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8th Graders Put on a Show at Tri-Valley's **Eighth Annual Poetry Slam**



Pictured (from left to right): back row: Joe Detzauer, Amber Spear, Alivia Kessler, Christina Reilly (Performance Award winners) front row: Aiyana Brown (2nd Place), Jenna Donovan (Poetry Slam Champion), Natalie Curry (3rd Place)

On March 22, 2018, the eighth annual 8th Grade Poetry Slam took place at Tri-Valley Central School. Fiftythree 8th grade students took to the stage to compete in the event. The evening event was watched by a very large crowd made up of students, teachers, administrators, parents, and community members.

A large part of a Poetry Slam is the performance aspect and the students certainly didn't disappoint. Each student, or group of students, memorized an originally written poem and then delivered the poem with their best sense of emotion and theatrics. The audience showed their appreciation by responding to several of the poems with applause and laughter. But perhaps the best part of the night was witnessing the kids come together as one to support and encourage each other throughout the event.

Jenna Donovan was crowned Poetry Slam champion for her poem "Heartbreak Eulogy." Aiyana Brown was second place for her poem "I'm Not Afraid." Natalie Curry finished in third place for her poem "I'm Sorry." Finally, Joe Detzauer and his poem "My Advice Poem" and Alivia Kessler, Christina Reilly, and Amber Spear and their poem "Dreams" shared the Performance Award.

The event was hosted by 9th grade students Keegan Countryman, last year's Performance Award winner, and Alex Prousalis, last year's third place finisher. Kim Patete and Lauren Pullen-Tri-Valley elementary teachers-served as the evening's guest poets. They performed their poem titled "What's Happening?" Mrs. Patete and Mrs. Pullen made several observations about their feelings as a school year passes by. Afterwards, they expressed their admiration for the job the 8th grade students did.

The Tri-Valley Annual Poetry Slam is run by 8th grade ELA teacher Matt Haynes. Mr. Haynes has been in charge of the Poetry Slam for all eight years of its existence. Deb Swett, middle school special education teacher, also plays a large part in organizing the event.

Overall, the event was a huge success and it couldn't have brought more pride to all of those involved. Congratulations again to all the participating 8th graders-hopefully it's something they won't soon forget!

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Volunteers for the Mountaindale Action Committee take a break from weeding and planting at the Visitors Center in Mountaindale.

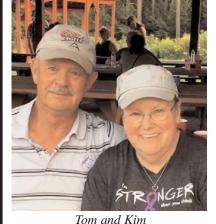
will cosponsor litter pluck days on April 21 and 22. All are welcome to help out. Volunteers will meet at 9 am at the Mountaindale Firehouse on the morning of April 21. This is a great way for neighbours to meet! (Contd. Pg. 4)

Mountaindale Plans Spring Events

Fire

Neversink Fire Dept to Host Benefit

Dinner for Tom and Kim Nash The Neversink Fire Dept. will hold a benefit dinner this Saturday, April 14th from 4 to 7 pm at the Neversink Fire Department Community Hall.



This dinner is solely for the benefit of Tom & Kim Nash. Both Kim and Tom are battling cancer. Tom recently had his lower right leg amputated and will soon start radiation treatments for throat cancer, 5 days a week, in Middletown as Kim continues her chemotherapy treatments.

It is hoped this benefit dinner will raise money to help this family with the added financial burdens caused by their health issues. It is also a way to show the Nash's that

wants to show their support during this trying time of their lives.

Commissioner of Health Presents Commissioner's Grand Rounds at Ellenville Regional Hospital



Commissioner with students from Ulster Boces New Visions program (they conduct their on-site clinical education at *Ellenville Regional Hospital*

On April 3, 2018 New York State Commissioner of Health Howard A. Zucker, MD, hosted his Commissioner's Grand Rounds title The Future of Primary Care at Ellenville Regional Hospital. Presenters included Neil S. Calman, MD, President & CEO, The Institute for Family Health; Steven L. Kelley, FACHE, President & CEO, Ellenville Regional Hospital; Michaela Frazier, LMSW, CCM, Vice President of Social Support Services, The Institute for Family Health; and Sirene Garcia, Director of Special Programs, Finger Lakes Community Health Center.

The presentations provided information on and examples of collaborations between community health centers and hospitals, in grating social diagnosis into the patient encounter, and the emerging role of telehealth in primary care. This Grand Rounds session was a part of the NYS Department of Health's celebration of National Public Health Week 2018 and its theme, "Changing Our Future Together." It was also broadcast via live webinar and a recording is available on the New York State Department of Health website.

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ON THE FRONT BURNER: Behold God is mighty, and despiseth not any: He is mighty in strength and wisdom. Job 36:5

OBITUARIES

Peggy Sue Carlson LeBarron of Ellenville, NY passed away on Saturday, April 7, 2018 at Orange Regional Medical Center. She was 57 years old. Peggy was born on December 26, 1960 in Kingston, NY; she was the daughter of Alvin and Virginia (VanEtten) Carlson.

Peggy graduated from Ellenville High School in 1979. She continued her education at Ulster Community College where she was accepted into the nursing program. Peggy worked as a Registered Nurse at Benedictine Hospital and Ellenville Regional Hospital. She was the former director of nursing at The North East Center for Special Care and more recently worked with Always There Home Care. Peggy was a member of the Ulster Heights United Methodist Church. She enjoyed crocheting, baking and spending time with her family. She will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved her.

In addition to her parents, Peggy is survived by her children, Melissa Wood of Pine Bush, Christopher Wood of Middletown and Michael Wood of New Paltz; her brothers, Richard Carlson of Ellenville, David Bartee and his wife Kelly of Fort Worth, TX and Donald Martini and his wife Dawn of Napanoch; her sister, Patricia Mulholland and her husband Mark of Bluffton, SC; eleven grandchildren, Corey, Taylor, Emily, Hailey, Daron, Aria, Andrew, Lily, Anthony, Austin and Aubree and her aunt and uncle Barbara and Billy Wells.

A celebration of her life was held on Wednesday, April 11th at Loucks Funeral Home, 79 N. Main St., Ellenville. Cremation will be private.

COLLEGE NEWS:

Area Students Named to Morrisville **State College Dean's List**

Morrisville State College recently announced the students who were named to the Dean's List for the Fall 2017 semester. To be named to the Dean's List, a student must achieve an average of 3.0 to 3.99 for the semester and complete 12 credit hours.

Gillian Donohue of Ellenville, NY (12428), majoring in Health Related Studies

Cassidy Martinez of Napanoch, NY (12458), majoring in Animal Science - Equine Science & Management

Destinee Ramos of Loch Sheldrake, NY (12759), majoring in Culinary Arts Management

Morrisville State's curricula are enriched with applied learning and pave the way for opportunity at both the Morrisville and Norwich campuses. An action-oriented, interactive learning lab, the college is a national leader in technology and has been lauded for its exemplary, innovative and effective community service programs.

Days of Yore ... Today's History

April 21, 1948 - REMEMBER: Day light Savings -April 25th.

Several of the Grahamsville children are confined to their homes with measles.

April 16, 1958 In an attempt to establish a seed stock planting of wild turkeys in Sullivan and Ulster Counties, the N.Y.S. Dept. liberated a number of these game birds in 1957. Now the Conservation Department would like to learn how these released birds are faring after the hard winter just past. Al persons who may have caught glimpses of these birds during the last few months r have reason to believe there are some in their locality are requested to drop a card to Niles Fairbairn at Liberty or call Mr. Fairbairn at Liberty 2710. Mr Fairbairn will then journey to the spot where the turkey was seen and make a census of the birds remaining in the area.

April 17, 1968 - Word has been received from the U.S. Air Force that Captain Charles N. Nielsen of Neversink has extended his tour of duty as an F-4 Phantom pilot in Vietnam after completing 160 com-

bat missions, 110 of which were over North Vietnam. Captain Nielson, who was upgraded to aircraft commander in Southeast Asia, has been awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross (DFC) and 14 Air Medals during the past nine months.

Mr. Thomas Manell of the Tri-Valley Central School mathematics department as been awarded a grant from the University of Michigan to participate in a National Science Foundation Institute for high school teachers of mathematics this coming summer. Mr. Manell is one of thirty-five teachers in the United States selected for participator in this institute.

April 20, 1978 - A pat on the back for James Gorman, Town of Neversink Supervisor who introduced a resolution at the last meeting of the Sullivan County Board of Supervisors, urging the U.S. Senate to vote down the proposed Panama Canal Treaty.

"The job of a newspaper is to comfort the afflicted and afflict the comfortable "F.P. Duane (Mr. Dooley) American journalist and humorist.

If you See Something Nice... Say It! I am writing this article to let everyone know

that kindness, generosity and the true meaning of the holidays still exist.

Two of our customers, who wish to remain anonymous (we will call them "Linda and Jim") approached us with a generous amount of money to disperse to our customers, as we saw fit, throughout this holiday season. Numerous people benefited from this, because of the generosity of this wonder-ful couple!!! Although they want to remain anonymous, it would be a shame to not tell this Christmas Story.

Always remember, this world would be a better place if there were more people like "Linda and Jim"!!

Angelina Beluli Centolanza The Grahamsville Deli.

4-H Hosts Youth Vet Science Series with Local Professionals

LIBERTY, NY-Youth with an interest in veterinary science, between the ages of 13 and 18, can engage in a hands-on Veterinary Science educational opportunity this spring. Cornell Cooperative Extension Sullivan County (CCESC) is offering a three-part 4-H Youth Development program series on Thursdays April 12, 19, and 26 from 6:00 to 7:30 pm. 4-H programs are always open to non-members.

Participants will gain basic industry knowledge of veterinary medicine techniques for college and career readiness. The workshops will take place at the Extension Education Center on 64 Ferndale-Loomis Road in Liberty.

- April 12 | Youth Quality Assurance Certification April 19 | Equine Emergency & First Aid April 26 | Small Animal & Pet Basic First Aid

This series is \$8 per youth or \$5 for 4-H members Any Sullivan County youth ages 5-18 can apply to enroll in 4-H for free, all year long. Registration with payment is required in advance by vis-

itingwww.sullivancce.org, emailing sullivan@cornell.edu, or calling CCESC at 845-292-6180. Payment can be made in advance by check, cash, or credit. In the event of special needs, the public should contact the CCESC office.

Program fees support the cost of instructors, refreshments, materials, and facilities. Additional donations for CCESC programs are appreciated. Cornell Cooperative Extension's 4-H Youth

Development program empowers any youth ages 5-18 to reach their full potential, working and learning in partnership with caring adults. 4-H members have opportu-nities to connect to Cornell University resources and gain career readiness skills through hands-on activities and "learning by doing".

Good News! The Neversink Chronicles now Available in Neversink

The Neversink Chronicles is now available at the Neversink General Store. The author of *The Neversink Chronicles*, John Dwaine McKenna spent a good part of his life as a resident in Neversink. He is also the author of our weekly Mysterious Book Report.

