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# WHAT'S HAPPENING

## NEWSLETTER

September 2025

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**Eats**  
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**Entertainment**  
German Music by DJ Vito  
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Live Music by Gridlock  
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### Friends of the Library

An Invitation to Become a Friend.

The Friends of the Cape Vincent Community Library is looking for more Friends. The Friends of the Library is a group of permanent and seasonal residents who support the mission of the Cape Vincent Community Library. The support includes creating, planning, financing, and implementing programs for the library. The support also includes facilitating existing library programs and any other requests for supplemental help from the library staff. The group conducts several yearly fundraising projects to enable their mission. The Friends meet at the library at 4 pm on the fourth Thursday of every month. Stop by and get involved with this worthwhile "Friendly" community group.

# HAPPENINGS AT A GLANCE

September 2025

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**Deadline for the October Issue will be September 25th**

**September 4-** Comfort Food & Conversation, 4 pm, Free Donations Welcome, St. John's Episcopal Church

**September 4-** Knitters & Crocheters, 1-3pm, Cape Vincent Library

**September 5-7-** TI International Piano Competition, 9 am, Maple Grove

**September 8-** Writer's Workshop, 6-8pm, Cape Vincent Rec Park

**September 10-** Cape Vincent Chamber of Commerce Member Mixer, 6-8pm, Captain Jerry's Tiki Bar

**September 10-** Last Day for Mum Orders, Cape Vincent Library

**September 11-** Knitters & Crocheters, 1-3pm, Cape Vincent Library

**September 13-** Gun Raffle, 1pm, Cape Vincent American Legion

**September 13-** Mum Pick Up Day, 9-3, Cape Vincent Library

**September 13-** Cape to Cape Clam & Jam, 5pm, Cape Vincent Brewing Company

**September 14-** Lion's Club Breakfast, benefiting the Cape Vincent Library, Cape Vincent Rec Park

**September 16-** Upstate Mammography Van, 10am, Cape Vincent Library

**September 16-** Pittsburgh Arts and Lecture Series, 1-2 pm, Cape Vincent Library

**September 16-** Author Visit, Ellen Marie Wiseman talking about her new book, "Lies They Told" which will be signed by the author and available for purchase, Cape Vincent Library

## 2025 Cape Vincent Town/Village Municipal Holidays (Offices/Transfer Site closed, Village DPW trash collections are delayed on Monday Holidays to following day)

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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

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Sunday Service 9:00am  
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# HAPPENINGS AT A GLANCE

- September 17-** An Encore Presentation of "The Wreck of the Edmund Fitzgerald", 6pm, Cape Vincent Rec. Park
- September 18-** Knitters & Crocheters, 1-3pm, Cape Vincent Library
- September 18-** Board Meeting, 1-3pm, Cape Vincent Library
- September 20-** Pittsburgh Arts and Lecture Series, 1-2pm, Jill Lepore talking about her book, "We the People", 1pm, Cape Vincent Library
- September 21-** Shore Dinner, 3pm cocktails, 4pm dinner, Cape Vincent American Legion
- September 24-** Senior Planet Workshop, Getting to Know Your I-Phone, 10-11:30, Cape Vincent Library
- September 25-** Knitters & Crocheters, 1-3pm, Cape Vincent Library
- September 25-** Friends of the Library Meeting, 4pm, Cape Vincent Library
- September 26-** Toddler Time, 10 am, Cape Vincent Library
- September 27-** Oktoberfest, 12pm-5pm, Cape Vincent Village Green
- September 30-** Pittsburgh Arts & Lecture Series, 1-2pm, featuring Elizabeth Gilbert's Book, "All the Way to the River, Cape Vincent Library

