

GALWAY READER

Spring 2022- Town of Galway Newsletter



From the Supervisors Desk

By Mike Smith

Fellow Galway Residents,

April certainly delivered its version of "April Showers," as we all experienced a challenging, late-season snowstorm! Now, as the weather begins to warm up, we can be thankful for longer days, sunshine, and a bustling time around town! 2022 is shaping up to be a very busy year for Galway- I would like to think that COVID is in the rearview mirror, and we are all headed for a better 2022!

Signs of things picking up have already begun with the Ainsley's Angels 5k on April 23rd, the kick-off of the Galway Baseball Softball League's spring season with a small parade and opening ceremonies on May 7th, and numerous community spring fundraisers.

Monday, May 30th, we will be hosting our annual Memorial Day Parade, with the parade starting at 10am. The parade route will be from the Dockstader Recreation Fields to the courtyard in front of the Galway JR/SR Highschool. Please stay for the inspiring ceremony and activities in the village square. We welcome any civic group that wishes to participate; contact Ryan Flinton at 518-312-7539 or me at (518) 779-9425. We also encourage all Veterans to participate regardless if they are involved in the local VFW/Legion!

As summer approaches, the Galway Youth Commission will host the annual Family Fun Day at Dockstader Field on June 18th. We are also in the early planning stages of hosting a Blueberry Festival at the Dockstader Fields on July 30th. Keep an eye on the Town's Facebook page and website for updates!

I want to thank Councilman Fred Arnold for organizing a roadside clean-up around Galway. This clean-up effort is just another way to show the people who visit Galway the immense pride we have in our community.

Additionally want to send a very well-deserved thank you out to Mrs. Phyliss Keeler, Mrs. Darby Nearh, and Mr. Aiden O'Berne for all the historical information we shared surrounding the 230th anniversary of Galway. This little town is rich in history, and Mrs. Keeler, Darby, and Aiden are all doing a great job passing that information on! We will continue to share Galway's history on Facebook.

I look forward to getting out, enjoying the springtime weather, and celebrating all our Town has to offer. Happy Spring!

Highway Department

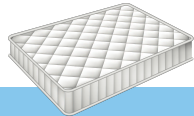
The department is currently working on cleaning up the damage from April's winter storm. Our brush chipper is presently down for repair; once it is up and running, we will be continuing the clean-up around town.

We are currently sweeping the roads town-wide of the sand put down during our winter maintenance season, as well as fixing wing cuts. Once the roads have been cleared and the warmer season progresses, our crews will begin roadside mowing as time and weather permits. Please slow down when coming upon our employees and mowers for their safety as well as yours.

The construction season will get underway sometime in May. The department will be working on a total reconstruction of Crane Road from the intersection of CR45 to Donnan Road. We also plan to work on reconstruction of certain sections of Parkis Mills Road. Please note the road construction plans can and will be adjusted based upon time and projected funds available at any given time.

Please remember that there is mulch available to town residents at the Town Hall Complex. The pile is located on the right-hand side before the gate to the Highway Department. Any stone or sand materials that are in the gated area are off-limits and are meant for highway construction.

Thank you,
Dave, Gonzo, Harry, Jose, John, Nick, Preston, Michele & Julia



Bulk waste drop-off will not be taking place in the Spring this year however, there is one being planned for the Fall.



News from the Assessor's Office

The Assessor's Office has put the new values on the 2022 Assessment Roll. This information is now available for review either in the Town Hall or online at townofgalway.org. If you need to speak with me, I can be reached at my office number (518) 882-6070, ext 17, or email at vhayner@townofgalwayny.org. I also have a cell phone number for assessor purposes- (518) 902-3309. My office is open Tuesdays from 2pm-6pm and Fridays from 8am-noon. I will also be available by appointment on Tuesday, May 31st (by appointment only) from 6-8pm and on Saturday, May 28 from 9:00am-noon (by appointment only).



Town of Galway Grievance Day



Vicki Hayner, Assessor

Tuesday, June 7, 2022, at the Town Hall, 5910 Sacandaga Road, Galway, from 4:00 – 8:00 PM. Please call and schedule an appointment if you wish to grieve your assessment.

Building Inspector/ Zoning Enforcement

As of January 1st, all plans submitted for a building permit must be 11" x 17" Single-sided. Plans of this size take up much less space when filing and allow us to scan them in-house. This is one more step in reducing the paper usage of this office. Commercial Plans and Surveys are exempt from this.