A Round About Tri-Valley

Carol Furman

Congratulations to Weston Currey and Molly Brunelle who were recently engaged. Weston, the son of Hank and Shirley Currey of Grahamsville, is a Tri-Valley graduate and completed his Bachelor of Mathematics degree at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in Troy. The couple met at RPI and plan to be married in June, 2019.

Congratulations to Andrew Coddington and the Tri-Valley Boys Indoor Track and Field Relay Team members, who were named to the Sullivan County Democrat's first team All-Stars, based on top times and distances among all county indoor track participants.

Kudos also to Drew Hartman from Tri-Valley, who was selected as one the 2017-2018 *Sullivan County Democrat* Alpine Skiing All-Stars. Drew, along with the other three boys selected "battled freezing temperatures to dominate the slopes"!

Congrats to Tri-Valley basketball players Jill Mungeer and Morgan Shamro who were named to the *Sullivan County Democrat's* first team basketball all-stars.

On March 24th, several hundred Boy Scouts congregated at Minisink Valley School for a Badge Fest. Seven of our local Scouts attended and were able to earn several badges, some of which are required for Eagle Scout. Those attending were Carsen and Cole Terwilliger, Dylan Poley, Adam and Van Furman, Chris Morgan and Brian Kelly.

The Sullivan County Long Beards, a chapter of the National Wild Turkey Federation, recently held their annual Hunter's Heritage Banquet at the Rockland House in Roscoe. Donna Kortright, Secretary, reported that this was the biggest and best banquet ever with 195 attending.

April 10th, 1628, (390 years ago) the Reverend Jonas Michaelius, a Pastor in the settlement of New Amsterdam, organized the first Dutch Reformed Church in what is now New York City. There are a number of Dutch Reformed Churches in the area: Grahamsville, Claryville and Ellenville. The Woodbourne Reformed Church has recently been sold. The Grahamsville Church was organized by early settlers in the area on May 28th, 1844. Memorial Hall, which sits next to the Grahamsville Church, was built by church members and dedicated in 1935. Richard T. Childs, whose generous gift of land to the Church, made possible the Hall's erection.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

Boys & Girls Soccer Sign-up - Tri-Valley HS Library: 4/30 (2:30-6:30), 5/15 (2:30-6:30) 5/22 (4:30-8:30) & 6/15 (4:30-8:30)

April 12: Daniel Pierce Library After School Movie Event

April 13: Parks and Rec Animal Embassy Presentation April 14: Neversink Fire Department Nash Fundraiser April 15: Claryville Fire Department Pancake Breakfast

April 21: Grahamsville UMC Thrift Sale (9:00-Noon); April 21: Grahamsville Reformed Church Roast Pork Dinner

May 1 & May 15: Universal Pre- Kindergarten Registration

May 5: Tri-Valley Lions Journey For Sight Walk

WORDS OF WISDOM: It is easier to do a job right then to explain why you didn't.

Grahamsville Music Hall Approved by Board and Ready to Roll

The 150 year old building has been 'gussied up' and is ready to bring live music to the folks in Grahamsville and surrounding areas.

According to owner Dave Trestyn, there will be both – "*Country and Western* music, as well as Old Time, Blues and a variety of other musical entertainment including Open Mike."

The Grahamsville Music Hall is expected to open as soon as the weather permits. Watch *The Townsman* for further development and future plans and the Grand Opening!

The new venue will hold fifty people who will be able to enjoy a good complimentary cup of coffee or tea while being entertained by some of the best local musicians. Planning is also underway for a hot dog stand that will offer other snacks and goodies to guests attending the music events.

Litterpluck in the Town of Neversink

Sullivan County's Annual Litterpluck event is scheduled for Saturday, April 21, 2018 through Sunday, May 13, 2018 and you can help to clean up the Town of Neversink. All school and community groups, as well as private citizens are urged to participate. Litterpluck is a great opportunity to volunteer a few hours to clean our parks and roadways. Clear trash bags donated by Sullivan County Division of Public Works and Solid Waste are available at the Neversink Town Hall for you to use. Once you fill with them with litter, simply take them to the Town of Neversink Transfer Station and let the attendant know you have litterpluck bags and they will take care of the rest. If you would like more information please call the Town of Neversink Town Hall at 985-2262 x300 or 307 and speak to Lisa or Janis. This program is funded by the Sullivan County Legislature.

AARP Driver Safety Program

AARP Driver Safety Program at the following location: South Fallsburg Senior Center, Laurel Avenue, South Fallsburg, New York on Saturday, May 5, 2018 from 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

PLEASE ARRIVE AT 8:45 AM NO WALK-INS

To Register - Call Sonny Smith at 434-8922 (Leave Message). PLEASE CALL AFTER 9:00 AM IN THE MORNING.

Sonny Smith, an AARP- Certified Instructor, will give this course in one full day session, which will consist of a lecture, discussion and video presentations. Participants will receive a certificate which entitles them to apply for a discount on their automobile insurance.

For information, phone Sonny Smith at 434-8922 (Leave Message). PLEASE CALL AFTER 9:00 AM IN THE MORNING.

The fee is \$20 for AARP members and \$25 for nonmembers as of 1/1/2014. Classes are limited to 35, so apply early.

This course is instructed by a Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) volunteer and is sponsored by the Sullivan County Office for the Aging & RSVP.

Community Driver Safety Program

Defensive Driving Class Bethel Senior Center 3594 Route 55 Kauneonga Lake, New York Saturday, April 28, 2018 from 9:00AM-4:00PM (this allows one hour for lunch) and at Jeffersonville (Calliccon) Town Hall 19 Legion Street Jeffersonville, New York Wednesday & Friday, May 16 & 18, 2018 from 6:00PM-9:00PM

To register for the class contact Manny Safer, some additions to our services to the community have been added: Our telephone service is toll free and is answered by a live person Monday thru Friday from 9am to 6pm. After these hours and on weekends and holidays you can leave a voice message with your name and phone number for a call back. This new voice mail service will also transcribe your message to our computer. The toll free number is (877) 910-7843. Pre-payment is requested in order to confirm your spot in the class.

The course is instructed by a RSVP Volunteer and will give this course in a one day session, which will consist of lecture, discussion and video presentations. Participants will receive a certificate which entitles them to apply for a discount on their automobile insurance. This program will help reduce your auto insurance by 10% and may reduce up to four points on your license. The fee is \$25 per person over 50 years of age and \$35 per person under 50 years of age. Pre-registration is required.

This course is instructed by a Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) volunteer and sponsored by Community Driver Safety Programs, Inc., Sullivan County RSVP and Office for the Aging.

AARP Driver Safety Program

An AARP Driver Safety Program will be held Lumberland Senior Center 1054 Proctor Road Glen Spey, New York Saturday, May 5, 2018 from 8:00 - 3:00 PM BRING LUNCH

To Register - Call Sheila Hocker at 845-856-1707. Preregistration required David "Scottie" Greenberger, an AARP- Certified

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A tribute to the memory of all of the Townsman ladies that we have lost and loved so much... Peggy DeWire, Avril Pappa, Joan Hall, Polly Hill, Joyce Lockhart and Jean Helthaler.

The Warm Golden Glow of Coltsfoot

Recently I was told that someone spotted a dandelion growing alongside the road. It is still a little early for dandelions, but it is not too early for the cheerful golden flowers of Coltsfoot's, that _____

could be mistaken for a small dandelion. This time of the year you will begin to see the bright little yellow flowers along roadsides and stream banks is a sure sign of spring. The plant is native to Europe,

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but also grows widely in sandy places throughout the United States and Canada. Coltsfoot is a low-growing perennial with fleshy, woolly leaves. A member of the Asteraceae (daisy) family, coltsfoot produces a single golden-yellow flower head that blooms very early in spring. Coltsfoot is a curious herb which seems to grow in 2 distinct stages. Very early in the growing season, the plant develops flat orange flower heads.

The 1 3/8-inch-wide flower heads on thick, scaly, reddish 6-inch stalks appear before the leaves (accounting for the alternate common name son-before-the-father, or filius ante patrem in Latin, as it was known during the Middle Ages). The flower head looks much like that of a dandelion but has a central disk like that of a daisy. Each narrow, petal-like ray flower has a pistil (female organ) but no stamens (male organs). Each disk flower has both stamens and a pistil, but the latter



is non-functional. The flowers, which open in sunshine and close in cloudy weather and at night, are usually pollinated by butterflies and bees.

After the flowers die off, rosettes of 6- to 8inch-wide stalked green leaves arise from the creeping rhizomes. Some early botanists, observing the leafless flowers in one place

and the flowerless foliage in another, concluded that they represented separate species. .

Both the upper and lower leaf surfaces are at first covered with hairs, but those on top fall off as the leaf expands. The mature leaves are smooth and green above, felty and white below.

The entire plant may grow to a height of 20 inches. The seed heads are fluff balls like those of dandelions. European goldfinches and American indigo buntings use this down to line their nests, and it is said that Scottish Highlanders once used it to stuff pillows.

Coltsfoot was so well known as a medicinal herb in olden times that a painting of its leaf on Paris apothecaries identified them to the illiterate. Coltsfoot is among the collected wild plants in the Balkans, Eastern Europe (Bulgaria, Czechoslovakia, Hungary, Poland, the former Yugoslavia), and Italy. It also has been a part of Chinese folk medicine for centuries. Extracts of coltsfoot once had been used as flavorings for candies

Coltsfoot spreads too vigorously for the herb garden; in fact, it is said that the underground stems can remain dormant for years and then sprout exuberantly when the ground is disturbed. If you must have coltsfoot in your herb garden, confine it in a bottomless pot or grow it in a container.

In may still be a week or two before you will be able enjoy the yellow polka dotted carpet as it begins to appear along the roadsides in the Catskills. The happy little yellow Coltsfoot flowers are just another way for Mother Nature to confirm that Spring is here.

Household Hints

Test soil acidity or alkalinity

To do a quick test for excess alkalinity in the soil in your yard, place a handful of earth in a container and then pour in 1/2 cup white vinegar. If the soil fizzes or bubbles, it's definitely alkaline. Similarly, to see if your soil has a high acidity, mix the earth with 1/2 cup water and 1/2 cup baking soda. This time, fizzing would indicate acid in the soil.

APRIL 12, 2018



Mysterious Book Report No. 328 by John Dwaine McKenna

Do you ever take a chance on a book, based only on the title, or cover illustration? It's a fun way to discover a new author or genre you might otherwise pass up. Or Not, in which case the non-profit stores and neighborhood churches always need stuff to sell. But, when it works out as hoped, it's a delightful experience. Which is exactly what happened when the MBR was intrigued by the title of a nifty piece of crime fiction that was featured in last month's edition of *The Mysterious* Newsletter.

