

VILLAGE OF NEWARK VALLEY NEWS

May 2026

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Mayor's Message

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

As we move into the spring season, I'd like to take a moment to recognize an individual whose dedication has helped shape our village for more than four decades. After over 41 years of service, Scot Coombs has retired from the Village Department of Public Works. That's not just a long career - that's a legacy! Scot's commitment, work ethic, and pride in keeping Newark Valley running smoothly have left a lasting mark on our community. On behalf of the entire village, I extend our sincere gratitude and wish him a long, happy, and well-earned retirement.

With Scot's departure, we are pleased to welcome Ben Wilson as the newest member of our Department of Public Works team. Ben steps into an important role, and we are confident he will continue the tradition of hard work and service that our residents expect. Please join me in welcoming him to the village.

I would also like to share how truly grateful and honored I am to have been elected Mayor of the Village of Newark Valley. It is a privilege to serve this community, and I am committed to doing my very best in this role. The board will continue to keep the residents of our village at the forefront of every decision and work diligently to serve the best interests of the Village of Newark Valley.

Regarding the DPW barn, the demolition of the damaged structure has now been completed. We continue to work through the insurance recovery

process and remain in close coordination with our providers. At the same time, we have begun the preliminary stages of planning for a new facility, working alongside architects to ensure the rebuilt structure meets both the current and future needs of the village. While there is still much work ahead, please be assured we are making steady progress.

The Village Board has also been engaged in ongoing discussions about potential involvement in an after-school program. We recognize the value such a program could bring to families and the broader community, and our goal is to be supportive partners. However, we must carefully evaluate the level of liability involved and ensure that any participation does not create an undue burden on village taxpayers. Ideally, we are seeking a path that allows us to contribute positively while maintaining little to no financial impact—or even a net benefit—for our residents.

As always, thank you for your continued support and engagement in our community. Wishing everyone a happy and healthy spring, and all the best as we head into the summer months. We look forward to connecting again soon.

Respectfully,
Joe Mooney
Mayor, Village of Newark Valley
mayor@newarkvalleyvillage.com



CLERKS OFFICE:

Hello All!

Happy Spring! 😊 I hope everyone stayed healthy this winter and is ready to get outside and enjoy all of our favorite nice weather activities!

We have had a couple of occasions recently that we really needed to contact village residents and did not have a valid phone # or email address. Would you please take a moment and call or email the Village office at 607-642-8686 or info@newarkvalleyvillage.com? You can also fill out the attached form and mail it in or drop it off to us, whatever is easiest.

Name: _____

Property
Address: _____

Mailing
Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

The Village tax collection has been going well. Taxes are still being collected with a penalty. If you haven't paid them, you can still pay at the Village office, via mail or via Allpaid with a card.

Each year the Village receives a Fiscal Stress score from State Comptrollers. These scores are very helpful when applying for any state or federal funding. The Village feels it important to share this information with our residents. The Village of Newark Valley fiscal stress score is 3.3 and considered "No Designation" by NYS. This is the best designation that the State Comptrollers issues. Comptrollers' grading system: No Designation (0.0-44.9), Susceptible Fiscal Stress (45.0-54.9), Moderate Fiscal Stress (55.0-64.9), and Significant Fiscal Stress (65.0-100.0). We are very pleased with this score and will continue to strive to keep this going.

It has been requested by Code enforcement and emergency services that all residents have house numbers on their residences and to display them in a spot that they are easily visible. High visibility of house numbers aids emergency services in their efforts to quickly respond to the correct address and can make a big difference in emergency situations.

We hope you have a great Spring and look forward to the warmer months ahead!

Best regards,
Pam Benthin
Clerk Treasurer
info@newarkvalleyvillage.com
607-642-8686



PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT:

Hi everyone,

I will start by congratulating Scot Coombs on a 41-year career with the Village. Your skills, knowledge, and comradery will be missed. At the same time, I wish you a happy retirement Scot. You certainly have earned it.

You will see a fresh face when moving about the village. That new face belongs to Ben Wilson. Ben has worked for the village for a couple of weeks now. He has a great work ethic and is very eager to learn. Welcome him to the village if you have a moment.

Your DPW has been very busy with saving what we could out of the old barn, and we are starting the planning of the new barn. With the help of the office staff, and the village board of trustees, we are wading through the process of rebuilding. This unfortunately is a long process, but I assure you we are being very diligent at moving the process forward.

