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Come on out to Walden for some family fun!

By SARAH MARREN

With many towns and villages welcoming the changing season, the Village of Walden is following suit. The Walden Parks and Recreation Department and Walden Community Council invite folks from all around the Hudson Valley to Bradley Park on Saturday for a day of live music, food, games, and fun for the whole family.

The Walden Harvest Festival has more than 150 vendors and provides various activities to entertain people of all ages. Activities include a bounce house for the kids; a petting zoo provided by 2 for 2 Zoo; a frog-jumping contest hosted by the Walden Rotary Club; a treasure chest raffle; a child ID program from the Orange County Sheriff's Office; an emergency services display; a donut eating contest; live music from the Dan Brother Band; an Angry Orchard Cider garden for those 21 and over; a storefront window decorating contest and much more.

"Everyone loves the petting zoo. 2 by 2 zoo does a great job. The frog-jumping contest put on by Walden Rotary Club is great," says Event Chairperson and Walden Recreation Director Michael Bliss. "They do an awesome job and the kids absolutely have a great time."

One of the festival's main events is a pie baking contest. Contestants' entries must be an 8"-10" Pie with their choice of filling and a crust made from scratch. For entry requirements, call Tara Bliss at 527-8696 or visit VillageofWalden.org.

A large annual event like this is the result of many different Walden residents working together to create something special for their village. The event is organized by the local non-profit organization, the Walden Community Council in partnership with the Village Parks and Recreation Department. The Walden Community Council consists of Village residents, employees, and business owners who make it their mission to restore pride to the village community, and encourage other residents to do the same.

The Harvest Festival is an event that brings people together, not just from around the Walden area, but from all around the Hudson Valley.

"I feel it brings the community together in so many ways. The businesses and patrons all together at one location display everyone's pride they have to be in Walden. It also brings thousands of people to Walden for the day," says Michael Bliss.

Festivals like this are community events and by bringing people together from both inside and outside Walden, it shows that everyone is part of a larger community.

The 33rd annual Walden Harvest Festival will be held on Saturday, September 28th at Bradley Park, 48 Albany Avenue in Walden from 11 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Rain date September 29th. Buses will run to Bradley Park and parking will also be available at the Oak Street Parking lot.

For vendor information contact Debbie Robb at

845-706-1570 or baglady1054@yahoo.com or visit the Walden Harvest Festival Facebook Page. For sponsorship information contact Mike Bliss at 845-778-2177 x1523 or recreation@villageofwalden.org.





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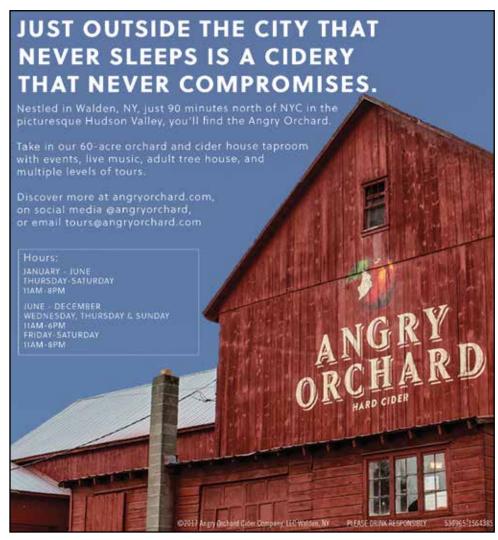






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Opening Ceremony (ROTC) National Anthem performed by New York School of Music	11am	Stage 1		
Youth Musical Performances	11:30am	Stage 2		
New York School of Music				
Baking Contest	11:30am	Concession Stand - Drop off		
Dan Brother Band	1pm-5pm	Stage 1		
Child ID	12:30-3:30pm	Entrance		
Children's Jump House's	1-5pm	To the right of Stage 2		
Petting Zoo	1-5pm			
Frog Jumping Competition Walden Rotary	2pm	Near Stage 2		
Fat Cat Jiu Jitsu	2:30pm	Stage 2		
Baking Contest Winners	2pm	Concession Stand		
Announcement				
Donut Eating Contest Walden Community Council	3pm	Stage 1		
Mobile Blood Drive	11:30am-2:30pm	Entrance of event		