Slaughterhouse Blues, (Shotgun Honey/ Down & Out Books, PB, \$11.95, 136 pages, ISBN 978-1-946502-40-7) by Nick Kolakowski is a short, but intense piece of hard-boiled crime fiction that features a pair of romantically linked antiheros named Fiona and Bill. Together, they're gun-loving masters of bad-assiveness . . . he's a big-time, big-score, high-living mas-

ter thief and she's a dead-shot, merciless, hitter-for-hire. As the tale begins, Bill and Fiona are holed up down in Cuba, where they're on the run from the Rockaway Mob, from whom Bill "borrowed" several million dollars in their first adventure, A Brutal Bunch of Heartbroken Saps. They H know that the mob godfathers are going to come for them, but they're unprepared for a pair of assassins who're so utterly amoral, they're almost insane. From Cuba to Nicaragua to New York City, the chase is on and Bill and Fiona won't survive unless they can somehow pull off an impressive robbery of an improbable treasure with an unspeakably ugly past. This little gem of a novel will only take a couple of lunch hours to read, but it'll keep you entertained a lot longer than that!

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Letter to the Editor:

I can see by reading last week's Townsman, that Mrs. Furman did not take too kindly to having to move the Grahamsville Reformed Church Dinner, due to the fact that the Neversink Fire Dept. having scheduled a benefit dinner the same day. I just wanted to clear up a few issues. This was not done intentionally. This dinner, put together on short notice, is solely for the benefit of Tom & Kim Nash, not the Neversink Fire Dept. A handicap ramp has been built and their bathroom has to be modified so Tom can take a shower, along with other modifications that needed to be done to their home. In the time frame we wanted to do this fundraiser, Saturday, April 14th was the date that was chosen due to the availability of our community hall having an open date.

Both Tom and Kim are dealing with Cancer issues, and Tom recently had his lower right leg amputated as well. He will soon start radiation treatments for throat cancer, 5 days a week, in Middletown. Kim will continue her chemotherapy treatments. These are the reasons we are having the benefit dinner at this time, to help the family with the added financial burdens caused by their health issues.

Going forward, I will make it high on my list of priorities to check the Townsman's monthly schedule of events to try and avoid a future scheduling conflicts, just in case another family has to deal with an unexpected devastating health issue, where a fundraising event needs to be scheduled to help them in their time of need. The bottom line is, we are putting on this benefit because we believe helping a family in our community is the true Christian way of doing things. I would hope the community would support any organization trying to do this.

Mike and Karen Wolfe Neversink, NY 12765

Mountaindale Plans Spring Events

(From Pg. 1) Volunteers will pluck litter in pairs and will knock on doors to introduce themselves and let the community know about the open house. Garbage bags will be available for pickup at the Firehouse that morning. The Mountaindale Action Committee is a group of

local volunteers who maintain the beautiful garden spaces here and there around Mountaindale. Volunteers are wel-come to show up at the Committee's Wednesday evening work sessions during the spring, summer, and fall from 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm. Starting in April, the group meets at 7:00 pm on the fourth Wednesday of each month to discuss ongoing projects before going out to plant seeds and seedlings, pull weeds, and pick up litter. This year, early volunteers will receive a bonus-small packets of organic volunteers will receive a bonus-small packets of organic herb and flower seeds.

It will be a busy spring in Mountaindale. Rowboats will be available for rent at Mountaindale Park on week-ends over the summer. The Fire Department will have its annual pancake breakfast on Sunday, May 27, from 7:00 am until noon. The public is welcome to attend all these events.

For further information contact Cathy Farris at 845-434-9055 or emailmtdaleaction@gmail.com.

Adult & Youth Leaders Learn to Create with 4-H Maker Movement

LIBERTY, NY-Youth and adult leaders wishing to channel their creative energies toward an array of "do-it-yourself" projects can engage in a hands-on Second Saturdays Makers Series starting April 14, 2018 with "Simply Sewn Neck Warmers". Cornell Cooperative Extension Sullivan County (CCESC) is offering this educational 4-H Youth Development program series on the second Saturday of each month starting April 14 and continuing through October 13 from 1:00 to 3:00 pm. 4-H programs are always open to non-members.

The goal of the program is to assist leaders in learning methods, practicing skills, and building confidence to be able to share these projects with a larger youth audience. The workshops will take place at the Extension Education Center on 64 Ferndale-Loomis Road in Liberty. Some projects may need participants to bring additional sup-

Karen Mariner, Barbara Olsen, and other CCESC vol-unteers will lead the following 4-H Maker projects: April 14: Simply Sewn Neck Warmers

May 12: Garden Stepping Stones June 9: Homemade Campfire Marshmallows July 14: Felt Storyboards for Kids

August 11: Artistry of Wood Burning September 8: Silk Scarf Dyeing

October 13: Halloween Tin-Punch Fun There is a suggested donation of \$5 per class to support the program. Participants take home their creations.

Registration with payment is required in advance by visiting www.sullivancce.org, emailing sullivan@cor-nell.edu, or calling CCESC at 845-292-6180. Payment can be made in advance by check, cash, or credit. In the event of special needs, the public should contact the CCESC office.

Any Sullivan County youth ages 5-18 can apply to enroll in 4-H for free, all year long. Program fees support the cost of instructors, refreshments, materials, and facilities. Additional donations for CCESC programs are appreciated.

Cornell Cooperative Extension's 4-H Youth Development program empowers any youth ages 5-18 to reach their full potential, working and learning in partner-ship with caring adults. 4-H members have opportunities to connect to Cornell University resources and gain career readiness skills through hands-on activities and "learning by doing"

Chairman Alvarez Applauds State's **Increased Focus on Opioid Crisis**

Monticello, NY - Sullivan County Legislature Chairman Luis Alvarez released the following statement today about the just-adopted NYS Budget:

"Through an increase in funding, Governor Andrew Cuomo and New York State are taking the necessary actions to help combat deadly opioid addiction. Enhanced treatment and recovery programs, as well as residential service opportunities and public awareness events will provide those individuals struggling with opioid addiction the proper resources and guidance on the road to recovery. I commend Governor Cuomo for stepping up and provid-ing the necessary leadership to address this epidemic that

has plagued our communities." The new State Budget creates an opioid stewardship program with a \$100 million fund to be used for the ongoing and growing costs of prevention, treatment, and recoverv services for individuals with a substance abuse disorder. Language in the budget ensures the costs are borne by industry, not by consumers.

Additionally, more than \$200 million is being used to address the heroin and opioid crisis. The Budget includes an increase of over \$30 million (5 percent) in operating and cap-ital support for the Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Services to continue to enhance prevention, treatment and recovery programs, residential service opportunities, and public awareness & education activities.

Sullivan County continues to pour resources into the effort locally, including Narcan training, Public Health Services' addiction referral line, and the Opioid Epidemic Task Force.

DIG IN, HELP OUT! Join the Sullivan Renaissance Volunteer Corps

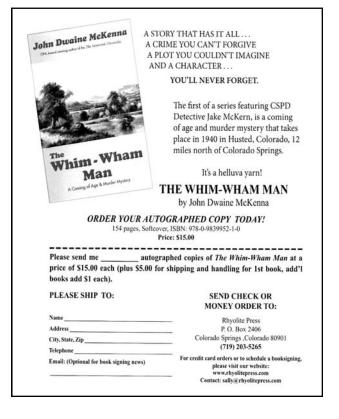
[LIBERTY] - Get involved - you can have an impact on [LIBERTY] - Get involved - you can have an impact on your street, in your community, and with your neighbors. Sullivan Renaissance will kick off an exciting season of grassroots community engagement with its Volunteer Corps Orientations on Wednesday, April 18, and May 9, at 6:00 p.m. at the CVI Building at 165 Sullivan Avenue in Ferndale. Choose either date, the information presented will be the same at each session. Come and discover how easily your talents can help make a difference. The Sullivan Renaissance Volunteer Corps is a group

of individuals who offer assistance to a variety of commuor individuals who offer assistance to a variety of commu-nity beautification projects and Sullivan Renaissance ini-tiatives. Opportunities include gardening, program sup-port, outreach, photography, co-leading classes, social media support and more. Volunteer Corps members receive regular opportunity notifications and sign-up to participate based on their interests and availability.

"It helps me see the county where I grew up in a new way" says returning Volunteer Corps member Melinda Cormier. "It's a way to remember what used to be, to celebrate what is, and to be part of what will be. I enjoy the

chance to give back in a really fun way!" The orientation is an opportunity to learn more about Sullivan Renaissance and discover how to be a part of building beautiful, healthy, active communities through-out Sullivan County. Pre-registration is requested and refreshments will be served. To register or for more infor-mation about volunteering, visit SullivanRenaissance.org or call Sullivan Renaissance at 845-295-2445. Event details can also be found on the Sullivan Renaissance Facebook page

Sullivan Renaissance is a beautification and community development program principally funded by the Gerry Foundation with support from Bold Gold Media Group, The River Reporter, The Sullivan County Democrat, and the Times Herald Record. For information, contact 845-295-2445 orwww.SullivanRenaissance.org.







The Olive Jar - By Carol LaMonda **Into the Woods**

Drama and the arts are an important part of education. Please support Onteora's students by attending this school play. Bruno Bettelheim, famous American psychologist, once said that fairy tales and folk tales were society's "collective unconscious." They form the common background that unites a community to acceptable behavior. Choosing this play, suitable for all audiences, might be just what we need to see right now.



Celebrate Spring in Ulster County

It's been a chilly winter here in Ulster County, and it's possible there's still snow on the ground as you're reading this. Whether you love the winter weather or wish it would go away forever, we can all agree that Spring-and all the beautiful colors, farmers markets and outdoor adventures that come with it-is always a welcomed arrival in the Hudson Valley.

Seek your mountain, your lake, your golf course, your hiking trail, your patio, your green market-seek for yourself your next adventure in Ulster County.

Garden Dav at SUNY Ulster Master Gardener Annual Garden Day Conference

Choose from 16 gardening classes. Plants, problems and solutions will be the main themes of the classes. Enjoy the keynote speaker and mini trade show. For more information contact Cornell Cooperative Extension of Ulster County, Dona Crawford at dm282@cornell.edu or (845) 340-3990 ext 335. The cost is \$45.00 per person.

Saturday, April 14, 2018 - 8:30 a.m.

Wine and Bites Shawangunk Wine Trail Presents Wine and Bites

Celebrate spring in the Hudson Valley with the Shawangunk Wine Trail's exciting new season opener event. Savor the region's finest wines, one delicious sip at a time paired with a variety of scrumptious food bites over the course of one or two days. Each of the 13 member wineries has

Two Neighbors

Town of Denning Artists in the Town of Olive



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Get ready for a trip into the woods! Onteora's spring musical will be staged at the High School on April 27 and 28 at 7 PM, and April 29 at 2 PM. "Into the Woods," a Tony Award-winning musical, features characters and plots from a number of well-known fairy tales, including Cinderella, Rapunzel, Little Red Riding Hood, and Jack and the Beanstalk.

