

Lexington, NY Newsletter

June 2017

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Town Supervisor, John Berger's hours are as follows:
Thursday & Friday 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM

What's Cooking?

We are featuring recipes from the Bicentennial Cookbook in each newsletter. This edition's feature is "In Memory of Ida Cartwright." (Page 74)

Blueberry Sour Cream Cake

½ c. Margarine

1 c. sugar

3 eggs

2 c. flour

2 c. blueberries

½ c brown sugar

1 tsp. baking soda

1 tsp. baking powder

½ tsp. salt

1 c. sour cream

1 tsp. vanilla

Cream butter, sugar, and eggs. Add vanilla. Mix dry ingredients: add with sour cream. Mix 1 cup blueberries into batter. Spread ½ the batter in a greased 9" X 13" pan. Cover with remaining blueberries and brown sugar. Top with remaining batter. Bake in 325° oven for 45 to 50 minutes.

Let's Meet - at the Lexington Town Hall

Town Board Meetings: First Tuesday at 6:30 PM (unless otherwise posted).

Upcoming dates: Monday, July 3rd, Tuesday, August 1st, Tuesday, September 5th.

Planning Board Meetings: Second Tuesday of the Month unless there is no agenda.

Upcoming dates: Tuesday, July 11th, Tuesday, August 8th, Tuesday, September 12th.

Registration for Lexington Swim Camp will be at 9:00 AM on July 6, 2017 at the Municipal Building. Camp will run on Tuesdays & Thursdays from July 6th through August 10th for children ages 5 to 14.

Jewett Nutrition Center

All persons (age 60 or older & spouses) can go to the Jewett Nutrition Center for lunch. An entrée with vegetable is served daily with bread w/ Promise Spread, milk, coffee, & tea. Lunch reservations are required at least one day in advance. Simply call 518-263-4392. Lunch is served about noon. Suggested donation is \$4 I have included the links to the [July 2017 menu](#) as well as the [August Menu](#), so you can decide when you would like to go.

WAJPL Golden Agers

Meetings are held on the first and third Monday of each month, 1:30 PM
in the Windham Town Hall, Route 296 in Hensonville.

Mountaintop Golden Agers

Meetings are held on the fourth Thursday of each month, 1:30 PM
in the Tannersville Village Hall on Main St.

Little Free Library

The Hunter Library has set up a small structure in the space at the "store", next to the Lexington Post Office, called the Little Free Library. They have put books inside that can be borrowed at will. The idea is to take a book/leave a book. More info can be obtained on line at www.littlefreelibrary.org.

Lexington Historical Society

The Patriots' Day Pot Luck dinner, sponsored by the Westkill/Lexington Improvement Association & the Lexington Historical Society, was held at the Community Hall in West Kill on April 22nd. There was a very good turn out with lots of delicious dishes to taste, and great conversation and company. Carolyn Bennett was the guest speaker and spoke on "The Five Wives of Zadock Pratt." The Lexington Historical Society held their annual meeting on May 20th. Cyndi LaPierre & Dede Terns-Thorpe gave a talk on their book "Around Hunter". This year the Lexington Historical Society Town Picture will be held on September 16, 2017 and there will be a Chinese Auction. Please keep watching for more details to follow.