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# THE WRITER'S CORNER

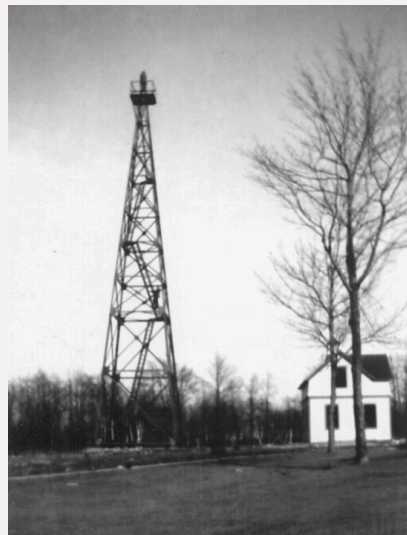
The Iron Man, a favorite fishing spot. by Kathi McCarthy

The Iron Man has always been a favorite fishing spot, but few realized that it had once been a lighthouse. The Carleton Island Lighthouse, also known as the "Iron Man," was established in 1899 on the west point of Carleton Island in the St. Lawrence River, near Cape Vincent, New York. Because it did not have a traditional majestic tower, it has been overlooked by many historians. The light station was created after Congress approved funding in 1897 and was constructed over about six months under the supervision of Henry S. Hammon. It was made up of a two-story keeper's house, a small one-story building, a boat house, and a fixed white lens-lantern light that hung from an 86-foot white mast.

Throughout its existence, the lighthouse had three keepers:

- Charles H. Tucker: served from 1899 to 1904. Before becoming a lighthouse keeper, he was a U.S. Army soldier, a cowboy and a scout. While at Carleton Island, he planted fruit trees to beautify the station grounds.
- Robert Allen: served from 1904 to 1909. He was known for his heroism and was awarded a Lifesaving Medal for his daring water rescues at his next post in Erie, Pennsylvania.
- Hector V. De Grasse: served from 1909 to 1913. He was an experienced keeper who considered Carleton Island a desirable station for a family. When the government installed an automatic light in 1914 and reassigned him to an assistant keeper position, he quit the Lighthouse Service.

In 1914, a new 85-foot steel tower with an automatic acetylene light was installed, and the light station was closed. The care of the property was then assigned to Halsey W. Crapo, the keeper of the Cape Vincent Breakwater Lighthouse. He made occasional visits to the site until 1924 when the property was sold into private ownership. The light was eventually discontinued. The old steel skeleton tower was left standing and for many years it has been the home to an eagle's nest.



# 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. (For September the meeting will be Monday the 8<sup>th</sup> at 6pm.)

**Second Tuesdays:** Post 832 Legion Meeting, 6:30 pm, Legion Hall

**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.

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

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

**Third Thursdays:** Town Board Meetings

**Thursdays:** Knitters & Crocheters, 1-3 at the Cape Vincent Library

**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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**Cape Historical Museum**-The Cape Vincent Historical Museum is closing down for the year, it's hard to believe it's September already! But, there is still time for you to visit us! This year we are trying something new - we will be open Saturdays from 11:00 AM - 3:00 PM throughout the month. Come see our newest exhibits - a beautifully crafted model of the Laird School House and one of the HMS Ontario built on Carleton Island in 1780.

**Lions Club Medical Equipment**- The Lions Club of Cape Vincent is offering medical equipment (crutches, walkers, much more) for loan to be returned when no longer needed. If in need of equipment please call: Lynn Jinks (315)486-4588 or Chuck Vogt (315)654-4266 and leave a message.

**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.

**Cape Vincent Improvement League**- THE IMPROVEMENT LEAGUE MEETING has been CHANGED for the month of September.. They will meet on MONDAY 8 September, 6pm at the Community House.