Leading actors will include Val Shauger (Baker), Hannah Mathe (Baker's Wife), Ali Bailey (Witch), Trinity Luther (Cinderella), Jules Schauffler (Narrator), Megan Sorbellini (Stepmother), Olivia Brekke (Florinda), Amelia Schlichting (Lucinda), Emily Peck (Little Red), Shane Stackpole (Jack), Julia Rubin (Jack's Mother), Gabe Solis (Wolf), Justin Blydenburgh (Cinderella's Prince), Adam McCutcheon (Rapunzel's Prince), Satch Sumner-Waldman (Mysterious Man), Ginger McMahon (Rapunzel), and Morgan Edelstein (Milky White).

Costuming was done by Linda Burkhardt. Tickets will be \$15 for adults and \$10 for students and seniors.

selected cheese, meat, salad, pasta, or dessert to offer with selected cheese, meat, salad, pasta, or dessert to offer with their wines. Receive a souvenir wine glass at the starting winery of your choice and continue on a self-guided tour of the wine trail at your own pace. Two-day tickets \$40, Sunday-only tickets \$25, designated-driver tickets \$15. Prices plus tax and fee. 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; Saturday, April 21, 2018 - 10 a.m. to Sunday, April 22, 2018 - 5 p.m. Shawangunk Wine Trail- 845-256-8456 gunkswine.com

"A Taste of Germany"

Discover "A Taste of Germany" on Sunday, April 22, 2018 from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. at Kingston Maennerchor Hall, 37 Greenkill

Avenue, Kingston (near Broadway overpass) The Kingston Maennerchor and Damenchor is celebrating its 150th Anniversary and is inviting the community to their special event. They will have: Local vendors, including Schneiders Jewelers, Volkswagon of Kingston, Hudson Valley Pottery, Booked by Barthel, Annie's Sweets, and Cats View Farm; A Penny Social and a Flea Market; Great Raffle Prizes; and of course, delicious German food, including desserts and FREE ADMISSION! Contact: (845) 338-3763 to leave a message; www.kingstonmaennerchoranddamenchor.org

Women's Woodstock Cycling Grand Prix This annual women's only race is one-of-a-kind as the only women's out-and-back race course in the United States. The race begins and ends in Ulster County's iconic Woodstock and encompasses the best roads in the townships of Woodstock, Phoenicia, Hurley and Saugerties.

Friday, May 4, 2018 (All day) to Saturday, May 5, 2018 (All day) Rock City Road Woodstock 12498

845-612-1672

www.womenswoodstockcycling.com

Gardiner Cupcake Festival A day full of live music, local food, shopping, art and craft vendors, raffles, kids' activities, cupcake contests and, of course, lots of yummy cupcakes. Tenth annual festival and annual 5K Cupcake Classic will be held from Noon - 5 p.m. on Saturday, May 19, 2018 - at Wright's Farm 699 Route 208 Gardiner 12525 845-255-5300 www.gardinercupcakefestival.

Rock The Ridge

Rock The Ridge a 24-hour, 50-mile endurance challenge and environmental fundraiser set in the natural beauty of Mohonk Preserve will be held on Saturday, May 19, 2018 (All day) at Mohonk Preserve 3197 Route 4, Gardiner 12525 • 845-255-0919 Registration required.

www.mohonkpreserve.org/rock-the-ridg

Sixth Annual Kingston Multicultural Festival

The Reher Center's annual Multicultural Festival brings together Kingston's ethnic cultures to celebrate the richness of our community. This family-friendly event features music, dance, food, crafts and children's activities. 1 pm. - 5 pm Freeinfo.rehercenter@gmail.com Sunday, June 3, 2018 - 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. at T.R. Gallo Park, Rondout waterfront, Kingston 12401 For information: 845-338-8131 or rehercenter.org

Glass Barge Tour

A one-of-a-kind floating venue featuring a glassblowing demonstration studio built on a 30- by 90-foot steel barge. Hot glass demonstrations offered free to the public while in port.

Presented by The Corning Museum of Glass on Friday, June 15, 2018 (All day) to Sunday, June 17, 2018 (All day) at the Hudson River Maritime Museum 50 Rondout Landing Kingston 12401 •845-338-0071 hrmm.org

Brightwork: A Makers' Festival & National Boatbuilding Challenge

A special event celebrating the art of craft.





Artists, artisans and craftspeople will demonstrate their craft, including woodworking, metalworking, maritime crafts and more both days.

National Boatbuilding Challenge will be held on Saturday, where teams of two compete to build a boat from start to finish in four hours, then race on the water.

There will be live music, food, children's activities, workshops and classes both days.

Saturday, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Sunday, 11 a.m. - 5p.m.

Saturday, June 23, 2018 - 10 a.m.

to Sunday, June 24, 2018 - 5 p.m.

Hudson River Maritime Museum 50 Rondout

Landing Kingston 12401



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Adults: \$10.00 Rib Dinner \$14.00 Students (6 - 18) \$1.00 Eat In or Take Out! Fundraiser for the Sullivan County Pregnancy Support Center / for more INFO call Paul at (845)985-2923

On March 29, DEC Commissioner

Basil Seggos hosted the Division of Forest Protection awards in Albany at the Empire State Plaza. Presented every three years, the awards ceremony recognizes the courageous acts and outstand-

ing service of this state law enforcement branch tasked with wilderness search

and rescue missions, forest fire suppression, state land patrols, and backcountry

blizzard conditions on Algonquin Mountain for three days; Saving the life

of a man caught in a brush fire; Saving the life of a man severely injured in a motorcycle accident; Saving a woman

This year's awards were presented to 40 Forest Rangers for actions that include: Rescuing a couple stranded in

public education efforts.

Forest Ranger Awards



stranded in a kayak in dangerous rapids; and saving two unresponsive, capsized canoeists from frigid water. A New York State Trooper was also honored at the event for his efforts working with Forest Rangers in the Adirondacks. For more



HIGH: 54°F LOW: 38°F information, visit DEC's webpage Benefit Dinner for Tom and Kim Nash Both are battling cancer, and Tom is a recent amputee Saturday, April 14th @ Neversink Fire Dept. Community Hall 4-7 P.M. or Until Sold Out Adults: \$15 Children 5-12: Children Under 5: Free Take Out Is Available For More Info call 985-2373 after 5 P.M. Adult Dinner: Chinese Roast Pork, Potato Salad, Baked Beans, Roll, Ice Cream, Beverage Children's Dinner: Hot Dogs, Mac & Cheese, Baked Beans, Ice Cream, Beverage There will be a 50/50 and raffles available **** ****

Mark Your Calendars for Frost Valley YMCA **Open Houses & Healthy Kids Day**

The snow has finally melted (mostly!) and we are long overdue for thinking about spring and summer planning. Frost Valley offers several opportunities to ensure your children have a safe, active, and growth-filled year - no matter the season!

Registration is in full swing for Frost Valley YMCA's various Overnight and Day Camp pro-grams and sessions are filling fast. Frost Valley provides an enriching summer experience to children ages' four-17. Counselors experienced in childcare and recreation lead campers through days of adventure and excitement, with a foundation focused on achievement, relationships, and belonging. Frost Valley YMCA



Day Camp offers children in our community various one- or twoweek sessions between June 25 and August 31, and registration is available online at FrostValley.org or by calling 845-985-2291. For parents who would like to visit the camp first, or have other questions, Frost Valley is hosting several free Day Camp Open House informational events this spring. During an Open House, families tour the grounds where

camp is held; learn about Frost Valley's fun programs, secure environment, and experienced leadership; and discover how day camp can help a child or teen build confidence and character while having fun and making friends.

Day Camp Open Houses will take place April 29, May 20, and June 10 from 10am-1pm, and the reaining Overnight Camp Open Houses will take place on April 15 and May 20 from 11:30am-3pm. If these Sundays don't work for you, Frost Valley can accommodate a private tour. Families who attend a free open house will enjoy a tour, presentation, Q&A session, lunch in the camp's dining hall, and more. Please contact Daycamp@FrostValley.org for reservations.

Don't forget! Mark your calendars to enjoy an afternoon of family fun and wellness at Frost Valley YMCA on Sunday, May 20, from 1-4 pm during Healthy Kids Day. This annual community event is free to attend, and focuses on inspiring kids and families to develop healthier lifestyles. Healthy Kids Day is the Y's national initiative to improve family health and well being through games, healthy eating, arts and crafts, and more. Although the event is free, reservations are highly recommended, and can be made at 845-985-2291 or FrostValley.org/Contact-Us.

Fallsburg's My Brother's Keeper Program Hosts College, **Career and Job Readiness Workshop**

Fallsburg Central School District's My Brother's Keeper (MBK) Initiative and SUNY Sullivan's Liberty Partnership Program brought several Fallsburg High School students to a series



Fallsburg Central School District Family and Community Engagement Liaison Aleta Lymon with Sullivan County Workforce Development Instructor Lyle Mincheff

shared his and his own children's experience with college entrance documents and interviews.

Following lunch, Keri Whitehead from SUNY Sullivan provided detailed information and tips to apply for and secure scholarships and financial aid through the college and other state and federal agencies. The final workshop for the day was an overview of college admission. SUNY Sullivan's Steve Alhona offered details of specifically applying to the local two year college and what opportunities were available

Fallsburg's Family & Community Liaison, Aleta Lymon, and SUNY Sullivan's Director of Liberty Partnerships Program, Ruta Cole, coordinated the day's event and were pleased with the energy in all the sessions. The MBK students were enthusiastic and eager to ask questions.

of College, Career and Job Readiness Workshops at the school auditorium on April 3, 2018. The students have been enrolled in the MBK Program since its inception in September 2017.

During the all-day event with a short break for lunch, Lyle Mincheff from Sullivan County Workforce Development presented an interactive presentation on Career Readiness. Students expressed careers that they were interested in, and with Mr. Mincheff's guidance, they discovered what job skill sets they would need to develop for preparation in that field.

À second session featured SUNY Sullivan's Klu Padu, who reviewed the entire process of application to two and four year colleges. Again, in an active interchange with participants, the presenter



Four Fallsburg High School sophomore student members of My Brother's Keeper Initiative with English for New Learners teacher Ms. Victoria Alzate. Left to right are Kevin Manjarrez,

Enrique Velasquez, Carlos Saba, Ms. Alzate, and Jose Reyes. Ms. Alzate is informing the boys about a program this summer at Marist College to offer high school students an experience of being on a college campus.



Italian Sunday Sauce Homemade Sauce with Ribs, Meatballs and Italian Sausage

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Fallsburg's My Brother's Keeper Program Hosts Community Workshops for Families Fallsburg Central School District's Family and Community Liaison, Aleta Lymon invites

the school and community to participate in a series of workshops on Saturday, April 21, 2018 from 10 AM to 2 PM at Fallsburg High School.

Fallsburg District families, individuals, and organizations are welcome to participate. Organizations must RSVP in advance. Specific parent workshops will include: 1. Understanding Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) and Naturalization. 2. Understanding School Assessments.