The warmer weather is finally here. Everyone is beginning to head outside to tackle their yards and gardens. Your DPW has switched gears as well. In the upcoming weeks you will see us repairing potholes, mowing, and resuming Tuesday brush pick up. Please have your lawn debris out to the curb by 6:00 am. Place your sticks and limbs parallel to the road. Please keep your stick length 6' or shorter. All small piece debris should be placed in paper bags (plastic bags will not be picked up or emptied), in trash cans or buckets, or on a tarp. No construction debris or garbage will be picked up on Tuesdays; pallets also will not be picked up.

I would like to remind everyone that you are creating a hazardous situation when you blow your grass and other lawn debris into the street. According to *New York State Vehicle and Traffic Law Sec. 1219: "Putting glass or other injurious substances on highway prohibited. (a) No person shall throw or*

deposit upon any highway any glass bottle, glass, nails, tacks, wire, cans, snow, or any other substance likely to injure any person, animal, or vehicle upon such highway. (b) Any person who drops, or permits to be dropped or thrown, upon any highway any destructive or injurious material or any material which interferes with the safe use of the highway shall immediately remove the same or cause it to be removed." Grass is also considered an injurious material if blown into the roadway, so please be mindful of this when mowing your lawns.

There are still some residents that have not sent pictures to us of their water service line where it enters the home. The pipe inventory is a living document that requires 100% participation from all residents. If you are capable of sending the pics by email please send them to this email address: NewarkValleyPipelineInventory@gmail.com. If you would like a DPW representative to help you, we will come to your residence and take the pictures for you. Please call the office at 607-642-8686 for an appointment.

I hope you have a safe and enjoyable summer,

DPW supervisor, Matt Seamans
dpw@newarkvalleyvillage.com
607-642-8700

Music and Mosaics

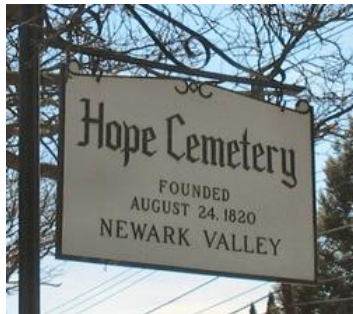
Our Mosaics class was a success! A good group gathered to create and enjoy each other's company. Our next event is a free community concert featuring Caviar & Grits at the Trout Ponds on July 11th from 6-8pm. Bring a lawn chair and some friends to enjoy their upbeat grooves that keep you dancing and singing along way after the show is over. So, join us for a night of fun on July 11th. We can't wait to see you there!





This project is made possible with funds from the Statewide Community Regrant program, a regrant program of the New York State Council on the Arts with support of the Office of the Governor and the New York State Legislature and administered by The ARTS Council of the Southern Finger Lakes.

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**HOPE
CEMETERY &
MAUSOLEUM**

The Hope Cemetery Board of Directors continues to strive to provide well maintained

grounds. Over time, it has become more challenging. Other than mowing, we do not have grounds keepers and it is up to the plot families to abide by the rules and regulations.

The cemetery rules are established to allow for mowing, maintenance, and respect for the appearance of the cemetery. The following is the short version of the **existing** rules and regulations:

- No new in-ground planting of shrubs and trees.
- Maintain existing graveside planting for overgrowth and damage to the gravestones.
- No fencing or structures of any type (stone, wire, wood, plastic, etc.).
- No glass containers or ornaments.
- No plastics flowers.
- No mulching or gravel around the stone.

- These are carry-in and carry-out grounds.
- Take away post seasonal and worn decorations in a timely manner.

THANK YOU for your cooperation and contribution to honor and respect those buried in our beautiful cemetery.

Sincerely,
Hope Cemetery BOD



TAPPAN SPAULDING LIBRARY:
Tappan-Spaulling Memorial Library

**P.O. Box 397, 6 Rock St.
Newark Valley, NY 13811
(607) 642-9960**

Library Hours:

Monday & Wednesday, Saturday: 9am – 2pm
Tuesday, Thursday: 1pm - 6pm

Happy Spring from Tappan-Spaulling Memorial Library!

