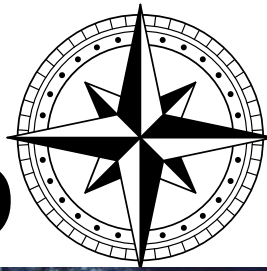


The HAMMOND COMPASS



Tami Niles

A Letter From The Editor...

What lasts for 87 years? I Googled that and the first thing that came up was “Four score and seven years ago” – President Lincoln’s opening words from the Gettysburg address. He was referencing the signing of the Declaration of Independence 87 years prior. The Wizard of Oz was released 87 years ago. *The Grapes of Wrath* by John Steinbeck and *Madeline* by Ludwig Bemelmans hit the shelves. The Federal Food Stamp program began. The hot dog became famous in 1939 when President Franklin D. Roosevelt served them to King George VI and Queen Elizabeth during their historic visit to the United States. Ruth Wakefield’s famous cookie recipe was published by Nestlé on the back of their semi-sweet chocolate bars (in exchange for a lifetime supply of chocolate!). Only a handful of appliances were engineered brilliantly to last (and are still around) for 87 years – the GE Monitor Top Refrigerator for example. Eighty-seven years ago, Mercury Marine reengineered 300 rejected outboard motors to start this now world renown company.

So how do these things “stand the test of time”? Materialistically, they must remain useful, easily fixable, and generate emotional attachment – they are worth keeping. For organizations and ideas to perpetuate they must keep their founding ideals but adapt to changes “without losing their soul”. They must pass leadership down through generations and “share the identity such that it weaves itself into the fabric of a community. People protect it because they feel it is a part of who they are.” In a human sense, for something to last 87 years, it cannot just be durable—it must be loved, maintained, and deemed worthy of preservation by the people who inherit it.

Did you know, the Hammond Fair is celebrating its 87th year September 11 & 12 ?
See you there.

Jamie Ipsen

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LOCAL EVENTS

September 2026

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
		1 Yoga@The Blue Goose Studio 9am OPEN HOUSE @ HCS 4:30-6:30pm	2 FARMERS MARKET 3 - 6pm VILLAGE BOARD MEETING 5pm	3 Chair Yoga@The Yellow Barn 8:30am First Day of School	4 Yoga @ Chippewa Bay Community Center 9-10am HUGFest @ the Yellow Barn 5pm	5
6	7 Labor Day Yoga @ Chippewa Bay Community Center 9-10am	8 Yoga@The Blue Goose Studio 9am	9 LAST FARMERS MARKET 3 - 6pm Opera House sign dedication 4pm HOPE MEETING 5pm TOWN BOARD MEETING 6:30pm	10 QiGong@The Yellow Barn 8:30am	11 HAMMOND Yoga @ Chippewa Bay Community Center 9-10am	12 FAIR 9AM  YELLOW BARN CONCERT 6PM
13	14 Garden Club Sound Bath 8:30am @ the Yellow Barn Yoga @ Chippewa Bay Community Center 9-10am	15 QiGong@The Blue Goose Studio 9am	16 PLANNING BOARD MEETING 6:30pm	17	18 Yoga @ Chippewa Bay Community Center 9-10am	19
20 Pancake Breakfast 7-11am  YELLOW BARN CONCERT 3PM	21 Yoga @ Chippewa Bay Community Center 9-10am	22 First Day of Fall Yoga@The Blue Goose Studio 9am	23 Village Vote 6am-9pm @ the Village Hall	24 FOOD PANTRY 9-11am FOOD SENSE - PICK UP 1pm	25 Yoga @ Chippewa Bay Community Center 9-10am	26 Harvest Moon
27  YELLOW BARN CONCERT 5PM	28 Yoga @ Chippewa Bay Community Center 9-10am	29	30			

HOPE NEWS

HAMMOND LONG-RANGE DEVELOPMENT SURVEY - DAN IPSEN

HOPE "Survey Says"

The HOPE Committee just completed their community survey on long-term development actions, with a total of 140 people participating. Relative to town building ideas, a restaurant or diner, gas station, health care center, and arts center ranked highest. Beautification of current buildings and several good ideas for future shops also received substantial support. For sports

enthusiasts, hiking trails received overwhelming support from the survey participants followed by a cluster of ideas including: a children's playground, an indoor recreation center, an outdoor tennis/pickleball court, and an ice-skating rink at the pavilion. Actions are already underway to share/prioritize these results, then explore proposals, grants and other financial support. Thanks again for your participation in this important first step. HOPE will keep you informed!