Please plan ahead and ensure your application is complete when submitted to streamline the building permit process. If you have questions when filling out an application, please contact Treavor Gilday by phone or email.

Treavor Gilday
Building Inspector/Zoning
Enforcement Official
518-514-8012
tgilday@townofgalwayny.org

Galway Youth Commission News

By Donna Sowle

Galway Youth Commission Chairman

Family Fun Day 2022

Saturday, June 18th from 1pm-4pm at the Dockstader Recreation Fields (located on Rt. 147 across from BSNB).

Will be held either rain or shine.

Save the Date!



Featuring:

- Games (with small prizes)
- Raffle Drawings
- Pony Rides
- Petting area with small farm animals
- Community Organizations
- Music

Karate Club

The Karate Club classes are being held in the Galway Elementary School gym on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 7pm . For further information, contact instructor Chris Malley by email shihanchris@gemskarate.com or at (518) 727-0385.

Junior Rifle Club

Junior Rifle Club will be held at the Galway Fish and Game Club on Wednesdays for youth 12 years old and older. For further information, please contact Kyle Donnan at (518) 813-8024.

Trap Shooting

The Trap Shoot program has started, and there are currently 31 youth participating. If you have a youth 12 years or older interested, please contact Colleen Tillson at (518) 421-6544.



Spring Recreation Soccer Program

The Galway Youth Commission Spring Soccer Program has begun and runs through Saturday, June 11. For additional information, please contact Coach Samantha Price.

And more!!!!

Please watch the Town's website, Facebook page, and at the Town Hall for more information to come with fun activities and events for our youth!

All Galway Youth Commission Programs are free of charge for youth in the Town of Galway, the Village of Galway, and the towns that participate in our Youth Commission Programs in our school district. There is a one-time charge of \$15.00 per activity for school district towns that do not pay annually. The fee is waived for those who cannot pay.



We've had a busy winter full of programs and classes, and already have a great Summer Reading Program planned. The theme this year is *Oceans of Possibilities*. Our Youth Services Coordinator has developed fun activities and programs for youth of all ages. There will be prizes for reading and a bingo reading game to earn collectible brag tags. Registration begins on June 25th, and the program goes until August 13th. Watch for more details coming soon.

This past year, we have been pleased to reach more teens and young adults with the addition of our Teen Advisory Board and additional STEAM programs such as *eSports Gaming* events and *Vex Robotics*. New programming for adults has included our *Stress Reduction Program: Finding Freedom from Anxiety, Worry, and Fear*, and a Humanities New York book discussion, *Place and Story*. We are in the process of developing more new programs for adults.

Our Annual Newsletter will be in your mailbox soon with more information about the Summer Reading Program and an overview of all that's been happening this past year at your library.

New DVDs - Addams Family 2; Belfast; Encanto; Ghostbusters Afterlife; A Journal for Jordan; King Richard; Marvel's Eternals; Matrix Resurrections; Resident Evil: Welcome to Raccoon City; Sing 2; West Side Story

New Adult Books - *The Last Debutantes* by Georgie Blalock; *The Last House on the Street* by Diane Chamberlain; *The City of Mists* by Carlos Ruiz Zafon; *Something to Hide* by Elizabeth George; *The School of Good Mothers* by Jessamine Chan; *The Final Case* by David Guterson; *Fear No Evil* by James Patterson; *The Maid* by Nita Prose; *Quicksilver* by Dean Koontz; *One Italian Summer* by Rebecca Serle; *Black Cake* by Charmaine Wilkerson; *American Injustice* by David Rudolf; *Find Your Unicorn Space* by Eve Rodsky; *Vegan, At Times* by Jessica Seinfeld; *Goldenrod: Poems* by Maggie Smith; *The Book of Hope* by Jane Goodall; *The Betrayal of Anne Frank* by Rosemary Sullivan; *From Strength to Strength* by Arthur Brooks; *The Match* by Harlen Coben; *A Safe House* by Stuart Woods; *French Braid* by Anne Tyler



Did you know?

