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# Mrs. Stitt Goes to Washington

In 1939 there was a popular political movie call "Mr. Smith Goes to Washington" starring Jimmy Stewart, Claude Raines, and Jean Arthur. Fast forward 83 years and we have our own sequel, Mrs. Janet Stitt Goes to Washington," not for politics, but to participate in her son's promotion to the rank of Lieutenant General in the United States Army. Among the distinguished guests were the Secretary of the Army, the Chief of Staff of the Army and many members of the Stitt family.

Douglas Stitt, a graduate of Norwich University, has worked his way through the ranks to this prestigious position. He has deployed to Iraq and Afghanistan several times and holds many military commendations.

Congratulations to Janet and her family. We thank you, Douglas, for your service to your country.

Janet and her late husband, Wesley, raised their two children, Douglas and Jennifer, in Heuvelton, NY.

Today, Douglas lives in Washington DC with his family and Jennifer resides in Potsdam, with her husband, Reggie and their two children.



Pictured above:
The Stitt family watching the promotion ceremony. From left to right, front row are: Janet, Mitchell, Anna, Pete, Laura, and Beth.



Pictured above, from left to right are: Doug's daughter, Laura Stitt; General James McConville, Secretary of the Army; LTG Douglas Stitt; wife, Beth Stitt; and daughter, Anna Stitt.

### **Looking Forward to:**

### **Music with Rob**

Monday, September 19th 7:00 pm Gazebo

#### Wine & Cheese

Wednesday, September 14th & 28th 4:00 - 5:00 pm Main Lobby

#### **Soar Mahlong**

Thursday, September 15th, 22nd & 29th 9:30 - 11:00 am Multi-Purpose Room

#### **Donuts & Coffee**

Friday, September 30th 10:00 am Dining Room

### **Soothing Sounds**

From contemporary to classical, there's nothing like jazz music to soothe the soul.

UHISL Members recently enjoyed tunes from Gabe Schmidt-Doyle and friends.

Gabe Schmidt-Doyle, a 2020 Canton High School graduate, has been entertaining ISL and the Canton area since his days with the Canton High School Jazz Ensemble. Joined by a few new faces, he continues to make time to pop in to perform for our members.

We can't wait until their next visit!



Pictured above: Ben Ritchie on the drums, Gabe Schmidt-Doyle on bass, Josh Barkley on keys, and Eric Gagliardi on the trumpet.

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### **NEIGHBORHOOD NOTES**

For those who live at UHISL, coffee hour is a time to catch up with friends, discuss current events, and welcome each new day - one cup of coffee or tea at a time. Once in a while, we like to shake things up by offering specialty muffins, scones, or other treats. "Muffins in the Morning" was our most recent

theme. Members said "Yes, please!" We think it was a hit and we are all

looking forward to donuts in September.

UHISL houses some of the most interesting people! Marilyn Scozzafava's son, Tom, is owner of 1812 Brewing Company in Clayton. One of New York's oldest craft breweries, 1812 was founded in 1995 and continues to grow. Tom even makes special deliveries to ISL from time to time.

Did you know that ISL is pet-friendly? UHISL is home to a few furry friends, including Bess, who is owned by Janet Stitt.



Pictured is Janet Stitt, with her dog Bess.



"Muffins & Coffee"
Members enjoy a
special treat. Coffee
and conversation with
friends and neighbors.
Yes, please!

# They Come from Near and Far

We're often asked, "Where do our members come from? Are they mostly local folks or do we have members from outside the area?"

The answer is, we have members from near and far!

People choose UHISL for many reasons, to be closer to friends and family, a love for the St. Lawrence County area, an affinity for their alma mater (St. Lawrence University, Clarkson, SUNY Potsdam, or SUNY Canton), or some have even chosen the area as an escape from busy life in the city. The reasons are as diverse as our membership.

Over the years, we've had members join UHISL from South Africa to California

and, as nearby as Farmer Street in Canton! It's just one of the many things that make UHISL unique.

## Visit ISL Virtually!

Know someone who may benefit from all that UHISL has to offer? Point them to www.unitedhelpers.org. Our virtual tours link can be easily accessed right from the main menu!



**Happy Birthday to:** 

September:

Bonnie Bliss - 4th
Peter VanLent - 14th
Chris Merrill - 22nd

### **Meet Delta**

Say hello to Delta Ramsay, one of the newest members of the UHISL team. Delta is a hospitality coordinator and recently joined the UHISL team in May of this year.

Delta lives in Hermon with her partner, Mark. She has three grown children and five grandchildren.

In her free time, Delta enjoys spending time with her grandkids, watching movies, spending time in her garden, and taking short hikes.

Delta is a welcome addition to the UHISL team. Thank you Delta, for bringing your smile to the table.



Pictured is Delta Ramsay, UHISL Hospitality Coordinator