UPDATE ON 17 N MAIN STREET - JIM O'CONNOR

Interest in 17 N Main Street, the Hammond Opera House, is building, with the support of a dedicated committee, HOPE. An initial grant paved the way for an assessment report from the Rock Fund of the Northern NY Community foundation, and an asbestos survey by Atlantic Testing. These reports will help determine the building's status as an historic structure, and pending that outcome, the HOPE committee will consider the next steps toward renovations, which would, in part, include asbestos abatement, masonry work, and theatre restoration.

Thanks to the committee, the following projects are also now firmly in place:

- A plan for Engineering students from Clarkson University to study the Opera House, and then draft potential renovations this coming academic year -
- A revitalized promotion of Hammond's attractions currently, Singer Castle, by Hollywood and Main -
- A community survey to assess citizens' preferences and needs (see above) -
- The HAMMOND COMPASS itself, and -
- The completed assessment report, which is the foundational document for future plans.

The opera house renovations and other projects will require fundraising and additional grantwriting steps are underway. Accordingly, the establishment of not-for-profit (503-C) status for HOPE is in progress.

All are welcome to attend the monthly HOPE meetings which are the second Wednesday of each month @ 5 PM, 21 S. Main St., where community input and collaboration are key!

TOWN NEWS

FROM YOUR TOWN CLERK - PAM BURTON

Hammond Historian Donna Demick will present a dedication ceremony for a new State historical marker for the Hammond Old Town Hall and Opera House on September 9th at 4pm. There will be a tour of the 1915 building, at 17 N Main St., Hammond, immediately following.



The Hammond Old Town Hall served as a venue for town board meetings and Presbyterian church services, while the adjoining opera house hosted plays, vaudeville performances, and moving pictures. For many years, the building remained a center of community life, hosting lectures, graduations, shows, and meetings. Owned by the Town, it is vacant today, but plans are in the works for restoration.



17 NORTH MAIN STREET 1915-1919?

Be sure to check out the Town of Hammond website at <https://townofhammondny.gov/>. There are current important notices, agendas and minutes, forms and permits, information on codes, town history, a photo gallery, a LIVE webcam and MORE!

TOWN NEWS

TOWN RECREATION DEPARTMENT

BETH LACEY - DIRECTOR



Fall Soccer Volunteers Needed

If you'd like to support our players or help out on the field, we'd love to hear from you at

TownofHammondRecreation@gmail.com

HAMMOND TOWN RECREATION WEEK OF AUGUST 31 - SEPTEMBER 3			
MONDAY 8/31	TUESDAY 9/1	WEDNESDAY 9/2	THURSDAY 9/3
5/6 SOCCER TEAM GBR AWAY GAME VS OGDENSBURG TEAM 2 at Montroy Park Please be there by 7:15 Game Starts at 7:30	5/6 SOCCER TEAM GBR AWAY GAME VS MORRISTOWN at their Modified Field Please be there by 5:30 Game Starts at 6:00 SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE 4:30 - 6:30	INTRO TO SOCCER PRACTICE WEDNESDAY 9/2 5:30 - 6:30 at the Fireman's Field	5/6 SOCCER TEAM GBR AWAY GAME VS OGDENSBURG TEAM 4 at Montroy Park Please be there by 5:30 Game Starts at 6:00 FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL!
3/4 SOCCER TEAM HAMMOND MACHINE AWAY GAME VS HEUVELTON behind the school Please be there at 5:30 Game Starts at 6:00	3/4 SOCCER TEAM HAMMOND MACHINE PRACTICE 5:30 - 7:00 at the Fireman's Field	3/4 SOCCER TEAM HAMMOND MACHINE HOME GAME VS LISBON (11) at The Fireman's Field Please be there by 5:30 Game starts at 6:00	1/2 SOCCER TEAM HTE BUILDERS HOME GAME VS MADRID WADDINGTON at the Fireman's Field Please be there by 5:30 Game starts at 6:00
	1/2 SOCCER TEAM HTE BUILDERS PRACTICE 5:30 - 7:00 at the Fireman's Field	1/2 SOCCER TEAM HTE BUILDERS PRACTICE CANCELLED No Practice for 1/2 Team on Wednesday 9/2	
THANK YOU PLAYERS, COACHES & FAMILIES LET'S HAVE A GREAT WEEK!			