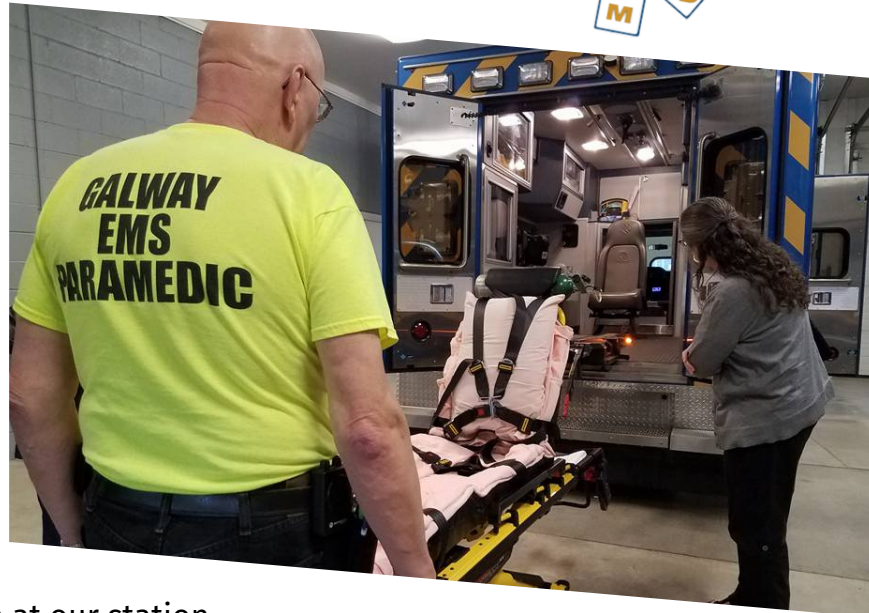
- Our Galway Get Together website (galwaygettoether.org) has been updated and expanded. The Business & Community Directory is easy to use and full of information you need to know about our area.
- An easy way to support us is to select Galway Public Library under Amazon Smile when you shop; Amazon will donate a percentage of your eligible purchases to the library.
- Artists are invited to sign up to show their work in the library as a Featured Artist of the Month.
- We welcome your short review of any book you've read and recommend. Click the link on the bottom of our Current Programs web page to see previous reviews and choose your next read!
- Artists & writers are encouraged to apply to the Story Quilt Arts and Literary Fund Grant.
- Requests for room reservations by community non-profits can be made online on our website.

Please register to attend programs at 518-882-6385 or email gal-director@sals.edu. Subscribe to our weekly and monthly email newsletters (sign up at the library or use the form on the website – www.galwaypubliclibrary.org) for updates and details about all our programs. For community news and events, you may subscribe to the biweekly Galway Get Together too.

Galway Emergency Medical Services



Are you looking for a new career? We have volunteer and paid positions available for drivers, EMTs, and Paramedics. Call the station or stop by to find out more.



Station Updates

- We have 188 calls as of April 12, 2022
- COVID at home Rapid Test Kits are available at our station.
- We offer free health screening for blood pressure (24hrs/day/7 days/week) at our station located at 2175 Galway Road (next to the Lion's building and Food Pantry).
- We are offering free 12 lead EKG at the station by appointment. Please call 518-882-1234.

Important Reminder

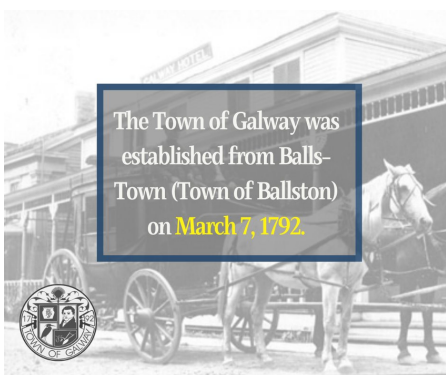
Make sure that your 911 house numbers are visible from both directions.

YOUR LIFE MAY DEPEND ON IT!

Thank you for your support and stay safe.



Spring has finally sprung! While planning for warm-weather activities, please keep in mind that the Galway Town Hall has several great options to host a range of functions. The Dockstader Park (Pavillion & fields) and Community Room located in the Town Hall are perfect choices for birthday parties, workplace gatherings, workshops, retirement and graduation parties, Youth Group, and Community Group events. There is a process for rental reservations. Please contact Colleen Forneris at (518) 882-6070 ext. 10 for further information.



The Town of Galway was established from Balls-Town (Town of Ballston) on **March 7, 1792**.

If you haven't had the opportunity to check out the Town's Facebook page, please do so. The page relays essential Town information and shares community news!



Galway Town Hall Hours

CLOSED Mondays
Tues. & Wed. 9:30-5:00
Thursday 9:30-7
Friday 9:30-2:30

Honoring our Veterans

Bricks for Galway's Veterans' Memorial Park are STILL available! This is a wonderful way to honor/memorialize friends, family, and neighbors who served and sacrificed in the United States Military.

