

CLAYTON COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST

- The Town of Clayton recently launched a one-stop shop of Federal, State & Utility clean energy incentives available in Clinton, Essex, Franklin, Hamilton, Herkimer & Jefferson Counties. Check out the website at www.renewnorthcountry.org.
- The Cerow Recreation Park Pool will tentatively open on June 8th. Call 315-686-4310 for details.

FRINK PROPERTY UPDATE

Progress has continued throughout 2011 on the redevelopment of the Frink property. The community has furthered discussions with The Krog Corporation towards the development of a destination hotel on the site. A public meeting was held in late 2011, introducing the initial concepts to the public. The Krog Corporation is expected to continue working to develop their site plan throughout 2011.

The CLDC has worked with all of the project stakeholders to optimize funding on the project. The project has received funding awards from several NY State and Federal funding programs. The Krog Corporation has received \$2.25 million from NYS Empire State Development towards the construction of the hotel. The Village of Clayton has received \$750,000 towards development of the hotel. The CLDC has received \$250,000 towards development of the site infrastructure that will be required for the hotel.

It is the "single, most important opportunity that will influence reinvestment in the community for the foreseeable future and have the greatest impact on Clayton's vision of renewed and inspiring waterfront. This property will attract new business and residential development ventures in Clayton as well as attract new residents and retain existing residents." Clayton LWRP

MEETING DATES

Town Board Meetings
2nd & 4th Wed. at 5pm

Village Board Meetings
2nd & 4th Mon at 6:30pm

Joint Planning Board
1st Thurs at 7pm

Joint Zoning Board of Appeals
3rd Monday at 7pm

Clayton Local Development Co
1st Thurs at 4pm

Clayton Fire District
2nd Wed at 7pm

TI Emergency Rescue Service
4th Tues at 6:30pm

TI School District Board of Ed
3rd Thurs at 6pm

FRINK PARK PAVILION PROJECT

The Village of Clayton and CLDC are working with Aubertine & Currier to complete the Riverwalk Phase Two project at Frink Park. The project funded by NY Department of State, consists of a 2,600 sf covered gateway structure with a two story lantern that resembles the original train depot located on the site. After uncovering the bedrock and properly dealing with existing foundations that were discovered, the gateway structure foundations are now complete as well as the stone veneer on the north side of the structure. Underground electrical conduits are in place and the base material is installed for the Riverwalk pavers. The building has two sets of wide stairs leading to the Riverwalk below that are formed and ready for concrete placement. The structural steel is due to arrive on Monday April 30th and be installed by May 9th. The Village DPW crew has been busy installing the precast retaining wall along the north side of the building which will be used as seating along the Riverwalk. Continental Construction has used several local subcontractors, to include New Century Electric, Stewart Signs and Bach & Co. The project is on track to be complete around the end of May.



Town of Clayton, 686-3512

Justin A. Taylor, Supervisor

Town Board:

George E. Kittle,
Christopher D. Matthews
Lance L. Peterson,
Robert W. Cantwell, III
www.townofclayton.com

Village of Clayton, 686-5552

Norma Zimmer, Mayor

Village Board:

Doug Rogers,
Shauna Sherboneau,
Mary Burke,
Dennis Honeywell
www.villageofclayton.com

HAWN LIBRARY SETS PLANS FOR SUMMER

The summer reading program is approaching and this year's theme is "Own the Night". Miss Beth has a great summer planned with some entertainment and craft days. There will be story hours every Wednesday starting July 11th until the end of August. These will be at 1 p.m. and will include a craft day. The Thompson Park Zoo will be visiting on July 6th, July 27th and August 10th to read and will bring some of their animals to discuss. These programs will all be held at 1 pm. Regi Carpenter, a local story teller, will be here on July 13th at 5 pm and on August 24th at 4 pm. The first program features spooky stories for a young adult crowd and the second program will be night stories for our younger patrons. Mary Benvenuto will be returning with her wonderful animals on August 31st. There are many other activities planned, so please stop by and get a schedule. Miss Beth could use some volunteers to help her with story hours and crafts. Please contact the library if you are interested. Visit our website at www.hawnmemoriallibrary.org to keep updated on programs that are available. You may also visit our Facebook page for updated information and pictures.