We are very much ready for some sunshine and warmer weather and have already begun planning for a busy summer! Make sure you follow our Facebook and/or Instagram page to stay updated on all of the events happening this summer! While we await the summer months, check out our regular programs offered for kids and adults:

Children:

- StoryTime is on Mondays at 10am at the library! Bring your kiddos in for stories, crafts, and activities!
- LEGO Club: Bring the kids in and have them build their very own creation and then display it at the library for the month! Each month, there's a

drawing to win a small LEGO set. Come check it out!
The next LEGO Club will be Wednesday, May 13th at 6:30pm in the Noble Room.

Adult:

- Virtual Book Club: For May, we're reading and discussing *The School for Good Mothers* by Jessamine Chan. Check out the Facebook event for more info on upcoming book clubs.
- In Person Book Club: We now have an in person book club that is more like a book share. Everyone reads a book with a similar theme and then we meet up and share about our books! May's theme is "Cinco de Mayo" on Wednesday, 5/13, at 6:30pm at the Newark Valley Community Connection.
- Stitch and Chat: We have a small group of needlepointers, crocheters, and knitters that meet every other Thursday at 5pm at the library to work on their projects while socializing. Upcoming meet-up date is 5/21/26.
- Silent Service-A Submariner's Story Beneath the Surface: In the last newsletter, we mentioned that we now have a Submarine History exhibit donated by Gary L. Cornett SKC (SS), USN, Ret. Chief Cornett will be at the Newark Valley Community Connection on May 14th from 5-7pm for his presentation.

We now have a Friends of the Tappan-Spaulling Memorial Library group! For those unfamiliar, a Friends of the Library group is a non-profit, volunteer organization dedicated to supporting local libraries through fundraising, advocacy, and volunteerism. Their main purpose is to enhance library services, programs, and resources that are not covered by the regular operating budget. If you're interested in becoming a member, please stop by a meeting! They are typically held on the first Wednesday of the month at 6pm in the Noble Room. Follow them on Facebook: Friends of the Tappan-Spaulling Memorial Library, Inc.

Erin Chapman -Library Director
director@tsmlibrary.org
Website: tsmlibrary.org

Facebook: Tappan-Spaulling Memorial Library

Newark Valley Tillers & Toilers



Upcoming events for this summer include:

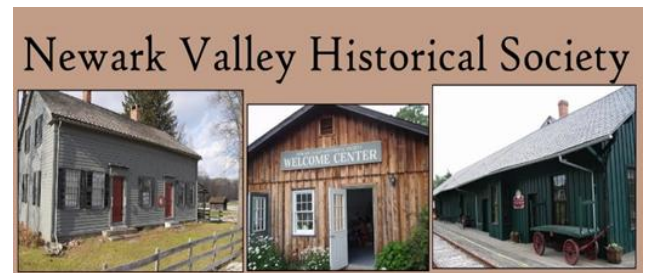
Plant Sale- Village Green, Saturday June 13th from 9am-12pm

Garden Tour -5 local gardens, Saturday, July 11th

Ice Cream Social- At the Depot, Sunday afternoon, August 23rd.

Please help us continue the Village beautification project by supporting these events.

Thank you,
Mary Ellen Odom



Bement-Billings Farmstead Museum:

9241 State Route 38, Newark Valley

Newark Valley Depot:

6 Depot St., Newark Valley

May 6 - Sept. 30 Old Hickory Long Guns: 2 PM- dark @ Farmstead's BP Range. Wed. League Shoot, each Wed. through Sept. 30. Range Officer Bona Bunnell: 607-770-1152, bonabunnell22@gmail.com.

May 16 Blacksmith Guild: 10-4 @ Farmstead. Every 3rd Sat. of the month through October. \$10/ year dues. Visitors and new members welcome! Doug Dayger: (607) 669-4489.

June 6 Benefit Auction: @ NV Fire Hall: Preview 11-12; Auction from 12 pm until completed. Refreshments available. Bring donated items to Farmstead's Herrick Barn from 10-2 on Sat. May 30. If unable to deliver,

contact office nvhistory@stny.rr.com or leave a message with your name & phone # at (607) 642-9516. We will try to arrange to pick up your items. (No used clothing or electronics.)

June 6 & 7 Shuttles & Spindles Guild: CNY Fiber Festival @ Herkimer County Fair Grounds, Frankfort, NY.

June 13 Shuttles & Spindles Guild: 10-2 @ Farmstead. Barb: Flax Spinning demo. You can bring flax to try. BYO lunch. New members welcome! Denise: 607-642-5568.

