



Galway Get Together

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Vacation Bible School, August 1—5, from 5:30—8:00 at Barkersville Christian Church, 7200 Barkersville Rd, Middle Grove. Free. Ages 2—13. Barkersvillechristianchurch.com for more info or to register.

Buy your fresh, local produce at the Galway Farmers' Market held every Friday 3-6 pm at the town pavilion. Vendors include: Anderson Acres, Arnold's Produce, Cliff's Vegetables, My Other Garden, Spot on Collars and Soaps, and more.

Greenfield Historical Society announces upcoming events: through - Sept. 9 – **Farmer's Market**, Fridays, 4-7pm at the Middle Grove Town Park. —**The Chatfield Museum of Local History** will be open Fridays during the market, 4-6pm; Saturdays and Sundays from 1-3pm at IOOF Hall, Middle Grove. —July 19 – 24 – **175th Saratoga County Fair**, 10am-10pm at the Ballston Spa Fairgrounds, Townley Building. Visit our display and info booth.

Crafters wanted for Saturday, September 10, Craft Fair, 9am-3 -pm at the Charlton Freehold Presbyterian Church, 768 Charlton Rd. Charlton NY. More information: office@charltonfreehold.org or 518-399-4831.

Essential Health Solutions by Patty Matthews. Have fun and get in shape with stand-up paddle boarding, aquatic aerobics and kayaking. Individual, group and family classes available. Indoor activities: reformer pilates, strength training, spinning, nutritional counseling. Free classes to empower you to replace your synthetic drugs with natural plant medicine. For free consultation call 641 -8121.

Paint and Sip Fun for all Ages to be held at the St. Mary's of Galway church hall on Friday, August 19, from 6:30-8:30pm. This is a family-oriented event with all proceeds going to St Mary's Church of Galway. \$25 per person. Please contact Cathryn Hunt for tickets at 581-8976.

Sweetbriar Flower Shop, 1363 Hermance Rd, Galway, announces summer hours: Monday through Friday 10am to 4 pm, and by appointment only on Saturdays. 882-5132.

Please note: Submissions to the *Galway Get Together* may be edited or held for future issues due to limited space. Please email us items that are not overly formatted. *We prefer simple Times Roman blocks of text* Thanks!

Coming soon: Storyfest! Sponsored by the Galway Public Library, this special event will be held on August 9, 7:00-8:30pm at the Town Pavilion across from BSNB. We are honored to have **Joseph Bruchac as our emcee** for the evening. Bruchac is a highly acclaimed Abenaki children's book author, poet, novelist and storyteller. The library invites participants, ages eight and up, to share **stories about animals**. Storytellers are asked to keep it shorter than 5-7 minutes so more participants may be heard. If you wish to tell a story, please register on our website *Forms page* or at the library to ensure a spot on the list. The audience will vote on a People's Choice favorite, who will receive a hand-crafted trophy! All storytellers will receive a gift of appreciation for entering. Refreshments will be provided. Please bring a chair and prepare to enjoy a fun evening listening to your neighbors' favorite animal stories. Better yet, consider joining in on the fun by telling your own animal story to our friendly audience!





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Send your news to: galwaygettogether@gmail.com
Your community news, ads, announcements and photos are always welcome!

A message from the food pantry, GGCSA :

News over the 4th of July week was not pleasant – but the more we became upset about it, the more we thought you would like a nice story –from our own town. You are all aware of the Galway Food Pantry – you help support us through your town, your church, and individual gifts. On the week leading up to the 4th, our volunteers kept very busy. We are one of the only food pantries that provide a “4th of July Picnic Basket” to our families. It involves a good number of volunteers, and we worked two extra nights and days gathering and sorting the items that are included. We stayed open an extra day, the Friday before the weekend.

But to go back to the beginning. Until six months ago, we had a friend in Middle Grove who was very good to the Pantry. We have missed her since she was transferred to another area. On the afternoon of the 3rd, we received a call from her. She told us that when her husband went in to work on Friday morning, he was one of a number of people who were told that the large bakery where they worked was closing. They could take all the bread they wanted, since it wouldn't be delivered. When he told her that, she asked him to fill up his truck and they would take it to the Galway Food Pantry. She called one of our members, apologized for calling on the weekend, and asked if we could use it. We said “we'd be delighted,” and met them at the pantry. After looking at the quantity of bread and rolls, we found another member of the Board, and worked for two and a half hours filling our coolers and freezers with bread - wonderful raisin bread, Italian bread of several types, English muffins. Her husband took 19 bread flats, empty, back to Corinth and Glen Falls.

But the story isn't over yet. The next morning she called again. He had another load, and was on his way to the Pantry. Two of the Board Members met him there. After we looked at the quantity he was giving us, we decided to ask for help in getting it to people. We called the GEMS (Ambulance Squad) and they called their members. Five came in, from their homes, on a holiday, and took nine flats of bread with them to distribute to folks they knew who might appreciate some extra. The Fire Company sent two people. And our volunteers delivered the rest. The gentleman, by the way, came once again from Corinth, and picked up all the flats.

All together, we distributed approximately 320 loaves of bread, rolls and English muffins to folks in Galway. We were able to do this because a kind old friend remembered us, and busy volunteers from local agencies took their own holiday time to help.

With all that happened in other places that week, it was a nice way to remember our 4th of July this year and we wanted to share it with you. And we want everyone who helped to know how grateful we are.

Editors note: **Please consider offering your time** as well as your donations to the pantry. As you can see, a small number of people do a lot of work there, and more help is always needed!

Galway Seniors meet 1st & 3rd Thursday each month at 1:00 at Galway Town Hall. July 21 program: Kay Olan on the Iroquois Confereracy.

Patricia Kay's barrel-fired clay sculpture, Olmec For Faust, has been accepted into the 88th Artists of the Mohawk Hudson Region Exhibition, to be held Oct.30 -Dec.31 at The Hyde Collection, Glens Falls. Patricia is a Galway artist who created, among other works, the *Who Are You* project which featured photographs and brief interview from Galway residents. The **opening reception** for her sculpture at the Hyde is Saturday, October 29, 2016.

PLAN is holding a **Photography Workshop** at the Orra Phelps Preserve in Wilton, on Aug. 20, 9AM to noon, led by Linda E. Eastman, local photographer, covering scenic & macro photography and composition, lighting, & using manual camera settings. Bring camera, lenses, extra batteries. Limited to 12, so register early. Contact Emily@saratogaplan.org or 518-587-5554 to register or for further inquiries.

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.