Jefferson Community College will be holding two computer classes this summer. The first one is on June 28th from 1-3 pm and is on How to Buy and Sell on E-Bay. The second one is on July 24th from 1-3 pm and is on How to Transfer and Upload Digital Photos. The cost is \$5 per

FARMER'S MARKET & WATERFRONT CONCERTS

Farmers Market will begin June 21st and run through September 6th. Thursdays from 10am to 6pm! We will also host a farmers market the weekend of June 15-17th 10am-6pm during Sailing Seaway Clayton and the Food & Wine Festival.

Waterfront Concerts will begin on July 5th and will run through August 30th. Thursdays from 6pm to 8pm, with the following lineup:

July 5th - Peg Dolan

July 12th - TBD

July 19th - TBD

July 26th - John Meyers

August 2 - One Night Stand

August 9th - TBD

August 16th - Dave Parker

August 23rd - Amarillo Band

August 30th - Frank Cannistra

We will also have a concert on July 3rd 6-8pm & Fireworks on July 3rd.



BOATING INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT



An example of options being considered for the BIG layout

session. Call JCC at 786-6591 to register or you may sign up at the library. Additionally, NCLS will be holding an E-Reader class on June 11th at 2 pm. If you are interested, please bring your E-Reader device and library card with you. This class is free of charge.

Starting in June we will be having our book sales. From June 4th-9th will be the Craft Book sale and from June 11th-16th will be the Cook Book sale. Both of these are held in the library during regular hours. On June 22nd from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. will be the Children's book sale. This will be held on the front lawn of the library again. If the weather is inclement we will move to the back room of the library. The Adult Book sale will be held at the Fire Station on Graves Street from July 11-13. The first day will be from 6-8 p.m., the 12th will be from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and on Friday the 13th it will be from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. We have had many great donations again this year so come out and find something interesting to read. Also, Pasta on the Greens is scheduled for July 18th at the C-way. This year's print, "Ice Fishing on French Bay" is donated by Mary Randazzo. Tickets are on sale now and are \$1 each or 6 for \$5. Mary is a renowned historical landmark artist inspired by the unique history and natural beauty that is characteristic of the 1000 Islands region. The print is on display at the library, come by to take a look and buy some tickets for a chance to win.

THE GREAT RACE 2012 COMES TO CLAYTON



The Great Race 2012 will be making a pit stop at the Antique Boat Museum in Clayton on Wednesday, June 27th. The Great Race is a time, speed, endurance rally for Vintage cars, beginning June 23rd in Traverse City, MI and ending July 1st in Dearborn, MI. Visit www.greatrace.com for more information!

DON'T MISS THE HIGHWAY LEGENDS SHOW

The Highway Legends Car, Truck and Bike Show - is a Free event at Cerow Recreation Park May 18-20, 2012. The event features Cars, Trucks, and Motorcycles, Live music on 3 stages, Food Vendors, Crafters, Kids Games, Demonstrations, Awards and more! There will also be a parade in Clayton on Sunday May 20th, beginning at 3pm. All proceeds from the event are being donated to the Northern New York Autism Clinic in Black River, NY. For additional information contact Rick Mentry at 315-771-7807 or visit www.highwaylegends.us. Hours are Fri, May 18 2-7pm; Sat, May 19 9am-7pm & Sun, May 20 10am-4pm (parade at 3pm).

In April 2010, the CLDC, in partnership with the Town and Village of Clayton, received \$1.7 million in funding from the U.S. Fish & Wildlife. The US Fish & Wildlife funds the Boating Infrastructure Grant Program through excise taxes on boating & fishing equipment and boating fuel. The BIG Program mandates that the funding be put back into the boating community by constructing facilities that benefit transient boaters. Transient boaters are defined as visitors staying in Clayton for 1 to 10 days with boats more than 26' in length.

The community partners have worked throughout 2011 to complete preliminary work for the Transient Facility. The preliminary work includes a Marine Market Study, Wind, Wake, Wave and Ice Evaluation, Hydrographic Survey and Marine/Shoreline Concept Development Evaluation. A public meeting was held in April for the public to review the concept designs. The next step is to hire a marine consultant to design the facility and take it through completion.

Photo by Jan Brabant



CLAYTON COMMUNITY BAND NAMED RECIPIENT OF NNY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION'S 2012 SPIRIT OF PHILANTHROPY AWARD

Gloria Hvizdos Musser, conductor of the Clayton Community Band, received word in April that she and the Band have been chosen by the Northern New York Community Foundation as recipients of the Foundation's 2012 Spirit of Philanthropy Award. In its ninth year of existence, the Clayton Community Band has performed nearly all of its concerts as benefit concerts for local charitable organizations such as Hospice of Jefferson County. Gloria and the Band are humbly honored to have been selected for this award.