The 8x8 bricks cost \$100. Lettering and spacing are included, can be up to 20 spaces, that is, 5 to 6 lines based on if clipart is incorporated. One choice of clipart is included. Options will be provided. Benches with an engraved bronze plaque are also available.



Order forms for purchasing bricks are located at the Galway Town Hall, Ballston Spa National Bank-Galway Branch, or contact Darby at (518) 858-3986 or Liz at (518) 882-9153.

The Veteran's Memorial Park will be in front of the Galway Town Hall around the existing flagpole and memorial stone.

ATTENTION
All Military Veterans
and Relatives of Veterans

You May Qualify to Join
THE AMERICAN LEGION FAMILY

**Serving Our Community
by Focusing on:**

- Children & Youth Programs
- Scholarship & Financial Aid
- Veterans Legislation & Benefits
- National Security & Protection of Our Flag

To Learn More, Contact:
Brian Sherman
Post Commander
American Legion Post 1461
email: marinechief55@gmail.com

Looking for Veterans in the area to attend monthly meetings (monthly every 3rd Monday at 7pm at the Galway town hall) and to participate in the Galway Memorial Day parade. If able to attend please contact:
Samantha Briggs
Deputy Commander
email: shermans@nycap.rr.com
Cell: 518-698-1814

Supporting our Schools!



Galway PTSA would like to thank everyone in the community for their ongoing support. Our organization runs entirely on donations and volunteers. We have also received financial support from three great local companies: Stewart's Holiday Match, the Price Chopper Golub Foundation, and Ballston Spa National Bank. These grants allow us to do even more for all the Galway Central School District students.

Some of our recent programs and events have included: Movie screening license for the District, snowman decorating contest, Valentine's treats, supplies for the school nurses' office, coloring contest, egg decorating contest, book review contest, supporting a new Elementary Student Council community garden, Elementary homeroom pictures, support for the Galway FFA chapter, and ongoing dance classes.



For the remainder of the school year, we have a Book Fair where we will purchase a book for every PreK-7 student, a family event with the Galway Public Library, a virtual Scavenger Hunt, appreciation days, school picnics, prizes at the District Science Fair, support for Galway Rocket Day, Kindergarten screening welcome packs, support for Prom and After Prom, dance recital, and the sunflower growing contest which will run over the summer.

Anyone can be a PTSA member, whether you have children in school or not, and we're always looking for new ideas and new volunteers. You can contact us at galwayptsa@gmail.com.

Galway PTSA

Galway Seniors

Gather, Dine & Stay!

All area seniors are warmly invited to join us daily for our Gather & Dine program and then stay for our monthly meetings!

While enjoying a nutritious meal, chat with your neighbor, meet someone new, play a hand of cards, or a board game with friends. This time is more than just an opportunity to have something to eat; you're welcome to relax and have a conversation in a safe and comforting environment.

Meals are served from 11:45am-12:45pm at the Galway Town Hall. Please see May's menu included in this newsletter.

Monthly Speakers and Business Meetings

Galway Seniors meet on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of each month at 1pm at the Galway Town Hall. If you are 55 and older, you are welcome to stop by our meetings. You must be vaccinated with proof.

2022 Meeting Schedule

May

5th- Business Meeting

19th- Guest Speaker Phil DiSorbo/Senior Life Transition Program Manager/Saratoga Senior Center- *Palliative Care*

June

2nd- Business Meeting

16th- Annual Picnic @ American Legion Hall



July

7th- Guest Speakers Ramon & Maria Rodriguez/Home Helpers Senior Care

21st- Guest Speaker State Senator James Tedisco- Topic *Protect Yourself from Identity Theft & Other Senior Issues*

August

4th- Business Meeting

18th- Annual Auction & Ice Cream Social



September

1st- Business Meeting

15th- Guest Speaker Ginny Stoliker- Topic *Homeless & Code Blue in Saratoga County*

October

6th- Business Meeting

20th- Guest Speaker Patrick Herring Saratoga County for the Aging- Topic *Medicare*

November

3rd- Business Meeting

17th- Guest Speakers Mike Smith/Town Supervisor, David Costanzo/Highway Supervisor & Trevor Gilday/Building Inspector