**Breakwater Gallery**- No one wants to see summer end, especially our Breakwater Gallery Artists. We thank our Cape Vincent patrons and all our visitors from afar, for your continued support. We encourage you to stop by weekends in September. September Hours: Sat 8/30, Sun 8/31, Mon. 9/1 10-4, Sat. 9/6, Sun. 9/7 10-4, Sat, 9/13, Sun. 9/14 10-4, Sat. 9/20, Sun 9/21 10-4, Sat, 9/27, 10 till ? Sun. 9/28 10-4

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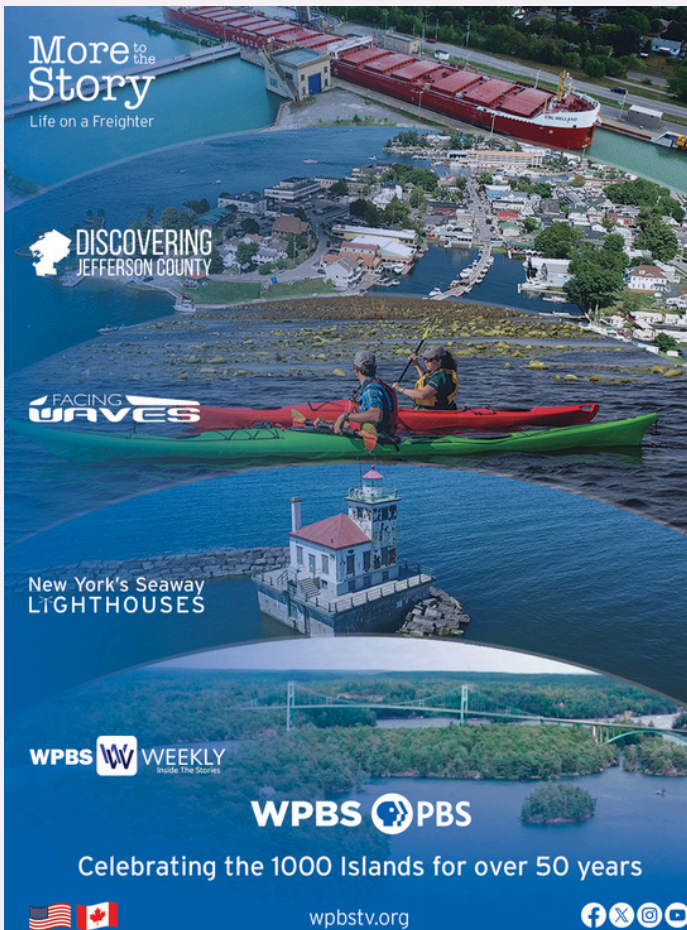
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Based on Annual Incomes

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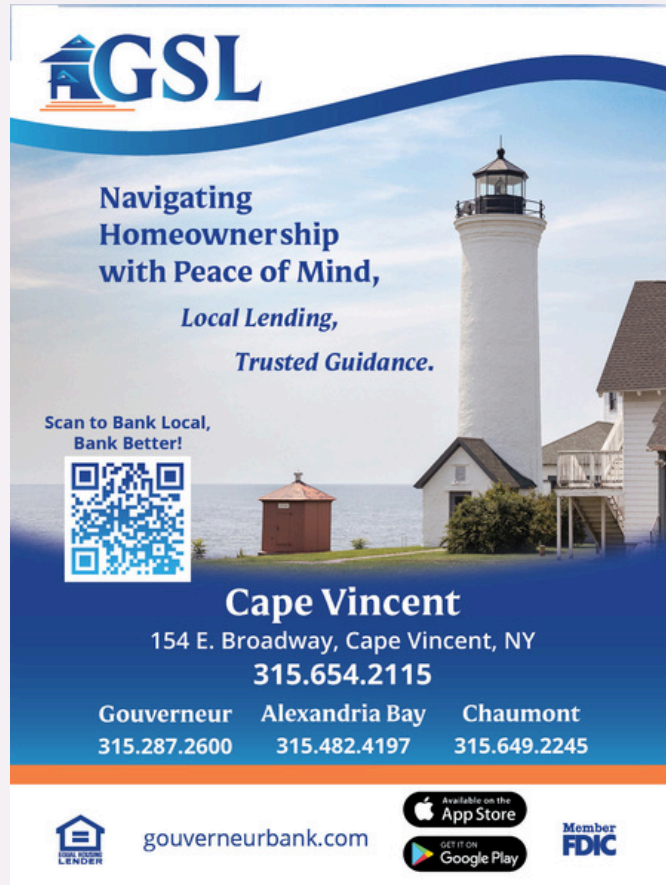
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**Captain Jerry's Tiki Bar** - Live entertainment on the! deck Thursday evenings and Sunday afternoons. We have added a Beef on a Weck sandwich to our menu which has become an instant top seller. We will also continue with Brunch specials on Sunday from 10AM until 1PM. Make sure to RSVP for the Chamber Member Mixer on 9/10!