Guiding Your Child on How to Get in Position for College and Job Readiness Early. Bullying Prevention

For children attending, entertainment such as inflatables, obstacle course, foosball, and Virtual Reality Video, game competitions with cash prizes will be provided by Party Master. Lunch and light refreshments will be provided. If you have any questions, please call Aleta Lymon at 845-434-6800, Ext. 1223.



Sporting Clubs, **Saviors of our Catskill Rivers**

On April 28, from 1-3. "Sporting Clubs, Saviors of our Catskill Rivers." The Jerry Bartlett Memorial Angling Collection at the Phoenicia Library presents a discussion of the history and origins of sporting clubs and preserves, both public and private in the Catskills. Austin "Mac" Francis, author of *Catskill Rivers* and *Land of Little Rivers*, and Bethia Waterman, cofounder of the Angling Collection, will describe how the sporting clubs responded to the degradation of the environment in the late 19th century when overharvesting of fish and game, water pollution and deforestation caused by tanning and other industrial uses, and abandonment of deplet-ed farms resulted in dramatic declines of fish and game stocks

The rising consciousness of a need to protect and con-serve water, forests and wildlife led to the rise of the American Conservation Movement. In the Catskills this took the form of creation of the Forest Preserve and Catskill Park, private hunting and fishing preserves and public advocacy groups. For example, in Shandaken, Phoenicia Fish and Game formed in the early 1920s and played a major role as a watchdog on the Esopus, followed by Upper Esopus Rod and Gun, and Stony Clove Rod and Gun. A hundred years ago these sportsmen became advocates and activists leading the way for local citizens to become involved in environmental conservation and to preserve the traditions of Catskill angling and hunting. We will celebrate their colorful, rebellious, and occasionally blasphemous history

Thanks to Catskill Watershed Corporation in partnership with NYC DEP for making it possible for us to record, photograph, and post transcripts of our programs on our web site,

catskillanglingcollection.org. The Phoenicia Library, 48 Main Street, Phoenicia, NY 12410 is fully accessible. For more information: phoeniciali-brary.org or 845-688-7811.

DEP Encourages Anglers to Enjoy Fishing Access on Reservoirs, Streams and Other Watershed Location

Angling opportunities abound as New York's trout

fishing season begins As New Yorkers mark the beginning of trout fishing season, the New York City Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) encourages anglers to cast a line at its reservoirs or at dozens of properties that include frontage along streams, rivers and lakes throughout the Catskill Mountains and Hudson River Valley.

New York City's water supply features some of the best trout fishing in the Northeast. Its 22 reservoir and lakes, covering roughly 36,000 acres, are open for fishing from shore or approved boats. Most of the reservoirs include deep water that is ideal for coldwater species such as trout, and habitat suitable for bass and other warmwater species. The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation outlines statewide fishing regulations, including information on licenses, catch limits, and stocking, on its website. Those fishing on the City's reservoirs must also have a free DEP Access Permit.

'Thousands of anglers each year visit New York City's reservoirs, which offer world-class fishing amid the scenic beauty of the Catskills and Hudson Valley," DEP Commissioner Vincent Sapienza said. "The anglers are great stewards of our natural resources, and they deserve credit for collaborating with DEP on projects that keep our waterways clean for future generations. We look forward to working with them on projects in the future, and on improving the breadth and ease of fishing access across the watershed."

Before you grab for the rod and reel, here are five bits of helpful information about fishing on New York City's water supply lands and reservoirs:

Find your species of choice. The reservoir system is home to many species of fish that are coveted by anglers, but some reservoirs include better habitat for one species or another. DEP has compiled a handy fishing brochure for anglers to know which species are located at each reservoir, and whether the fishing for each is fair, good or excellent. The brochure can be found at http://www.nyc.gov/html/dep/pdf/recreation/fishingbrochure.pdf

Find the deepest, coldest water. Some of the best trout fishing on New York City's reservoirs happens where the water is coldest and deepest. Other species are best found in the shallows. DEP provides angler maps that show the depth contours in each of our reservoirs. Anglers can find them at: http://www.nyc.gov/html/dep/pdf/maps/angler/angler_maps. pdf 3)

3) Rent a boat for access to deeper water. Four of New York City's reservoirs in the Catskills - Cannonsville, Pepacton, Neversink and Schoharie - allow the use of kayaks and canoes starting each year on Memorial Day weekend. Local businesses also rent pre-cleaned boats at each of these reservoirs, making it easy for anyone to access the reservoirs. Rental boats are also a great option for anglers, who might not own a boat, to access some of the deeper water at these reservoirs. More information about the rental boats can be http://www.nyc.gov/html/dep/ found at: html/recreation/expanded_boating_program.shtml

4) Fishing abounds on streams, rivers and lakes. Great fishing can be found beyond the reservoirs. New York City owns more than 200 miles of frontage along streams, creeks and rivers throughout the watershed. Many of these spots are excellent for fishing off the beaten path. Some water supply lands also include lakes or ponds that are suitable for fishing. DEP has created an interactive map - known as the RecMapper - to help outdoor enthusiasts find these points of access throughout the watershed. Anglers can use the digital map to zoom in to each property, find waterbodies, and print driving directions. The RecMapper can be found at www.nyc.gov/dep/recmap.

5) Look toward the tailwaters. Some of the best fishing is found just beyond the dams that form New York City's reservoirs. DEP releases water from almost all its reservoirs on an ongoing basis. This water that's released downstream of our dams - commonly referred to as "tailwaters" - creates condi-

tions for excellent fishing. The tailwaters usually include public access points, many of which are operated and maintained by the state

Fishing on all city-owned reservoirs and lakes, along with some recreation units along streams and creeks, requires a free DEP Access Permit. An access permit can be obtained through DEP's online permitting found system.

www.nyc.gov/dep/accesspermit. Those who want to use rowboats on the reservoirs must also register their boat with DEP, have it steam cleaned, and affix a valid boat tag to the side of the boat. Those with questions about permitting and boat tags may email recreation@dep.nyc.gov or call (800) 575-LAND. Those fishing on streams that run across water supply lands should carefully check signs in those recreation units to determine whether a permit is required. The breadth of fishing opportunities on City

reservoirs and land underscores DEP's effort to support the recreation and tourism economies in the watershed by opening more properties to recreation. There are currently more than 130,000 acres of City property open for recreation in the watersheds, including the reservoirs.

DEP manages New York City's water supply, providing more than 1 billion gallons of highquality water each day to more than 9.5 million New Yorkers. This includes more than 70 upstate communities and institutions in Ulster, Orange, Putnam and Westchester counties who consume an average of 110 million total gallons of drinking water daily from New York City's water supply system. This water comes from the Catskill, Delaware, and Croton watersheds that extend more than 125 miles from the City, and the system comprises 19 reservoirs, three controlled lakes, and numerous tunnels and aqueducts. DEP has



nearly 6,000 employees, including almost 1,000 scientists, engineers, surveyors, watershed maintainers and other professionals in the watershed. In addition to its other professionals in the watershed. In addition to its \$70 million payroll and \$166 million in annual taxes paid in upstate counties, DEP has invested more than \$1.7 bil-lion in watershed protection programs-including partner-ship organizations such as the Catskill Watershed Corporation and the Watershed Agricultural Council-that support sustainable farming practices, environmentally sensitive economic development, and local economic opportunity. In addition, DEP has a robust capital pro-gram with \$18.9 billion in investments planned over the next decade that will create up to 3,000 construction-related jobs per year. For more information, visit related jobs per year. For more information, visit nyc.gov/dep, like us on Facebook at nyc.gov/dep, like us on Facebook at facebook.com/nycwater, or follow us on Twitter at twitter.com/nycwater.

SCCO Presents: Sounds of the Americas

The Sullivan County Chamber Orchestra (SCCO) Chamber Music Series will present, "Sounds of the Americas" in Monticello and Grahamsville. The works to be included are: Villa-Lobos String Quartet No. 1, JP Jofre "Cuerdazo", Evan Fein "The Violist's Tale", Gershwin Lullaby and Dvo_ák "American" Quartet.

Gershwin Lunaby and Dvo_ak American Quartet. Show times are Saturday April 28, 2018 at 7:00pm at St. John's Episcopal Church, 15 St. John Street, Monticello, NY and Sunday April 29, 2018 at 3:00pm at the Grahamsville Reformed Church, State Route 55, Grahamsville, NY. Tickets are \$20. Seniors are \$18 and students are always free.

students are always free. The performers are: Akiko Hosoi & Isabelle Seula Lee, violins, Chelsea Wimmer, viola and Luke Krafka, cello. Hosoi says, "We want to include not only North America, but also South America. Hence the Villa-Lobos and Gershwin, each representing the well-known composer from each continent, while also featuring JP Jofre and Evan Fein, as composers from both South and North America (Argentina and Ohio) residing and working in NYC. We included the Dyorak "American," as it is, as you say, a great piece and I just love performing it any time I can! Also it is another side of 'America' as seen

and composed by an outside visitor." "Sounds of the Americas" is funded in part by grants from the New York State Council on the Arts with the support of Governor Andrew M. Cuomo and the New York State Legislature and the Sullivan County Plans and Drograss Small Crapts Drogram administered by and Progress Small Grants Program, administered by the Division of Planning and Environmental Management. For questions contact Marina Lombardi at: marina@nesinculturalarts.org. Visit: www.nesincultur-alarts.org or call (845) 798-9006.

Free Presentation on Healthy Nutrition for Older Adults

LIBERTY, NY- Poor nutrition can affect the mind, body, immune system, and energy levels in ways you may not be aware of. The more families know about the aging factors that can affect eating habits, the easier it will be to ensure their older adult loved one maintains a healthy diet

The public is invited to a web seminar on Healthy Nutrition for Older Adults Tuesday, April 17, 2018. Cornell Cooperative Extension Sullivan County (CCESC)'s Caregiver Resource Center offers this free program from 3:00 to 4:00 pm at its Extension Education Center on 64 Ferndale-Loomis Road in Liberty. (Contd. Pg. 12)



Free Presentation on Healthy Nutrition for Older Adults (From Pg. 11) This web seminar is approved for AoTA contact hours in addition to CEUs approved for all ASA web seminars. Refreshments will The 77th Division's 23,000 Soldiers were recruited were paid \$1.10 per day. be provided.

Participants will be able to: • Recognize causes and warning signs of poor nutrition • Understand the nutritional guidelines of older adults • Recommend ways to manage specific dietary concerns • Identify the risks

associated with lack of mealtime companionship Lakelyn Hogan presents this web seminar, part of the Family Caregiver Support Series, sponsored by Home Instead Senior Care®. Bee Maher will be present for a special Q and A portion after the web seminar

Lakelyn Hogan is a gerontologist and caregiver advocate for Home Instead Senior Care and a doctoral candidate at the University of Nebraska Omaha (UNO), studying social gerontology. She has a master of arts in social gerontology and master's in business administration from UNO. Lakelyn has professional experience in the private and public sectors of senior care services.

