

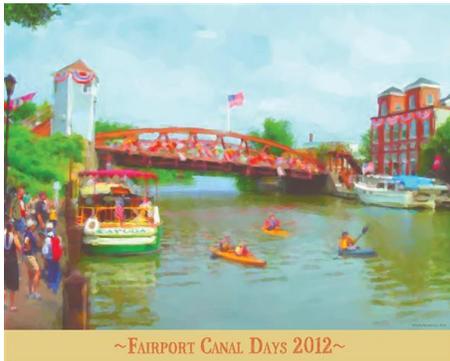


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Community Update: 05/30/12

Fairport Canal Days This Weekend



This weekend marks the 35th anniversary of [Fairport Canal Days](#) in the Village of Fairport. This year's festival will take place Friday through Sunday, June 1st-3rd and features live [music](#) from regional and local bands, great food, hundreds of [artisans and exhibitors](#), and children's activities. The festivities begin Friday at 4:30 p.m. with a chicken BBQ.

The historic Erie Canal is home to many community festivals throughout the summer months and Fairport Canal Days is among the most popular. We are fortunate in the 55th Senate District to have access to this beautiful waterway in our own communities. For more information on navigating the canal, I invite you to click [here](#). As one of America's oldest and most influential human-built waterways, the Erie Canal truly is an historic treasure that can be found right here in our neighborhoods. Enjoy the historic Erie Canal this weekend at Fairport Canal Days with your family and friends.

2012 Fairport Canal Days:

Friday, June 1 4:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Saturday, June 2 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Sunday, June 3 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

National Fishing and Boating Week Begins Saturday



June 2nd-10th is [National Fishing and Boating Week](#). Coordinated by the Recreational Boating & Fishing Foundation ([RBFF](#)), the national celebration is designed to promote fishing and boating across the country. The week is a great way to encourage families to be outdoors and interact more with their surroundings. I have always been – and will continue to be – a strong advocate for environmental conservation and raising awareness through education and participation in outdoor activities.

New York is well known for its upstate lakes, extensive canal system, scenic rivers and marine coastline. To further promote fishing and boating in New York State, [free fishing days](#) are being offered June 23rd and 24th – allowing families to fish in state waters without a license on those days.

For additional information on fishing and boating locations in New York, or for the criteria on how to register your boat or obtain a fishing or boating license, please click [here](#). Best wishes for a safe and enjoyable boating and fishing season on New York State's waterways!

Tips for the Traveling Season



Dear Neighbor,

As we move into June, weather in Upstate New York will become more and more exciting for day trips, weekend excursions and family vacations. One great way to ensure that you and your family get that much needed get-away is by taking it right here in New York State. As a native New Yorker, the diversity of our state's scenery and historic landmarks is remarkable – from the Adirondack and Catskill mountains to the Hudson and Mohawk rivers, to man-made attractions like the Erie Canal and the Statue of Liberty.

The [I LOVE NY](#) website is a great resource that provides information about many of the terrific destinations and vacation spots that our beautiful state has to offer – including historic sites, lakes and beaches, natural wonders and more. You can find out what to do, where to stay and how to plan your trip to get the most out of your vacation dollar. As the weather

warms up, I encourage all of us to celebrate the beauty of our region and travel our state!

Sincerely,

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P.S. Governor Cuomo today launched a new tourism advertising campaign to help promote vacation destinations in New York by encouraging New Yorkers to submit sketches depicting what they love about their state. Click [here](#) to view the new campaign, watch the ads and submit one of your own!

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