

# December eNewsletter

Lewis County Chamber of Commerce



## IT'S HOLIDAY SEASON!

We hope you enjoyed Small Business Saturday and that you continue to buy local this and every season. Find local gift giving guides and more in this final 2020 edition of our eNewsletter!

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**WELCOME!**

**To our new members!**



*Mindful Motivation*

## Mindful Motivation

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Lowville, NY 13367

mindfulmotivation2019@gmail.com

The goal of Mindful Motivation is to improve the quality of life in our community by cultivating an environment in which we focus on paying attention and being more present.



## Osceola Ski & Sport Resort

(315) 338-3638

1573 Osceola Road

Osceola, NY 13316

skiosceola.com

Cross Country Skiing Like Osceola Has  
Never Seen Before!

Great trails with many loops and diverse  
terrain to suit the needs of all skiers.  
Currently we have approximately 15KM to  
enjoy

# A Message from Our Chair

**Chamber Members,**

**Does anyone else feel like Lewis County has STEPPED UP it's small business game in the last few years?! Maybe I'm coming off of a bit of Small Business Saturday/Shop Local high, but this is exciting!**

**Farmhouse Boutique and West Martinsburg Merchantile may as well take all of my money. I LOVE you guys. PB& J...amazing. (unintentional, but side note: all women owned and/or operated). Osceola Ski Resort, incredible work and Chip and Joanna would be proud of the lodge. FARM STANDS!!!**

**Remember when renting VHS movies was a thing and you'd go to Showbiz Video in Lowville and they would have the staff picks labeled around the store? I'm going to do that over the next few months - have each Board Member give me their favorite businesses and reasons why. Sponsored by Tom Spaulding, State Farm. Stay tuned.**

**On a tangentially related note - it's a little known fact that the Chamber of Commerce has a couple of seats open on our Board. I'm very motivated to fill those seats with representatives from small businesses who are motivated to elevate the benefits we provide to our members. If that description fits you and you can spare a few hours a month, please give me a call.**

**Stay well,  
Cheyenne Steria  
Chair, Lewis County Chamber of Commerce**



# GRANTS & COMMUNITY OPPORTUNITIES IN LEWIS COUNTY

For descriptions and details on the individual funding available please go to:  
<https://adirondackstughill.com/grants-community-opportunities-available/>

**NY Main Street Program:** Deadline January 15th 2021

Funding Available:

**Technical Assistance Grants:** Up to \$20,000

**Streetscape Enhancement Grants:** Up to \$60,000

**Building Renovation Project Grant:** \$50,000 - \$500,000

**Downtown Stabilization Project:** \$100,000 - \$500,000

From the Office of Community Renewal



Mural installed in 2020

## Community Mural Initiative

Murals are a great way to beautify blank spaces and showcase a community's identity and history. Interested towns and villages can reach out to the Lewis County Chamber of Commerce for more information.

Contact: Kristen Aucter, 315-376-2213,  
[kristen@lewiscountychamber.org](mailto:kristen@lewiscountychamber.org)

From the Lewis County Chamber of Commerce

**Charge Ready NY:** Deadline Rolling Application

Funding Available: \$4,000 rebate per charging station

From NYSERDA

**Preservation Assistance Grants for Smaller Institutions:** Deadline January 14th, 2021

Funding Available: Up to \$10,000

From National Endowment for the Humanities

**LEAD Impact Grant Program:** Deadline TBD 2021

Funding Available: Up to \$25,000

From the NNY Community Foundation, serving Jefferson, Lewis and St. Lawrence County

**Safe Schools Endeavor Fund:** Deadline TBD 2021

Funding Available: \$1,000 - \$2,500

From the NNY Community Foundation, serving Jefferson, and Lewis County

*Shop. Eat. Enjoy.*  
**LOCAL**  
**LEWIS COUNTY**

**Small Business Saturday was  
November 21st in Lewis County!**

**Thank you to everyone who came to visit our new office  
on the 21st!**

**We were happy to see you and to give you a tour of our  
new location.**

**Thank you to everyone who went out to shop locally on  
November 21st and more for any of their holiday needs!**

**If you missed out on visiting us for our Open House on the 21st  
- you're welcome to stop by any time! Our office is open  
Monday-Friday from 9am-4pm.**

**We have wonderful ADK Tug Hill Merchandise available in our  
store (a perfect local gift!) as well as complimentary local  
ornaments and kids t-shirts!  
We look forward to your visit!**

# SHOP LOCAL THIS AND EVERY SEASON



There are many reasons to shop locally, including but not limited to - money spent locally, stays local.