Weekly schedules can be found on FaceBook [here](#).

HAMMOND SCHOOL NEWS

WELCOME

back to school

OPEN HOUSE!

TUES., SEPT 1 / 4:30-6:30 PM

Join us for:

- FREE School Supplies*
- FREE Haircuts (donations accepted)
- Title I Annual Info
- FREE Community & Family Resources
- FREE District Calendar
- FREE Hamburger/Hot Dog Dinner!

Questions? Contact the School Office (315) 324-5931

*Supplies will be given out in the classrooms on the first day of school.

FARMERS' & ARTISANS' MARKET

Updates

BROOKE STARK

The '26 season is winding down after a summer of some crazy weather! Our last day will be September 9 from 3:00-6:00, so come visit us on our next Wednesdays. There will still be fresh produce and baked goods galore, and it will be a great time to stock up on greeting cards and gifts for Christmas.

Vendor Spotlights

BROOKE STARK AND LORI THISTLE

BOBBI SIMONS: "SIMPLY SIMONS," - SOAPS, HONEY AND GIFT ITEMS

This is Bobbi's first year at the Hammond Market, and she has been a great addition. Her amazing decorative soaps have brought lots of shoppers to her table, where they usually stay to visit. Her interest in soap - making began years ago when she kept goats, and had so much milk that she needed to find a use for it. Her goat-milk soaps are delicate and colorful!

Bobbi bought land in Rossie for her family to spend more time together, where she also began putting in small hives for honey, and started making maple syrup. Classes have taken field trips to her sugarbush to learn about syrup production, and she has also brought her cider press into the Hammond School in apple season.

Of Bobbi's first year at the Market, she says she especially enjoys the socialization of our friendly crowds. Stop by while there's still time!



FARMERS' & ARTISANS' MARKET

JOSH TOLAND: "JRT GENERAL CONTRACTING LLC" – WOODWORKING

Another newcomer to the Market this year is Josh Toland, of Hammond. Josh makes a variety of items including signs, puzzles and coasters, all of which can be customized. Many are North Country themed. Josh has been working with wood since he was little, and has gone on to purchase more tools as his skills have grown. He enjoys the quiet time in the garage to relax while he works. This summer he went to purchase a planer at a sale and came back with a CNC table, which routes and engraves. He adds color with paint and epoxy. Josh repurposes wood for his creations from old flooring, scrap wood from work sites, etc.



Eventually, Josh would like to sell more locally. For now, he is enjoying the sociability of the Farmers' Market, since there is no time crunch and he's gotten some good ideas from people visiting his table.

JOCIE & SHEA ZELLWEGER:

"SWEET WIND FARM" – BAKED GOODS, WOOD PRODUCTS & MEATS



The Zellwegers have returned to the Market this year after joining a few years ago with their baked goods and frozen meats. They have now added beautiful wooden utensils to their table.

Jocie attended culinary school and for around 20 years has been a pastry chef in Boston, North Carolina, New Hampshire, Kansas City and more, as she followed her husband Shea with his ministry assignments. She did not, however, like retail sales, and always wanted to sell at a farmers' market. Luckily, she has found one here in Hammond, and you can find her delicious scones, tarts and more at her table each week.

Jocie and Shea bought a farm in Hammond, and two years ago Shea added on a workshop. He uses local wood to craft his rolling pins, bowls, flatware, spoons, and kitchen utensils, all of which he learned to do on his own.

As if they aren't busy enough, they also have a CSA for their chicken, turkey and rabbit meat.

Jocie says she loves the vendors and patrons at the market, but would really like to see more people attend and take advantage of all that's offered.

FARMERS' & ARTISANS' MARKET

MOREEN MURPHY: "PAINTINGS OF A WANDERING MIND" – ARTWORK

Having joined the Market at the very end of last season, Moreen has returned with her wide range of paintings. She says that about two years ago, she and her partner, Chris, were shopping and she noticed some art supplies. Moreen wondered out loud whether she should try some painting, and that Christmas she received painting supplies! Now that she paints often, she finds doing her artwork relaxing. She doesn't always know what she's going to paint until she gets started, and she rarely uses models or scenery to paint from. She considers her artwork "eclectic," with most being nature scenes. Her prices are reasonable so people can buy more pieces and change them around on their walls at home!