June 17 Cooking/Guides Guild: Wednesday Day Trip to Liverpool, NY. Willow Museum: history of local willow basket cottage industry, mid 1800's to early 1900's. Gleason Museum: restored mid-1800's Italianate architectural style home. (Possibly also a visit to the Salt Museum.) Reservations: Office: 607-642-9516; or Ginnie Wood 607-642-9974.

June 20 Blacksmith Guild: 10-4 @ Farmstead. Every 3rd Sat. of the month through October. \$10/ year dues. Visitors and new members welcome! Doug Dayger: (607) 669-4489.

July 4-Sept. 27 Bement-Billings House OPEN FOR TOURS & Gift Shop, each Sat. and Sun., 12- 4 PM.

July 11 "Shady Strong" Fundraiser @ Bement-Billings Farmstead. ALS Awareness, BBQ Competition & Music Festival. Details at www.shadystrong.org.

July 11 Shuttles & Spindles Guild: 10-2 @ Farmstead. Denise: Indigo Dyeing (the modern stuff). Bring small samples. BYO lunch. New members welcome! Denise: 607-642-5568.

July 18 Blacksmith Guild: 10-4 @ Farmstead. Every 3rd Sat. of the month through October. \$10/ year dues. Visitors and new members welcome! Doug Dayger: (607) 669-4489.

July 18 Cooking/Guides Guild: See us at the Berkshire Blueberry & Book Festival.

July 18 Berkshire Blueberry & Book Festival: 7 am-4 pm @ 12519 Route 38, at the corner of Jewett Hill Road. Pancakes, art show, live music, local authors, vendors, chicken BBQ, desserts, and blueberries!

July 25 Summerfest Car Show: 10-4 @ Depot. *Antique & Classic Cars and Trucks.* Free admission; refreshments

available. Prizes for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd in both cars and trucks. Come show your vehicle, or come for the fun of it! Register your vehicle: M. Kiechle, 607-642-8967.

July 25 Summerfest Concert: 6-8 PM @ Depot: *Randy Meritello & the Hop City Hellcats:* vintage country, honky tonk, blues. Free admission; refreshments available. Doors open 5 PM.



DEPOT FRIDAY NIGHTS

June 5 Depot Friday Nights: *The Tarps:* 7 piece band playing classic rock & roll; 7-9 PM @ NV Depot. Free. Doors open 6 PM. Refreshments available. Schedule: nvhistory.org. (607) 642-9516.

June 12 Depot Friday Nights: *Donna & the Country Mystics:* classic country by Dolly, Hank, Johnny; 7-9 PM @ NV Depot. Free. Doors open 6 PM. Refreshments available. Schedule: nvhistory.org. (607) 642-9516.

June 19 Depot Friday Nights: *Tom & Marie:* acoustic tunes from 60's & 70's; 7-9 PM @ NV Depot. Free. Doors open 6 PM. Refreshments available. Schedule: nvhistory.org. (607) 642-9516.

June 26 Depot Friday Nights: *The Stoutmen:* toe tapping Irish ballads and rebel songs; 7-9 PM @ NV Depot. Free. Doors open 6 PM. Refreshments available. Schedule: nvhistory.org. (607) 642-9516.

July 3 Depot Friday Nights: *Greg Neff:* music of the '60's & '70's; 7-9 PM @ NV Depot. Free. Doors open 6 PM. Refreshments available. Schedule: nvhistory.org. (607) 642-9516.

July 10 Depot Friday Nights: *Little Big Band:* 7-piece band plays swing, doo wop, rock & roll, pop; 7-9 PM @ NV Depot. Free. Doors open 6 PM. Refreshments available. Schedule: nvhistory.org. (607) 642-9516.

July 17 Depot Friday Nights: *Rick Pedro:* astonishing ragtime piano, patriotic, & modern classics; 7-9 PM @

NV Depot. Free. Doors open 6 PM. Refreshments available. Schedule: nvhistory.org. (607) 642-9516.

July 24 Depot Friday Nights: Pat Kane & West o'Clare: traditional, toe-tapping, Irish music; 7-9 PM @ NV Depot. Free. Doors open 6 PM. Refreshments available. Schedule: nvhistory.org. (607) 642-9516.

July 31 Depot Friday Nights: JazzHappensBand: Dixieland, blues, jazz; 7-9 PM @ NV Depot. Free. Doors open 6 PM. Refreshments available. Schedule: nvhistory.org. (607) 642-9516.

