

## SPRINGWATER PARTY LINE

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The place to be this Thursday evening is the Webster's Crossing United Methodist Church. The Spaghetti Dinner by donation is from 4:30 to 7 PM and the music goes on into the evening. The dinner and music jam is every month on the fourth Thursday, but both in November and December it is the third Thursday of the month due to Thanksgiving and Christmas. We will return to the fourth week of the month from January to October 2018. I hope to see you there.

Our 2 PM Sunday Springwater Trails get together this past Sunday, November 12, reported by Marilee, was a superb hike. "The air was crisp as five of us from the Friends of the Genesee Valley Greenway and four from the Springwater Trails hiking group gathered at the parking lot in Sonyea State Forest. We walked the road for a ways and then some of the participants descended to Wildcat Gorge, but three of us took the Greenway detour and hiked around the Groveland Correctional Facility. Following our hike, we drove back to the VFW in Mt. Morris and listened to our speaker for the afternoon. Pat Coate of Allegany County presented a well-delivered power-point talk 'A Long Walk: My Journey along the AT'. In 2014, when Pat hiked the Appalachian Trail, the distance that year was 2,185.3 miles, but this distance varies from year to year. The trail is actually a footpath from Springer Mountain, GA to Mount Katahdin, ME. The AT passes through 14 states and generally follows the Appalachian Mountains. There is a 5,000 foot elevation change with 6655 feet being the highest and 124 feet the lowest elevation. The average time to hike the whole trail is 5 to 7 months. The trail was completed in 1937, but was mostly roads and private land. Now it is 99% public land and is largely maintained by volunteers. The AT crosses hundreds of roads making easy access to towns for supplies, a shower, a hostel or hotel for a good night's sleep, or to get mail. We ended the annual meeting with a delicious pot luck meal and a short business meeting. Thanks go to all who participated." Our Springwater Trails hike this week, Sunday November 19, 2017, from 2 to 4 PM, will be the fifth hike along the Bristol Hills branch of the Finger Lakes Trail. Please log in to the Springwater Trails website for time and place of meeting closer to the date or ask a regular hiker.

Six to 8 people usually gather for the Webster's Crossing United Methodist Bible Study on Wednesday evenings, led by any one in the group. Bible Study at Webster's Crossing United Methodist Church will be continue in people's homes to save fuel for heating the church for our group. For details or more information interested folks can contact the person hosting the meeting by calling ahead: The schedule is as follows, at 7 PM: Nov. 29, at Katherine's [585-737-5205](tel:585-737-5205); Dec. 6, Sylvia's; Dec 13, Mary & Jim's; Dec 20, Katherine's. In addition, Sunday service is at 9 AM followed by socialization and you are invited. The next Spaghetti Dinner and Music Jam by donation at Webster's Crossing Church will be on Thursday evening, November 16th, a week early because of Thanksgiving Day falling on the 4th Thursday. The food is served from 4:30 to 7 PM and the music goes on into the night.

The Little Lakes Community Association is holding a family roller skating party at the Hemlock School on November 18 from 6 to 8 PM. Be-Mar Roller Skating is providing the skates so do not bring your own, as they will not be allowed. For \$7 per person there will be music, family fun, refreshments and lots of room for skating. Pizza and refreshments will be available for purchase. For more information, contact Mary Ann at [585-455-2518](tel:585-455-2518). Read more on line at [LittleLakesNY.org](http://LittleLakesNY.org).

Don't forget the Springwater Webster Crossing Historical Society November 28th meeting at 6:30 PM for dish to pass dinner and a 7:15 PM program presented by Harry Reynolds, well known one man band and musician from Webster Crossing and Wayland for over 50 years.

The Holiday Cookie Sale sponsored by the Springwater Webster Crossing Historical Society has a deadline of December 3 for orders for trays to be picked up On December 16th at the Springwater Town Hall between 10 AM and Noon unless other arrangements are made. If you have no time to bake and want to relieve Holiday Stress then place your order of either 3 dozen for \$12 or 6 dozen for \$20.00 with Pat Willsea [585-669-2376](tel:585-669-2376) or 728-5552 or obtain a copy of the order form from any Historical Society member and mail the completed form to SWCHS, P. O. Box 68, Springwater, NY 14560.

The Springwater United Methodist Church Christmas Sale is scheduled for Saturday December 9 at the Fire Hall. You might want to jot that down on your calendar and plan to attend between 10 AM and 3 PM. Anyone wanting to set up a table should contact Sharon @ [585-857-7938](tel:585-857-7938) for information.

The Springwater Fire Department has moved their Parade time to 7 PM on December 9<sup>th</sup>. Be sure to come out and see all the floats. All Western Evergreen Christmas Tree Farm is planning to have one again this year. We hope to see you there.

Please share your news with me at [kjth@allwesterntrees.com](mailto:kjth@allwesterntrees.com) or mail it to Katherine Humphrey, PO Box 217, Springwater, NY 14560.

#### Birthdays:

November 16 – Mark Walker, Justin Willard

November 17 – Jeff Lilley, Renee Roche

November 19 – Taylor Quackenbush, Colleen Liggett, Meghan Hilligar

November 23 – Emilee Pauline

#### Anniversaries:

November 18 – Ray & Corrine Tripp #16