**Hometown Meals** - Hometown Meals will be closed 9/27-10/13. Reopening Tuesday the 14th

**Mud Bay RV Park & Motel** on County Route 6 across the Bay from Snug Harbor Restaurant. Our Store is open 8am-6pm each day except for Tuesday, when we're closed. Don't forget to call 315-654-3474 for your August, September, or October reservation in our Motel rooms or Campsites.

September **Chamber Mixer** will take place at **Jerry's Tiki Bar** on September 10<sup>th</sup> from 6-8pm

**United Church of Cape Vincent** - Auction for Accessibility on August 2 at the Cape Vincent Fire Department. Viewing at 8:30 am, Auction at 9:30 am. There will be a silent auction and food for sale.



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# Notes from the Mayor

There's been a lot happening around the Village lately, and I wanted to share a few updates with our community.

A generous private benefactor recently donated funds to the Village to purchase the ferry landing on Club Street. This allows us to keep the landing intact while Canadian officials and the Horne Family continue efforts to find a suitable buyer for the Canadian property and the ferry itself. To be clear, the Village Board has no plans to operate a ferry service, but this step protects an important piece of our waterfront. It is our intent to support continued operation of this local landmark and economic driver. Our thanks to Dick and Deb McSherry for their continued support of our community!

You may also have noticed work at the old dairy building (formerly the Everleigh property) site along Route 12E. After several unsuccessful attempts to secure State grant funding, Mark Carr, a local resident, stepped forward to clear the lot at no expense to the Village. His generosity is giving new life to the space, which will soon be restored to open grass. In these financially challenging times, this is a tremendous gift to our community. The board is considering possible uses for this site which might include a park setting that would also provide overflow parking for the Boat Ramps.

At East End Park, a brand-new gazebo is on the way! Many thanks to the Improvement League for coordinating the replacement of our aging structure, it will be a welcome addition to our waterfront.

Another exciting development is the recent purchase of the Anchor Marina. The new owners have done a remarkable job clearing debris and removing old boats, breathing fresh life into the property. They are working hard to restore the site as a fully functioning marina, complete with boater services and manufacturing. As they navigate the necessary permitting process, our patience and support will go a long way in helping them succeed.

Meanwhile, work funded by the NY Forward Grant has begun. Several downtown businesses have already completed projects under the small project fund, and the larger municipal efforts, Broadway streetscaping (Village) and the Club Street waterfront improvements (Town and Village) have now received contract approvals. Requests for proposals (RFPs) from design and engineering firms will be published soon, moving these exciting projects one step closer to reality.

As you can see, there's plenty of progress happening around the Village, thanks to the dedication of our residents, partners, and supporters.

# Update on 'Tour de Cape'



With a marketing budget of "0" dollars! A few silly articles in "What's Happening" and T.I. Sun. No promotion outside of Cape Vincent. Minimal social media. Just a billboard from the Chamber, with a home-made sign, and a T-Shirt over a rusted Lawn Chair. Close to 200 people biked at least 6 miles during a 10-week period. They then took a selfie in front of the Lighthouse and picked up their Shirt at MadyMae on Broadway. Easily, over half the people shopped there because they have a LOT OF COOL STUFF. So, phase 1 is complete. Stay tuned, the best is yet to come.

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