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**Membership Packet**

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## Cape Vincent Chamber of Commerce 2026 Membership Drive

The 2026 Membership Drive for the Cape Vincent Chamber of Commerce is in full swing! We invite all businesses, organizations, and individuals to join or renew their membership and be part of our growing community network.

This year, we're continuing to offer enhanced opportunities for businesses that wish to be showcased at a more prominent level through Chamber promotions and events.

The Chamber of Commerce remains committed to highlighting our local businesses and celebrating the Cape Vincent Community.

We look forward to partnering with you in the year ahead!

For more information, please contact the Cape Vincent Chamber of Commerce  
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# WHAT'S HAPPENING

## NEWSLETTER

January 2026

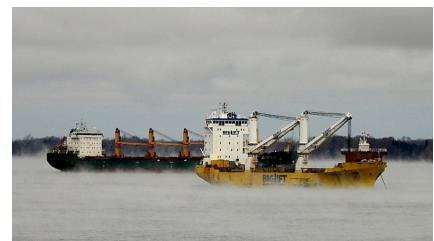
The Carleton Island Federal Anchorage is a designated maritime zone located in the St. Lawrence River near Cape Vincent, New York. Officially established by the U.S. Coast Guard in July 2018, the anchorage was primarily created to improve safety and traffic flow in the Thousand Islands region.

Its main functions include serving as a Pilot Wait Zone, providing a safe area for bulk freight ships, tankers, and tugs to wait for a pilot to come aboard. This helps manage the queue of commercial ships traveling to and from the St. Lawrence River and Lake Ontario.

While the locks remain operational, significant end-of-season restrictions and draft issues have increased usage of the anchorage. Recently, as many as seven ships at a time have remained in the anchorage for several days each between Christmas and New Year's.

Since Christmas Eve, there have been as many as 7 ships at anchor between Carleton and Linda Island.

by Dennis & Kathi McCarthy



## Clayton Food Sense

A program of the Food Bank of Central New York. Christ Episcopal Church. 235 John Street, Clayton. Orders are accepted by phone (315)686-3703 or in person. Cash, Credit Card, EBT and SNAP accepted.

ONLINE ORDERS: <https://foodsense.foodbankcny.org>

# HAPPENINGS AT A GLANCE

January 2026

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**Deadline for the February Issue  
will be January 25th**

**January 3- Poets & Writers Group- , Cape Vincent Library**

**January 4-Captain Jerry's Tiki Bar last day open until warmer weather returns**

**January 6- Water Color Painting, , Cape Vincent Library**

**January 11-Lions Club Breakfast, 8-10am, Cape Vincent Rec. Park**

**January 13-Water Color Painting, , Cape Vincent Library**

**January 13-Legionnaires Meeting, 6.30pm, CV Legion Post 832**

**January 20-Water Color Painting, , Cape Vincent Library**

**January 21-Free Community Lunch, 12pm, St. Vincent Catholic Church**

**January 23-History Buffs, 10am, Cape Vincent Library,**

**January 24- Poets & Writers Group- , Cape Vincent Library**

**Januar25-Robbie Burns Night, Salute To Haggis and Poetry with Dan and Mary Flanigan, 5-7pm, The Little Book Store.**

**Januar27-Water Color Painting, , Cape Vincent Library**

**January 27-Pittsburgh Arts and Lecture Series - "Padma's All American: A Cookbook"**  
1pm, Cape Vincent Library

**January 30-Pittsburgh Arts and Lecture Series - "Padma's All American: A Cookbook"**  
1pm, Cape Vincent Library

**January 31-Chocolate Making Class with Ed Ponto, 1pm, Cape Vincent Library**

**2025 Cape Vincent Town/Village  
Municipal Holidays  
(Offices/Transfer Site closed, Village  
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Monday Holidays to following day)**

The Transfer Site is located at 32777 Wilson Rd. in Cape Vincent. Call (315) 654-4734.