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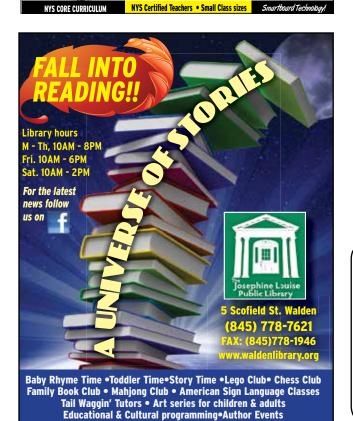
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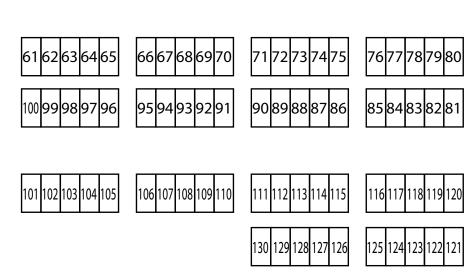
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Stage 2

Fair Entrance

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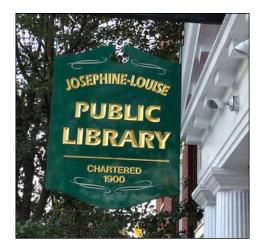
A Bit of History:

The Josephine-Louise Public Library was founded as a circulating library club by a group of Walden residents which included Louise Bradley, daughter of Walden's resident manufacturer and U.S. Congressman, Colonel Thomas W. Bradley. The library was chartered in 1900 by the New York State Department of Regents, and incorporated in 1910 as the Walden Library. Colonel Bradley provided funding for a centrally located village hall, with the promise of a permanent home for the library. The library moved from Main Street to the Municipal Building in 1916 and renamed the Josephine-Louise Public Library after Col. Bradley's wife, Josephine, and their daughter, Louise. An expansion project in 1996 added a children's area and non-fiction section to the second floor of the Municipal Building and since that time, the library has grown along with its community.

In 2010, the Library Board of Trustees started to think about the future and developed a Master Plan. With the help of multiple grant opportunities from the

New York State Division of Library Development the Library Board was able to see some of their ideas come to fruition. In 2011 and 2012, the windows for the first and second floors were replaced for energy efficiency. From 2013 through 2015, the first floor Main Circulation area underwent a major renovation and redesign project intended to improve accessibility and patron service, as well as efficiency and comfort for patrons and staff, and bringing all data management and electrical work up to code. A new book drop was created to allow easier processing of materials. An old closet was repurposed to include a staff area and storage space. The most recent grant project was completed in May of 2019. This included the Children's Room that is located on the second floor. The improvements also included meeting ADA requirements, and brought electrical and lighting up to code, upgraded the accessibility to technology and expanded program space for children.

It is interesting to note how libraries have evolved over the years to become an essential public institution



We have gone from checking out books to a multi-use community space. The Josephine-Louise Public Library offers programs for babies to adults. We host author visits, lectures, history and educational programs, health informational sessions, art classes for children and adults, a chess club and a mahjong club. Walk in anytime in the afternoon and you will find tutors and students or people networking on a business project. Aside from checking out books and DVDs, we offer internet computers, Wi-Fi service,

digital downloads for e-books, e-audio books, magazines to download, databases with up to date articles and online tutorials for learning a foreign language, and a Museum Pass program with access to seven museums in and around the Metropolitan area. On an austerity budget? Come to the library. Need a bit of tech help? We have that covered. Looking for a bit of local history? The library's website has digitized editions of the old Citizen Herald dating back to 1927. The Josephine-Louise Public Library is a member of the New York Library Association and the Orange County Library Association. We partner with the Historical Society of Walden & Wallkill Valley, Walden Community Council, Walden Recreation Department, and local elementary schools to sponsor or co-sponsor community related activities. Our goal is to continue to improve the existing infrastructure of the library, enhance services and to be a presence in the community. In today's digital age the library can still connect you to knowledge and information. Stop in and see "what's new"!







