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A New Volunteer Announces –“We’re Open!”



Even though she didn't have a name, a new 'volunteer' at the **Grahamsville Saturday Thrift Sale** did her job. The lady attracted a lot of attention this past Saturday letting the community know the **Saturday Thrift Sale** was open and bargains and treasures abound.

For the past few years, the “Lady’s” cousin has been greeting visitors and welcoming them to the **Sundown Ladies United Methodist Church Indoor Yard Sale** and letting the community know they were open. Both ladies allude to their own style, adding to the atmosphere at each location.

The Grahamsville Thrift Sale ministry team decided they wanted to give their lady a name. After shopping for bargains and treasures this past Saturday, visitors to the Thrift Sale were invited to the Church Hall for coffee and cookies where they had an opportunity to ‘name the lady’.

Both ladies are the creation of Maureen Hamilton. Constructed from old ironing boards, Maureen added unique charm and personality to her characters - the ladies.

If you've never been to the Grahamsville UM Church Thrift sale, you are missing out on a lot of fun and bargains! And now, you will also meet their newest volunteer.

The next Saturday Thrift Sale at the Grahamsville Methodist Church will be May 6th from 9 am to 12 noon.

And, it won't be long, and the Sundown Ladies will begin displaying their wares at a most unique eclectic event – the **Indoor Yard Sale at the Sundown UMC Church Hall**. There, you will be greeted by their ‘lady’. The **Sundown Ladies Indoor Yard Sale** will open for the **Memorial Day Weekend –Friday, May 26th and Saturday, May 27th**.

Watch *The Townsman* for updates on the two ‘ladies’ and upcoming news about the **Saturday Thrift Sales** at the Grahamsville United Methodist Church Thrift Building and the **Indoor Yard Sales** at the Sundown UMC Church Hall.



It is a Three Dimensional Painting of a *Sonic the Hedgehog* Birthday Cake!



Tri-Valley 2nd grade student, Jayce Walter was among the students whose painting – *A Three Dimensional Painting of a Sonic the Hedgehog Birthday Cake* – was accepted, presented and on display at the Sullivan County PK-12 Art Show this past weekend at Bethle Woods. Eight Sullivan County school districts and Sullivan BOCES participated at the event. The show included student artwork from ten media categories: Ceramics & Glass, Digital Art, Design, Black & White Drawing, Color Drawing, Mixed Media, Painting, Black & White Photography, Color Photography, Film & Animation, and Sculpture.

The Sullivan County PK-12 Art Show is one of the many programs offered through the Arts In Education Program at Sullivan BOCES that is dedicated to raising visual and aesthetic literacy standards and levels while strengthening and supporting learning in all curriculum areas.



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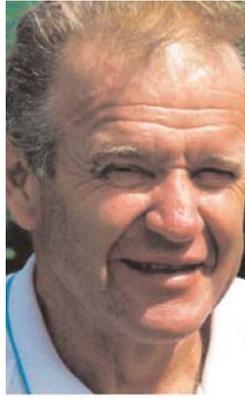
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On the Front Burner: Dearly beloved, avenge not yourselves, but rather give place unto wrath: for it is written, Vengeance is mine; I will repay, saith the Lord.
Romans 12:19

OBITUARY

Gene Albert Walter passed away peacefully at the Roscoe Rehabilitation & Nursing Center on April 8, 2023. He was 81 years old. The son of Albert Walter and Rachel (Kile) Walter, Gene was born on February 24, 1942, in Monticello, NY.



A lifelong resident of the area, Gene was a standout athlete at Tri-Valley Central School and later attended Cornell University where he studied Animal Husbandry. He devoted his career to dairy farming, first at a farm on Thunder Hill and ultimately back at Divine Corners while raising two children alongside his late wife Elizabeth (Spann) Walter. Gene enjoyed following sports, spending time with his grandchildren, caring for animals including his dogs Luke and Bagel, and occasionally returning to the top of Thunder Hill where he felt a sense of happiness.