**October 1-March 31 Winter Hours: Tues., Fri. & Sat 9-4**  
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EXT 1: Supervisor (Town Water): Monday-Thursday. 8:30 am-12 pm/1-4 pm; Friday, 9am- 12pm.

EXT 2: Town Clerk/Tax Collector: Monday- Thursday, 7 am-3 pm; Friday, 8 am- 12 pm

EXT 3: Assessor: Tuesday & Thursday , 10 am-12 pm & 1 pm-4 pm

EXT 4: Transfer Station

EXT 5: Highway Superintendent

EXT 6: Court/Judges: Tuesday evenings, 4 pm

EXT 7: Zoning Officer: Friday, 8 am-12 pm or by appt.

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Village Clerk/Zoning Office (315)654-2533

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## What's Happening in Cape Vincent

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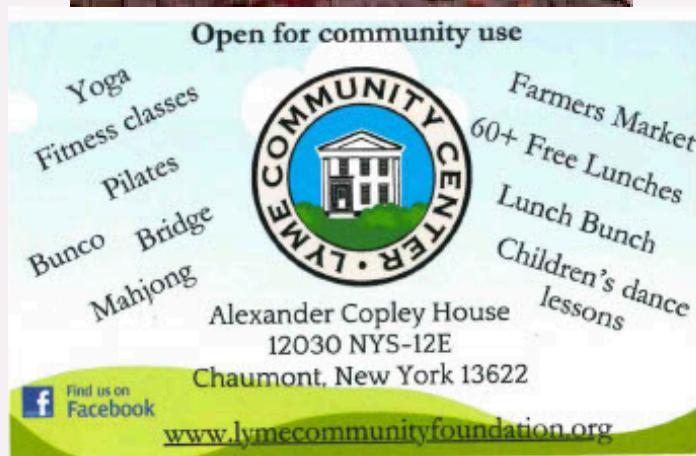
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# HAPPENINGS AT A GLANCE

## PADMA'S ALL AMERICAN A Cookbook

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# TIDBITS FROM THE TOWN

Many of our community members rely on the What's Happening newsletter to stay informed about local activities. In that same spirit, we are pleased to join the Mayor in sharing updates that help keep everyone aware of what's going on at the Town Offices.

Following the November elections, there were several changes in your Town's elected leadership. On behalf of the Town Board, I would be remiss if I did not recognize our outgoing Town Supervisor, Paul Aubertine, and our outgoing Town Clerk, Michelle Bouchard, for their many years of dedicated public service. Michelle has earned a well-deserved retirement, and Paul will continue serving the community through his work on the dairy farm and his ongoing involvement in local activities. We thank them both sincerely for their commitment to our Town.

Your new Town Board was officially installed on January 1st during a brief ceremony at the Town offices, and wasted no time getting to work. Immediate priorities include the next phase of Water District No. 7, managing three open New York State waterfront revitalization grants, and several staffing adjustments. The Board's initial focus will be on streamlining processes, improving communication, and information sharing, both internally and with the community.

To help manage the workload and ensure informed decision-making, each Council member will serve as a liaison and subject-matter lead in specific areas. This approach is intended to keep both the Board and residents well informed and engaged.

As the new Town Supervisor, I plan to hold regular office hours Tuesday through Thursday, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., with evening appointments available as needed. Please feel free to contact the Town Office if you would like to meet individually to discuss Town business or ongoing activities.

Our regularly scheduled Town Board meetings will continue to be held on the third Thursday of each month, with work sessions on the first Thursday. Please note that the meeting time will now begin at 6:00 p.m.