Westkill-Lexington Community Improvement Association

The Community Hall on Spruceton Rd. has been home to events since a small group of residents first leased and then, years later, bought it from the state of New York in 1936. The Association welcomes new members to support the care and preservation of building and grounds, and to help with dinners, dances and other events open to the public. A membership drive is currently happening. Families can join for \$18.00 and singles for \$12.00. The hall has a full kitchen, a serving counter area, lots of seating and or dancing space, as well as a great stage for performances, bands, family reunions and weddings. Among recent that were well attended were the Maple Brunch on April 2nd, and the Patriots' Day Pot Luck Dinner on April 22nd. Upcoming is the July 1st Chicken barbecue. Dinners are \$12.00. Half a chicken is \$7.00 and children under 5 eat for free. Takeout service is at 4:30 PM and eat in dinner from 5:00 PM - 7:00PM. Their next event is the 8th annual "Thunder in the Mountains Car Show" on July 22, 2017 from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM, on the lawn of the Lexington town building on Route 42. There will be food, beverages, a 50/50 raffle, a Chinese Auction, music, and of course, lots of classic cars. Please contact Mary Palazzolo at 518-989-6813 for details or with any questions, or to donate. Look for more news of a July 30, 2017 "Paint Away by Linda Nichols & Jodi Nichols Murphy," hosted by the Association at the Community Hall. Start time is 4:00PM. Contact Glenda Lauten 518-989-6542, or Bonnie Blader (blader.bonnie9@gmail.com), for more information.

In Education

The Windham-Ashland-Jewett Graduation was held on June 23, 2017.

Congratulations to:

Emily Valerio

Hunter-Tannersville Central Class of 2017 received their diplomas on June 24, 2017.

Congratulations to:

Lindsey Coons

Cassie Curtis

Jonathan Falke

Audra Rossignol

Wishing you all success and good fortune in your life ahead of you!

Know your Neighbor

A small West Kill resident has a small business that allows her customers to enjoy a beautiful and peaceful environment, without all the work. Karen Ursula Landscapes designs, builds and maintains landscapes “that harmonize with the surroundings, respect nature, inspire the soul, and delight the senses.” She designs, meadow gardens, natural lawns, mounting gardens, wildlife gardens and even edible landscapes. Visit her website www.kulandscapes.com, to find information on several plants native to the Catskills. You’ll find the 8-step process to having a completely enjoyable landscape. She also offers floral designs for events. Beautiful designs, enjoyed in all environments.

Garden Club

The garden by the Lexington Post Office continues to thrive and your help is appreciated in keeping it going throughout the season. Stop by any time to pull a few weeds and do some dead-heading, add your over-abundant plants to some empty spaces, or check out the trough just over (or before, depending on which way you're going!) the bridge. There are water jugs just behind it, and during the hot days of summer, a daily drink is much appreciated. The deer are also enjoying the feast, so any spare fencing you might have would be appreciated. The next Lexington Garden Club Meeting will be July 18, at the Methodist Church on Route 13A beginning at 10:00 AM. At that time, we'd like to discuss a plan for possibly showcasing individual plots among the 8 existing and planning for maintenance. Please come and lend your support to help BEAUTIFY LEXINGTON!! Contact Beverly Dezan 518-989-6216, bevdezan@gmail.com, or Devon Russ devonruss@yahoo.com, with questions, offers of help, and great ideas!

Get In On It All

To receive these newsletters by email please send your email address to Lexington_events@lexingtonny.com (Subject: ADD ME)

Mail your **business card or information** to Donna / Directory c/o P.O. Box 28 Lexington, NY 12452 to have your business included on the website.

If you are having or know of an event nearby, please email the flyer or the information about the event to Lexington_events@lexingtonny.com. They may be posted on the town website, Facebook page, and included in the newsletter. FREE ADVERTISING.