Gene is survived by his loving companion Pauline King; sons Kyle Walter and his wife Sandra (Shreiner) of Loch Sheldrake, NY and Taylorsville, NC, and George Walter (Renee Pacella) of New Windsor, NY; his grandchildren Alexis and Julianna; his step grandchildren Jessica Kaufman and her children Juan Jay, Jayden, Sarah, and Orion and Jennifer Pelayes (Raul) and their children Tyler and Ashlyn; his brother Richard Walter (Diane O'Brien) of Pine Mountain Club, CA, and several nieces and nephews.

The family would like to acknowledge and thank the wonderful staff at Roscoe Rehabilitation & Nursing Center for the excellent care and love they showed Gene during his time there.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Gene's name can be made to the charity of one's choice.

Visitation was on Sunday, April 16, 2023 at Colonial Memorial Funeral Home, 396 State Route 52, Woodbourne, NY 12788.

Arrangements were under the care of Colonial Memorial Funeral Home, for further information please call 845-434-7363 or visit our website at <http://www.colonialfamilyfuneralhome.com>

Robert William Coleman of Grahamsville, NY a long time area resident, died Thursday, April 13, 2023 at the Garnet Health Medical Center, Middletown, NY.



He was 86.

The son of the late James and Esther Amado Cole-man, he was born December 21, 1936 in Guatemala City, Guatemala, CA.

Robert proudly served Our Country in the US Air Force from 1958-1959; he had worked and retired as a Supervisor for Mobil Oil Corporation, New York City, NY; he was an avid reader. Robert will be remembered for his kindness; he was a nice man.

Survivors include his wife Geraldine "Gerri" Ford Coleman, at home; his step children, JoAnne White and her husband Sean of Mahopac, NY, David Allen and his wife Marie of Brewster, NY, and Gary Vancroft and his wife Cindy of Montgomery, NY; his brother, Jim Coleman and his wife Joyce of KS; five grandsons, Justin, Joshua, Brendan, Michael and David, Jr.

Funeral services will be private.

Memorial contributions in Robert's name may be made to Sullivan County Veteran's Coalition, C/O Howard Goldsmith, Chairman, 9 Hanover Drive, Monticello, NY 12701.

Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the Harris Funeral Home, West Street at Buckley, Liberty, NY. 845-292-0001 or 845-439-5200 or www.Harris-FH.com

Days of Yore... Today's History

April 22, 1953

A shower was given to the bride of Arnold Robinson at the Harry Robinson home on Rocky Hill on Thursday night by the relatives and close friends of Arnold. The party was a complete surprise to the bride, the former Mary Ellen Lancaster of Dallas, Texas.

Mrs. George Moore celebrated her 87th birthday at the home of her daughter and son-in-law, Mrs. Nial Everett.

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Botsford are the parents of a daughter born at the Veterans Memorial Hospital on Sunday, April 19th. The new baby weighed in at 7 1/2 lbs. They have two other children.

Miss Frances Moshier, Miss Doris Moshier and Mrs. Harold Moshier gave a shower for Miss Shirley Stratton on Friday night. Miss Stratton will be married soon to Harold Brown of Ellenville.

Mrs. Dorothy Brooks has moved her household goods from her former home. She sold her farm to Mr. and Mrs. Bob Van Aken recently.

April 17, 1963

Harry McDole, 66, former fruit dealer in Napanoch died in Miami, Florida on April 5th. He was born in Montela, N.Y. on October 14, 1896, son of James and Mary Ellen Coniker McDole. He was married to the former Helen Dudrick and was a retired retail fruit dealer in Napanoch. Survivors include his widow; one son, Benjamin of Napanoch; two daughters, four brothers, Ulster of Pine Bush, Roy and Daniel of Napanoch and Ellsworth of Wawarsing.

Miss Valerie Misner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Milford Misner of Kerhonkson and David Freer, son of Mr. and Mrs. David Freer of Ellenville, was married on April 6th. Miss Misner, who is the granddaughter of Mr. Norman Misner of Woodbourne, is a science teacher at the Ellenville Central School. The bridegroom is employed at the Ellenville Savings Bank.

Mrs. Flossie VanWagner of Sundown and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Sheeley of Napanoch are the proud grandparents of Deborah Ann VanWagner who was born to Mr. and Mrs. Laurence VanWagner of Ellenville at Kingston City Hospital on April 14th. Baby and mother are doing fine.

