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Ulysses Updates for 7/28/23

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Hello Ulysses,
See updates for this week below and enjoy your weekend!

IN THIS WEEK'S ULYSSES NEWSLETTER:

- Extended Swimming Hours at State Parks
- New Consumer Protection Dept.
- Planning Board Meeting
- Health Dept. Announcements
- Spamalot Theatre Production
- County Updates
- Dog Census

STATE PARKS OPEN LATER FOR SWIMMING:

[Governor Kathy Hochul announced Wednesday](#) that the Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation will offer extended hours at State swimming facilities during the current heat wave as a way to help New Yorkers beat the heat. The extended hours will begin Thursday and continue through Saturday at select locations. This follows the Governor's [announcement](#) of forecasted dangerous heat and high heat indices throughout the state.

Locally, the following parks will extend hours to 8pm in their swimming areas:

- Taughannock Falls State Park
- Robert H. Treman State Park
- Buttermilk Falls State Park

INTRODUCING: NYS DIVISION OF CONSUMER PROTECTION:

The New York Department of State is home to the [Division of Consumer Protection](#), ([DCP](#)) which **Protects, Educates** and **Advocates** for New York residents. The DCP is here to help you. Learn how we:

Protect New Yorkers by providing direct assistance and mediation to resolve marketplace complaints.

Educate and empower residents with live presentations, consumer alerts, product recall highlights and valuable tools and resources.

Advocate for new laws and regulatory changes to keep you safe and protect your wallet.

PLANNING BOARD MEETING:

The Planning Board will hold a public meeting on Tuesday, August 1st starting at 7:00 PM, please [see the agenda](#) for more information.

The public may join in person at Town Hall (10 Elm St., Trumansburg) or via Zoom at:

<https://zoom.us/j/96593175470>

Meeting ID: 965 9317 5470

TOMPKINS COUNTY WHOLE HEALTH DEPT. ANNOUNCEMENTS:**RECALLED: CUPKIN Double-Walled Stainless Steel Children's Cups**

These products are being recalled because they contain levels of lead that exceed the federal lead content ban, posing a lead poisoning hazard to children. Learn more about this recall online at: <https://www.cpsc.gov/Recalls/2023/Soojimus-Recalls-CUPKIN-Stainless-Steel-Childrens-Cups-Due-to-Violation-of-Federal-Lead-Content-Ban-Recall-Alert>

Consumers should immediately take the recalled products away from children and stop using them. Contact [Soojimus](#) for a full refund. Soojimus and Amazon are contacting all known purchasers directly.

Consider [testing children for lead exposure](#) from these and other sources.

Lead is a toxic substance present in our environment. Exposure to lead can cause lead poisoning. Infants, young children and the developing fetus can be affected by chronic exposure to amounts of lead that may not result in obvious symptoms of lead poisoning.

For additional information about lead exposure and testing, visit: <https://www.tompkinscountyny.gov/health/lead>

Beaver at First Dam and Mulholland Wildflower Preserve Confirmed to Have Rabies

The beaver involved in multiple bite incidents at the First Dam and [Mulholland Wildflower Preserve](#) on Giles Street in the City of Ithaca was confirmed by the Wadsworth Laboratory to be infected with the rabies virus.

Tompkins County Environmental Health must locate and interview anyone who may have had contact with, or whose pets may have had contact with, a beaver at the First Dam or Mulholland Wildflower Preserve within the past week, as they should be evaluated for any potential risk. This includes those walking dogs in the area.

Rabies is a potentially fatal disease that has no treatment once symptoms are apparent. Please call EH directly at 607-274-6688, or email tceh@tompkins-co.org.

Additionally, the public is advised to avoid the area while the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYS DEC) searches for other beavers with signs of illness or aggression.

Healthy beavers generally avoid all human contact and rarely approach humans, unless the humans approach dams, dens, or their offspring. Rabid animals may stagger, stumble or have difficulty walking, show severe aggression, appear unusually tame, attack or bite at the air or inanimate objects, or be too sick to move away from approaching humans or pets. Infected animals can shed the virus for several days before appearing sick. Report any suspicious behavior, contact or bites to EH (607-274-6688).