Before coming the Market, Moreen sold paintings from home and at the Morristown Christmas sale at the fire hall. She enjoys the Market, where she reconnects with old friends and makes new ones with the wonderful vendors. She also loves the live music!

HAMMOND HISTORICAL MUSEUM

TOWN OF HAMMOND BICENTENNIAL IN 2027

DONNA DEMICK

In 2027, the Town of Hammond will celebrate its 200th anniversary! We are looking for interested and enthusiastic committee members to join us in the planning. We hope to host several events during the year with our biggest focus in July. This will include the Scottish festival on July 10th, events throughout the week following, and ending with Firemen's Field Day or a community picnic on Sunday after church.

Although a few interested people have already put forth some great ideas, we'd like to begin serious planning this month. Possible committees might be: *Overall Bicentennial Committee, *History Talks & Recordings, *Bus Tours (i.e. stone houses & one-room school houses), *Entertainment, *Field Day Parade, or *Community Picnic.

We encourage representatives from local organizations to become involved, as well as interested individuals. Let's work together to celebrate Hammond's past and create a Bicentennial everyone will remember!

Message the HOPE FaceBook page or email hammondnyhope@gmail.com, message Donna at 315-528-4742, or email hammondhistorian@gmail.com.



HAMMOND FAIR

Celebrate 87 years with us!



Gates open Friday, September 11th and Saturday, September 12th at 9:00 am!
Admission to the fair is \$3.00 per adult, children and youth under 18 years of age are free.

Friday at the fair is packed full of school group tours, FFA exhibits, dairy and beef cattle shows, Bossy Bingo and an ice cream social! Saturday there will be a horse show, poultry and rabbit judging, children's games, cake walk and recognitions and raffles.



Be sure to check out local crafters and vendors!



FOOD -- Some fan favorites :

- Breakfast Sandwiches ● Onion Rings ● Walking Tacos ● Nachos ● Ice Cream Social ● Many more food items -- all your traditional fair foods



Events include:

- The Cake Decorating Contest – bring a cake that you made and decorated – Come on all adult bakers out there!!
- The Pet Show – dress up your animal and parade around
- The Cake Walk – any donations would greatly be appreciated
- BOSSY BINGO - come and get your square!!
- 50/50 Raffle
- Kids games – egg toss, hula hoops, wheelbarrow races, and many, many more!!!
- Raffle Baskets
- Adult Dairy Showmanship - check in with the fair office to find out more!!



WE HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!!



HAMMOND FAIR (1939-1951)



HAMMOND FAIR (2025)

ARTS & MUSIC

The Iva Smith Gallery - The Yellow Barn

Yellow Barn Concerts - September

THE ATKINSON FAMILY BAND

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2026 at 6 PM

Music as history, as storytelling, music that resonates with universal experiences that unite us a human family from our most loved local bluegrass family. "Genuine" is the operative word to describe this amazing group of musicians and human beings. Expect to feel part of their extended 'family' by evening's end!



HEATHER YULE, SCOTTISH TRADITIONAL STORY-TELLER AND HARPIST

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2026 at 3 PM

IMAGINE yourself back in the days when people shared their wisdom, their legends, and their humor, in stories told 'round the fire! Heather Yule is involved in the Scottish traditional storytelling scene which has its base in Edinburgh's Scottish Storytelling Centre. In addition, Heather is an accomplished traditional harpist. She has taught and performed on the clarsach throughout Scotland, in the USA, and in Cape Breton, Canada. She has performed in Europe, Scandinavia and North America as a traditional storyteller as well, enchanting audiences of all ages with her unique gift for narrating enrapturing tales accompanied by the music of her harp.



ARTS & MUSIC

Yellow Barn Concerts - September



HARVEST MOON MUSICAL CELEBRATION
WITH BARB HELLER ON GUITAR AND
GRETCHEN KOEHLER ON FIDDLE

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2026 at 5 PM

Barb Heller, folk musician and host of NPR's acclaimed radio show String Fever, will be teaming up with Gretchen Koehler, member of the North American Fiddlers' Hall of Fame, to usher in the fall in our final concert, a Harvest Moon Musical Celebration!