This seminar is free to the public and requires five pre-registered attendees to hold the class. Registration is required in advance by visiting www.sullivance.org, emailing sullivan@cornell.edu, or calling CCESC at 845-292-6180. In the event of special needs, the public should contact the CCESC office

This co-partnered program between Cornell Cooperative Extension and Office for the Aging of Sullivan County is supported by a grant from the NYS Office for the Aging's Caregiver Program.

Senator Bonacic Announces \$5 Million **Commitment from NYSDOT for the Development of an Implementation Plan**

Development of an Implementation Plan for Improvements to Route 17 (Albany, NY)- State Senator John J. Bonacic (R/C/I-Mt. Hope) announced today that he has successfully worked to secure at commit-ment from the New York State Department of Transportation for \$5 million for the development of an implementation plan for improve-ments of the Route 17 corridor in Orange and Sullivan counties. In 2013, the NYS Department of Transportation recommended adding capacity along the Route 17 corridor to prevent worsening traf-fic issues. Since that time, there have been several high profile projects that have been proposed and completed, including Resorts World Catskills and YO1 Wellness Center in Sullivan County and Legoland in Orange County.

Catskins and FOT treatment of Orange County. "This \$5 million will finally allow us to move forward on making much needed improvements to the Route 17 corridor," said Senator Bonacic. "The Catskills and Mid-Hudson regions are experiencing an

Bonacic. "The Catskills and Mid-Hudson regions are experiencing an economic boon, and Route 17 is a critical thoroughfare that allows residents and visitors to travel to the many tourist destinations. We need to be ready to move forward expeditiously should federal infrastructure money become available, and this funding will ensure that we are." Chair of the Sullivan County Legislature Luis Alvarez said, "With all the development coming to Sullivan County, widening is needed more than ever, and I thank Senator Bonacic for his continued attention to this critical project," stated Sullivan County Legislature Chairman Luis Alvarez. "We want to be a welcoming, fun place to live and visit, and that begins with convenient, efficient access to the Sullivan Catskills' world-class destinations." Catskills' world-class destinations." Town of Wallkill Supervisor Edward A. Diana said, "I'm very

pleased that the Department of Transportation has committed to spending \$5 million to develop a plan to make much needed improvements on Route 17. Throughout my 12 years as Orange County Executive, I made making improvements to Route 17 one of my top priorities, and working with state and local partners, we made important upgrades. Now with the influx of new economic development in the Hudson Valley it is imperative that we have a plan to meet the growing demand that will be placed on Route 17. I thank Senator Bonacic and the State for his strong efforts in securing this funding."

100 Years Ago – Secret move of the 77th **Division-- the NYC division-- from Long Island was** not so secret in 1918

World War I military history sent to us as a courtesy of the New York State Military Museum in Saratoga Springs NY The move from Camp Upton, Long Island to France was supposed to be secret, but when the U.S. Army's 77th Division left in March and April 1918, everybody in New York City-- the hometown for most of the 23,000 men_seemed to know about it

"Although the troops invariably left camp at night or very early in the morning, the racket the men made was quite indicative that a departure was in progress," the New York Times reported in June of 1918, after the Army officially announced the division was in France. "They made great fires of waste straw from mattresses and shouted and and wast will they been double the troops invariable to the straw from mattresses and shouted and

They hade great mes of waste straw nom mattesses and should and sang until they boarded the trains. The men had liberal furloughs just before they sailed and they were allowed to have their relatives visit them even on the days they were to leave," the Times reported. The division's official history, published in 1919, also admitted that the operations security was not the best. "Although the departure of the Division had been kept secret, New York secret, New

York seemed to know intuitively that her Division was on its way. The office buildings were alive with waving hand-kerchiefs, and thousands of whistles sounded their blatant greetings," according to the "History of the Seventy Seventh Division, August 25th 1917, and November 11th 1918." The 77th Division was the New York City division. The New York National Guard's 27th Division represented the whole state, with "apple knockers" from Albany and men from Utica and Syracuse and Buffalo making up the bulk of the division

making up the bulk of the division. The National Guard's 69th Infantry Regiment and 15th Infantry Regiment - better known as the 369th Harlem Hell Fighters-did come from

through the draft. The division was part of the "National Army," which did n the National Guard. " which did not have roots in the Regular Army or

The 77th was the first National Army division to be sent to France, in the wake of Regular Army and National Guard divisions which had been arriving since the fall of

'The men who formed it were from all classes of life. from peddlers and laborers to professional men and sons of the rich," according to the New York Times. "But within a short time the fifty nationalities represented were melted into a solid corps of American soldiers with racial distinction eliminated.

The division's Soldiers supposedly represented 50 nationalities and spoke 43 languages along with English.

From Camp Upton, divisional units moved to New York City, Boston, Brooklyn, Hoboken, New Jersey, and Portland, Maine to board troopships heading for France and Great Britain.

The first elements left March 27. The bulk of the divi-sion's four infantry regiments moved out by April 16. Men put signs on their barracks announcing they were "for rent for the summer. Owner touring Europe," the New York Times reported.

Three Soldiers in the 305th Infantry Regiment got married at midnight just before the unit departed, according to the Times. A train carrying part of the 305th derailed on the way to the port and three men were killed and 30 injured.

The first wave of troop ships assembled in Halifax, Nova Scotia, before heading to Liverpool, England in a massive troop convoy. The Soldiers landed there after two weeks at sea at the end of April and were then ferried from Dover to Calais.

The rest of the division-the artillery and support troopssailed later and landed directly in the French ports of St. Nazaire and Brest in early May.

Most Soldiers of the American Expeditionary Force the name for the U.S. Army in France-landed in St. Nazaire and trained with the French Army. The 77th was one of five American divisions which deployed behind the British Army in northern France.

The American Soldiers were shocked when they were told to turn in their American-made 1903 Springfield rifles for the British Lee- Enfield rifle and began eating British Army rations.

That meant, according to the division history, "tea and jam for breakfast; jam, tea, and meat for dinner, and jam, tea and cheese for supper." The Americans, according to

were paid \$1.10 per day. The 77th and four other divisions-including the New York National Guard's 27th Division-trained with the British and deployed behind the British Army in order to take advantage of every vacant training area in France, Army officials said at the time.

Another reason, according to the book "The AEF Way of War: The American Army and Combat in World War I" was a commitment to help the British Army, which had been hit hard by the German "Kaiser Offensive" in March 1918.

Worried about the arrival of one million American Soldiers on the battlefields of France, the Germans launched a last ditch attempt to defeat the British and French. The American Divisions were there in case they had to backstop the British.

But the German offensive ran out of steam and only two of these divisions-including the 27th-fought with the British.

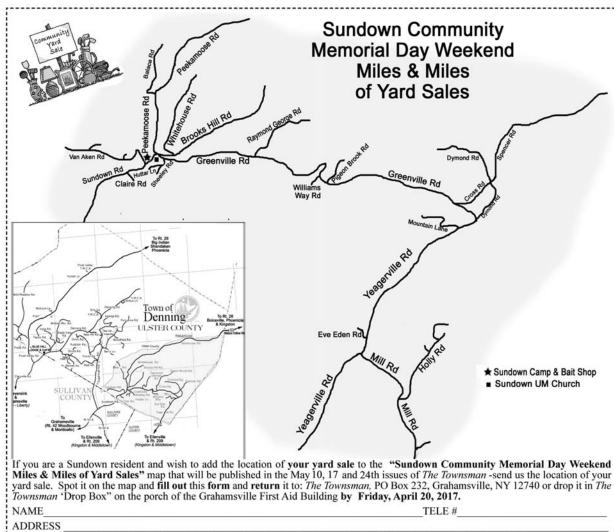
But the New Yorkers learned the British way of trench war-fare from soldiers of the British 39th Division. They learned British Army bayonet drill and how to use British machine guns

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The American Soldiers also visited the British front lines in small groups, where they were "most impressed by the vast amount of shelling" according to the "AEF Way of War." But while the AEF leadership appreciated the British bayo-net training, they were not as impressed by the British trench warfare combat drills the 77th Division learned. The goal of the American leadership was to break out of the trenches and begin "open warfare" in order to defeat the German Army as soon as possible. The 77th Division would have to unlearn some of the British lessons in June 1918, when they were brought back home to the AEF in June 1918 and sent to the front, the first National Army division to see combat.

front, the first National Army division to see combat. The New York City troops would find a welcome friend when the 77th Division entered combat. It replaced the National Guard's 42nd Infantry "Rainbow" Division near Baccarat, France in June 1918 which included the New York City Irishmen of the 165th Infantry, the new name of the famous "Fighting 69th".But the American Army's operational security was still shaky. As the 77th moved in, German observation bal-loons across no-man's land displayed signs saying "Good-bye,

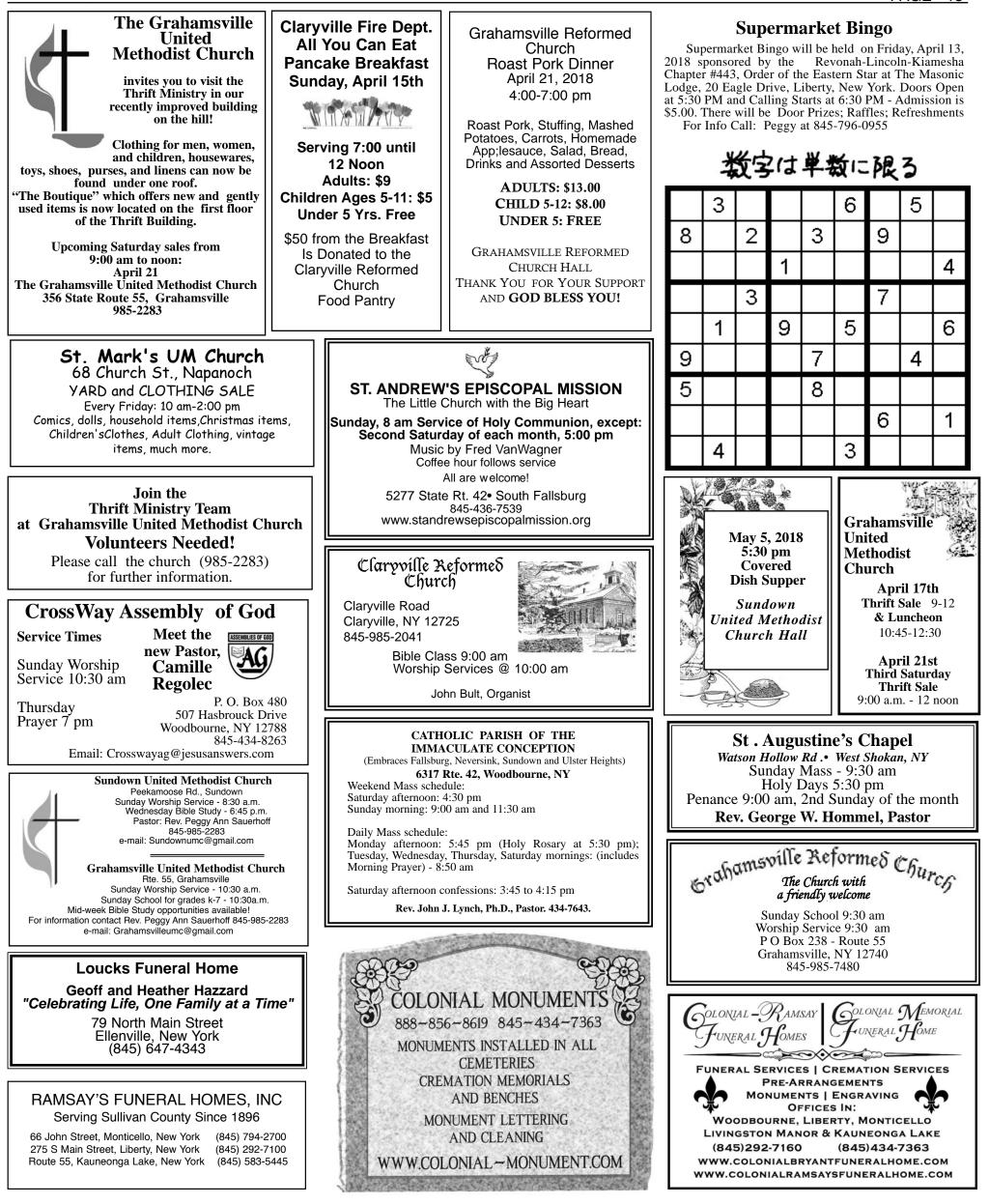
42nd Division- Hello, 77th Division." On June 24th, 1918, the Germans started their real welcome for the New York City division by shelling the new troops with mustard and phosgene gas. The enemy fired approximately 3,000 rounds, resulting in 180 casualties, about 100 of which were severe. The New Yorkers were now in the fight.