The Band's 2012 concert series is up and running! Every Tuesday evening between March and December, the all-volunteer group of instrumentalists and their conductor travel to the Clayton Opera House from eighteen North Country communities and beyond, for the Band's rehearsals and concerts. During the summer, the Band welcomes back its college student members as well as members who spend their winters out of the area. The Clayton Community Band, Resident Ensemble of the Clayton Opera House, has set the following as its 2012 *summer* concert series dates: July 3rd, 7pm, "A Patriotic Spectacular" and August 21st, 7pm, both at the Clayton Opera House. The Band performed its first concert of the 2012 season, "**The Jersey Boys**" Meet Ray Charles, on May 8th. In addition to the above dates, the Band will also present concerts at the Clayton Opera House on October 9th and November 27th (the Band's Holiday Concert). Tickets to the concerts are \$5.00 each, and any student accompanied by an adult is always admitted free. Tickets are available by calling the Opera House Box Office (686-2200) during its business hours: Tuesdays through Fridays from 11 AM – 5 PM, and Saturdays from 10 AM – 2 PM; or online at www.claytonoperahouse.com. Remaining tickets will be sold at the door on the evenings of the concerts. Persons needing extra assistance entering and exiting the Opera House are encouraged to call the Box Office prior to a concert. For additional information and photos of the Clayton Community Band, please visit www.claytoncommunityband.com. The Clayton Community Band looks forward to a wonderful 2012 concert series! Plan now to join them for their fun-filled concert evenings!

ANNUAL CLAYTON & 1000 ISLANDS GUN & SPORTSMAN SHOW SLATED FOR AUGUST 18-19



The 35th Annual Clayton and 1000 Islands Gun and Sportsman Show will be held on Saturday and Sunday, August 18 and 19, at the Cerow Park Arena. Doors will be open from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Saturday and from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Sunday. Admission is \$5 for adults, \$4 for military, and free for children twelve and under.

This event features firearms, ammunition, archery equipment, military collectibles, knives, outdoor apparel, hunting supplies and other outdoor sports items. Sponsored by the Rotary Club of Clayton, the show's proceeds support the club's scholarship programs for students in the Thousand Island and Lafargeville School Districts as well as its extensive community service projects.

Also, throughout the summer the Rotary Club of Clayton will be selling raffle tickets for a beautiful piece of furniture, a gun cabinet generously donated by Reinman's Department Store. Tickets for the gun cabinet, a \$500 value, may be purchased for \$5 each or three for \$12 and are available at The Scoop on Riverside Drive. They can also be purchased at the Rotary Raffle table that will be set up for various events during the summer.

Proceeds from the raffle will benefit the Rotary Club's scholarship fund for students in the Thousand Islands and Lafargeville School Districts as well as its community service projects. The drawing for the gun cabinet will be held during the Rotary's 35th Annual Gun and Sportsman Show on August 18-19 at the Cerow Park Arena.



SAILING SEAWAY CLAYTON & SEAWAY SPLASH (DOCKDOGS)

Sailing Seaway Clayton organizer Michael Folsom announced today the confirmation of a new featured event, Seaway Splash, which will consist of a weekend full of dog jumping competitions on the former site of Frink America in downtown Clayton this coming June. In addition, TIMIS (Thousand Islands Marine and Island Service) has been named presenting sponsor. "DockDogs is excited about bringing our high flying canine sport to the Thousand Islands region and more specifically to the village of Clayton," stated Grant Reeves, CEO for DockDogs Worldwide. "We are expecting teams to join in the fun both locally, as well as from across New York state, the province of Ontario, Maine and Pennsylvania. DockDogs is both exciting to watch and even more fun to try. Be sure you bring the whole family out including your pups and give it a try." "We have been working over the winter months to ensure this event would be a part of our festival and thanks to the patience of DockDogs and the support of TIMIS, we are excited to announce that we are bringing this nationally recognized competition to the Thousand Islands," said Folsom.