A Benefit Auction will be held **June 6** at the NV Fire Station from Noon until all items have been auctioned. Proceeds go to the NV Historical Society to help finance community programs. The auction will have a large variety of things, including: household goods; gift baskets, garden tools and accessories; hunting and fishing equipment and supplies; a large variety of antiques; golfing items; model trains and accessories; power tools and hand tools; furniture; and toys. There are many items, too many to list. There will be something that should interest you. Refreshments and beverages will be available.

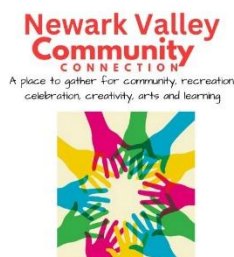


The Valley Quilters meet every other Wednesday from 10 am until 12 noon in the Noble Room of the Municipal Building in Newark Valley.

Our quilt group learns from each other while being active making quilts for our local Veterans and the Foster Care program, along with other items for the Meals on Wheels program, fire quilts for those needing them plus pillow cases for various groups.

Our next meeting will be Wednesday, May 13th, and anyone is welcome to come and join our meeting. For more information please call 607-223-4324 or 607-642-8839.

*Happy quilting,
The Valley Quilters*



Newark Valley Community Connection Summer Events & Community Update

At Newark Valley Community Connection, our mission is to create a welcoming space where community, connection, and opportunity thrive—while also helping spark economic vitality in our area.

We are also continuing to invest in the future of Newark Valley. In partnership with our local school district, we are actively working on trail development at Alexander Pond to expand outdoor recreation opportunities. At our facilities, we are making steady progress on building and grounds improvements, including driveway and parking enhancements along with drywall replacement and installation. These efforts are helping us expand usable space, with a particular focus on creating dedicated areas for youth programming, wellness activities, and community gathering. Looking ahead, we envision even more opportunities for multi-generational programming, expanded arts and wellness offerings, including Tai Kwon Do, and increased collaboration with local organizations and businesses. Thanks to your continued support, we are excited to share these events that we hope bring people together this spring and summer.

Events Schedule:

May 14 - 5:00 PM Silent Service: Submarine Presentation Join us for a unique and fascinating presentation by retired Navy CPO Gary Cornett, who

will share insights from his years of service (1966–1989). Learn about the evolution of submarines—from wartime to the Cold War to today—along with what life is like beneath the surface, special missions, and the future of submarine technology. This is a rare opportunity to hear firsthand stories from the “Silent Service.”

May 17 - 1:00 PM Dinner & 2:00 PM Valley Harmony Concert: Enjoy an afternoon of great food and uplifting music with one of our community’s favorite groups.

May 21- 6:30 PM Line Dancing with Red’s Line Dancing

June 7 - Sterling Silver Jewelry Workshop

June 8 - Monday Lunch featuring Sister Mary of Tioga County Rural Ministry

June 14 - Sunday Brunch (11 AM - 1 PM)

June 19 - Juneteenth & Summer Celebration: 4:00 PM Hot dogs and an ice cream social

June 27 - Special community youth theater in partnership with the Tappan Spaulding Memorial Library

July 12 - Sterling Silver Jewelry Workshop

July 13 - Monday Lunch with Ken Schneider of the Newark Valley Fire Department presenting on fire safety

July 25 - Summerfest 5K & Games: Starting at 8 AM at Trout Ponds Park, in coordination with Newark Valley Summerfest

We will also once again offer **Youth Summer Art Programs**, with dates to be announced soon.

Ongoing Programs

- **Tuesday Yoga** - 10:15 AM
- **Monthly Book Club** in Partnership with Tappan Spaulding Memorial Library
- **Sewing Club**-Dates Vary

Our work is powered entirely by volunteers—neighbors helping neighbors, sharing talents, and creating something meaningful together—real small town magic. If you’ve ever thought about getting involved, please! We invite you to join us. You don’t need special experience, just a willingness to be part of something good. There is a place for everyone here. We are deeply grateful to this community for

your ongoing support, participation, and generosity. You are what makes all of this possible.

For the latest updates, please follow us on Facebook and at our website and subscribe to our email list at newarkvalleycc.com.

Thank you kindly,
Catherine Aingworth Young

UP-COMING OFFICE CLOSURES:



Offices will be closed on **Monday, May 25th** for Memorial Day.



Offices will be closed on **Friday June 19th** for Juneteenth.