If you choose to have your yard sale only on certain days during the Memorial Day Weekend please indicate date(s) of your sale:

Only the location of your yard sale and date(s) will be indicated on the map unless otherwise noted. (e.g. Johnson Family Yard Sale; Antiques & More; etc.). If you have any suggestions - send them along, too.





NOTICE

LEGALS/PUBLIC NOTICES:

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING, ANNUAL MEETING, BUDGET VOTE AND ELECTION TRI-VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT AT GRAHAMSVILLE TOWN OF NEVERSINK, COUNTY OF SULLIVAN, NEW YORK

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Annual Budget Hearing of the residents of the Tri-Valley Central School District at Grahamsville, Sullivan County, New York will be held at the Tri-Valley Secondary School Library Lower Level in said District at Grahamsville, New York on:

> Tuesday, May 1, 2018 At 7:00 P.M. (EDT)

for the purpose of presenting the school budget for the 2018-2019 school year.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that a copy of the budget statement showing the amount of money which will be required for the following year for school purposes, exclusive of public money, together with the text of any proposition which will be presented to the voters, may be obtained at the Office of the Superintendent, Tri-Valley Central School, Grahamsville, New York and any school building, by any resident in the District between the hours of 9:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M. on each day except Saturday, Sunday or holidays during the fourteen days immediately preceding the Annual Meeting.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Annual Meeting, including the VOTE upon the appropriation of the necessary funds to meet the estimated expenditures for school purposes for the 2018-2019 school year budget and the <u>VOTING</u> for members of the Board of Education, and <u>VOTING</u> on the below proposi-tions and any other proposition to be acted upon, will take place on Tuesday, May 15, 2018 between the hours of 1:00 and 8:00 P.M. daylight savings time at the Main Gymnasium of the Tri-Valley Central High School Building, in Grahamsville, New York.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that petitions nominating candidates for the office of member of the Board of Education shall be filed with the Clerk of said School District at her office in the Administration Building, on or before 5:00 P.M. on Monday, April 16, 2018. Nominating petitions shall be directed to the Clerk of the District; must be signed by at least 25 qualified voters of the District; must state the name and residence address of each signer, and, must state the name and residence address of the candidate.

Vacancies on the Board of Education are not considered separate, specific offices; candidates run at-large. For 2018, there are four Board seats available. Two seats will be three-year terms, commencing July 1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2021, for seats currently held by the following Board of Education members:

Kimberly Botsford Brent Clarke

A third seat will have a term commencing May 16, 2018 and ending June 30, 2019 (currently held by Kathy Poppo, who was appointed to replace Lori Schmitz). A fourth seat will have a term commencing May 16, 2018 and ending June 30, 2021 (currently held by Joseph Colon, who was appointed to replace Keith Edwards). The successful candidate with the highest number of votes will be seated immediately for the term commencing May 16, 2018 and ending June 30, 2021. The successful candidate with the lowest number of votes will be seated immediately for the term commencing May 16, 2018 and ending June 30, 2019. Newly-elected Board Members will take the Oath of Office at the Board of Education Meeting scheduled for May 15, 2018, immediately following the close of the vote (after 8:00 p.m.). Candidates whose names will appear on the ballot will have the opportunity to introduce themselves to the public at the Annual Budget Hearing on Tuesday, May 1, 2018 at 7:00 p.m., in the Secondary School Library Lower Level.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that pursuant to a prior resolution of the District, personal voter registration is in effect. The dates for personal voter registration have been set for Tuesday, May 8th, 2018 and Wednesday, May 9th, 2018 in the Administration Building, between the hours of 4:00 P.M. and 8:00 P.M. Voters may also register at the Office of the District Clerk on any business day through Thursday, May 10th, 2018 between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M. Residents are reminded that their registration is valid if they have voted at any school or general election held within the 4 calendar year period prior to May 15, 2018. If a voter is eligible to vote under Article 5 of the Election Law and is registered with the Sullivan or Ulster County Board of Elections, he/she is also eligible to vote at this election. The register of voters prepared pursuant to Section 2014 of the Education Law shall be available in the office of the Clerk, to any qualified voter, on each of the five (5) days prior to the annual meeting, except Sunday, and at the polling place on the day of the vote.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that in accordance with Section 2018-a of the Education Law, applications for ABSENTEE BALLOTS may be applied for at the office of the District Clerk. Absentee ballots must be applied for unless the voter's registration is marked "permanently disabled" by the County Board of Elections. Such applications must be received by the District Clerk at least seven (7) days before the election if the absentee ballot is to be mailed to the voter (Tuesday, May 8th, 2018) OR the day before the election (Monday, May 14th, 2018), if the ballot is to be picked up personally by the voter. Absentee ballots must be received in the Office of the District Clerk not later than 5:00 P.M. on the day of the annual meeting. A list of all persons to whom absentee ballots have been issued shall be available for public inspection during regular office hours (9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.) until the day of the election. Any qualified voter may file a written challenge of the qualifications of a voter, whose name appears on such list, stating the reasons for the challenge.

By order of the Board of Education Norma Peña, District Clerk Dated: March 30, 2018

March 29, 2018; April 12, 2018; April 26, 2018; May 3, 2018

The Town of Neversink will be accepting applications for Lifeguard positions at the Grahamsville Fairgrounds Pool for the 2018 season.

Application forms are available at the Town Hall, Grahamsville, NY Monday thru Friday from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm. Applicants must include copies of all current certifications, length of time available to work and any needed time off when submitting their applications. (Photocopies of certifications can be made at the Town Hall when the application is brought in.)

PLEASE NOTE: THE CUT-OFF DATE FOR RECEIVING **APPLICATIONS WILL BE 4:30 PM** ON FRIDAY, MAY 11, 2018.

Town of Neversink Summer Swim Program is also requesting applicants for WSI Instructors. For further information on either please call Town Hall at 985-2262, ext. 305. 4/12; 4/26

Tri-Valley Pre-K and Kindergarten Registration

The Tri-Valley Central School District will hold Pre-Kindergarten Registration for children who will be 4 years old before December 1, 2018. Registration dates and times are: May 1, 2018 from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm and May 15, 2018 from 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm. Registration will be held in the Elementary Cafeteria. Please call Kathi Smith at 985-2296, Ext. 5405 for a list of what documents need to be supplied at the time of registration.

If you would like to register a student for Kindergarten who did not attend Tri-Valley Pre-K, please call Kathi Smith. 3/1; 4/12; 4/19

Town of Neversink SPRING CLEANUP 2018

Spring Cleanup will be held on May 5, 9 & 12, 2018. The Transfer Station will be open during normal business hours. Residents with Pink 2018 permits will be allowed 2 loads which must be brought during the Spring Cleanup dates. Permit cards will be punched for each load.

TVs and other electronic items can be disposed of with payment being made by SW coupons. Refrigerators, freezers, dehumidifiers and air conditioners require a Freon removal fee of \$15.00 per item. Each permit holder is entitled to four free car tires. Scrap metal can be taken anytime throughout the year without charge. Due to the high volume of traffic during spring cleanup, residents are asked NOT TO bring any of these items during Spring Cleanup. Please bring these items at a later date.

The Town of Neversink Transfer Station is open only to those persons who have their household and generate their waste material in the Town of Neversink. Ownership of vacant land does not qualify for use of the facility. The Municipal Cleanup Initiative Program is made possible by the Sullivan County Legislature.

The Catskill Readers' Theatre

Presents "Spring Fling" at the Crawford Library, Monticello, NY, Sat. April 28, 2 PM. This delightful springy program will help usher in Springtime! Donations gladly accepted! For more info, call Sally 845-434-0209 or email gladsally@gmail.com. "WW1-THE GREAT WAR", Sat. June 16 &

Sun. June 17, Hurleyvillle Museum. Sponsored by The Sullivan County Historical Society. Donations gladly accepted For more info, call the museum or Sally 845-434-0209

G.Orwell's "Animal Farm", Sat. July 14, 2 pm Crawford Library.



Town of Neversink Parks & Recreation Call for info: (845) 985-2262 extension 312 www.townofneversink.org

2018 Updoming Events

4/30 May 4 Screen Free Week 5/15 Tour of Bethel Woods Museum & Lunch 6/9 - 7th-12th Grade Free Paint Ball Trip 6/16 Wine, Food, Music Bounty of the Hudson 7/4 Decorated Bicycle Parade & Albi Concert 7/13 Free Water Fun at Grahamsville Fairgrounds 8/4 NY Renaissance Fair 9/29 Garlic Festival 10/13 Jack O Lantern Blaze 10/27 Look for our Trunk at the PTO Trunk or Treat 11/3-11/4 Indoor Water Park Sleepover 12/1 Transportation to NYC 12/2 Elf Workshop & Tree Lighting 12/15 Disney on Ice

Daniel Pierce Library hours of operation

Tuesday: 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Wednesday: 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Thursday: 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Friday: 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Saturday: 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Sunday and Monday: Closed If you have any questions, please call the library at 985-7233.