Our favorite reason to shop local is the wonderful variety and talent that we have available here in Lewis County. We have boutiques, hardware stores, florists, local producers, local crafters, jewelers, engravers, and so much more in all corners of our county. Whether you're in Harrisville, Port Leyden, Croghan, or Lowville there are plenty of places with wonderful things for you and your loved ones.

We know our businesses have our community in mind and are looking forward to your business this and every season.

If you're not sure what you can get locally - or where to get it locally - we have plenty of wonderful local suggestions for you!

Whether it's what to buy where, or if it's for dad, or for your favorite coffee lover, come take a look at our local gift giving guides!



*You can find our Local Gift Giving Guides at  
<https://adirondackstughill.com/local-gift-guides/>*



We have also included a general list of suggestions below - and don't forget you can always grab a gift card if you're not certain on what precisely someone would like!

# Local Gift Giving Guide



*We've got great suggestions on where to buy your holiday gifts locally this year!*

## *Home Decor*

the Farmhouse Boutique  
Amish Connection  
Blue Bird Candle Co.  
Colwell's Farm and Garden Market  
West Martinsburg Mercantile

## *Restaurants*

Jeb's Restaurant  
Gary's Restaurant  
Josh's Riverside Restaurant  
PB&J Cafe  
Lloyd's of Lowville  
Brick Oven Inn  
Steak n' Brew  
Rusty P's  
Boondocks Restaurant & Bar  
Cottage Inn  
Cross Roads Tavern  
Get it & Go  
Montague Inn  
Myer's Towpath Restaurant and Lodge  
New York Pizzeria  
Stefano's Pizzeria  
Tug Hill Hook & Ladder  
Tuggers

## *Clothing*

Lowville Farmers Co-Op  
Harrisville Hardware

## *Wellness*

Drift Day Spa  
Mary Kay - Michelle Parks LaBrake  
Open Sky

## *Local Food - Food & Wine*

Lowville Cheese Store  
Parkway Liquors  
Silver Sap Maple  
Tug Hill Vineyards  
Autumn Ridge Goat Farm  
Cedar Hedge Goat Farm  
Cummings Farm Creamline Milk  
Hidden Pastures Dairy  
Sterling Valley Maple  
Sugar Hollow Maple  
Tug Hill Artisan Roasters

## *Local Food - Meat*

Adirondack Beef Company  
Croghan Meat Market  
Eddie's Meat Market  
Millers Meat Market  
Red Barn Meats

## *Personalized Gifts*

Lisk's Florals  
Mag's Creations  
Keith Young Knives & Engraving  
Sunnycrest Flowers

## *Local Goodies*

Hopenhagen Farm  
Cliffs Local Market  
Monnat's Country Store  
Oswegatchie Camp Store

## *Outdoor*

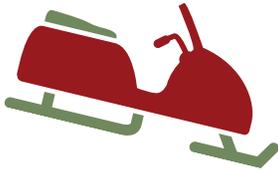
Buckingham Hardware  
Lowville Sport and Farm  
Steele's Ace Home Center  
Keystone Lumber  
Snow Ridge Ski Resort  
Osceola Ski & Sport Resort

# LEWIS COUNTY WINTER BUCKET LIST



WEAR A CHRISTMAS SWEATER

EAT A SNOWFLAKE



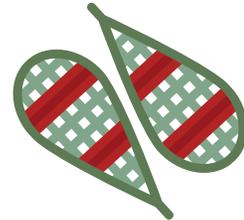
GO SNOWMOBILING

GO TUBING AT SNOW RIDGE SKI RESORT



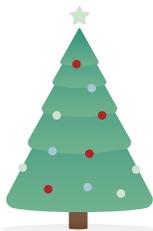
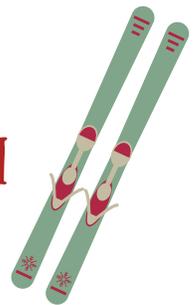
GET A HOT CHOCOLATE AT PB&J CAFE

GO SNOWSHOEING



DECORATE A GINGERBREAD HOUSE!