December

1st- Business Meeting

15th- Annual Christmas Party



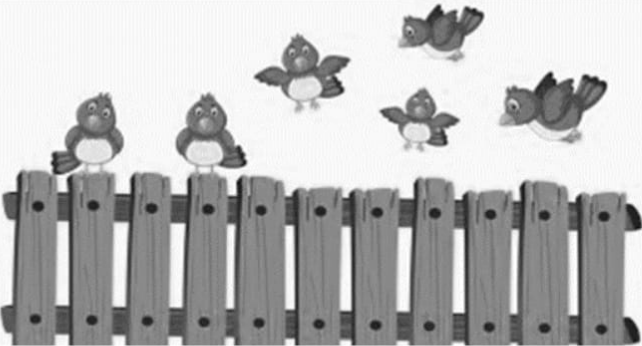


Gather & Dine- May 2022 Menu

Menu Subject To Change

Any questions or would like a hot, home-delivered meal?

Call (518) 363-4020 or the Galway Town Hall at (518) 882-6070.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
2 Chicken w/Creamy Lemon Sauce White Rice Broccoli WW Dinner Roll Peaches	3 Breaded Pork Slice w/Gravy Buttered Noodles Peas & Carrots Mandarin Oranges	4 Mother's Day Special Chicken Marsala Mashed Potatoes Broccoli WW Dinner Roll Cheesecake w/Cherry Topping	5 Tuna Salad Sandwich on WW Bread Coleslaw Tomato & Cucumber Salad Lower Sodium Potato Chips Banana	6 CLOSED 
9 Meatballs in Sauce Pasta w/Marinara Sauce Spinach Fruit Cocktail	10 Peach Glazed Chicken White Rice Vegetable Trio WW Dinner Roll SF Oatmeal Raisin Cookies	11 Macaroni & Cheese Brussels Sprouts Warm Berry Crisp Yogurt	12 BBQ Pork Loin Oven Roasted Sweet Potatoes Cabbage Cornbread Applesauce	13 Turkey Meatloaf w/Mushroom Gravy Mashed Potatoes Corn Mandarin Oranges
16 Pork Loin w/Fiesta Sauce Buttered Egg Noodles Broccoli Pears	17 Baked Fish w/Lemon Herb Sauce White Rice Capri Vegetables WW Dinner Roll Mandarin Oranges	18 Chicken Cacciatore Pasta w/Sauce Wax Beans WW Dinner Roll Fruit Cocktail	19 Meatloaf w/Gravy Mashed Potatoes Brussels Sprouts SF Chocolate Chip Cookies	20 LS Ham & Swiss on Whole Wheat Bread w/Mustard Macaroni Salad Tomato & Cucumber Salad Pineapple
23 Chicken Florentine Buttered Noodles Vegetable Trio WW Dinner Roll SF Vanilla Pudding	24 Teriyaki Glazed Pork White Rice Spinach WW Dinner Roll Orange	25 Birthday Special Hot Dog on Bun Mustard Baked Beans Oven Roasted Sweet Potatoes Birthday Cake	26 Ranch Chicken White Rice Lima Beans Corn Muffin Mandarin Oranges	27 Roast Beef w/Gravy Mashed Potatoes Mixed Vegetables WW Dinner Roll Peaches
30 CLOSED 	31 Chicken Alfredo Buttered Pasta Broccoli Pears			

Coffee, tea, and butter are served daily at sites. The suggested contribution is \$2 per meal. There is an \$8 fee for guests under the age of 60. Please make checks payable to Saratoga County Treasurer, c/o Saratoga County Department For Aging & Youth, 152 West High Street, Ballston Spa, NY 12020

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

News, Events, and Information from around Saratoga County



HARMONY CORNERS FIRE DEPT.
FAMOUS CHICKEN BBQ

SUNDAY
September 19, 2021

SERVING TICKET HOLDERS FROM
3:00-7:00 P.M.

AT THE HARMONY CORNERS FIRE
HOUSE
1954 ROUTE 67
BALLSTON SPA, NY 12020

DRIVE-THRU TAKEOUT ONLY
TICKETS \$14.00

TICKETS AVAILABLE IN ADVANCED FROM
Smith's Bake Shop 4561 Jockey St, Ballston Spa, NY 12020
McConchie's Heritage Acres Campground 2501 Northline Road, Galway, NY 12074
Mail N More 690 Saratoga Road, Burrell Hills, NY 12027

GALWAY ROTARY CLUB

Your time, energy, and a passion to improve your world are all you need to get involved with Rotary.