## The 2025 Town Board

- Christine Stark – Town Supervisor
- Patty Bach – Deputy Town Supervisor (appointed)
- Dan Wiley – Councilman

(Liaison: School Board, Youth Commission, Recreation Park, and LWRP Grant)

- Ron Jacobs – Councilman  
(Ambulance Committee Liaison)
- Mary Farrell – Councilwoman  
(Local Development Corporation Liaison)
- Bill Gould – Councilman  
(Planning and Zoning Board Liaison)

We are also pleased to welcome a familiar face into a new role. Shannon Featherly, formerly Deputy Town Clerk, has stepped into the position of Town Clerk. She is already hard at work overseeing the secure collection and processing of Town taxes. We appreciate your patience as she manages this critical responsibility while transitioning into her new role. Shannon is also actively seeking a replacement for the Deputy Clerk position—please watch the local papers and the Town website for vacancy announcements.

Congratulations as well to Bill Pond, who ran unopposed and continues his service as Highway Superintendent. His crews faced an early start to winter this year, with significant plowing, salting, and sanding efforts in November and December. We kindly remind residents to keep roadways clear of parked vehicles and debris so crews can work safely during limited visibility and often hazardous conditions.

These are exciting times for our community. The Town Board looks forward to serving as your representatives and working together with residents in the months ahead.

## Supervisor Christine Stark



# MULTI-MEETINGS

**First Mondays:** Legion Auxillary Meeting, 5 pm, Legion Hall

**Third Mondays:** Chamber of Commerce Board Meetings, 6pm, at the Chamber of Commerce

Sons of the American Legion Meetings, 6pm, Legion Hall

**First Tuesdays:** Cape Vincent Improvement League, 6 pm, Community House on Market Street. Open to the public. For more info., see CVIL on Facebook.

**First & Third Tuesdays:** Knights of Columbus, 7:30 pm, Rosiere K of C Hall.

**Second & Fourth Tuesdays:** Village of Cape Vincent Trustee Meeting, 5:30 pm, Village Offices.

**Third Tuesdays:** Cape Vincent Arts Council, 4 pm at Recreation Park, Guests are welcome to attend.

**First & Third Wednesdays:** (Exc. Jun-Aug): Lions Club of Cape Vincent, 6:30 pm, American Legion Hall. Info: (315)654-4266.

**Second Wednesdays:** The Cape Vincent Joint Fire District Board of Commissioners holds monthly meetings at 7 pm in the Cape Vincent Fire Hall, E. Broadway.

**Third Wednesdays:** Fire Department Auxillary Meetings, 7pm, Cape Vincent Fire Department

**Wednesdays:** Cape Vincent Quilting Chix, 9 am-4 pm, Recreation Park Hall; Cathy (315) 501-4301.

**Third Thursdays**-Cape Vincent Library Board Meetings, 4pm Cape Vincent Library

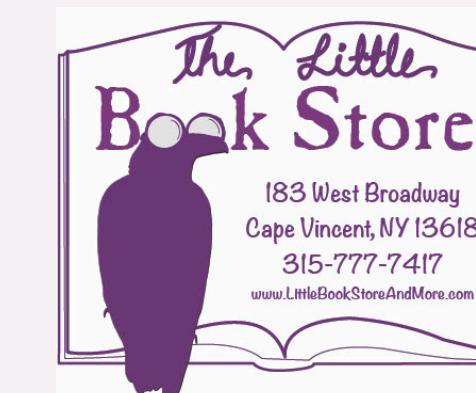
**Fourth Thursdays:** Friends of the Library, 4pm, Cape Vincent Community Library

**Second Thursdays:** Cape Vincent Local Development Corporation monthly meeting, 5:30pm, Recreation Park.

**Third Thursdays:** Town Board Meetings

**Fridays:** AA Meetings, 7 pm, United Church, E.Broadway, Use last door on drive.

**Sundays:** Queen of Hearts drawings, 3pm, at John C Londraville American Legion



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# MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS

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**John C. Londraville American Legion Post 832**, Cape Vincent-Chaumont-Three Mile Bay is collecting REDEEMABLE cans & bottles for their Education Fund for Scholarships. Individuals can leave their "rinsed" bottles and cans in the Pavillion behind the Legion in Cape Vincent. Doug Putnam is the organizer of this event. If you have any questions: 315-778-8318. Thank you on behalf of our High School Students and the Legion.