Calendar of Events

- July 1st** – W.L.C.I.A. Annual Chicken BBQ: **4:30 PM to 7:00 PM.**
at the Community Hall on Spruceton Rd. West Kill. \$12.00 dinners
½ Chicken \$7.00. Take out begins at **4:30 PM** Eat in at **5:00 PM.**
- July 1st** – Lexington Farmer's Market: **10:00 AM to 12:00 PM.**
Lexington Town Hall Pavilion, Route 42 Lexington.
- July 1st** – Tannersville, NY 4th of July Parade (**3:00 PM**) & Fireworks at Dusk.
- July 4st** – Windham, NY 4th of July Parade (**7:00 PM**) & Fireworks (**9:00 PM**)
- July 15th** – Lexington Farmer's Market: **10:00 AM to 12:00 PM.**
Lexington Town Hall Pavilion, Route 42 Lexington.
- July 15th** – West Kill Ladies Bake Sale: **10:00 AM to 12:00 PM.**
Lexington Town Hall Pavilion, Route 42 Lexington.
- July 22nd** – W.L.C.I.A. 8th Annual Thunder in the Mountains Car Show.
9:00 AM to 3:00 PM at the Lexington Municipal grounds.
- July 28th** – Music in the Park: music by: Wyld Blu **6:00 PM**
Rip Van Winkle Lake, Tannersville, NY
- July 29th** – Lexington Farmer's Market: **10:00 AM to 12:00 PM.**
Lexington Town Hall Pavilion, Route 42 Lexington.
- August 5th** – Town of Lexington Community Wide Dance: **5:00 PM to 10:00 PM**
At the Community Hall in West Kill. Bring a covered dish.
- August 5th** – Hunter Fire Co. 5th Annual Block Party: **3:00 PM to 10:00 PM**
17 Bridge St. Hunter, NY.
- August 12th** – Lexington Farmer's Market: **10:00 AM to 12:00 PM.**
Lexington Town Hall Pavilion, Route 42 Lexington.
- August 12th** – Lexington U.M. Women Bake Sale: **10:00 AM to 12:00 PM.**
Lexington Town Hall Pavilion, Route 42 Lexington.
- August 12th** – Music in the Park: music by: Lex Grey **6:00 PM**
Rip Van Winkle Lake, Tannersville, NY
- August 18th** – Music in the Park: music by: Spillway **6:00 PM**
Rip Van Winkle Lake, Tannersville, NY
- August 19th** – Women's Expo; **10:00 AM to 6:00 PM**
St. Theresa's Church, 5188 Rte 23 Windham.
- August 26th** – Lexington Farmer's Market: **10:00 AM to 12:00 PM.**
Lexington Town Hall Pavilion, Route 42 Lexington.
- September 8th** – Music in the Park: music by: Slam Allen **6:00 PM**
Rip Van Winkle Lake, Tannersville, NY
- September 9th** – Lexington Farmer's Market: **10:00 AM to 12:00 PM.**
Lexington Town Hall Pavilion, Route 42 Lexington.
- September 9th** – Lexington Fire Co. Ladies' Auxiliary: **10:00 AM to 12:00 PM.**
Lexington Town Hall Pavilion, Route 42 Lexington.
- September 24th** – Cruisin' on the Mountaintop Fall Car Show **10:00 AM to 4:00 PM**
Main St. Tannersville, NY. Music, crafts, food & more.

Pocket Park Update

Big changes are coming soon to the town property on CR 13A. The existing "pocket" park will be adding a pergola over the bench to create shade for a relaxing and cool place to sit and enjoy the Schoharie. Several trees have died in the park and need to be replanted as well as keeping up with plant maintenance in the flower beds and two Lexington planters (water jugs are kept there).

The big excitement is the work to be done on town plots that were formerly properties destroyed by Hurricane Irene. A gazebo, playground, bathrooms, fencing and gardens will be built thanks to funding from a NYS Community Renewal grant, Greene County Soil and Watershed Conservation District and the Catskill Watershed Corporation. Grant money covers the cost of supplies and materials but not the actual installation costs.

Several volunteer work days will be scheduled to help create new Lexington spaces of beauty and enjoyment. This is a big project that will need many hands, hammers and shovels to complete but as the people of Lexington have proven in the past, together, we can make it happen.

Contact Adam Cross, Code Enforcement Officer, at 518-989-6476 ext. 11 or Lynn Byrne, 518-989-6332-wintersbyrne55@gmail.com, to add your name to the park volunteer list. Special thanks to Frank Hermance and the highway crew for the care they take helping to maintain the park.