2ND ANNUAL HUGFEST - SEPTEMBER 4TH AT 5PM AT THE YELLOW BARN

The Hammond Ukulele Group will present a concert of songs that reflect the message, **"Everything will be alright"**. It's not really a concert because **you** are invited to sing along! Most likely you will already know these but if you'd like to brush up before the concert, here is the playlist:

Little Bit of Sun --Best Day of My Life --Catch A Falling Star --Don't Stop --Don't Worry, Be Happy --Feelin' Stronger Everyday --Good Vibes --Hey Jude --Higher Ground --Jeans On --Jumpin' Jack Flash --Ode To Joy --Revolution --Rocky Mountain High -- Keep On the Sunnyside

Snacks at intermission!
Hope to see you there!

Join Us!

**COME SING WITH THE
HUGS WEDNESDAY
9/2 & 9/9
FROM 4:30 - 5:30PM
AT THE FARMERS
MARKET**



ARTS & MUSIC



Lanterns and Ladles

A Hammond Community Event
all welcome!

Soup Supper 5:30 - 6:30 pm
\$5 All you can eat, children 5 and under free

Lantern Parade 7 pm

Walk with us in the parade. Carry a lantern,
play percussion, or bring a chair and absorb the fun!

This project is made possible with funds from the
Statewide Community Re-grants Program, a regrant
program of the New York State Council on the Arts,
with the support of the Office of the Governor and the
New York State Legislature, and administered by the St.
Lawrence Arts Council. (Thank you!)



2026 LANTERN PARADE

PAM WINCHESTER

You are invited to participate in or attend the 2026 Hammond Lantern Parade, Saturday October 10, with a rain date of Sunday October 11 at 7pm. The theme of this year's lantern parade is "A Treasure Hunt- Shining a Light on Things We Love," and it is in memory of Lisa Sarfaty and her commitment to community. As you might remember, Lisa orchestrated the first ever lantern parade at Oak Point, followed the next year by a second parade in which she participated (see video link below). The 2026 lantern parade will be at the Hammond Central School and involve all of Hammond.

Thanks to the Statewide Community Grants Program, Lisa's dream of a Lantern Parade in the village of Hammond has come to fruition.

Let's remember the creativity and fun that Lisa's projects have given us and share that joy with others. To get involved and find out how to participate, please call Pam Winchester at 315 590-2740, visit the Blue Goose Studio on Mondays from 10-4 or email pamwinchester236@gmail.com.

YOU can participate in several ways:.

* Make a lantern * Carry a lantern in the parade * Drum in the parade * Create luminarias for the parade * Help set up * Help take down * Help line up children and community * Help with parking * Help at community dinner to be held in Hammond * Come and enjoy the parade!

LANTERN & LUMINARIA WORKSHOPS

MONDAYS SEPTEMBER 7, 14, 28 - 10AM TO 4PM

WEEKEND WORKSHOP - 9/13- 9AM TO 4PM

@ THE BLUE GOOSE STUDIO - TRIANGLE ROAD

[HERE IS A LINK TO ONE OF THE 2021 OAK POINT LANTERN PARADE VIDEOS](#)

ARTS & MUSIC



Bella Brooke
VINEYARD

SEPTEMBER
Music Lineup

Great wine. Live music. Good times.

WED SEPT 2 6PM		JOE BATTLES ACOUSTIC SHOW • 6PM Join us for a midweek night of acoustic tunes and wine!
SUN SEPT 13 2PM		EAGLES TRIBUTE BAND 2PM All your favorite Eagles hits! Don't miss this incredible tribute show.
FRI SEPT 18 6PM		AIDEN HOOSE 6PM Kick off your weekend with great music and even better wine.
SUN SEPT 20 2PM		BILL BURKHARDT 2PM Relax, unwind, and enjoy a laid-back afternoon of live music.
SUN SEPT 27 2PM		GYPSEY ROAD BAND 2PM We're closing out the month with high-energy country and rock!

2989 COUNTY ROUTE 6, HAMMOND, NY

—>>> We can't wait to see you! <<<—



HAMMOND'S FIRST ANNUAL FESTIVAL OF TREES

This December, Hammond will host it's first Festival of Trees at the Village Hall! Applications will be available in the October issue of the Hammond Compass. Any business, school group, team, club, organization, family or individual can participate.