VILLAGE HOLIDAY SCHEDULE:

- NEW YEAR'S DAY
- MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DAY
- PRESIDENT'S DAY
- MEMORIAL DAY
- JUNETEENTH
- INDEPENDENCE DAY
- LABOR DAY
- COLUMBUS/INDIGENOUS PEOPLE'S DAY
- VETERANS DAY
- THANKSGIVING DAY & DAY AFTER
- CHRISTMAS DAY



**WHEN HOLIDAYS FALL ON A MONDAY
GARBAGE WILL BE COLLECTED ON
TUESDAY.**

**OFFICIAL VILLAGE
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MAYOR:
JOE MOONEY

DEPUTY MAYOR:
KATIE SACK

TRUSTEES:
JACKIE WANDELL
KEN GIBLIN
BILL FOSTER

DPW SUPERVISOR:
MATT SEAMANS

CLERK-TREASURER:
PAM BENTHIN

CODE ENFORCEMENT:
BILL STELL

Annual Drinking Water Quality Report for 2025
Village Newark Valley
PO Box 398 Newark Valley NY 13811
(Public Water Supply ID# NY5304407)

INTRODUCTION

To comply with State regulations, Village Newark Valley will be annually issuing a report describing the quality of your drinking water. The purpose of this report is to raise your understanding of drinking water and awareness of the need to protect our drinking water sources. Last year, your tap water met all State drinking water health standards. We are proud to report that our system did not violate a maximum contaminant level or any other water quality standards. This report provides an overview of last year's water quality. Included are details about where your water comes from, what it contains, and how it compares to State standards.

If you have any questions about this report or concerning your drinking water, please contact Matt Seamans, DPW Supervisor at 642-8700. We want you to be informed about your drinking water. If you want to learn more, please attend any of our regularly scheduled village board meetings. The meetings are held the second Tuesday of each month at the Municipal Building in the Noble Room at 6:30 pm.

WHERE DOES OUR WATER COME FROM?

In general, the sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activities. Contaminants that may be present in source water include microbial contaminants; inorganic contaminants; pesticides and herbicides; organic chemical contaminants; and radioactive contaminants. In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, the State and the EPA prescribe regulations which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. The State Health Departments and the FDA's regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water which must provide the same protection for public health.

Our water system serves over 1000 people through about 416 service connections. Our water source is 2 ground water wells. Well # 3 is located on Whig Street adjacent to the village barn and is about 120 feet down, well # 4 is located at the Trout Pond Park and has a depth of 150 feet. The water is treated with sodium hypochlorite solution to a minimum of 0.2 and a maximum of 4.0 ppm as a disinfectant prior to distribution and is stored in an aboveground concrete reservoir which provides 500,000 gallons of finished water for distribution.

Our source water's susceptibility to contamination is very minor because our one source aquifer is slow moving, and our wells are at a sufficient depth. Other than horizontal fracking (which is not allowed in New York) we have an in-ground fuel storage tank about 500 feet from the well head, but the tanks are continually monitored for leaks and the vast majority of salt is stored in concrete storage areas. We do not pump water from streams or shallow wells which is more likely for contamination.

ARE THERE CONTAMINANTS IN OUR DRINKING WATER?

As the State regulations require, we routinely test your drinking water for numerous contaminants. These contaminants include total coliform, turbidity, inorganic compounds, nitrate, nitrite, lead and copper, volatile organic compounds, total trihalomethanes, halo acetic acids, radiological and synthetic organic compounds. The table included within this report depicts which compounds were detected in your drinking water. The State allows us to test for some contaminants less than once per year because the concentrations of these contaminants do not change frequently. Some of our data, though representative, is more than one year old.

It should be noted that all drinking water, including bottled drinking water, may be reasonably expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791) or the Tioga County Health Department at 1-607-687-8600, or emailing them at Environmental.Health@tiogacountyny.gov.

Perfluorooctanoic acid(PFOA), Perfluorooctanesulfonic acid(PFOS), and 1,4 Dioxane(1,4-D)

PFOA, PFOS, and 1,4-D are relatively ubiquitous in the environment due to their historical widespread use and persistence. PFOA and PFOS have been used in a variety of consumer and industrial products as surface coatings and/or protectants because of their nonstick properties. Research further indicates that these compounds bioaccumulate in various organisms, including fish and humans. 1,4-D has been largely used as a solvent stabilizer for chemical processing but can also be found as a purifying agent in the manufacturing of pharmaceuticals as well as a contaminant in ethoxylated surfactants commonly used in consumer cosmetics, detergents, and shampoos. Research indicates that this chemical does not bioaccumulate in the food chain. For more information on PFOA, PFOS, and 1,4-D go to the DEC's water webpage at <https://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/290.html>. We are happy to inform you that our testing shows we have no violations and did not exceed the MCL set forth by the Health Department.

