

Community Connection is a locally produced segment that airs at 8:45 AM on WSNN and 12:10 PM on WPDM Monday thru Friday

7/3 Ellen MacMasters and Ron Berry, president and director of the New Horizons Bands of Northern New York joined us on "Community Connection" today to talk about the group of retired folks that make up the band. They'll play the Potsdam Summerfest again this year.

7/4 Happy Fourth of July! We spoke on "Community Connection" about today's events. Enjoy the holiday and a thanks to all our service men and women.

7/5 Derry Loucks, longtime organizer of the Hobble Gobble Prediction Run 2017 in Potsdam, joined us on "Community Connection" today. The annual run is held on Blanchard Rd. in Potsdam every November, and is a major fundraiser for the Potsdam Holiday Fund and other Non-profit groups.

7/6 The North Country Children's Museum is working on a permanent location in Potsdam. They currently have a traveling museum that has toured parts of the North Country. Sharon Vegh Williams joined us on "Community Connection" today to talk about the non-profit that presents STEAM programs to local kids.

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7/10 Kevin Lamora joined us on "Community Connection" to talk about the 2017 Colton Youth Fishing Derby. This is the fifth year the event has taken place at the South Colton Pavilion and its grown every year.

7/11 It's Alumni Reunion weekend for SUNY Potsdam. Alumni Relations Director, Mona Vroman joined us on "Community Connection" to talk about the weekend festivities.

7/12 Shaun Balaban is back in Massena this year to help put on a wrestling fundraiser for the Alzhemier's Association of the Northeast. We spoke with the former wrestler this morning on "Community Connection" about this year's event.

7/13 Director for the St. Lawrence County Office of the Aging, Andrea Montgomery, joined us on "Community Connection" today to talk about their upcoming summer picnic and other news for North Country seniors.

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7/17 The Town of Colton kicks off Colton Country Days. We checked in on "Community Connection" with Ruth McWilliams.

7/18 The Potsdam Humane Society has their annual golf tournament coming up. We checked in with office manager, Bonnie Peryer about what's happening at PHS.

7/19 Maria Corse, Executive Director of the Deep Root Center in Canton joined us on "Community Connection" today to talk about their upcoming summer and fall programming.

7/20 Karen St. Hilaire joined us on "Community Connection" to talk about the new store in the St. Lawrence Centre Mall in Massena. North Country Showcase features all things locally made from food to footwear.

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7/24 Kathy DelGuidace and Kenneth Andrews joined us on "Community Connection" today to talk about the 2017 ONNY schedule. DelGuidace is the executive director of the Orchestra of Northern New York and Andrews is the music director.

7/25 TAUNY is showcasing the work of a Canton Amish family this summer during their "Folkstore Artist Spotlight: New Work From the Swartzentruber Amish Community." Maggie McKenna joined us on "Community Connection" to talk about the summer exhibit.

7/26 A group of residents is hoping to bring Girls JV Basketball to Parishville-Hopkinton Central School. It involves a lot of fundraising and knocking on doors asking for donations. We spoke with Terry Woods and Lisa MacWilliams about their efforts to pay for this year's team.

7/27 Karen St. Hilaire spoke about North Country Showcase, the new store in the St. Lawrence Centre Mall that offer all things locally made.

CC73117

7/31 This is "National Breastfeeding Week" and we're checking in with Janet LoMastro, a lactation specialist at Canton Potsdam Hospital. LoMastro joined us on "Community Connection" to talk about what support services are available for new moms, and the importance of breastfeeding.

8/1 It's the time of year again for "Swim a Mile for Hospice." Kelly Hitchman joined us on "Community Connection" today to talk about the annual fundraiser for Hospice and Palliative Care of St. Lawrence Valley.

8/2 Cheryl Evans joined us on "Community Connection" today to talk about Waddington's Annual Homecoming Weekend. It's one of the village's biggest summer events that draws people from near and far.

8/3 Deb Donatto joined us today on "Community Connection" via telephone to talk about the 2nd Annual North Country Jr. Olympics. It's one of the programs being sponsored by the Boys & Girls Club of Massena.

CC8717

8/7 Maria Corse, Executive Director of the Deep Root Center in Canton joined us on "Community Connection" today to talk about their upcoming summer and fall programming.

8/8 The Potsdam Snack Pack Program is growing quickly, and the coordinators have recently made some important connections with the Central NY Food Bank. Founder, Laurell Brault, visited us on "Community Connection" with an update on the less than year old program.