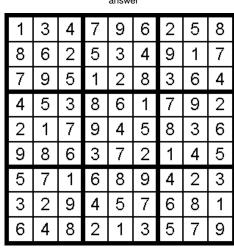
The Library Board of Trustees meets at 7:30 p.m. on the third Wednesday of each month. On occasion, a meeting date is changed. Please call ahead to confirm.

AL-ANON MEETINGS- http://www.al-anon.alateen.org Mon- 7:00 p.m. United Methodist Church, 170 N. Main Street, Liberty Thurs- 7:00 p.m. Immacu-late Conception Church Annex, 6317 Rt 42, Woodbourne Sat- 8:00 p.m. United Methodist Church, 170 N. Main Street, Liberty

VETERANS always **Free** search of the Archives for family or history of Sullivan County at the **Sullivan County Museum**, 265 Main St., Hurleyville, NY. For information call 845-434-8044.



SUUJI WA TANSU NI KAGIRU



TV AYSO Registration Now Open

Parents and volunteers... 3 to 12 years of age are eligible to play. We are offering the playground program again for 3-5 years of age this May. Sign up today atwww.trival-leyayso.com! Register and pay online and you do not have to attend a registration event. The registration fee is \$55.00 per player. Early registration discount is \$45.00 which must be paid by June 16th to receive the discount! New uniforms are \$40.00 which includes shirts, shorts, and socks. Fall season practices start in August. Games are mostly played on Sundays from September through the end of October. Further information regarding this league contact Joan Mingo at 798-0072 (mtoy4x4@aol.com) or Bill (mtoy4x4@aol.com) or Bill 985-2137 Richardson at (trivalleyAYSORC@gmail.com). We also are offering a week long summer soccer camp at the Fairgrounds, August 6 - 11. Half day and full day slots are available. See www.uksoccer.comand click on 'Find A Program' for more info.

TRI-VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY

Monday, April 30th 3:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Tuesday, May 15th 2:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Tuesday, May 22th 4:30 pm - 8:30 pm Friday, June 15th 4:30 pm - 8:30 pm

Find us on Facebook at Tri-Valley AYSO.

4/12, 4/19, 4/26, 5/10, 5/17, 6/5, and 6/14.

Time for Spring Cleaning, Sullivan County! Litter Pluck Returns Saturday, April 21

through Sunday, May 13 Monticello - The Sullivan County Legislature announces that Sullivan County's Annual Litter Pluck will take place from Saturday, April 21 through Sunday, May 13, and all school and community groups as well as private citizens are urged groups, as well as private citizens, are urged

to participate. The County will fund the cost of the bags and the associated waste disposal fees for this event, through the County's Parks, Recreation and Beautification Department

and the Division of Public Works. Agriculture & Sustainability Committee Chair and District 4 Legislator Catherine Owens encourages County residents to check with their local municipalities, as there are several organized litter pluck events being planned throughout the County.

"Participation in a town- or village-organized litter pluck event is a great opportunity for our residents to help combat litter at a local level," she affirmed.

"More than ever, we need to look our best, and Litter Pluck is a hassle-free, cost-free way to spruce up our communities," added District Legislator Joe Perrello, chair of the Public Works Committee.

All residents and groups who wish to participate in the County's Litter Pluck can pick up their Litter Pluck bags any time on or after April 13 at their town or village hall or County-operated transfer station. While no coupons are required, all Litter Pluck refuse

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May 5	- Tri-Valley Lions Club Journey for Sight Walk: Sign-in 8:15-9am First Aid Building - 9am Walk on Fairgrounds
	May 25-28, 2018 Sundown Community 2 nd Annual Miles & Miles of Yard Sale! May 27th 7th Annual Sullivan County Soat Box Derby 8 am North Main Street, Liberty Info: 807-2043 alley Lions Club Rabies Clinic June 6 – 5-7:30 pm Animals must be 3 months old. Horsebarn on Fairgrounds TV PTO Fun Run/Walk for Kindness & Community Day Free day of fun-filled activities: Jumpy house, obstacle

course, dunk tank, batting cage, face painting, corn hole, can jam, touch a truck and many more activities. 9-2pm

TRI-VALLEY AREA SUNDOWN CAMP & BAIT SHOP GRAHAMSVILLE DELI NEVERSINK GENERAL STORE BLUE HILL LODGE ZANETTI'S SERVICE STATION LIE 3 GOLDEN'S CONVENIENCE STORE (Seasonal)

Ye Olde Tri-Valley Townsman is available at the following places of business in Sullivan and Ulster Counties LOCH SHELDRAKE · VALERO MINI MALL · SC COMMUNITY COLLEGE LIBRARY FALLSBURG • FALLSBURG TOWN HALL WOODBOURNE - CITGO STATION · MO'S GAS STATION · P.D. SMITH ENTERPRISE LIBERTY - LIBERTY FITNESS · CHARLIE'S PIZZA · AGWAY (Both Stores) CLAUDIA'S BEAUTY SALON · SHOPRITE · IDEAL FOOD

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TOWN OF OLIVE MEETINGS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

Unless otherwise noted, all Town Board meetings are held at the Town Meeting Hall, Bostock Road, Shokan at 7:00 pm. Town Board Meetings are the second Tuesday of each month with the audit/workshop meetings being held the Monday preceding the second **Tuesday.**

Town of Olive Planning Board meets the first and third Tuesdays of each month. Meetings start at 7:30 PM at the Town Hall on Bostock Road, Shokan, NY. You can contact the Town Building & Zoning Department to confirm a meeting date if you would like to attend at 657-2015. If there is nothing on their agenda, they will cancel meetings,

Tri-Valley Lions Club Journey for Sight Walk May 8, 2018 Sign-in 8:30 - 9:00 am in the First Aid Building 9 am - Walk on Fairgrounds

Tri-Valley Lions Club Rabies Clinic June 6, 2018 · 6:00 - 7:00 pm Animals must be 3 moths old. Horsebarn at the Fairgrounds

10:00 am - 2:30 pm			
January 11th	May 10th	September 13th	
February 15th	June 14th	October 11th	
March 15th	July 12th	November 15th	
April 12th	August 16th	December 13th	

must be placed in clear bags, and participants will be asked to register at the County-operated Transfer Station at the time of disposal.

For more information about Litter Pluck, please call Sullivan County Parks, Recreation, and Beautification Director Brian Scardefield at 845-807-0287

St. Mark's United Methodist Church 68 Clinton St Napanoch, NY

> ROAST BEEF DINNER Friday, April 20 4:30-6:00 pm Adults: \$13.00 5-12: \$6.50 under 5: Free 647-4353 (take outs)

NAPANOCH SPRING FESTIVAL

Sat. April 28 10 am-3 pm Location: St. Mark's UMC 68 Clinton St. Napanoch, NY Craft Vendors, Touch a truck, Face Painting, Food Booth, Bake sale, an More.



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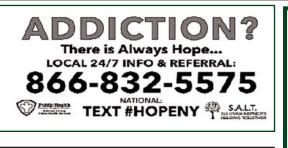
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birth For more information call: JANNA WALTER DONA Trained Doula Services (845) 417-6165

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SUNDOWN COMMUNITY MILES AND MILES OF YARD SALES!

The 2nd Annual Memorial Day Weekend Sundown Community Miles and Miles of Yard Sales will be held May 25, 26, 27 & 28. Keep watching The Townsman for details. A map and application form is on page 12 of this issue for those who wish to participate.

Just clip out the application - put a spot on the map where your Yard Sale will be held then fill out the bottom portion of the form and either mail it or drop it in the Townsman Drop Box at the Grahamsville First Aid Building. Like last year, there is no fee - just fun! We

will be asking those who participate or anyone else who wishes, to donate a baked good item for the **Sundown Methodist Church's Bake Sale** that will be held on Saturday, May 26th at the Sundown Methodisth Church Hall w they will hold their **BIG Annual Yard Sale**. when

If you are not planning on a Yard Sale, but have gently used items you would like to donate to the Sundown UMC's Yard Sale – please arrange to bring them he church hall by Tuesday, May 1st.

I. Marjorie Main

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"Knarf's Classic Movie Trivia"

ON TCM SUNDAY 7:30 AM, APRIL 15, 2018 The Women



The Women(Comedy, 1939)One of the best classics – and there are NO MEN IN
THIS CAST. The story – when a happily married
woman lets her catty friends talk her into divorce when
her husband strays. Directed by George Cukor. Starring,
Joan Crawford, Norma Shearer, Rosalind Russell,
Mary Boland, Joan Fontaine, Paulette Goddard, Lucile
Watson, Marjorie Main, Virginia Weidler, Phyllis
Povah, Ruth Hussey, Mary Beth Hughes, VirginiaGrey, Hedda Hopper, Butterfly McQueen. All-star, and all-female cast.
They all shine in this hilarious adaptation of Clare Boothe's play about
divorce, cattiness, and competition in circle of "friends." Crawford has
one of her best roles as bitchy home wrecker. Fashion show sequence is
in color; script by Anita Loos and Jane Murfin. Remade as THE OPPO-
SITE SEX, however, nowhere's near as good as this original. The
Women, are mothers, daughters, wives, friends: These are the women of
THE WOMEN. Based on Clare Boothe Luce's Broadway success and
this hit 1939 movie. bw/color 133min. CC. TV-PG
QUIZ: OUIZ:

1.Who played Lucy?

2. Who played Crystal Allen?

What's Going on in The Gnome Gneighborhoodtm

NEVERSINK

April 14th - Benefit Dinner for Kim and Tom Nash (Both are battling cancer and Tom is a recent amputee) at Neversink Fire Dept. Community Hall 4 - 7 pm or Until Sold Out! See Page 11 for more information.

SUNDOWN

April 7 - Covered Dish Supper - Sundown Methodist Church Hall 5:30 pm

Residents of Sundown - when you start your Spring cleaning, don't forget to put aside all those things you want to sell at this year's 2nd Annual Memorial Day Miles and Miles of Yard Sale! Keep watching The Townsman for details.

P.S. Just in case you don't want to have a Yard Sale and are cleaning those closets and wonder what to do with all that 'stuff' - Sundown Methodist Church will be receiving gently used articles for their **BIG Annual Yard Sale** on Saturday, May 26. Articles will be received for the sale through now and up to May 1st.

GRAHAMSVILLE

April 17 - Grahamsville United Methodist Church Thrift Sale and Luncheon

April 21 Grahamsville United Methodist Church Third Saturday Thrift Sale from 9 am to noon

May 5 - Tri-Valley Lions Club Journey for Sight Walk: Sign-in 8:15-9am Grahamsville First Aid Building - 9am Walk on Fairgrounds - To make a pledge to sponsor a 'walker' for this event contact any TV Lions Club member.

CLARYVILLE

All You Can Eat Pancake Breakfast Sunday, April 15th. Serving 7:00 until 12 Noon (See Pg. 13 for details.

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