- Discuss your community's needs and develop creative ways to meet them
- Connect with other community leaders who are changing the world
- Expand your leadership and professional skills
- Catch up with good friends and meet new ones

Meetings are held at the Galway High School Library and on Zoom.

Register for zoom meetings on our website.



1ST WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH
galwayrotary.org
galwayrotaryny@gmail.com

Galway Volunteer Fire Company

15th Annual

Philly Cheesesteak Dinner



May 27th
4-8pm
Drive thru only

Check Facebook Page for additional details.

bikeatoga

Pedaling for a better future

Bikeatoga is a nonprofit organization located in Saratoga Springs that offers free refurbished bikes, helmets, locks, and lights. They also help fix and teach how to fix a bike. For further information, visit their website at www.bikeatoga.org, call/text (518) 290-0746, or email info@bikeatoga.org.



Meetings are on the 2nd and 4th Monday of the Month at Bob's Trees, 1227 West Galway Rd. Hagaman, NY

Galway Lions Club President
Holly McConchie
(518) 882-6516

Membership Chairperson
Brenda Wyko
(518)332-3736

MAIL:
Galway Lions Club
P.O. Box 244
Galway, New York 12074

EMAIL:
galwaylionsclub@juno.com

Assemblywoman Mary Beth Walsh is pleased to host a Spring Cleaning Series for residents of the 112th Assembly District. The three drive-thru style events will be hosted in conjunction with community partners to help you kick-start your spring cleaning "to-do" list.

Saturday, May 14
11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Electronic Recycling Event with EWASTE+

Milton Town Hall - Parking Lot
503 Geysers Rd., Ballston Spa, NY 12020
**TV collection is not included in this free service*

Saturday, May 21
11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Shredding Event with 3N Document Destruction

Halfmoon Senior Center - Parking Lot
287 Lower Newton Rd.
Waterford, NY 12188

**Each person will be limited to a total of four bags or boxes for drop off*

Drug Take-Back Event with Saratoga County Sheriff's Department

Halfmoon Town Hall - Parking Lot
2 Halfmoon Town Plaza
Halfmoon, NY 12065



ASSEMBLYWOMAN **Mary Beth WALSH**

For more information on this or any state matter, please contact Assemblywoman Mary Beth Walsh at: 199 Milton Avenue, Suite 3-4, Ballston Spa, NY 12020
518-884-8010 • walshm@nyassembly.gov

Saratoga County HORSE SYMPOSIUM

Meet our Presenters



Kim Trombly

Equine Legislation: What Horse Owners Need to Know

Learn about current hot topics and past information all horse owners should know.

See Kim at our
Horse Symposium May 14 th



EVERY FARMER

COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS

Recent Events

Ainsley's Angels Power to Push 5k Run



Recreation Softball Clinic w/ Galway Varsity Team



Town of Galway Blueberry Festival



Saturday, July 30th
Dockstader Recreation Park

Mark Your Calendars!

The Town of Galway is excited to announce that we will be hosting our first-ever Town Blueberry Festival on July 30th, 2022!

This all-day, rain or shine event will offer a wide range of family and community-centered activities.

Join us for this admission-free, fun-filled Saturday, featuring local artisans and businesses, delicious food, and of course, plenty of blueberries!

Confirmed Participants/Activities

- Galway Public Library- Children's Books/Activities
- Galway Seniors- Bake Sale
- Galway Veterans/American Legion- Lunch Grill Station to benefit Veterans Park
- Jump Into Learning Preschool- Children's Activity Station
- Cornell Cooperative Extension Master Gardener, Jessica Holmes

As the date approaches, more details will be shared on our Facebook page and website. In the meantime, if you have any questions or would like to volunteer your time or involve your business, please get in touch with Colleen Forneris at (518) 882-6070, extension 10. Thank you!

Community Breakfast

The Galway Volunteer Fire Department will be hosting a breakfast the morning of the Festival, offering: breakfast sandwiches, donuts, juice, and coffee. All proceeds benefit the Department's 100th Anniversary celebration!

Town of Galway
5910 Sacandaga Road
Galway, New York 12074

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Resident

Galway Youth Commission
Youth Referral Service

For youth 14 years of age and older, seeking babysitting, housework,
shoveling, yard work, and other odd jobs

Persons interested in hiring youth for odd jobs should contact:

Donna Sowle, Youth Referral Director, at 518-882-1347

(Clip and Save)