Tompkins County Whole Health reminds everyone to:

1. Avoid contact with any unfamiliar cats or dogs and any wild animals.
2. All cats, dogs and ferrets must have initial rabies vaccinations administered no later than four months of age. Keep vaccinations current.
3. Report the following incidents to Environmental Health, 24/7, at 607-274-6688:
 - All animal bites or scratches.
 - Any human or pet contact with saliva or other potentially infectious material (brain tissue, spinal tissue, or cerebro-spinal fluid) of wild animals or any animal suspected of having rabies.
 - All bat bites, scratches, or any mere skin contact with a bat, or a bat in a room with a child, or sleeping or impaired person.

Further information can be found at: tompkinscountyny.gov/health/eh/rabies

THEATRE PRODUCTION:

Encore Players Community Theatre of Trumansburg proudly presents Monty Python's SPAMALOT! Book and Lyrics by Eric Idle, music by John Du Prez & Eric Idle.

This zany musical adaptation of Monty Python and the Holy Grail is sure to tickle all your funny bones! Come see your friends and neighbors sing, dance and act in this one-of-a-kind musical comedy:

July 28, 29 at 7pm, July 30 at 3pm
August 3, 4, 5 at 7pm, August 6 at 3pm

At the Arena Theatre at Loch Ridge Farm, 9706 Congress Street Extension, Trumansburg, NY

Tickets- \$23.00, available at: encoreplayers.org or eventbrite.com (search for Encore Players)

TOMPKINS COUNTY UPDATES:

Public Input Needed on Development of Strategic Operations Plan

Tompkins County has launched its first ever Strategic Operations Plan process to outline clear goals and objectives while setting a direction for the organization's future.

Share your ideas on: sustainability and natural resources, economic opportunity and workforce development, community well-being and social services, transportation and mobility, and public safety. There's also a community survey asking for your perception of the County and its services, including what we do well and what improvements could be made.

<https://berrydunn.mysocialpinpoint.com/tompkins-county-strategic-plan/>

Democracy Fest

The Tompkins Office of Human Rights, in partnership with Southside Community Center and Rejoice the Vote, will hold [Democracy Fest](#) on Sunday, August 6, in honor of the anniversary of the passage of the Voting Rights Act in 1965. The NY State Senate has passed a [bill](#) to commemorate the date. Join in for a celebration of what we have accomplished and a call to action to ensure voting rights for all.

Order of events:

- 2pm- Meet on the Ithaca Commons at the MLK, Jr sculpture
- 2:10pm- Begin March to Southside Community Center
- 2:30pm- Speakers, entertainment and free Ben & Jerry's ice cream at Southside (305 S Plain St, Ithaca, NY 14850)

Conference on the Environment 2023

[TC Environmental Management Council \(EMC\)](#) and [NYS Association of Conservation Commissions \(NYACC\)](#) present the [2023 New York State Conference on the Environment](#).

The conference is a combination of virtual and in-person. Sessions include topics on water, biodiversity, and climate policies, with field trips in the Ithaca area.

Those who volunteer can participate at no charge.

To learn more and to register, visit <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/nysacc-conference-on-the-environment-2023-tickets-663052667377?aff=oddtcreator>

DOG CENSUS- STILL TIME TO LICENSE YOUR DOG:

The town is conducting a town-wide dog census and needs your help...

- **If you DO NOT have a dog**, please respond at <https://forms.gle/PmQ49SPsvESGZind9> so that we can eliminate you from our mailing list.
- **If you DO have a dog that does not yet have a license**, complete the form at https://townofulyssesny.gov/_cms/docs/Dog-license-form-2022.pdf and return along with rabies/spay information.

Any dogs found to be unlicensed after the census period will be assessed a **\$25 fee** in addition to the usual licensing fees. For information, contact the clerk's office at ulysses.clerk@gmail.com or call (607)387-5767 ext. 221.

Thanks for your help!

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Best,

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Hours: M-F, 10am-3pm (or by appointment)

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