April 25, 1973

John Boncek, son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis of Grahamsville, has been granted a National Science Foundation Mathematics Training Award at Rutgers University for the summer of 1973. This award is restricted to high ability secondary school students. The program will include fifty-two students who will be residents at the University from July 1 to August 10.

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Household Hint:

Prolong the Life of that Bouquet of Daffodils

Add two tablespoons of vinegar plus three tablespoons of sugar per quart of warm water in a vase. Arrange freshly cut daffodils (or other flowers) in the vase for a cheery longer lasting bouquet.

Nature Column - L. Comando *A tribute to the memory of all of the Townsman Ladies that we have loved so much and lost... Peggy DeWire, Avril Pappa, Joan Hall, Polly Hill, Joyce Lockhart, Jean Helthaler, Karen Curry, Barbara Slater, Shirley Davis and Hulda Vernooy.*

Le Secret du Caporal La Violette

The little sweet smelling wild violets that seem to be everywhere in the backyard today, have always been kind of "sign" that more sunshine is on it's way.

We are beginning to see some of those pretty sweet smelling violets blooming in our yards, another sign the temperatures are going up and spring is winning the battle over the 'ice' of winter.

Violets are quite special. There are 450 different species of Viola worldwide, and you can eat all of them!

Flowers are usually violet colored, but can vary from deep-blue-violet to completely white. These small dainty flowers are edible! They are delicious and decorative in any salad and a lovely embellishment to a cake or dessert recipe. A sweet syrup or violet jelly are a great addition to the breakfast table. They are as sweet as they look!

For that reason violets have also been used through the ages in medicinal preparations, culinary concoctions, and perfumes, as well as dyes and cosmetics.

They are the state flower of New Jersey, Illinois, Rhode Island and Wisconsin.

People in ancient Rome and medieval Europe crushed the violets and spread them throughout the castle for their fragrance.

Violets are fond of deep, humus-rich and slightly sandy soil, and prefer moist, shaded locations such as those found in open areas under trees. They are easily propagated from seed, cuttings or by division of the creeping rhizome in spring or fall.

Violets are low-growing leafy plants - about 6" high. You can identify violets by their distinctive rounded, heart-shaped leaves with branching parallel veins. You'll see one leaf per stem coming from the base of the plant. Violets have five petals, the wide lower ones form landing platforms with honey guide lines for pollinating insects.

The first showy flowers on long stems are usually sterile but if you look closer you'll see smaller blooms lower down that develop little three-sided capsules like a tri-cornered hat that contain seeds. Winter cold and frost break down the seed husks for spring germination.

When Napoleon left France for Elba, his supporters wore violets as a secret sign of their allegiance.

During the exile of Napoleon I at Elba, in the year 1814, preceding Napoleon's abdication, the French Bonapartists chose, as their emblem, the violet. They nicknamed Napoleon "Caporal Violet, the little flower that returns with spring". Postcards from a color print by Jean-Dominique Etienne Canu, *Le Secret du Caporal La Violette*, picturing a bunch of innocent looking violets soon flooded France, but when scrutinized closely, the violets in the bouquet revealed the outlines of portraits of Napoleon, Marie Louise and of their three year old son, Charles.

If you have the opportunity to pick a little bouquet of violets, you may not see the face of Napoleon, but you will enjoy the familiar purple flowers of the Violaceae family that mark the coming of spring, sunshine and warmer weather.





News from your Town of Neversink Parks & Rec

Spring Break is over----and the chocolate Easter bunnies are long gone. Everyone is starting to think about their plans for summer which is just around the corner! Parks & Rec is no different----we are so excited about the events we are planning on. But before I go into that I want to share other exciting news from your Parks & Rec team. We have welcomed 3 new board members to the team! Congratulations to Tanya Huggler, Danielle Hartman and Nicole Grey who were appointed to the Parks & Rec Board! We are all looking forward to working with them as we make our plans and decide on our events. On a sad note, however, we have said goodbye to longtime member Jennifer Pisaniello, who has resigned from the board. While we are going to miss her, we also know that her resignation is for a very good reason----her new baby girl Isabella Anna-Louise! Congratulations Jennifer on your beautiful newest addition to the family!

