

Income Criteria For Reduced Price And Free School Lunches

NORWOOD-Norwood-Norfolk Central School has announced a free and reduced price meal and or free special milk policy for Norwood-Norfolk Central School children unable to pay the full price.

Local school officials have adopted the following family criteria to assist them in determining eligibility.

NEW YORK STATE 1978-79 FAMILY ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR FREE AND REDUCED PRICE MEALS AND FREE MILK GROSS INCOME

Number in Family Unit	Free Lunch and-or Breakfast and-or Special Milk		Reduced Price Lunch and-or Breakfast	
	Annual	Monthly Weekly	Annual	Monthly Weekly
1	\$4,190	\$349	\$6,530	\$544
2	5,500	458	8,580	715
3	6,910	578	10,630	896
4	8,310	678	12,680	1,055
5	9,710	778	14,730	1,211
6	11,110	878	16,780	1,367
7	12,510	978	18,830	1,523
8	13,910	1,078	20,880	1,679
9	15,310	1,178	22,930	1,835
10	16,710	1,278	24,980	1,991
11	18,110	1,378	27,030	2,147
12	19,510	1,478	29,080	2,303

Families falling within these eligibility criteria, which provides for adjustment for uncontrollable financial hardships, are urged to apply for free or reduced price meals and or free special milk for their children. They may do so by filling in the application forms sent home in a letter to parents. Additional copies are available at the principal's office in each school. Applications may be submitted any time during the year.

If a family member becomes unemployed or if the family size changes, the family should contact the school to file a new application. The form requests information needed to determine economic needs based on the income and number of persons in the family and any uncontrollable financial hardships including unusually high medical costs, shelter costs in excess of 30 percent of income, special education expenses due to the mental or physical condition of a child and disaster or casualty losses which affect the family's ability to pay for school meals and or special milk. The information provided on the application will be confidential and will be used only for the purpose of determining eligibility.

In certain cases foster children are also eligible for these benefits. A family may wish to apply for meals and milk for them and should contact the school.

Under the provisions of the policy the designated officials will review applications and determine eligibility. If a parent is dissatisfied with the ruling of the designated official, he may make a request either orally or in writing for a hearing to appeal the decision. Theodore Wodzinski, supervising principal, whose address is Norwood, has been designated as the hearing official. Hearing procedures are outlined in the policy. However, prior to initiating the hearing procedures, the parent or School Food Authority may request a conference to provide an opportunity for the parent and official to discuss the situation, present information and obtain an explanation of the data submitted in the application or the decisions rendered. The request for a conference shall not in any way prejudice or diminish the right to a fair hearing.

The policy also provides that there will be no identification of or discrimination against any student unable to pay the full cost of a lunch.

To discourage the possibility of misrepresentation, the application forms contain a statement above the space for signature certifying that all information furnished in the application is true and correct. An additional statement is added to warn that the application is being made in connection with the receipt of Federal funds, that school officials may, for cause, verify the information on the application, and that deliberate misrepresentation of information may subject the applicant to prosecution under applicable state and criminal statutes.

In the operation of child feeding programs, no child shall be discriminated against because of his race, sex, color, or national origin.

A complete copy of the policy is on file in each school principal's office and in the office of School Food Authority District Administrator where it may be reviewed by any interested persons.



ETHNICITY KEYNOTER—Dr. Donald Horowitz of the Smithsonian discusses ethnic considerations with participants in State University College at Potsdam's annual Social Studies Conference.

Educators Examine Ethnic Phenomena

If you have ever seen a bully pick on a little kid and then seen the little kid come back later with a couple of older brothers to "clean the bully's clock," you've seen "ethnicity" in action.

Dr. Donald Horowitz, an expert on the topic of ethnicity and its significance in world affairs, told a group of educators at State University College at Potsdam last week that ethnicity can be understood as concerns of a family spread out over a larger group.

The legendary Hatfield-McCoy feud could be defined as an ethnic conflict. But, more importantly, so can the Anglo-French tension in Canada, the Catholic-Protestant conflict in Northern Ireland and much of the hostility running rampant in the mideast, Africa and elsewhere.

Most of the participants in State University College at Potsdam's 1978 Social Studies Conference, titled "Ethnicity: Changing Relations in Today's World" were teachers of social studies.

Because ethnic considerations are at the heart of so many issues in current events, these teachers came to Potsdam to increase their understanding of this topic.

Dr. Horowitz, who is a senior fellow with the Smithsonian Institution's Research Institution on Immigration and Ethnic Studies, was the conference keynote speaker. He set the stage for a series of lectures, panel discussions and workshops on the conference topic.

Speaking specifically on the topic "Ethnicity, Conflict and Peace" Dr. Horowitz pointed out that while there is a "world upsurge in ethnic conflict" and "ethnicity has meant conflict and violence," it must be recognized, too, that "it has also meant kinship and community."

An ethnic group, basically, is any large group of people who can be classed according to common traits and customs. Their commonality may be centered in religion, color, national origin, occupation, economic condition, caste, language or a variety of other factors.

Ethnic conflict arises when one such group feels threatened by another group. The threat may take the form of political power, economic control, or oppression—real or imagined—in a myriad of forms.

