

tenly exceeded the requirements of their jobs in the workplace: the James J. Dooley Leadership Excellence Award and the Employee of the Year.

**THE JAMES J. DOOLEY** Leadership Excellence Award recognizes outstanding performance by a leader who is committed to Finger Lakes Health's mission, values and the healing environment, as well as the leader's overall job performance and leader-

ships. Harris, inpatient rehab coordinator for Finger Lakes Health. Harris was recognized for being a tremendous resource and a great ambassador for the health system. She is valued for her expertise, work ethic and the exceptional service she provides to patients and students. Recently Harris helped a patient recovering from a significant illness regain the ability to walk and then compete in a 5K race. An avid runner herself, she signed up to participate in the

of the Finger Lakes region in upstate New York. Services are provided on three campuses located in Geneva (Ontario County), Waterloo (Seneca County) and Penn Yan (Yates County). The 660-bed health system is governed by a common Board of Directors and is served by a common management team. The health system offers a broad range of primary, specialty and sub-specialty services to residents of the Finger Lakes region.

heart disease prevention program addressing topics such as risk factors (hypertension, diabetes, lifestyle, etc.), cardiac medications, CPR and how to use an AED. This was the eighth offering of the primary prevention program provided to help individuals reduce their risk of experiencing a cardiac event.

## Shared services sessions planned

Seneca County Manager John Sheppard will hold a series of three public hearings in the county's efforts to comply with the recently enacted County-wide Shared Services Initiative. The initiative is state mandated in an effort to improve cooperation among municipal entities.

The public is encouraged to attend any of the three meetings scheduled June 13. The first session will be at 9 a.m. in the Health and Senior Services Building (former BonaDent building) lecture hall. A noon meeting is planned at the Covert Town Hall. The final session will take place at 3 p.m., also in the Health and Senior Services Building lecture hall.

## Fayette seeks water main crossing bid

The Town of Fayette will receive sealed bids for the construction of Burroughs Creek Water Main Crossing in accordance with the plans and specifications prepared by McCormick Engineering.

The work as contemplated by the contract documents is the construction of the Burroughs Creek water main crossing and is generally described as follows: construction of approximately 170 linear feet of 12-inch diameter HDPE water main

installed by the means of directionally drilling, two connections to the existing 12-inch diameter ductile iron water main including fittings and water main, temporary water main bypass to provide continued water service during construction, miscellaneous appurtenances, testing, disinfection and restoration.

Bids are due by June 20.

## Ovid waste tag price increases

Effective today (June 1) Ovid Transfer Station waste tags will cost \$3. This measure is directly related to the town's cost increases.

## Meadows Wetlands featured

Seneca Meadows announced its wetlands preserve on Black Brook Road, Seneca Falls, was featured in *Land and Water* magazine, a national publication which services the erosion control and water management industry. The success of the extensive wetlands mitigation project at the Seneca Meadows Wetlands Preserve, as well as a successful brook realignment project, were also featured in the magazine's March/April issue.

The article was written by Jack Broughton of Applied Ecological Services (AES). AES is the ecological restoration firm that helped develop the original design of the preserve, and now maintains the popular facility. Broughton writes, "Because of the quality commitment of the Seneca Meadows Landfill owners to the community and the environment, the Seneca Meadows wetland and stream mitigation project that began in the early 2000s has become a national model of success in achieving syner-

gistic benefits for Economy, Ecology and Culture." The full article can be found at [www.landandwater.com](http://www.landandwater.com).

"We are honored to be featured in *Land and Water* magazine," said Marcy Neumire, program director for the Seneca Meadows Wetlands Preserve & Education Center. "It's been wonderful to watch the development of our preserve and see successes such as our bird population exploding from around 70 species to over 200. We're pleased *Land and Water* felt this project was ecologically significant enough to share."

The Seneca Meadows Wetlands Preserve is protected in perpetuity by a conservation easement, and will be placed under the stewardship of Audubon New York to manage, using an endowment being established.

Seven miles of trails through native flowered grasslands, forested areas and along ponds are open to the public seven days a week from dawn to dusk.