Now on to the Parks & Recs plans----Our first event to kick off the summer months will be our **Paint & Sip Party** currently scheduled for Friday, June 2nd from 6pm-9pm. Robin Raykoff, local artist and teacher at Tri-Valley Elementary School will be guiding us on this painting adventure! Details on this event will be posted on our Facebook page soon.

Next up will be our **Movies at the Fairgrounds**. This is always a fun family night out, where you can either sit on the lawns or stay in the car and watch some great movies. Its reminiscent of the days of Drive-In Movies, which I for one loved and miss! We will be having the Movies at the Fairgrounds on Friday nights, starting June 30th. And as we did in the past, the movie of the week will be posted on our Facebook page. All movies will be either PG or PG-13 rating. And as an extra special movie night, we are partnering with Jen Edwards, head of our Tri-Valley Cheerleaders, for a "Calling All Cheerleaders" night. Details of this and all our movies will be posted on Facebook. And we are open to any suggestions of movies you want to see! Please let me know and we will do everything we can to get those movies on the screen for you this year!

Our **Scavenger Hunt** will once again take place during the Grahamsville Little World's Fair (August 18-20) and we plan on having our drawing for the kids bikes as we have done in the past. Parks & Rec loves this event as the kids get so excited when they complete their "hunt" and receive their goodie bag. And the hunt takes them thru the entire fair, so they get to see everything going on! Fun day for everyone!

Another incredible event happening again this year that Parks & Rec is so proud to be part of is the **2nd ANNUAL VETFEST!** Mark your calendars on August 5th for this very special and worthy event focusing on helping our Vets. This year they will have many new things planned for a full day of fun! And Derek Stoner is coming back!!!! If you were at the VetFest last year you know what an incredible country singer this man is. If you weren't there last year, then come on by and take a listen to Derek while you enjoy all the activities and great food!

New events we are looking at having this year include a **KARAOKE NIGHT** and a **STARGAZING NIGHT** both to be held at the Fairgrounds. We are also looking into several workshops, including **BARN QUILTS 101** and **BEES-How to Raise and Reap their Rewards**. Any suggestions on workshops you would like us to hold, please let me know at cwparksandrec@gmail.com. And we are looking into **GUIDED HIKES** that will be geared towards our Seniors, but everyone can participate. This activity will help us all reach our Be Healthy in 2023 goals!

Finally, Parks & Rec will again be actively supporting this year's **NRAMA Antique Tractor Show**. We will be looking for yard sale participants and crafters. The Antique Tractor Club is looking to add several new activities this year for the entire family. The Club will still have all of the events and displays that they have had in the past but are looking for more things to make this year's show an event you won't want to miss. If you have any suggestions let me know at cwparksandrec@gmail.com. And we will keep you posted on everything that is added to the show this year!

Keep reading your *Townsmen* and checking our Facebook page as we will be sharing more details on these events and activities. Until our next update, everyone be safe, stay healthy and most of all be happy. And as always if you any suggestions or questions for Parks and Rec. send them to me at cwparksandrec@gmail.com.

Cher (your Parks & Rec Director)



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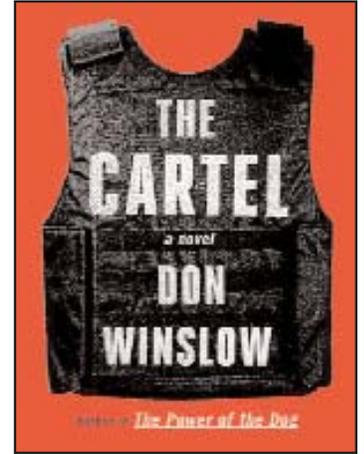
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The Cartel

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by John Dwaine McKenna
PART TWO



The Cartel, (Alfred A. Knopf, Random House/Penguin, \$27.95, 617 pages, ISBN 978-1-101-87499-8) by Don Winslow has been published to rave reviews by the likes of: Lee Child –*Sensationally good*, Harlan Coben –**Absolute must-read**, Michael Connelly –*First rate thriller*, James Ellroy –*Stunningly plotted* . . . to which I'm going to add my own humble accolades.