If you have an artificial tree in good condition that you would like to donate, email Jamie Ipsen at hammondcompass@gmail.com

HEALTH & FITNESS

The Wellness Thread

RUTH WIDRIG



Light, Warmth and Wind: A three-part softening for the month of quiet transition

As we begin the gentle turn toward Autumn, September arrives like a threshold. Not fully summer, not quite fall, but a soft turning between. There is a shift of light: angled, golden and quieter. The mornings are cool. And the wind begins its slow, steady clearing. Nature transitions gradually, and we are invited to do the same.

Entering the month of falling leaves and cooler days, we also honor the softening light, the warming of the body, and the clear sweep of wind. Three simple anchors to help us move through the season with steadiness, presence, and ease.

September's light has a way of slowing us down. It drapes itself gently across porches, fields, and riverbanks. It's a reminder that beauty often arrives quietly. As daylight shortens, our nervous systems shift too. Many people feel a subtle pull inward, moving us toward reflection and steadiness. Let the changing light be a guide to us. We all know how the "golden hour" has a special way of lighting our world with a special glow. This moment invites pause. And reflection upon life's beauty. Step outside during the last light of day. Join this shift of light by taking three slow breaths. Notice the sky's colors, the angle of the sun, the way the light feels on your skin. Thirty seconds of presence – a tiny ritual that steadies the whole evening.

Early fall is considered a Vata season in Ayurveda (considered the oldest healing science and believes in alignment of body, mind, soul and nature). Our days have become airy, mobile, dry and changeable. To balance this, we need to bring in warmth, nourishment, and grounding. By practicing simple, steady habits, we can balance the effects of this season. Drink warm tea or lemon water in the morning and give yourself time for a few slow stretches before the day begins. Take advantage of seasonal foods and cook soups using root vegetables. Use warming spices like cinnamon and ginger. Eat an apple or pear a day. Keep well hydrated as the air becomes drier and give yourself a moment of stillness before bedtime. These small acts help the body shift from summer's outward energy into autumn's quieter rhythm.

Morning Stew: warm and grounding breakfast that supports early-fall digestion.

Core and dice apples, or pears and add ginger and/or cinnamon to taste with a splash of oat milk. Place in saucepan and simmer until soft and fragrant. Add walnuts or chia for grounding. Perfect for Vata season, it's warm, soft, spiced and easy on the nervous system.

HEALTH & FITNESS

The Wellness Thread – continued

Roasted Butternut Squash with Sage & Maple: simple and nourishing side dish or bowl base. Place cubed squash (any variety and combo) in bowl and toss with olive oil, salt, and cracked pepper. Place on foil lined baking sheet. Roast until caramelized. Finish with fresh sage and a drizzle of maple syrup. Warm, sweet and earthy, it's a beautiful early-autumn staple.

September's breezes carry a particular energy. The clearing, refreshing, gentle invitation to let go teaches us that release doesn't have to be dramatic. It can be subtle. It can be kind. It can be one small thing at a time. Try this: Inhale through the nose. Exhale through the mouth as if fogging a window. Imagine the wind taking one piece of tension with it.

As the wind blows and leaves drop from branches that have held them since Spring, take inquiry of one small thing you can release. A drawer, a habit, a thought pattern, a commitment that no longer fits...begin to lighten your load as the season shifts. May the softening light show you what is ready to be seen. May it illuminate the quiet truths you are ready to hold. May warmth rise in your body with each small act of care—a cup of tea, a slow breath, a moment of stillness—reminding you that steadiness is built one tender choice at a time. May the wind carry away what feels heavy, clearing space for what wishes to arrive and leaving you lighter. And may you step into this turning season with a nourished spirit, and a deep trust in the path unfolding before you.

WOMEN'S RETREAT OPPORTUNITY



September 19th & 20th at Camp Wabasso

Your registration includes all workshops, activities, Kayaks, healthy lunch and dinner on Saturday and Breakfast and lunch on Sunday, snacks and tea and coffee and a full day of connection in nature.

Join us for a soul-nourishing retreat designed to help you reconnect—with nature, with your body, and with your inner wisdom.



For more information and to Register -[click here](#)

GROUPS & CLUBS

GARDEN CLUB - NANCY MISENKO



Each September the Hammond Area Garden Club members look forward to welcoming Erica Webster's second graders to the pollinator garden so they can release the monarch butterflies that they have nurtured in their classroom! If we are fortunate to know the date of the release ahead of time (the butterflies are on their own schedule!) , we will put the date on our Facebook page . The release is such fun to witness!

