

AREA NEWS

Giving Honor

Boys & Girls Club Recognizes Edith Bensink For Exceptional Service

The Winifred Crawford Dibert Boys & Girls Club of Jamestown recently held its annual dinner and awards program, recognizing board members and officers for their dedication and service to youth.

Rex McCray, club president, expressed appreciation to the entire board for dedication of time and effort as well as commitment to the club's mission through committee work, fundraising and special projects throughout 2015.

Tory Irgang, United Way executive director, thanked the club board and staff for their dedication to providing the structure and support system for hundreds of youth and families in the community.

Board officers continuing terms of service in 2016 include President Rex McCray, Vice President Douglas Nelson, Secretary Rhonda Johnson,

Treasurer Edith Bensink and Assistant Treasurer Gary Loll.

Bensink was recognized with the 2015 Exceptional Service to Youth Award, the local club's highest honor presented to a board member each year.

McCray noted that "Edie Bensink has been a quiet but powerful force in promoting the Boys & Girls Club mission throughout the financial community for over 35 years. Her dedication to ensuring the future of this organization is beyond comparison."

In addition to the officers noted above, board members continuing to serve with the organization are Ronald Basile, Kristine Brombacher, Kenneth Brown, Bruce Dudgeon, Richard Farrell, Lori McGowan, Christine Melice, Mark Nelson, JoAnne Ottoson, and Susan Stancombe.



Pictured from left are Rex McCray, Winifred Crawford Dibert Boys & Girls Club of Jamestown Board president, and Edith T. Bensink, 2015 Exceptional Service to Youth Award recipient.

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'Capturing A Moment In Time' Is Focus Of Audubon Photo Club Meeting

Two local photographers will be the guest speakers at the next Jamestown Audubon Nature Photography Club meeting.

On Thursday at 6:30 p.m. Patricia Bellardo and Stephen Garvey will display and discuss their images as part of their mission of capturing a moment in time for others to enjoy. Garvey has photographed team sports as well as nature and has taken some bird photos. Bellardo photographs people as well as nature. Both will be sharing their works and their philosophy of capturing images. Although they are independent photographers with differing approaches to their compositions, they both focus on telling a story. They have been together for 14 years and look forward to sharing and talking about their work.

For more information on the presenters, visit them online at www.stevegarveyphoto.com and patbellardophotos.com.

An illustrated presentation on an introduction to layers as used in color and

contrast adjustments in Photoshop Elements will be in the 15-minute tech portion of the meeting.

The topics for image review that begins the meeting are "Images created using 'Contemplative Photography,'" which was covered at the March meeting, and "First signs of spring."

A social time follows the program.

First-time visitors are welcome to participate free of charge. The annual membership is \$30. Among the benefits of membership are discounts on photography classes, field trips and the right to show photos at club exhibits.

The Jamestown Audubon Nature Photography Club meets at the Audubon Nature Center, 1600 Riverside Road, one-quarter mile east of Route 62 between Jamestown and Warren. For more information, call Cathy Abers-Kimball, club president, at 664-3707 daytime or email cathy@2ndlookgraphics.com. More information is also available at jasphoto-club.wordpress.com.



Patricia Bellardo and Stephen Garvey will be the guest speakers at the Audubon Nature Photography Club meeting Thursday. The photographers are pictured on a photo trip to Alaska.

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Schneiderman Announces Implementation Of I-STOP Program

NEW YORK — Eric T. Schneiderman, New York attorney general, noted the recent full implementation of the Internet System for Tracking Over-Prescribing Act (I-STOP).

The final piece of the I-STOP law provides for a universal system of e-prescribing for most prescriptions issued in New York state.

"New York's historic I-STOP law has transformed the way our state is fighting the scourge of opiate addiction. Paper prescriptions had become a form of criminal currency that could be traded even more easily than the drugs themselves,"

Schneiderman said. "That's why, when I authored the I-STOP law, one of my main goals was to reduce the value of stolen or forged paper prescriptions. The first major phase — the secure online database to prevent doctor-shopping and improve physician knowledge — has already been widely hailed as a success since its inception in late 2013. By moving to a system of e-prescribing we can curb the incidence of these criminal acts and also reduce errors resulting from misinterpretation of handwriting on good faith prescriptions."



The Falconer Public Library has a newly renovated children's corner.

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Renovation Of Children's Area At The Falconer Public Library

FALCONER — The Falconer Public Library Board members and staff encourage people to stop in and see the newly renovated children's corner.

The library has laminated the tops on the bookshelves, added window soffits, new bookshelves and a bookcase shaped like a boat with donations from patrons in memory of Lucian L. Lodestro, local attorney.

The family also donated monies

that added a new table for the children and a large 3-D wall tree along with woodland birds, animals and fishing items.

As time goes on, more will be added to this nature theme. Cole Craft Inc. designed and created the whole new area.

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