The Cartel is a big, hefty novel that will give the reader a true picture of what's happening “South of the border, down Mexico way,” to quote the old song, while at the same time entrancing him, or her, with a fast-paced and wildly entertaining thriller that has more intrigue, treachery, mayhem, violence, blood-letting and murder than a Shakespearian drama or a Borgia political campaign.

It is an epic story that reads as if it was ripped from the daily news. The novel begins in 2004, when we meet DEA agent Art Keller, who's spent the last thirty years battling a Mexican drug lord named Adán Barrera. He leads *El Federacion*, the most powerful congress of drug cartels in the world. Keller finally succeeds in destroying the organization and putting Barrera in a maximum-security federal penitentiary in the United States . . . but at a tremendous cost. His partner is brutally tortured and murdered, his wife –and his belief in justice– is gone, as is any chance of a normal life. Keller's a hunted man with a price on his head, payable to any *sicario*, (cartel soldier-gunman) who kills him.

Then, Adán Barrera gets himself transferred to a Mexican “Super-Max” prison where he lives like a prince, and quietly begins rebuilding his drug empire. When Barrera engineers his escape, Keller vows that he won't live in a world with Barrera in it . . . setting off a ten year conflict, a war within a war, as the two men try to kill one another . . . all set against a larger backdrop

of the killing fields of Mexico, as the drug lords war against each other, the Mexican police, and American law enforcement agencies. It's a battle to the death, across all Mexico, for control of the plazas that lead to *El Norte* and its insatiable American appetite for drugs and infinite profit potential for the Narcos.

The Cartel has been called the 'War and Peace' of drug novels. It is epic and ambitious in scope, educational and entertaining in content, and one helluva an adventure in fact. Inspired by actual events, the book is dedicated to 131 journalists –all individually named –who've been killed or “disappeared” for their reporting efforts on the drug violence in Mexico. Those brave men and women are only a small fraction of the number of casualties –100,000 Mexican citizens have died in drug related violence in the last ten years –due to the so-called war on drugs, now in its fifth decade with no end in sight.

If you only have time to read a single book in the next year, you owe it to yourself, your family and your country to read this gripping and mind-opening novel.

And Hey! Check out our combined website that's simple to use and easy as pie to leave your comments! We're looking forward to hearing from all of you.

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The Olive Jar

by Carol Olsen LaMonda

Yellow Isn't Mellow

While I was teaching, I often had the kids write "Sixth Sense" poems. I was thinking about that today as I looked out from my deck and saw a pop of YELLOW here and there where only dark brown and gray had been from winter. Without planning to, I began to write one of those poems in my head. Obviously, the five senses are sight, smell, taste, hearing, and feel. For reluctant or slower learners, I would have them trace their hand in a journal and write the five senses on each finger. Then they would associate a word with each sense. And the poem grew. The sixth sense is a metaphor or conclusion of the poem.



Yellow looks like a bright jack-in-the-box that pops yellow overnight
Replacing the mustiness of winter with the scent of spring flowers
In a burst of color reminding us of buttered corn and lemonade;
Announcing in a shouting voice, "Winter is over. Come play outdoors."
The air feels friendlier now as it softly flows in from open windows .

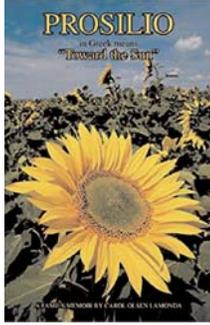
Yellow is the stop sign when our heart says "No More Winter."

I also had them do Haiku which is a short Japanese poem of 17 syllables in a three line form of 5, 5, and 7. I would have them check the syllables by placing their hand almost touching their chin and reading it aloud.

Yellow, a promise
spoken in flowers.
Announcing the earth lives on.