LET'S GET LIT - BOOK CLUB

BETH LACEY

Our group meets monthly to discuss books, life, and participate in fun activities.

New members are always welcome! For updates and event locations, please join our Facebook group: <https://www.facebook.com/share/g/1Hxdvhgkkw>.

GROUPS & CLUBS



HAMMOND FOOD PANTRY

DAN IPSEN

The Hammond Food Pantry (HFP) continues to serve Brier Hill, Hammond, Macomb, Morristown and Rossi. Our mission is more critical than ever as food insecurity surveys indicate that St. Lawrence County ranks 4 th highest among the 72 New York State counties. This trend is further exacerbated by new work hour requirements for maintaining SNAP benefits.

As an emergency food pantry, HFP supplements SNAP by providing 15 nutritious meals per month for each family member served. We also emphasize a client choice grocery store-like experience that balances each of the major food groups. In July we served approximately 50 families and 150 individuals of all ages. Six new families signed up for our services. If you know of other families in need, please don't hesitate to refer them to our pantry.

Our next distribution date is Thursday September 24 th from 9 to 11 am at the Hammond Fire Hall. Food, financial or volunteer hour donations are always appreciated.

HAMMOND MASONS - TIM PITCHER

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

SEPTEMBER 20TH

7-11:00AM

600 ACADEMY STREET



COST:

