal to them.

A road-killed possum may have a lot of life inside if she is female – a pouch full of terrified babies that will now need the help of a rehabilitator to survive.

Belinda also emphasized that one of the best ways you can help wildlife is to keep your cat indoors. Cats are the leading cause of bird mortality; even their saliva is toxic to birds.

Learn more about what you can do to recognize animals in distress and where to get them help by calling the hotline number above or going to the website: www.northcountrywildcare.org. This helping organization can use your support in many ways -- from volunteers to supplies -- and their website will tell you how you can help.

Soup's On and Bake Sale --

Put on by Beukendaal Volunteer Ladies Auxiliary; Saturday, March 14 from 11:30 am until sold out! Sale will be held at Rector's Station (Station 2) on Rte. 5, Scotia, NY. Takeout only - with bake sale. \$4.00 per pint; \$10.00 for 3 pints. Any questions, visit our website: beukendaalfd.com or call Mary Beth @ 374-1809.

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.

DZ Farms in Galway Hosts Snow Shoe Lunch

– On March 8, starting at 11am, at DZ Farm, 2023 Hermance Road, Galway. Start with a meet and greet around the bonfire before heading out for an hour's snowshoe adventure through the trails that wind through the DZ Farm property (snow shoes available). Then gather at the farmhouse for a luncheon catered by Boca Bistro's Executive Chef Roslyn Zecchini. Tickets for the day's events are \$45 per person. Call 583-1142 for tickets and information. Also, learn more about the 65-acre DZ Farm, and the DZ regional restaurants at www.dzrestaurants.com.

Need a Babysitter or a Tutor? I

can help! My name is Rachel Germain. I am 12 years old and am currently in 7th grade at Galway. I am a babysitter and a tutor. I love kids and would love to babysit your child(ren). I can tutor anyone from pre-k to 6th grade and I babysit children age 2 and up. I have been tutoring for the past year. Babysitting: \$5 an hour per child, \$4 an hour per child for 2 or more children. Tutoring is the same pricing as babysitting. Please call me at 882-5589.

Free Cancer Screening – The Saratoga County of Cancer Services Program is offering free screenings for breast, cervical and colorectal cancer at no cost to residents of Saratoga County. To learn more about the screenings and where they are available, call 580-2132