The FamilyMemoir, PROSILIO...
... in Greek means "Toward the Sun," was written by Carol Olsen LaMonda. Carol writes the column "The Olive Jar" for *Ye Olde Tri-Valley Townsman*. This local author has been busy guesting at book clubs who have chosen this local memoir as their book choice. **Feel the warmth of "Prosilio" as you read Carol's memoirs cuddled up in your favorite chair. It also makes a great gift!** *Prosilio* is available at Amazon or Barnes and Noble on-line as a soft or hard cover or as a downloadable e-book for Nook or Kindle. Go to: <http://amazon.com> or <http://barnesandnoble.com> and type in *Prosilio* in the search to order your copy of *Prosilio*



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April 21, 1983

Laurence Smith of Route 55, Napanoch, a retired painter and carpenter and a lifelong area resident, died Friday, April 15, in Ellenville Community Hospital. He was 71. The son of the late Archie and Elva Curry Smith, he was born Sept. 17, 1911 in Eureka. Survivors include his wife, Clara Knight Smith; a son, Larry H. Smith of Napanoch; one brother and four sisters; 3 grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

LOOKING BACK

-Beatrice Akerley

How many of you folks reading this article have seen a red and white bull dog wearing a red fireman's helmet., just standing relaxed. I have. As I write I have one standing near me here on my table.

One morning in 1959 I was browsing around in Sam Anderson's General Store in Grahamsville, when I overheard two ladies discussing a few nic-nacs Sam had for sale. One lady picked up this little dog, and laughing she said to the other lady, "Who would buy this funny-faced little dog?" I would. I adopted that little funny-faced dog and took it home with me. He is now thirty-nine years of age and grandfather to a large collection of nic-nacs. I sat him in my china closet. He was alone, but someone saw him and bought me another one. My collection has branched out to include different objects including music boxes and salt and pepper shakers. Some of my dogs are sitting, some are standing, some are even lying down. Minnie, one of my daughters, told me the lying-down dogs are hard to find. I don't have as many nic-nacs as I did have before a wild turkey flew in my window breaking out the window and a shelf of nic-nacs.

Should I try to tell you which nic-nacs I love the most, I couldn't. Each one has its own personality as well as some special memory attached to it. I have even purchased a few of my nic-nacs from church sales, but I would never swap my collection of nic-nacs for a collection of large diamonds or fast cars if anyone made me an offer.

My birthday is coming up on the 24th of this month, and I'm sure to have a nic-nac or two added to my collection. I've so often heard members of my family say, "It's easy to buy a gift for Gran; just buy her a nic-nac."

From *Here and There* April 25, 1996 -

"And 92 (or is it 93) congratulations to our own columnist, Beatrice Akerley on her special day, April 24th. Bea keeps young by recalling her own early years for our pleasure."
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NEVERSINK SPRING CLEANUP 2023

Spring Cleanup will be held on April 22, 26 & 29 AND May 3, 2023. The Transfer Station will be open during normal business hours. Residents with YELLOW 2023 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 Taxpayers of Sullivan County.

Governor Hochul Encourages New Yorkers to Sign Up for the 12th Annual I Love My Park Day

Governor Kathy Hochul today announced that registration is now open for the 12th annual I Love My Park Day, which will be held on Saturday, May 6, 2023 at State parks, historic sites and public lands all across New York State. The event, a partnership between Parks & Trails New York, the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation, and the Department of Environmental Conservation, is the largest statewide volunteer event to enhance parks, historic sites and public lands and raise awareness and visibility to the state outdoor recreation assets and their needs.