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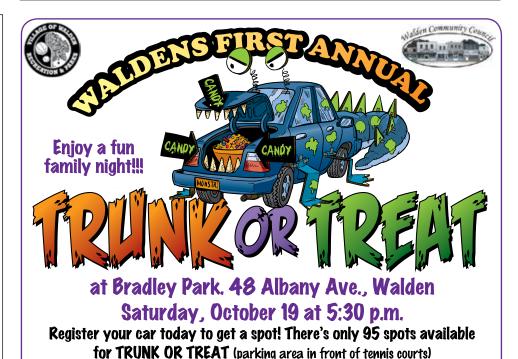
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Thursday, Oct. 31, 6-8pm

Walden Police Department celebrates 150 years

By CHIEF JEFFRY HOLMES

s we prepare to participate in our 44th Annual Walden Day-Harvest Festival it is appropriate this year to discuss the 150th year of existence of law enforcement in the Village of Walden.

Before 1869 police work in the Village of Walden was handled by Town Constables. In 1869 Mordecai Homan was appointed Village Marshall at an annual salary of \$50. He resided at 35 Walnut Street and it had been reported that when arrests were made his prisoners were confined in the woodshed at the rear of his house or in the cellar of his home until he could arrange for conveyance to transfer the prisoners to the county jail. These conditions prevailed until the completion of the fire department building in later 1869. (The site of the current Municipal Building) A village jail was provided in the rear of the building.

In 1890 Levi M Williams Sr. was appointed our first village policeman with Case Lake and Abe Evans appointed as special policeman and this became the first official Walden Police Department. George Ronk became Police Chief approximately around 1909 and a fully uniformed police department came into exis-



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tence. Since then we have had the following Police Chiefs:

George Ronk 1909 - 1927 George Totty 1927 - 1955 George Ward 1955 - 1959 **Townsend Cocks** 1959 - 1968 Edwin Sutherland 1968 - 1979 1979 - 1984 **Edward Eisley** Harold Brilliant 1984 - 1993 Jeff Holmes 1993 - present

As the author of this synopsis I have been tasked to give an overview of our current department since I ioined in 1982.

In 1982 there were approximately 6 Full Time Patrol Officers, 13 Part-Time patrol officers, 3 Full Time Dispatchers and 8 Part Time Dispatchers, 3 Crossing Guards, 1 Parking Enforcement Officer, 1 Police Sergeant and 1 Police Chief and 3 patrol vehicles. Today we have 9 Full Time Patrol Officers. 11 Part Time Patrol Officers. 3 Full Time Dispatchers. 7 Part Time Dispatchers, 1 Parking Enforcement Officer, 6 Crossing Guards 3 Sergeants and 1 Police Chief and 6 patrol vehicles (with one new vehicle on order). Many of the increases of our staffing have been due to an increase in calls for service for our Village as well as some union contractual obligations. It is very important to note that the heart of this department is our members. The officers, dispatchers and crossing guards are the personnel that protect our community. They are the ones that work, live and

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In 1996 with the new Walden Fire House built, the police department was able to expand in the current Municipal Building from 600 square feet of space to approximately 1800 square feet. A new dispatch area was built as well as additional patrol office space. Our radio system was updated. Technology has been one of the main additions since 1982. We have Mobile Data Terminals in all of our patrol vehicles, officers wear body cameras and we also have license plate readers and 7 digital cameras placed in and around the village. All definitely different since 1982 when we used type writers and filled out reports by hand. In 1982, when we stopped a vehicle the officer would have to wait for data reports because our dispatcher would call either the Town of Newburgh Police dispatch center or the Orange County Sheriff's Departments Dispatch center run have them run the plate or license through their system and call back to our dispatcher who then called the officer with the information. Today, with our license plate reader the officer is told that data automatically when a vehicle passes the car it is in. The officer also has the ability to also input that data through the Mobile Data terminal in their vehicle and get the information instantly as well as write a summons/citation in the vehicle and print it out. Our current cell room was upgraded but has been in place in our building since 1917. (The cell room area was also the entire police department office space at one time.)

Policing and technology have changed and has improved the service we provide our residents. The most important part of our department though will always be our members. The human factor to me is important in policing. Officer discretion, compassion and the willingness to listen are very important. There are unfortunately issues that occur where an officer or dispatcher has to make split second decisions but through experience and training I have confidence that the future of our department will continue to make me proud to be a member and to also be a resident protected by these fine men and women.

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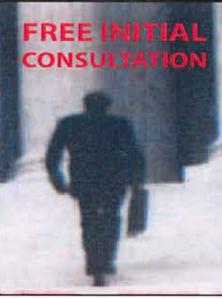
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