DockDogs, which first debuted in 2001 in Lake Placid, New York, has become a hit among sportsmen and has made its way onto national television networks, including ABC and ESPN. In the past ten years, the sport of dog jumping has grown across North America, resulting in hundreds of competitions each year and nearly 30 organized affiliated clubs, while spanning across 4 countries. The

Seaway Splash presented by TIMIS competition stage includes a 40-foot long by 20-foot wide pool, as well as a 40-foot long by 8-foot wide dock platform. Competitions will run over the course of the June 15-17 weekend. Times and registration information will become available in the near future. The competition is open to any dog and owner interested in participating.

Sailing Seaway Clayton will enter its second summer in 2012 and is set to feature the Canadian sail training tall ship Fair Jeanne at the Thousand Islands Regional Dock. This past June, more than 5,000 visitors made their way to Frink Park for the inaugural event to see America's Privateer, tall ship Lynx. Sponsor opportunities are still available. For more information on Sailing Seaway Clayton, visit www.sailingseawayclayton.com or for information on DockDogs or to register for the event, visit www.dockdogs.com.

SUMMER CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MAY 2012

Fri - Sun 5/18 - 20

Two Nations 1000 Islands
Extravaganza Car Show
Cerow Recreation Park

Fri 5/18 7:30pm

Southside Johnny & the Asbury Jukes
Clayton Opera House

Sat - Sun 5/19 - 20

Weaving History Conference
Thousand Islands Arts Center

Thurs 5/24

Volunteer Breakfast
Antique Boat Museum
Sign up to volunteer and bring a friend!

6:30-7:30pm (4th Thurs)

Clayton Garden Club
Clayton Municipal Building

JUNE 2012

Fri 6/1-6/3

22nd Annual Bluegrass Music Festival
Stone Mills Museum, Lafargeville

Sun 6/3 - 8/26 6:30-8:00pm

(every Sunday)
Sunday Sunset Series Concert
Frink Park

Sun 6/3, 7-8pm

Clayton Community Band Concert-
A Patriotic Spectacular!
Clayton Opera House

Fri-Sun 6/8-10, 2012

Bi-Annual Quilt Show
Cerow Recreation Park

Sat 6/9 9am - 4pm

Trash & Treasures Day--Village Wide

Fri-Sun 6/15-17

The Great New York State
Food & Wine Festival
Cerow Recreation Park

Fri 6/15

Sailing the Seaway
Frink Park Clayton

TILT Community Picnic
Zenda Farm reserve

Sat 6/16 10-4pm

1000 Islands Family Day
Antique Boat Museum

Sun-Sat 6/17-23

Great International Steamboat Flotilla
Antique Boat Museum

Thu 6/21 7:30-8:30pm

Blood Sweat and Tears Concert
Clayton Opera House

Fri 6/22 10am-2pm

Children's Book Sale
Hawn Memorial Library

Fri 6/22-7/30

Along the River's Edge Art
Show & Sale
Thousand Islands Arts Center

Sat 6/23

Clayton Lions Club Bass Tournament

Wed 6/27 7:30pm

The Manhattan String Quartet
Clayton Opera House

Thu 6/28 10am-6pm (every Thurs)

Clayton Farmers Market
Frink Park

Murder Mystery at the Clayton Opera
House. This event is to benefit River
Hospital Foundation.

Sat 6/30

Keith Brabant Music Festival
Coyote Moon Vineyards

JULY 2012

Tues 7/3

Gala Fireworks Display
Downtown Clayton

Wed 7/4

Fireworks over Boldt Castle
Alexandria Bay

Sat 7/7

Rock for the River - Save the River
Clayton Opera House

Tue 7/10, 7 - 8pm

Clayton Community Band Concert
Clayton Opera House

Wed 7/11 6-8pm, Thurs 7/12 10-6pm & Fri 7/13 10am-2pm

Hawn Memorial Library Book Sale
Clayton Fire Station

Wed 7/11 7:30pm

Arrival: Music of ABBA
Clayton Opera House

Thu 7/12 6/8pm (Every Thurs)

Waterfront Concert Series
Frink Park

Sat 7/14 5pm - Sun 7/15 6am

Grindstone Island United Methodist
Church Turkey Dinner
Grindstone Island Carriage Hall

Sat 7/14

7am- 44th Annual French Festival
Cape Vincent

8:30-9:30am 3rd Annual Clayton Lions
Club Personal Watercraft Poker Run
Antique Boat Museum