**United Church of Cape Vincent**- Join the men (and boys) for Men's breakfast at Cup Of Joy or Anne's at 7:30am on the first Sunday of each month. Great fellowship, good discussions.

**Cape Vincent Legion Auxillary**- The Cape Vincent American Legion Auxiliary collects can-tabs for the Volunteer Transportation Center and cancelled stamps for projects at Veteran's Hospitals. Your donations may be left at the Cape Vincent Legion Hall or the Cape Vincent Community Library.

**CVLDC-Journey to the River**- The Cape Vincent Local Development Corp. is seeking letters from local residents detailing your "Journey to the River." What brought you to move to Cape Vincent? What did you discover once you moved here? What are some of your favorite features in Cape Vincent? These letters will be published locally. Please submit by email to [cvldc.tourism@gmail.com](mailto:cvldc.tourism@gmail.com) or mail to PO Box 915 Cape Vincent, NY 13618. Photos are welcome. For more information contact CVLDC Marketing Director Stacie Rogers at [cvldc.tourism@gmail.com](mailto:cvldc.tourism@gmail.com) or 315-870-6297.

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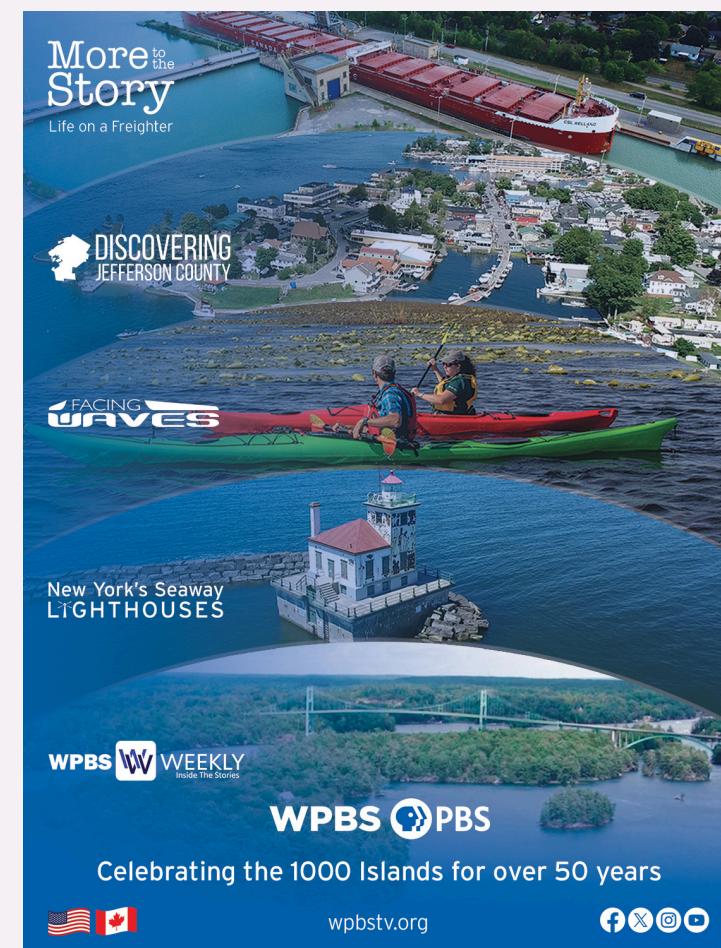
**UNITED CHURCH OF CAPE VINCENT**  
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**THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF CAPE VINCENT, ROSIERE & CHAUMONT**  
Saturday - Cape Vincent (St. Vincent of Paul Church) - 4 pm (until May 2026)

Sunday - Chaumont (All Saints Church) - 9 am  
Sunday - Cape Vincent (St. Vincent of Paul Church) - 11 am  
[www.cvrchparish.org](http://www.cvrchparish.org) (Click on bulletin for list of media services) 315-654-2662. Please check Facebook, website or call for up-to-date information.

