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### **TOWN SPONSORED SHOPPING BUS**

The Town of Keene shopping bus is scheduled to go to Plattsburgh on Thursday, February 6<sup>th</sup>. A \$10.00 donation is suggested when not creating a financial hardship for the rider (5 riders must be signed up). To sign up to reserve a seat, call the Town Hall @ 576-4444, the Monday before the trip.

### **SKATING RINK**

For this year's skating room hours, keep an eye on the Youth Commission Facebook Page or Nextdoor Keene.

### **TRANSFER STATION**

The Transfer Station is open Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays from 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM.

The Town would like to take this opportunity to remind patrons bringing cardboard to the transfer station to break your cardboard down to help save room in the compactor which will also help save on transportation costs.

### **LITTLE PEAKS PRESCHOOL VISITING DAY, MONDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2020**

Little Peaks Preschool offers Visiting Days for interested families the first Monday of each month. Experience the joy, wonder, learning, and friendship in our little community.

Because of space limitations, we can accommodate only one family at a time. Prospective students are welcome to come with their caregiver(s) and spend the morning (8:30 am – 11:30 am) with us.

Call Katherine Brown, at 315-854-2247, to reserve your spot for Monday, February 3, 2020.

For more information about our program, visit our website:

<https://littlepeakspreschool.weebly.com/>

### **EAST BRANCH FRIENDS OF THE ARTS**

Join us for informal community play readings on three Tuesday evenings in February. The sessions take place at 7 PM at the Keene Valley Congregational Church, February 4<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>.

No rehearsals, just come and read. We'll be reading some plays in progress, too, with the playwrights attending.

For more information, contact Peter Slocum at 518-708-5607 or [pslocum47@gmail.com](mailto:pslocum47@gmail.com).

### **UPDATE ON SINGLE USE PLASTIC BAGS**

Starting March 1st, SINGLE USE PLASTIC BAGS will no longer be available in grocery stores and other commercial outlets in New York State. Shoppers will need to bring their own bags or purchase reusable or paper bags.

The local group Mothers (and others) Out Front will be hosting a "Make It-Take-It Bags for Recycling" event during the February school break. Watch for details on Nextdoor Keene, and come join the fun. Bring your own bag! Make a new bag! Swap bags! Remember the Girl and Boy Scout Motto: Be Prepared!

### **THRIFTY TIP – IDLE NOT**

Did you know that running your engine at idle actually consumes half a gallon to about a gallon of fuel every hour, not to mention the carbon dioxide that your engine pumps into the atmosphere? You are more likely to burn less fuel if you turn off your engine, wait for whatever it is you are waiting for, then restart it. On cold winter mornings, instead of revving up your engine to warm it up, let it run for 20 seconds, then drive off. <https://www.carbibles.com/improve-gas-mileage/>