LEAD

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women, infants, and young children. It is possible that lead levels at your home may be higher than at other homes in the community because of materials used in your home's plumbing. The Village of Newark Valley is responsible for providing high quality drinking water but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (1-800-426-4791) or at <https://www.epa.gov/ground-water-and-drinking-water/basic-information-about-lead-drinking-water>.

TABLE OF DETECTED CONTAMINANTS

<u>Contaminant</u>	<u>Violation - Yes/No</u>	<u>Date of Sample</u>	<u>Level Detected (Avg/Max Range)</u>	<u>Unit Measurement</u>	<u>MCLG</u>	<u>Regulatory Limit (MCL, TT or AL)</u>	<u>Likely Source of Contamination</u>
COLIFORM 2 WELLS	NO	Monthly	Absence	n/a	n/a		Naturally present in the environment
LEAD **	NO	10/27/2025	0.0015	mg/L	0.0010	0.015	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits.
COPPER **	NO	10/27/2025	0.0921	mg/L	0.0250	1.3	Corrosion of household plumbing. runoff from fertilizer use.
NITRATE - WELL #3	NO	12/1/2025	1.2	mg/L	0.050		Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits.
NITRATE - WELL #4	NO	12/1/2025	1.18	mg/L	0.050		
DISINFECTION PRODUCTS* (HAA5)	NO	8/20/2024	<1.00	ug/L	2.0	80	
PRIMARY INORGANIC CHEMICALS *	NO	8/23/2023		mg/L			
SECONDARY INORGANIC CHEMICALS*	NO	8/23/2023					
PRINCIPAL ORGANIC CHEMICALS *	NO	8/23/2023					
BARIUM	NO	1/30/2023	0.031	mg/L		2	Discharge of drilling wastes
NICKEL	NO	1/30/2023	< 5.0	ug/L			
SYNTHETIC ORGANIC CHEMICALS *	NO	8/23/2023					
VOLATILE ORGANIC COMPOUNDS*							
<u>CHLOROFORM</u>							
WELL # 3	NO	1/30/2023	<.50	ug/L		80 ug/L	
WELL #4	NO	1/30/2023	<.50	ug/L		80 ug/L	
<u>BROMODICHLOROMETHANE</u>							
WELL # 3	NO	1/30/2023	<.50	ug/L		5.0 ug/L	
WELL #4	NO	1/30/2023	<.50	ug/L		5.0 ug/L	

<u>DIBROMOCHLORMETHANE</u>							
WELL #3		1/30/2023	< 0.50	ug/L		5.0 ug/L	
WELL # 4		1/30/2023	< 0.50	ug/L		5.0 ug/L	
<u>BROMOFORM</u>							
WELL # 3		1/30/2023	<.50	ug/L		2.0 ug/L	
WELL # 4		1/30/2023	<.50	ug/L		2.0 ug/L	
TOTAL TRIHALOMETHANES*	NO	8/23/2023	0.00256	mg/L		0.0005 mg/L	By-product of drinking water chlorination
RADIUM 226* WELL#3	NO	08/20/2024	0.880	pCi/L		5 pCi/L	
RADIUM 228* WELL#4	NO	12/1/2025	0.841	pCi/L		5 pCi/L	
GROSS ALPH* WELL#4	NO	12/1/2025	0.097	pCi/L		15 pCi/L	
PFOA WELL #3	NO	12/19/2025	< 1.94	ng/L		10 ng/L	Released into the environment from widespread use in commercial and industrial applications.
		12/19/2025	< 1.94	ng/L		10 ng/L	
PFOA WELL#4	NO	12/19/2025	< 1.86	ng/L		10 ng/L	
		12/19/2025	< 1.86	ng/L		10 ng/L	

* A complete breakdown of all tests are available at the Village office

** Average of the two highest levels or 90th percentile detected (all levels were below MCL)

This level represents the highest locational running annual average calculated from data collected.