**ECUMENICAL GATHERING & BREAKFAST**  
On the first Sunday of the month, United Church invites any interested men and boys to come share an Ecumenical Gathering & Breakfast at the Cup of Joy Café at 288 East Broadway.

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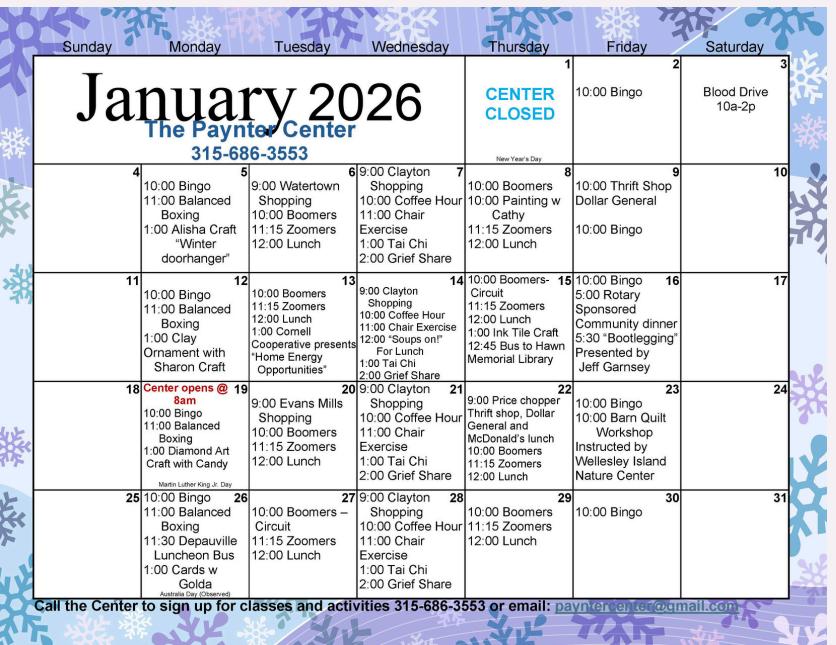
### 2025 TEFAP ELIGIBILITY INCOME GUIDELINES

Based on Annual Incomes

Household Size Income

1 \$ 35,213  
2 \$ 47,588  
3 \$ 59,963  
4 \$ 72,338  
5 \$ 84,713

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**Snug Harbor Restaurant & Bar-BINGO**  
**Tuesday, Jan. 6th at 6:30pm**



**Channelmarker 243-Trivia**  
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**Cape Vincent Legion-Karaoke**  
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**Cape Vincent Historical Museum-** The Cape Vincent Historical Museum will have a HISTORY BUFFS GATHERING on Friday, January 23, 2026 at 10:30 AM at the Cape Vincent Community Library. "NYS Path Through History-Revisited" Our Gathering will spotlight our local businesses located in historic buildings in the village that participated in the weekend event.

**River Voices Rising-** Neighbors, River Voices Rising would like to thank everyone who participated in the Keep our Kids warm donation drive. We are especially grateful to the businesses that participated by allowing us to place either a flyer or a collection box in their establishments. With the personal efforts from the community and their monetary donations we were able to provide the students at Bashaw Elementary School with new winter hats, gloves and socks. Thank you all for helping to make this goal possible. Let's continue to work together and make 2026 a great year for our community. With gratitude, River Voices Rising



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# Notes from the Mayor

As the year drew to a close, the Village Board received welcome news: the Village has been approved for a New York State Water Infrastructure Grant. This award represents the second major step in securing funding to address the aging water infrastructure hidden beneath our streets. Our goal is to continue advancing this funding process so construction can move forward at the same time as the NY Forward Streetscape project. Coordinating these efforts would mean one construction period downtown instead of two - saving both money and inconvenience for residents, businesses, and visitors alike.