GO CROSSCOUNTRY SKIING AT OSCEOLA SKI



DECORATE A CHRISTMAS TREE



**PROGRESS  
INDUSTRIES**  
UTICA · MARCY · LOWVILLE



## PLEASE HELP US ***Raise the Roof!***

*The Arc, Oneida-Lewis is hosting a capital campaign to purchase a new roof at our Progress Industries building on Forest Ave. in Lowville. Our roof isn't equipped to handle many more north country winters, and repairs are no longer an option. Costs to replace a roof on a structure that size is significant, especially for a non-profit organization such as ours.*

### **WHY SUPPORT THE ARC?**

Progress Industries provides employment opportunities in an inclusive working environment for people with developmental disabilities through contracted work with local and national companies. Helping us helps keep people in our community working in safe, familiar surroundings.

### **WE'RE ON OUR WAY.**

The Cloudsplitter Foundation has generously committed a matching grant of \$25,000 in support of this project! That means we need to raise another \$25,000 in our community. We humbly ask for your help.

### **MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT WORK.**

The more people who give to this campaign, the more significant the impact will be! For example - a gift of \$25 or more adds up when everyone gets involved. Give what you can. No contribution is too small.

### **ONE COMMUNITY, ONE FAMILY, ONE HEART.**

We're calling on our community to come together to help our own, as we have done so many times before. Every dollar raised through this campaign supports your friends, family, and neighbors here in Lewis County. This project will have us all talking proudly!



### **HOW TO GIVE**

**MAIL YOUR CHECK TO:**  
The Arc, Oneida-Lewis  
*Raise The Roof Campaign*  
245 Genesee Street  
Utica, NY 13501

**GIVE ELECTRONICALLY:**  
Through our website:  
**THEARCOLC.ORG**



### **Help Improve Internet Access in Lewis County!**

Are you tired of slow internet? Are your kids having trouble with their virtual learning connection? Are you having trouble working from home because of your internet access? Do you even *have* internet service where you live?

This is your opportunity to be part of the solution! Lewis County leaders are taking matters into their own hands and want to know exactly where broadband (high-speed internet) access is lacking in the county so they can take steps to fix it. All Lewis County residents and businesses are being asked to fill out a quick and confidential survey about internet access and affordability:  
[www.lewiscountybroadband.com](http://www.lewiscountybroadband.com).

The information gathered through the survey will be mapped, showing the locations in the county that are unserved or underserved by high-speed internet access, paving the way for targeted solutions. This project, sponsored by Lewis County and the Development Authority of the North Country, is not like past attempts at improving access in the county. This two-pronged approach – an on-the-ground inventory of existing cables, fiber, etc. and the survey – will provide cold, hard data that can be used in grant applications to enhance broadband in the county. It will also help the Development Authority determine where to best invest in broadband resources.

Access to affordable broadband (high-speed internet) is not a luxury anymore, it's necessary for students to be able to learn from home, for parents to be able to work from home, for people to be able to utilize telemedicine and to attract economic development to Lewis County. Let's take this matter into our own hands – be part of the solution and take a minute to complete the survey: [www.lewiscountybroadband.com](http://www.lewiscountybroadband.com). You can access the survey from any computer or mobile device with internet access. If you don't have access to a computer, check with your local library about current operating hours and library use restrictions. If you have questions about this project, call the county planning department at 315-376-5422.



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# Thank You for Reading!

## Stay Safe & Healthy

Lewis County Chamber of Commerce

**Your Future is Not on Hold**  
**Prepare Now for**  
**Your Dream**  
**Job!**



**Register Today!**  
[sunyjefferson.edu/register](http://sunyjefferson.edu/register)  
315-786-2437



Winter classes begin Dec. 21 and Jan. 4  
Spring semester classes begin Jan. 25