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Water service restored in AuSable Acres

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JAY — Water service has been restored to residents in the AuSable Acres development after three days without it.

Amy Shalton, secretary of the Forever Wild Water Company and a member of the Jay Town Council, said the company's main water pumping station has been repaired, and water service was restored to residents in the affected areas, beginning last night.

"All systems are running," Shalton said.

While water service has been restored, Shalton said a boil-water order is still in effect for residents of Iris Lane, Sawmill Drive, and the Ridgetop and Oak Hollow areas. The order will remain in effect until tests over the next two to three days show the water is potable, Shalton said.

On Thursday morning, town of Jay Supervisor Randy Douglas declared a state of emergency in the AuSable Acres development, parts of which at that point had been without water for three days.

A lightning strike around 5 p.m. Monday dam-

aged one of the development's main pumping stations, Douglas said in a press release. The system also had a pair of significant water main leaks that may have been caused by the June 23 earthquake.

"In order for us to legally assist Forever Wild Water Co. and the town of Jay constituents who reside there, this declaration was necessary," Douglas wrote. "Due to the most recent heat wave in the northern Adirondack region, this state of emergency was of the essence."

It was unclear this morning whether the state of emergency was still in effect. Shalton said she

didn't know, and Douglas was not available for comment.

With the boil order still in effect, Forever Wild Water Co. has bottled water available at their office on state Route 86, and the town also has bottled water available for AuSable Acres residents at the supervisor's office, Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Residents who need bottled water after hours should call Douglas at 569-3582 or DPW Director Chris Garrow or Deputy Director Jody Thwaites at 946-7170.

Carnival 'matriarch' leaves a void

By PETER CROWLEY
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SARANAC LAKE — The Winter Carnival Committee expects to spend a long time figuring out all the behind-the-scenes things Katee Morgan Fobare did over the last 30 years. Then it will have to cover those bases without her.

"She knew the ins and outs of Carnival like nobody else could," fellow Carnival Committee member Barbara Martin said. "She knew everything, and she had it in her head. If she didn't know it, she would look it up. She had notes, and her notes were everywhere. But we don't have notes."

Fobare's death Wednesday at age 79, after a long struggle with cancer, comes six months after the death of Don Duso, long-time chairman of the Carnival Committee. Together they anchored the committee's old guard. Fobare had been chairwoman for three years in the early 1980s and long-time secretary until her death. In a statement on its website, the Carnival Committee called her its "matriarch."

"She kept Winter Carnival together through the lean years and fat years," said Jacques DeMattos, a committee member since 1997. "She was Winter Carnival, really — willing to do anything." "There was so much stuff that she did that we don't even know that she did because she just did it," said Jeff Dickson, who took over from Duso as chairman last year after joining the committee in 2002. "She will be tremendously missed, both for her personality and for her knowledge. It leaves a big hole in the committee. ... She and I always got along very well, and so it leaves a big hole for me, too."

"She did a tremendous amount of the detail work that makes something happen — remembering to ask the village to put up the fence so we can have the fry pan toss ... those things that you don't notice when they're



Longtime Saranac Lake Winter Carnival Committee Secretary Katee Morgan Fobare accepts a plaque from Chairman Jeff Dickson at the Coronation that launched this year's Carnival in February. The plaque was a gesture of thanks for Fobare's three decades of service.

(Photo — Mark Kurtz)

done, but you sure would notice them if they weren't done."

Fobare had been frank about her difficult battle with cancer in recent years, and knowing that, the Carnival Committee honored her with a plaque at the Coronation that opened this February's festivities. It was a major accomplishment that the honor surprised her, Martin said; it was hard to keep any Carnival-related secrets from her.

But there was no planning for Fobare to transfer her many Carnival duties to the next generation before she died. She let Martin take charge of the buttons and Dickson assemble the program, but that was because she was too busy with other things, not because she was sick, Dickson said.

Martin agreed: "She let little things go here

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P'burgh teacher's Senate bid falls short

By NATHAN BROWN
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A Morrisonville woman who wanted to run in the Republican primary for U.S. Senate got about half of the 15,000 signatures she needed.

"The experience was absolutely amazing," Karen Bisso said Thursday afternoon. "It restored my faith in humanity, not so much in politicians, in the political machine, but real, middle-class people."

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Bisso, who is a special-education teacher with the Plattsburgh City School District, had mounted an Internet campaign to gather signatures.

The Republican hopefuls for Senate needed to gather 15,000 signatures between June 8, when petition gathering started under state law, and Thursday, the deadline, and at least half

of New York's 29 congressional districts need to be represented by 100 signatures each.

Bruce Blakeman and David Malpass got enough votes at the Republican state convention to be guaranteed a spot on the

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Model of scientific history

By PETER CROWLEY
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SARANAC LAKE — Historic Saranac Lake's reception Wednesday evening was an occasion to celebrate the transformation of the Saranac Laboratory into a model of an early science laboratory — the first in the U.S. for the study of tuberculosis.

Some professional-looking museum displays are up, but HSL — which celebrated its 30th anniversary at Wednesday's lively social occasion — is most excited about the new cabinets. They are replicas of ones that held beakers and test tubes when the pioneering Dr. Edward Livingston Trudeau, who founded this village as a TB cure center, worked there in the late 19th century.

Wednesday's event also served to unveil a wall in the front entrance with bricks bearing the names of patients who came to



From left, Gerry Waterson, Chris Rdzandek, Priscilla Goss and Emily Fogarty talk at a reception Wednesday in the restored Saranac Laboratory on Church Street, Saranac Lake.

(Enterprise photo — Peter Crowley)

Santa Clara to research fire protection from other towns

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SARANAC INN — The town of Santa Clara plans to find out what it would take to replace the fire protection it gets from Saranac Lake with protection from another town's firefighters, possibly Tupper Lake's or Paul Smiths/Gabriels'.

Town leaders weren't as upset about the village deciding to switch to charging based on taxable assessed land value as they were about the fact that village leaders didn't consult them on the decision.

"There have been absolutely no negotiations or direct talks from the village," said town Supervisor Marcel "Mickey" Webb. "They haven't even bothered to sit down with us and chat."

Councilman Thomas Chipperfield said taxpayers tell him they feel disenfranchised by the decision: They are being charged, but by not allowing their elected officials to negotiate, they don't have a voice in the matter.

Webb said he found out the decision

had been made by reading the newspaper, and then the town received several letters about it.

According to the new rate schedule laid out in a letter from village Manager John Sweeney, Santa Clara would be charged \$48,655.88 in 2011. Since the village won't begin charging by assessed value until June 1, that figure is lower than the \$68,720 the town would pay under a full year using the taxable assessed value formula. By comparison, the town paid \$28,591 this year.

The money for next year's contract would be due by Feb. 1, 2011, and the town needs to make a decision by Dec. 31.

Webb said the town can negotiate with different fire departments to get the services it now gets from Saranac Lake. He said he talked with Franklin County Emergency Services Director Ricky Provost, and "he said, Mick, it's half a dozen of one and six of the other as far as response time."

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Lower 80s
Lower 60s



Tonight: Mostly clear
Saturday: Partly sunny with a chance of rain, 80s

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