ADULTS - \$10

CHILD - \$5

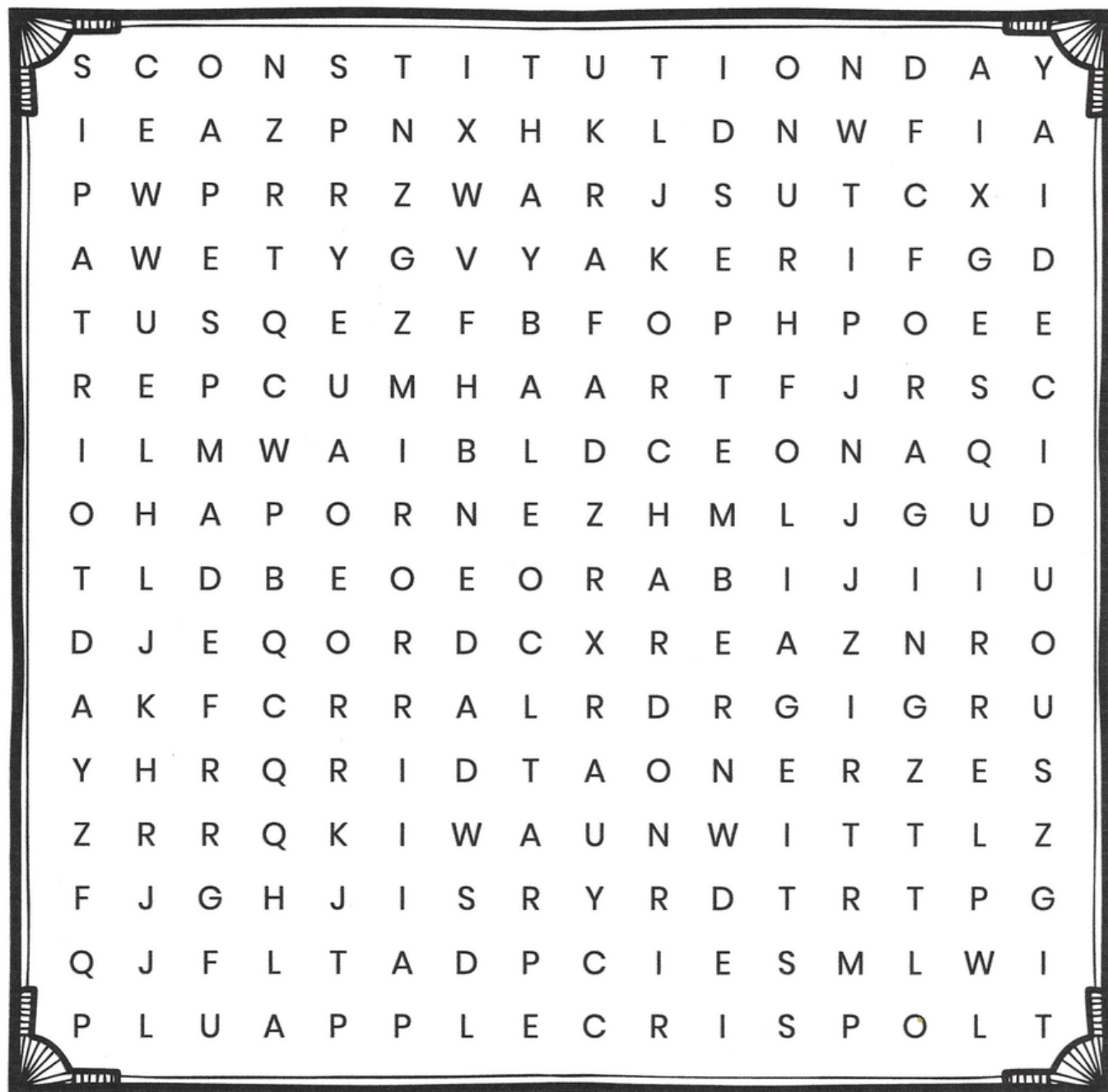
UNDER 5 -

FREE

**PANCAKES - FRENCH TOAST - SAUSAGE - EGGS - TOAST
MILK - COFFEE - TEA - OJ - HOT COCOA**

HUMOR & FUN

SEPTEMBER WORD SEARCH



LABOR DAY

PATRIOT DAY

HAY BALE

FOLIAGE

ORCHARD

APPLE CRUMBLE

CRISP

TEMPERATURE

FORAGING

WOODLANDS

SCARECROW

DECIDUOUS

EQUINOX

SQUIRREL

SEPTEMBER

CONSTITUTION DAY

RECIPES

Tomato Pie

JAMIE IPSEN (GD)

INGREDIENTS FOR CRUST:

- 1 ¼ cup flour
- 2 tsp baking powder
- ½ tsp salt
- ½ cup shortening - cut in
- ½ cup sour cream - stir in

Pat dough into a 9" pie plate

FILLING:

- 3-5 tomatoes, peeled and sliced

Place on top of crust - overlap and sprinkle with ½ tsp fresh basil. Grind fresh pepper over tomatoes.

TOPPING:

- ¾ c mayo
- ¼ c chopped onion
- 1 c shredded mild cheddar cheese

Combine, spoon ovetop, covering the tomatoes

Bake uncovered in a 375 oven for 30-45 minutes until golden. Serves 6-8.



APPLE CRISP PIZZA - NANCY PREUSSNER

Ingredients:

- Dough for single-crust pie
- 2/3 cup sugar
- 3 tablespoons all-purpose flour
- 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 4 medium baking apples, peeled & cut into 1/2-inch slices

TOPPING:

- 1/2 cup all-purpose flour
- 1/3 cup packed brown sugar
- 1/3 cup rolled oats
- 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1/4 cup butter, softened
- 1/4 to 1/2 cup caramel ice cream topping or caramel apple dip

Directions: Preheat oven to 350°. On a lightly floured surface, roll dough to fit a 12-in. pizza pan; fold under or flute edge. In a large bowl, combine sugar, flour and cinnamon. Add apples and toss. Arrange apples in a single layer in a circular pattern to completely cover crust. Combine first 5 topping ingredients; sprinkle over apples. Bake until apples are tender, 35-40 minutes. Remove from oven; immediately drizzle with caramel topping or dip. Serve warm, with ice cream if desired.



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TROLLS: Save the Humans,

presented from June 1, 2026, to October 31, 2026, features six folklore-inspired Trolls who come to teach humans to rediscover nature and inspire them to be good stewards of the earth. This all-new touring exhibition featuring Thomas Dambo's signature folklore-inspired troll sculptures are built from reclaimed materials and will delight visitors of all ages. The outdoor exhibition will fuse fairytales, whimsy, and incredible art installations to inspire visitors to explore themes such as recycling and reusing trash, the importance of plants and gardens, art, and more.

<https://www.wildcenter.org/visit/trolls/>

An Evening with Thomas Dambo

Thursday, September 10, 2026 at the Tupper Lake Bandshell at Flanders Park

Meet the artist behind the trolls! Join us on September 10 at the Tupper Lake Bandshell at Flanders Park. Hear stories from his creative journey, learn what inspires his larger-than-life sculptures, and discover what it takes to bring trolls to communities around the world. A limited number of lawn tickets are available for purchase for \$15 each. Doors open at 5pm, and the event begins at 6 pm, with a book signing and a meet-and-greet to follow.