8/9 The Annual Fish Program is being held this September by the St. Lawrence County Soil & Water Conservation District. It's a way to stock local ponds with a variety of North Country fish. We spoke with Raeanne Dulanksi about it on "Community Connection" today.

8/10 'Cram a Van' is an effort by a local business to get kids needed supplies for this school year. We spoke with the organizer of the first annual event in Potsdam.

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8/14 The 15th Annual St. Lawrence Jr. Carp Tournament is being held this week. Chamber Events Manager, Jo Ann Roberts joined us to talk about the event that draws teens from all over.

8/15 SUNY Potsdam is breaking ground on a new Child Care Center on the campus. Child Care Center director, Lori Moulton spoke with us about the year long project.

8/16 Milfoil is a problem in our area. We spoke with Jo Ann Hudson about invasive's and what they can mean for our communities.

8/17 Project coordinator for the St. Lawrence County Planning Department, Heidi Ames, joined us on "Community Connection" to talk about a meeting tonight to discuss potential uses for the former General Motors site in Massena.

CC82117

8/21 Maggie McKenna joined us on "Community Connection" today to talk about the upcoming Ives Park Concert Series in Potsdam. This is the second year for music program in the park.

8/22 It's the time of year to start thinking about saving the seeds from this year's gardens. To talk about a "Seed Saving" program put on by the Potsdam Public Library, Bali McKentley joined us today on "Community Connection."

8/23 Caron Collins is looking for some help this fall in the SUNY Potsdam Community Band. Dr. Collins joined us on "Community Connection" to talk about what kind of musicians she's looking for to complete the band.

8/24 Anna & Luke Dalton joined us to talk about the contest Anna won for her essay about cleaning up the park across from her house in Chateaugay. It was part of a contest through 4H and Tractor Supply.

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8/28 The Potsdam Kiwanis Club is helping send local students back to school with the supplies they need to start off the year. We spoke with Marylee Ballou about this very important program.

8/29 Jodi Regan joined us today on "Community Connection." Jodi is the program coordinator for the Cancer Services Program at the St. Lawrence County Health Initiative.

8/30 Dale Rice joined us today on "Community Connection" to talk about the SUNY Canton Small Business Development Center. Rice runs the SBDC, which helps with creating business plans and technical services to help grow local businesses.

8/31 It's time for canning those garden vegetables. Maria "Flip" Fillippi joined us on "Community Connection" to talk about a Food Preservation Series in the new kitchen at the Cornell Cooperative Extension in Canton.

CC9417

9/4 Five Ponds Wilderness in Cranberry Lake was named by Travel & Leisure as one of the best places to watch the 2024 eclipse. St. Lawrence County Chamber of Commerce Executive Director, Brooke Rouse joined us on "Community Connection" to talk about this could mean for county tourism dollars.

9/5 The Friends of Higley Flow State Park are having their annual 100K/50K Bike Tour this weekend. It's one of the fundraisers for the park and we spoke with Judy Fuhr on "Community Connection" about the 13th annual event.

9/6 The St. Lawrence County Industrial Development Agency holds regular business mixers in the county. CEO of the IDA, Patrick Kelly joined us on "Community Connection" to talk about what his organization does and how to learn more about it.

9/7 If you're new to the area, TAUNY, Traditional Arts in Upstate New York, is hosting an Open House for area newcomers. Maggie McKenna joined us on "Community Connection" to talk about the annual Fall event at the Center.

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9/11 Free music lessons begin Wednesday at the Crane School of Music at SUNY Potsdam. Dr. Caron Collins and some of her students joined us to talk about this Fall program for kids ages 9 to 15.

9/12 September is Hunger Action Month and we spoke with GardenShare Executive Director, Gloria McAdam and how working families in the area still struggle with putting food on the table and what programs are available to them.

9/13 An inaugural Nonprofit Conference is set for next week in Canton. Brooke Rouse joined us on "Community Connection" to talk about the training program for nonprofit leaders and board members. Rouse is the executive director of the St. Lawrence County Chamber of Commerce.

9/14 Local female veterans will take part in a storytelling performance tonight at St. Lawrence University called "Veteran's Project: Odyssey Home." The Director, Erika Hughes and Assistant Professor of performance and communication arts at SLU, Angela Sweigart-Gallagher, joined us on "Community Connection" to talk about the show that will take place in the Black Box theater on the SLU Campus.