Speaking of NY Forward, progress is also underway on the Streetscape and Club Street projects. A newly formed Project Advisory Committee has begun working closely with the Delta Engineering and Design team to develop design options for our downtown. Community input will be an important part of this process. This Advisory Committee is made up of local residents and business owners who represent a cross section of the community. The public will have opportunities to review and comment on proposed designs through an online platform and at an in-person public forum planned for March and April. Additional details will be shared in the coming weeks on the Village website, local newspapers, and in the What's Happening newsletter.

A huge shout out got our DPW team who's dedicated efforts at snow clearing started early this season and show no signs of letting up as winter continues to blanket the North Country. If you see our guys out there after hours and weekends, a quick wave and thanks go along way to warm up their spirits in freezing temperatures!

Latest update on the International Ferry. More good news here. The Mayor of the Frontenac Islands announced that they had closed on a real estate purchase of the Ferry Landing on Wolfe Island. This brings everyone a step closer to a functioning ferry between the United States and Canada. Of course, the biggest challenge remains the operation of the Ferry itself, but as reported in the local news and other public sources, there is a great deal of work being done to bring this to fruition.

We are continuing our pursuit of Electric Car (EV) chargers in conjunction with the Local Development Corporation (LDC). These chargers would be placed in the area behind the Chamber of Commerce office and would provide several chargers in an updated public parking area. Like any project, the board is committed to seeking outside funding to ensure the financial burden is not placed solely on our Village taxpayers.

Looking ahead, the Village Board also plans to begin a review of the Village Zoning Regulations later this year. Early feedback from community members has already helped identify areas for consideration, and we encourage residents to continue sharing thoughtful, constructive input. Your ideas and perspectives will help guide updates to this important document and shape the future of our Village.

For your information the following are your Village elected officials with their assigned areas of interest. These areas help focus efforts and streamline information sharing.

Jerry Golden - Mayor

Pam Youngs- Deputy Mayor (LDC Liaison, Grants and Waterfront Revitalization)

Mike Chavoustie (Zoning and Planning board Liaison)

Joe Gould (Public Works and Fire Dept. Liaison)

Bob Ewing (Chamber Liaison)

<sup>8</sup> More information on all of these initiatives will be shared as plans continue to develop. Stay tuned, and thank you for staying engaged. - Mayor Jerry Golden

# Updates for January

The Channel Marker 243 welcomes new Executive Chef, Christian Ives. Known for his unique dishes, standout flavor and stunning presentation. His background speaks for itself. Beginning early January they will be rolling out a brand new menu crafted by Christian-including the return of his Sunday Brunch that never disappoints.

Christian will offer special features Thursday-Monday, so be sure to keep an eye out.



Captain Jerry's Tiki Bar will be taking a winter break starting on January 5<sup>th</sup>. They promise to be back when the weather gets warmer!

The Cape Vincent Brewing Co. will have their annual shutdown for maintenance & updates beginning on January 2<sup>nd</sup>. They will be reopening the first weekend of February.

Hometown Meals will be continuing their usual hours. Sunday & Monday Closed, Tuesday-Thursday 6am-6pm, Friday 6am-7pm, Saturday 7am-12pm.

Snug Harbor Restaurant & Bar will continue their normal hours. Monday-Saturday 12pm-9pm, Sunday 12pm-8pm.

Cup of Joy will continue their winter hours.  
Sunday 8am - 2pm  
Monday & Tuesday 7:30am - 3:30pm  
Friday & Saturday 7:30am - 3:30pm  
CLOSED Wednesday & Thursday

Winter hours for French Towne Market are Sunday 9am-1pm, Mon & Tues 9 am-6 pm, Closed on Wednesday, Thurs-Sat. 9am-6pm.

Cape Vincent Legion Post 832 will continue selling pizza, wings and snacks on Sundays from 2-6pm.