Lexington/West Kill UMC

The Lexington/West Kill United Methodist Church would like you to know their summer schedule. On the following Sundays services will be held in West Kill Methodist Church; July 16th 9:00 AM, July 23rd 9:00 AM, July 30th -10:00 AM, August 6th 9:00 AM, August 13th 9:00 AM, and August 20th 9:00 AM. Their members would like to thank the mountain top community for their continued support of their May Brooks' Chicken Barbecue and June Strawberry Supper.

History Fact or Fiction

December 1875: George Moore caught seven partridges in a rat trap.

April 1876: Ellen Angle had a collection of 4,030 cancelled postage stamps.

December 1880: The proposed route of the Stony Clove R.R. from Phoenicia to Hunter shows a grade of 1400 feet in 11 miles.

December 1886: Whitney's Steam saw mill in Westkill burned.

October 1888: It rained 22" in Lexington during the month of October.

Local Prices 1896: Butter 16¢ lb., eggs 10¢ doz., wood \$1.25 cord, maple sugar 8¢, hay \$18.00 per ton. Maple syrup 75¢ per gallon.

June 1900: Catskill Mtn. Telephone Co. placed a phone in Deyoe & Johnson's store.

Yoga Classes

"All-level" yoga classes are held twice a week in the court room at the municipal building. Students of all levels are welcomed. Call Anne Donovan RYT at 347-393-3649 for the schedule. There is a suggested donation of at least \$5.00.

Information for the Masses

<p>LWK United Methodist Church Worship held on Spruceton Rd. in Westkill on July 16th, July 23rd, July 30th, August 6th, August 13th, August 20th. 54 County Route 13A Lexington, NY 12452 Worship times Weekend Services: Sundays: 9:00 AM Last Sunday of the Month Worship is at 10:00 AM</p>	<p style="background-color: #f0e68c; text-align: center; padding: 5px;">Jewett Presbyterian Church 53 Church St. Jewett, NY 12444 Worship times Weekend Services: Sunday 9:00 AM</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Immaculate Conception Church 55 North Lake Rd. Haines Falls, NY 12436 Mass times Daily Mass: Monday 12:00 PM Weekend Mass: Saturday 12:00 PM by request (<i>please contact Father Jay to schedule a Mass 518-734-3352</i>) Saturday Vigil: 5:00 PM Sunday 9:00 AM</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Kaaterskill Methodist Church Worship times Weekend Services: Sunday 10:30 AM At 5936 Main St. Tannersville, NY 12485</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">St Theresa of the Child Jesus RC Church 5188 State Route 23 Windham, NY 12496 Mass times Daily Mass: Tuesday 9:30 AM Wednesday 9:30 AM Weekend Mass: Saturday 5:00 PM Sunday 11:00 AM Reconciliation every Saturday at 4:00 PM</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Greek Orthodox Church of the Assumption 4752 State Route 23 Windham, NY 12496 Mass times Weekend Mass: Sunday Orthros: 9:00 AM Divine Liturgy: 10:15 AM</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">St. John the Baptist Ukrainian Catholic Church Mass times Summer Only</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Windham-Hensonville United Methodist Church 5296 State Route 23, Windham, NY 12496 Worship times, Weekend Services: Sunday 11:00 AM to 12:30 PM</p>	

At Lexington, on the 5th of March 1818, by the Elder Hezekiah Pettit, Mr. Jacob I. Van Vaulkenburgh to Miss Patty Ford.

Platte Clove Artist in Residence Show

Lexington residence and local artist Bennett Wine will be one of 16 artists whose work is being displayed until July 15, 2017 at the [Catskill Center's Erpf Gallery](#) located at 43355 Route 28 in Arkville, NY. Also in this show is Linda Nichols, who lives in nearby Jewett. The gallery is open Monday – Friday 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM and Saturday 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM. Bennet Wine has helped with the design and building of the brick garden being installed on the front lawn of the municipal building with the memorial bricks ordered during and after the bicentennial.