2 – The level presented represents the 90th percentile of the 10 sites tested. A percentile is a value on a scale of 100 that indicates the percent of a distribution that is equal to or below it. The 90th percentile is equal to or greater than 90% of the copper values detected at your water system. In this case, ten samples were collected at your water system and the 90th percentile value was the <0.0050 value the action level for copper was not exceeded at any of the sites tested. All residents that participated in the lead and copper test were delivered a test result for their house to keep them informed.

Definitions:

- **Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL)**: The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible.
- **Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG)**: The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.
- **Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDL)**: The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.
- **Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal (MRDLG)**: The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contamination.
- **Action Level (AL)**: The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.
- **Treatment Technique (TT)**: A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.
- **Level 1 Assessment**: A Level 1 assessment is an evaluation of the water system to identify potential problems and determine, if possible, why total coliform bacteria have been found in our water system.
- **Level 2 Assessment**: A Level 2 assessment is an evaluation of the water system to identify potential problems and determine, if possible, why an *E. coli* MCL violation has occurred and/or why total coliform bacteria have been found in our water system on multiple occasions.
- **Non-Detects (ND)**: Laboratory analysis indicates that the constituent is not present.
- **Milligrams per liter (mg/l)**: Corresponds to one part of liquid in one million parts of liquid (parts per million - ppm).
- **Micrograms per liter (ug/l)**: Corresponds to one part of liquid in one billion parts of liquid (parts per billion - ppb).
- **Nanograms per liter (ng/l)**: Corresponds to one part of liquid to one trillion parts of liquid (parts per trillion - ppt).
- **Picograms per liter (pg/l)**: Corresponds to one part per of liquid to one quadrillion parts of liquid (parts per quadrillion – ppq).
- **Picocuries per liter (pCi/L)**: A measure of the radioactivity in water.
- **Millirems per year (mrem/yr)**: A measure of radiation absorbed by the body.
- **Million Fibers per Liter (MFL)**: A measure of the presence of asbestos fibers that are longer than 10 micrometers.

WHAT DOES THIS INFORMATION MEAN?

As you can see from the above table, our system had no violations. We have learned through our testing that some contaminants have been detected; however, these contaminants were detected below the level allowed by New York State.

IS OUR WATER SYSTEM MEETING OTHER RULES THAT GOVERN OPERATIONS?

During 2025, our system was in compliance with applicable State drinking water operating, monitoring and reporting requirements.

DO I NEED TO TAKE SPECIAL PRECAUTIONS?

Although our drinking water met or exceeded state and federal regulations, some people may be more vulnerable to disease causing microorganisms or pathogens in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer, undergoing chemotherapy, persons who

have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice from their health care provider about their drinking water. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by *Cryptosporidium*, *Giardia*, and other microbial pathogens are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791) and <https://www.epa.gov/laws-regulations/summary-safe-drinking-water-act>

WHY SAVE WATER AND HOW TO AVOID WASTING IT?

Although our system has an adequate amount of water to meet present and future demands, there are several reasons why it is important to conserve water:

- ◆ Saving water saves energy and some of the costs associated with both of these necessities of life.
- ◆ Saving water reduces the cost of energy required to pump water and the need to construct costly new wells, pumping systems and water towers; and
- ◆ Saving water lessens the strain on the water system during a dry spell or drought, helping to avoid severe water use restrictions so that essential firefighting needs are met.

You can play a role in conserving water by becoming conscious of the amount of water your household is using, and by looking for ways to use less whenever you can. It is not hard to conserve water. Conservation tips include:

- ◆ Automatic dishwashers use 15 gallons for every cycle, regardless of how many dishes are loaded. So, get a run for your money and load it to capacity.
- ◆ Turn off the tap when brushing your teeth.
- ◆ Check every faucet in your home for leaks. Just a slow drip can waste 15 to 20 gallons a day. Fix it and you can save almost 6,000 gallons per year.
- ◆ Check your toilets for leaks by putting a few drops of food coloring in the tank, watch for a few minutes to see if the color shows up in the bowl. It is not uncommon to lose up to 100 gallons a day from one of these otherwise invisible toilet leaks. Fix it and you save more than 30,000 gallons a year.

CLOSING

Thank you for allowing us to continue to provide your family with quality drinking water this year.. We ask that all our customers help us protect our water sources, which are the heart of our community. Please remember to call if you must dig anywhere near a water line, any damage done to the water system can be reflected in your water bill. If you have any questions, please feel free to call 607-642-8700, and I will try to answer any question I can.

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6:30PM

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