Spring snow delays Moriah roadside cleanup

MORIAH — The Town of Moriah Earth Day Roadside Cleanup has been delayed because most roadsides in the town still have a heavy blanket of snow.Organizer David V. Bruce spoke with Town Supervisor Tom Scozzafava and the volunteers will instead do the cleanup Saturday, April 28. Volunteers are asked to notify the supervisor's office at 546-8631 or St. Patrick's 546-7254 if they can wait until then so the Highway Department can pick up trash that has been collected.

"Nearly 300 youths and adults throughout the town have made a commitment to make a difference for their community," Bruce said in a news release.

"The town board, Highway Commissioner Wilson and Supervisor Scozzafava have been extremely cooperative and are very pleased with the response to the Earth Day event."

People asked to dine out for AIDS benefit

PLATTSBURGH — The AIDS Council of Northeastern New York is launching a new fundraiser. The council is getting involved in the fourth-annual Dining Out For Life effort, which has been a hit in other areas of the state.

People are being urged to eat Thursday, April 26, at participating restaurants, which have agreed to donate 25 percent of the food bill to help the council support people affected by AIDS and prevent new cases of infection.

So far, only two local restaurants are signed up, Livingood's and Olive Ridley's, both located in downtown Plattsburgh.

People can register for the event at www.diningoutforlife.com.

Diners will also have a chance to win an Atlantic City getaway, courtesy of Yankee Trails World Travel, or a two-night stay at Mirror Lake Inn & Resort in Lake Placid.

Sponsors include Key Bank, the Press-Republican, Mirror Lake Inn and Yankee Trails.

NEXUS cards can be used at Montreal airport

MONTREAL — NEXUS cardholders can now use their cards at Trudeau International Airport in Montreal.A press release from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's U.S. Customs and Border Protection Division said the airport is the third in Canada to offer NEXUS services to travelers. The others are Vancouver International Airport and Toronto Pearson International Airport. The NEXUS program allows pre-screened, low-risk travelers to be processed with little or no delay by U.S. or Canadian border officials. It is also offered at 11 land border crossings, including the Champlain-Lacolle Port of Entry. "The NEXUS program is a tangible example of the longstanding friendship and partnership that exists between the United States and Canada," Customs and Border Protection Commissioner W. Ralph Basham said in the news release.

"We share the mutual goals of securing our borders and protecting our citizens while facilitating the legitimate flow of trade and travel that is an inherent — and critical — part of our shared border."

More than 120,000 people are enrolled in the program. NEXUS cards are expected to be an acceptable substitute for passports when the Western Hemisphere Travel Initiative is implemented, possibly by January 2008.

Moriah School Board calls special meeting

MORIAH — Moriah Central School Board will hold a special meeting at 6 p.m. Thursday in the High School library.The board will vote on the Board of Cooperative Educational Services budget for 2007-08 and vote for a candidate to fill a position on the BOCES Board.
The meeting is open to all.