Subordination and Inequality "Broadly speaking," Dr. Horowitz explained, "two types of ethnic

relationships can be distinguished. In the first, there is a fairly complete subordination of one group by another. In the second, there may be inequalities of wealth, status, and prestige, but not complete subordination."

He said that "on a global scale, ethnic subordination is clearly in decline," but that ethnic conflict "does not always derive from clearcut superior-subordinate relations."

"On a world scale, conflicts between ethnic groups, neither of which has been subordinated, are far more common and likely to prove enduring than those that derive from a desire to escape the stigma and deprivation of inferior status. Here it is uncertainty about relative group position that spurs antagonism."

He also pointed out that because these conflicts contain such subtleties it is often difficult to determine who's just or unjust and even what the specific claims of each group are.

Solving the Problems Outlining several patterns and examples of such conflict, representing claims based on geography, language, immigration, elitism, and other factors, Dr. Horowitz concluded with his opinion of what it will take to resolve this kind of conflict in the future.

"Ethnicity poses great challenges to political creativity. If conflict management capabilities increase within states, there will be fewer dangers of international involvement in ethnic conflict," he said.

The remainder of the conference was devoted to sessions focusing on specific manifestations of the phenomena

outlined by Dr. Horowitz as seen in the Soviet Union, Canada, China, the Middle East, the United States, Britain, Yugoslavia, Latin America, Africa, India and Internationally.

One topic of particular interest to participants is the current tension precipitated by the French Canadian separatist movement in Quebec. Recently, Potsdam State hosted a conference on the topic.

Dr. Victor Minotti directed the conference which was sponsored by the Potsdam colleges in cooperation with the New York State Education Department and the New York State and St. Lawrence Valley Councils for the Social Studies.

Ray Sabre Named Winthrop Post Office Officer-In-Charge

WINTHROP—Raymond L. Sabre has been named Officer in Charge at the Winthrop Post Office following the retirement of Postmaster Al Hibbert.

Sabre began his career in Potsdam and Watertown before being appointed

Postmaster at Calcium, N.Y., in 1967. He was appointed Postmaster at Russell, N.Y., in 1977 and is presently serving on the rural route inspection team.

Sabre has recently been nominated as candidate for Postmaster at Dexter, N.Y.

In The Service

ABOARD CRUISER
Navy Seaman Wayne A. Belmore, son of Gladys I. and Richard E. Belmore Sr. of 19 Cherry St., Potsdam, is serving as a crewmember aboard the nuclear-powered guided missile cruiser USS Mississippi.

A 1973 graduate of Potsdam Central High School, Belmore joined the Navy in January 1977.

CHARLAND PROMOTED
The U.S. Air Force has promoted Gary Charland, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph M. Charland of Route 2, Norfolk, to the rank of staff sergeant.

The sergeant, a 1972 graduate of Holy Family High School in Massena, holds an associate degree from St. Leo (Fla.) College. His wife, Deborah, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David R. Price of Massena.



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NiMo Wins One In Power Fight

MASSENA—Niagara Mohawk's motion for a stay in municipal power takeover proceedings was granted Monday by the Appellate Division of the State Supreme Court.

The decision is expected to mean at least a temporary setback in the Town of Massena's plans to take over operation of the local power distribution system.

John Loos, Niagara Mohawk Massena District Manager, said that the decision Monday stops any further progress in the takeover plans, pending a decision by the State Court of Appeals. Loos said that "in a sense" the Appellate Division had frozen county court action leading toward power takeover until after a decision is reached by the high court.

The battle for municipal power has been a five-year legal tug-of-war between the utility and the Town of Massena that sources say could eventually wind up in the U.S. Supreme Court.

Town Attorney Eugene Nicandri said, Monday that the case will be going before the State Court of Appeals—the state's highest legal battleground—on Sept. 20. A decision is expected, he said, before the end of the year.

Nicandri said that if the court rules in favor of Massena, the freeze at county level will probably be lifted and court action toward temporary takeover can resume.

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Nutrition Program Menu For Elderly

This week's menu of the nutrition program for the elderly is:

Wednesday—Pot roast and gravy, mashed potatoes, squash, bread and butter, stewed prunes, milk.

Thursday—Plantation shortcake with turkey and ham, cole slaw, corn on the cob, corn bread and butter, fresh orange, milk.

Friday—Cheese omelet, carrot and raisin salad, zucchini, blueberry muffins and butter, pistachio pudding, milk.

Monday—Beef stroganoff with noodles, cole slaw, green beans, bread and butter, apricots, milk.

Tuesday—Cube steaks, tossed salad, corn on the cob, zucchini bread and butter, nectarines, milk.

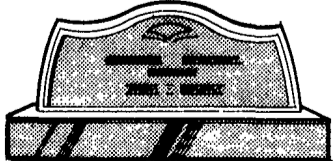
Silversmith Shop To Open Downtown

A small shop that will specialize in handcrafted silver work is due to open in the Arlington Inn in the first part of September.

The shop, to be known as Argent, is being opened by partners Malcolm Thompson and Howard Ruben, both of Canton. It will be located in the former lobby of the Arlington Inn. Renovation work is being done there now.

The owners say they are hopeful that the shop will be open the first week of September. Ruben, a silversmith, is also the proprietor of a shop known as Mixed Company in Canton.

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