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Livingston County Officials Head to Albany to Advocate for Local Priorities

Geneseo, NY, January 24, 2020 — Several County staff along with members of the Livingston County Board of Supervisors will be traveling to Albany next week to attend the New York State Association of Counties (NYSAC) 2020 Legislative Conference. NYSAC’s mission is “to represent, educate, advocate for, and serve New York’s counties and the thousands of elected and appointed county officials who serve the public.”

This year’s conference – themed “The Inside Edge of Learning” – will be held from January 27th – January 29th and includes guest speakers, networking opportunities and educational sessions. Workshop topics, such as the state budget, criminal justice reform, health insurance, the 2020 Census, food security, the opioid epidemic, and many more, are designed to keep county leaders ahead of the curve on emerging local issues. In addition to conference sessions, County officials also have planned meetings with State government staff on grant applications and the Department of State Countywide Shared Services program.

Representatives from Livingston County will include County Administrator Ian Coyle, Board of Supervisors Chairman David LeFeber (Town of Avon), Vice Chairman Dennis Mahus (Town of North Dansville), Supervisor Michael Falk (Town of Lima), and Supervisor Donald Wester (Town of Conesus). Deputy County Administrator Angela Ellis will also be in attendance as a member and former President of the New York State Association of County Planning Directors.

Mr. LeFeber stated, “The annual NYSAC conference provides a unique opportunity for us in Livingston County and our peers from across the state to come together under one roof, exchange timely information on local priorities, and bring home the lessons we learn.”

History of NYSAC

NYSAC celebrated its 90th anniversary in 2015. According to its website, “In 1925, a handful of county leaders came together because they knew they could learn from each other, and their voices would be stronger together in Albany and Washington if they could tell a collective story. They volunteered their time to create the first county-focused educational seminar, and together they advocated for their growing local needs to state leaders in the Capitol. This small but growing group of county officials formalized their relationship, calling themselves the New York State County Officers Association, giving rise to what would later become the New York State Association of Counties.”

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