5-8pm CFD - Booster Club Party
Clayton Fire Station

Wed 7/18 5-8pm

Pasta on the Greens
Natali's C-way Restaurant

Wed 7/18 11am-3pm

History Boat Tour to Boldt Castle
TI Museum / Bring Lunch

7/19 -21 Family Field Days
Clayton Lions Field

Fri & Sat 7/20-21 9am-6pm

44th Annual Decoy/Wildlife Art & Sporting
Collectibles Show
Cerow Recreation Park Arena

Fri 7/20 7:30pmThe Hot Club of San
Francisco presents "Cinema Vivant"
Clayton Opera House

Fri 7/20 5-8pm

Old Fashion Shore Dinner
Coyote Moon Vineyards
To benefit the T.I. Museum

Fri 7/20 9am - Mon 7/30 4pm

Grindstone Island Quilt Show
Grindstone Island Church Carriage Hall

Fri 7/20

Art & Architecture @ TI Arts Center

Fri 7/20 9am-3pm -Sat 7/21 9am - 3pm

River Community Church - Rummage &
Bake Sale

Sat 7/21

Concours D'Elegance
Antique Boat Museum

Sun 7/22

Northern NY Kidney Walk
Cerow Recreation Park

8:30am Tibbetts Point Run/Walk, 5k & 10k
Cape Vincent Rec Park

Tues 7/24

Community River Picnic
Antique Boat Museum

Tues 7/24 & Thurs 7/26 9:30 am-1 pm

(\$30) Boat trip to Grindstone Island Quilt
Show / TI Museum

Fri 7/27 7:30pm

Kathryn Ingerson
Clayton Opera House

Sat 7/28-29

34th Annual TI Stamp, Coin, Postcard,
Jewelry, Gem, & Collectables Show
Cerow Recreation Park

Sun 7/29 11am

Old Home's Day
Potter's Beach Grindstone Island

AUGUST 2012

Wed 8/1 11am-3pm History Boat Tour
Minna Anthony Common Nature Center / TI
Museum

Thu 8/2 - 9/10 5-7pm

Summer Exhibition ReceptionAuction
Thousand Islands Art Center

Fri 8/3 5 & 8pm

The Capital Steps
Clayton Opera House

Fri 8/3 - Sun 8/5

48th Annual Antique Boat Show
Antique Boat Museum

Sat 8/4 - Sun 8/5

Dingman Point River Artist's Studio Tour

Fri 8/10 6-9pm

48th Annual Antique Show: Public Wine &
Cheese Preview
Cerow Recreation Park

Sat 8/11 11:30am

Chicken/Rib BBQ / T.I. Museum

Sat 8/11 10-5pm

Antique Art Show & Sale
Thousand Islands Art Center

Sat 8/12 10-4pm

Antique Art Show & Sale
Thousand Islands Art Center

Wed 8/15 11am-1:30pm

History Boat Tour around Grindstone &
Governor's Islands / TI Museum

Wed 8/15 5-8pm @ TI Arts Center

Summer Raku Firing

Fri 8/17 7:30pm

The Marshall Tucker Band
Clayton Opera House

Fri-Sun 8/17-19

Antique Raceboat Regatta
Antique Boat Museum

Sat 8/18 8:30am-5pm & Sun 8/19

9am-4pm 35th Annual Rotary Gun
&Sportsmen's Show
Cerow Recreation Park

Sat 8/18

Clayton Lions Club Trash & Treasure Sale

Tue 8/21 7 - 8pm

Clayton Community Band Concert
Clayton Opera House

Sat 8/25 9am-5pm & Sun 8/26 10am-3pm

30th Annual Juried Craft Show & Sale
Cerow Recreation Park

Sun 8/26 8:00am

3rd Annual River Rat Triathlon
Centennial Park

Wed 8/29 11am Grindstone Island

History Boat Tour -Traditional Shore Dinner
TI Museum

Fri 8/31 7:30pm

Nellie McKay
Clayton Opera House

SEPTEMBER 2012

Fri 9/14 5-7pm thru 12/1 @ TI Arts Center
Art for A Cause Exhibition Opening Recept.

Wed 9/19 @ C-Way Restaurant
Clayton Lions Club Spaghetti Dinner

Sat-Sun 9/22-23 Graves St
15th Annual Vintage & Classic Street Meet

OCTOBER 2012

Sat 10/20

Punkin' Chunkin' Contest @ Frink Park

For details on these events and more, visit
the Clayton Chamber of Commerce
website at www.1000islands-clayton.com.