



Residential community is ‘a little bit’ Disney

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Steuben County campground is most family friendly in New York



An aerial view of Hickory Hill Camping Resort in the Steuben County town of Bath.
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‘THE VERY BEST OF CAMPING’



Hickory Hill Camping Resort in the Steuben County town of Bath has a splash pad and a pool.

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It hasn’t taken long for the new management to make an impact at one of Steuben County’s most popular family campgrounds. Hickory Hill Camping Resort was recently named the winner of the Best Family-Friendly Campground and Best Glamping/Rental Accommodations categories in the first-ever Best of Camp New York Awards, a camper-voted recognition celebrating the top campgrounds across New York state.

Hickory Hill is nestled in the Finger Lakes at 7531 county Route 13, just north of the village of Bath. The Best of Camp New York Awards highlight excellence in outdoor hospitality. Thousands of campers cast their votes during the 2025 season, nominating their favorite destinations

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Tops will remain closed

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The Tops Markets store in Big Flats, significantly damaged by fire in late August, will not reopen. Kathy Sautter, a Tops spokesperson, said following the severe fire damage sustained this summer at 830 Consumer Square Plaza in Big Flats, Tops Markets has made “the very difficult decision” not to reopen this store as the company’s lease at the site nears its end. “In the weeks since the fire, we have worked closely with our business partners to ensure the property owner is in the best position possible to offer the space to a new tenant,” the company said in a statement. “Through this process, our focus has remained on doing what is right for the community, even as we face the reality that this store will not reopen.” Tops said this decision “was not made lightly.” “We recognize the important role this store has had on the Big Flats community and sincerely appreciate the loyalty and support our customers have shown over the years,” the company said. “The well-being of our associates remains our highest priority with all associates being offered opportunities at neighboring

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A look at the former Tops Market store in Big Flats, which will not reopen after sustaining fire damage in August. JEFF SMITH/CORNING LEADER

Manufacturer boosts operation of Steuben County plant

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Two years after its debut, a Steuben County manufacturer is already growing its footprint in Bath, marking key milestones and even taking a trip to victory

lane. LP Building Solutions opened a brand new, 90,000-square-foot facility on a formerly vacant 75-acre plot off state Route 54 in October 2023. Employment at the facility hit roughly 75 this year, boosting the Bath area and greater Steuben County.

“Many of our team members come from across the broader Steuben County area. We’re proud to be part of such a strong regional workforce,” said Bath Plant Manager Jonathon O’Hora. Here’s what’s new at the facility and the role it plays locally and for LP Building Solutions.

What LP Building Solutions does in Bath

The Bath facility is among more than 20 LP manufacturing plants across North and South America.

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