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#### **IN BRIEF**

#### H'port school board will meet

The Hammondsport Central School District Board of Education will hold a special meeting at 7:30 a.m. Wednesday at the district office.

#### **Caton town** clerk's office closed today

The Caton town clerk's office will be closed today. It will reopen at 9 a.m. Wednesday

#### **Bath school** board to meet **Wednesday**

The Bath central school board will hold a meeting at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday in the district office.

#### **ELT needs help for** 'Little Women'

Stagehands and dressers are needed for the Elmira Little Theatre production of "Little Women" at the Clemens Center. Performance dates are April 25-27 & May 2-4; must be available for rehearsals. Contact Anne Guzman, stage manager, at rguzman@stny.rr.com.

#### **Historical Society** to meet for dinner

The Prattsburgh Community Historical Society will hold its annual spring dinner meeting at 6 p.m. Thursday at the Methodist Church, 4 Porter St., Prattsburgh.

Kirk House from the Steuben County Historical Society will discuss "From End to End for Steamboats."

The event is free. Bring a dish to pass and your own tableware. A main course and beverages will be provided. For more information, call 522-5776.

#### **Vendors sought** for rummage sale

A rummage sale will be held from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. May 4 at John P. Eaton American Legion Post 746, 8 River Road, Corning. Vendors can rent a table for \$5. Call 654-7735. Admission to the sale will be \$1.

- Staff reports

#### **OPEN HOUSES**

## Fire depts. to recruit volunteers

The Leader staff

Several local fire departments will hold open houses this weekend as part of the statewide "RecruitNY" program.

The annual event, sponsored by the Fireman's Association of the State of New York (FASNY), raises awareness about the challenges fire departments face in recruiting new members and encourages citizens has to be a statewide

State Sen. Tom O'Mara, R-Big Flats, urged New Yorkers to attend an open house.

The challenge of recruiting volunteer firefighters and EMTs, especially in our rural, upstate communities, deserves all of the attention it gets. Keeping our corps of emergency services volunteers strong

to become volunteer priority," O'Mara said in a press release. "Our volunteer fire departments have long been the foundation of public safety and security, and the center of community service and civic pride, and we can't risk their decline. It's a challenge that we need to keep working on and raising awareness about. RecruitNY sounds the alarm and accomplishes these goals very effectively."

#### **Open houses**

The following local fire departments are holding open houses this weekend:

#### **Chemung County**

- Community Fire & Rescue, Van Etten.
- Elmira Heights Fire Dept.
- Erin Volunteer Fire Dept.
- Golden Glow Volunteer Fire Company, Pine City.
- Millport Fire Dept.
- Southport Volunteer Fire
- Town & Country Fire Dept.,
- Horseheads.

#### **Schuyler County**

- Mecklenburg Volunteer Fire Company.
- Monterey Volunteer Fire Co.
- ■Tyrone Volunteer Fire Co. ■ Watkins Glen Fire Dept.

#### Steuben County

- Addison Fire Dept.
- Avoca Hose Co. No. 1
- East Corning Volunteer Fire
- Pulteney Fire Dept.
- Wallace Special Fire District. For more information, visit http://recruitny.org/

#### SANDY FALLOUT



P.J. Whelan, the owner of Lindell Delicatessen in Long Beach, prepares a sandwich in his establishment on Monday.

## A year after superstorm, businesses struggle still

By Frank Eltman The Associated Press

LONG BEACH | When suburban New York delicatessen owner P.J. Whelan heard the findings of a Federal Reserve Bank of New York poll released businesses, he began nod-

ding in agreement.

right," the Long Beach, and coastal Connecti-N.Y., businessman said of the results that found a third of small businesses in tri-state Sandy disaster areas reported financial losses a year after the devastating storm struck.

Monday on Superstorm an online poll conducted cent reported they totaled Sandy's effect on small from Oct. 10 to Dec. 31, more than \$100,000. 2013.

cut with fewer than 500 employees in sectors including manufacturing, retail, construction, real estate, leisure and hospitality.

Of those sustaining The findings were from economic losses, 22 per-

Sixty-one percent It looked at businesses reported operating at a "They got those numbers in New York, New Jersey profit or breaking even.

#### POLICE BLOTTER **Corning City**

COMPLAINTS | 04.20.14

- 12:47 a.m. | A caller reported a male checking car doors on East Third Street.
- 1:01 a.m. | A caller reported a verbal altercation on Ontario Street.
- 5:08 p.m. | A caller reported a male who refused to leave the yard of an East Third Street residence.
- 5:08 p.m. | A caller reported two subjects arguing on Bridge Street.
- 7:42 p.m. | A caller reported an intoxicated male fell and hit his head at The Site.

#### **Painted Post State**

PETIT LARCENY

- Bailey Flechter, of Avoca, and Emily Hall, of Campbell, were charged April 18 with petit larceny after a shoplifting complaint from Wal-Mart in Gang Mills. They allegedly attempted to leave the store with fishing equipment they did not pay for. They will appear in Erwin Town Court at a later date.
- David Eaton, 45, of Painted Post, was charged April 19 with petit larceny after he allegedly stole beer from Fast Trac in Riverside. Troopers said they found Faton, who had allegedly fled the store, with the beer under his shirt. He will appear in Corning Town Court at a later date.
- Rebekkah Clark, 22, of Corning, was charged April

19 with petit larceny. She allegedly stole \$55 worth of makeup from Wal-Mart in Gang Mills. She will appear in Erwin Town Court at a later date.

■ Jacqueline Cassimore, 24, of Horseheads, was charged April 18 with petit larceny after allegedly taking merchandise from the Gang Mills Wal-Mart. She will appear in Erwin Town Court at a later date.

#### **Horseheads State**

**POSSESSION** 

■ Sasha Barrett, 26, of Elmira, was charged April 19 with criminal possession of a controlled substance, a misdemeanor. She will appear in Big Flats Town Court at a later date.

#### **Wellsburg State**

POT POSSESSION

■ Kathryn Cook, 21, of Elmira, was charged April 19 with unlawful possession of marijuana after a traffic stop. She will appear in Southport Town Court at a later date.

#### **Yates Sheriff**

■ Jose A. Lopez-Sarmiento, 37, of Dundee, was charged Sunday with DWI, driving with a blood-alcohol level of .18 or greater and moving from lane unsafely following a one-vehicle property damage motor vehicle accident in the Town of Starkey.

CLAYTON WILLIAMS ENERGY INC.

### NYC comptroller Stringer questions political giving

**By Michael Virtanen** 

The Associated Press

City comptroller has asked a Texas oil company to explain why it has been connected to political donations that

with its energy business.

Comptroller Scott Stringer, ALBANY | The New York investment adviser and trustee to the \$150 billion city pension funds, is questioning "both the magnitude and the corporate purpose"

Energy Inc. donations to the National Rifle Association and American Crossroads, a conservative political action committee. He's urging full disclosure to shareholders of all political spending, saying

appear to have little to do behind the Clayton Williams it poses "legal, reputational and operational risks."

> "The reported contributions are extremely large for such a small company and seem intended to further the political views of its chairman and CEO rather

than the interests of the company itself," Stringer said Monday.

Stringer, a Democrat, was a state assemblyman and Manhattan borough president before he was elected comptroller last year.

