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When George Washington traveled Lake George: 1783

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By Dr. Russell P. Bellico

Two years after the British surrender at Yorktown and with the cessation of hostilities, a semblance of tranquility enveloped the lake valleys.

Feasting on fish they caught; their sheep taken by bears; at Ti, a 9-foot rattlesnake

In the spring of 1782 George Washington established his headquarters in Newburgh at the Hasbrouck House, overlooking the Hudson River.

In July 1783 Washington decided to make an inspection tour of the "Northern and Western Posts" in New York, where "important Military" events had occurred during the war.

On July 15, Washington wrote to Philip Schuyler that he had sent Lieutenant Henry



At Halfway Brook in Queensbury — George Washington depicted during his 1783 trip to northern New York. One of several historical paintings commissioned by the Glens Falls Insurance Company now in the collection of the Chapman Historical Museum. Artist: Jean Leon Gerome Ferris (1863-1930), Washington at Halfway Brook, 1895-1913, oil on canvas

Dimler, the assistant quarter master general, to make arrangements for "some light Boats [bateaux]...[to be] transported to Lake George."

Washington departed from Newburgh on July 18 for his trip to the sites on the northern frontier. In addition to a complement of troops, the entourage included Governor George Clinton, two field officers, and an Italian nobleman.

On a tour of America, Count Francesco dal Verme had a number of letters of introduction, including ones from Benjamin Franklin and John

Adams.

Washington did not write much about the excursion except for his list of expenses, but fortunately Count dal Verme would write an interesting account of the journey.

On July 19 Washington's party lodged at Philip Schuyler's "magnificent" home in Albany, offering a "panoramic view" of the river valley.

In addition to a fine dinner, Schuyler provided three-and-a-half gallons of liquor to his guests, purchased from James Caldwell, an Albany

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'Super Blue Moon' Aug. 30

By Hannah Hughes
Chronicle Summer Staff

On Wednesday, August 30, there will be a "Super Blue Moon," an event that won't happen again until 2032, according to the website Time and Date.

Last one until 2032

Full moons can occur at any point in the moon's rotation. A supermoon is when the moon is full and near or at the perigee (the moon's closest point to Earth), making it appear bigger and brighter than normal.

The peak viewing time for this Super Blue Moon will generally be around 9:36 p.m. Your view experience will be enhanced looking at the moon using binoculars with a minimum magnification of 7.

According to NASA, there are two types of blue moons, monthly and seasonal. Although neither of them is blue in color, they still are special occurrences.

"A monthly Blue Moon is the

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Retired Warren Co. Sheriff Corrections Officer LaPell: Bud York ran department badly, burned out CO's

To the Editor:

In regards to the article on the Sheriff's race between Bud York and Jim LaFarr, I think Bud's accusations of

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Ex-Mayor Jack Diamond criticizes Mayor Collins: Too many hires; wrong to fault Diana Palmer

Dear Editor,

Under three administrations (myself, Mayor Akins and Mayor Regan), there was no Communications Director. We were still able to keep the public informed of what was

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40 Oak closed; 'Stuck with \$40 gift certificate'

Hello.

You printed that 40 oak [restaurant] closed. They should have advertised they were closing for those of us that have gift certificates. I'm stuck with a \$40 gift certificate we planned on using for quick dinner one nite. Please

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