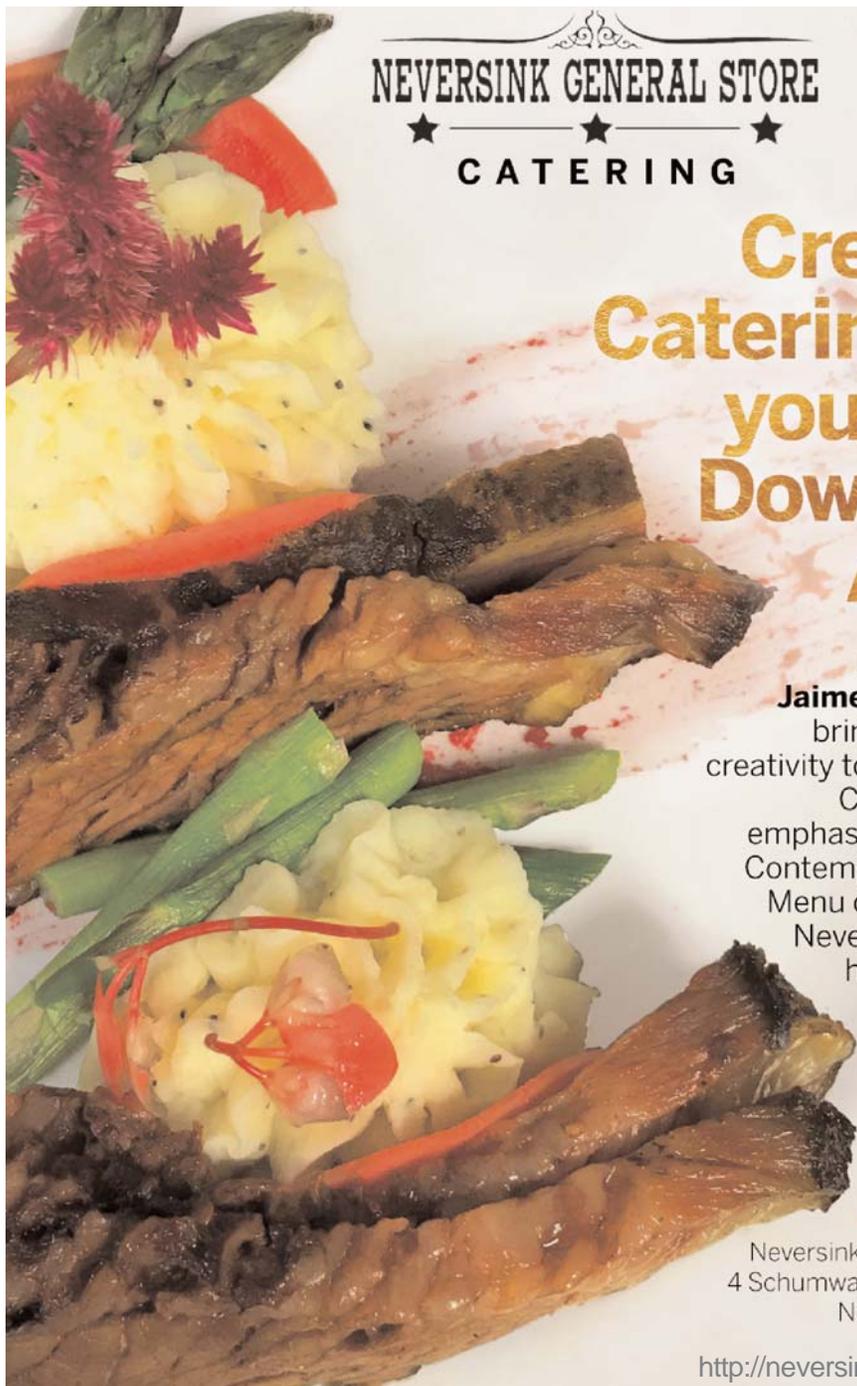
"I Love My Park Day is a great opportunity for New Yorkers to give back to our incredible parks and public lands," Governor Hochul said. "I encourage New Yorkers to sign up and volunteer at a participating park, historic site or trail in their area to ensure future generations can continue to enjoy these amazing natural resources."

Volunteers will have the opportunity to participate in cleanup events at over 120 state parks, historic sites and public lands from Long Island to Western New York and covering all regions in between, including sites operated by the Department of Environmental Conservation and municipal parks.

Volunteers will celebrate New York's public lands by cleaning up debris, planting trees and gardens, restoring trails and wildlife habitats, removing invasive species and working on various site improvement projects.

To encourage year-round stewardship, PTNY, State Parks and DEC will launch additional volunteer opportunities throughout the summer and fall as part of the Love Our NY Lands campaign. The campaign goal is to help protect our natural resources by providing visitors with the knowledge necessary to reduce their impact, engage users to practice sustainable and safe recreation, and help all visitors feel welcome while visiting state lands.

Parks & Trails New York is New York's leading statewide advocate for parks and trails, dedicated since 1985 to improving our health, economy, and quality of life through the use and enjoyment of green space for all. With thousands of members and supporters across the state, PTNY is a leading voice in the protection of New York's magnificent state park system and the creation and promotion of more than 1,500 miles of greenways, bike paths, river walks, and trails. More information can be found here. <https://www.ptny.org/>



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Welcome to the Catskills

The Welcome to the Catskills webpage is the place to go if you are interested in learning more about the Catskills. It provides information about the Forest Preserve and conservation easement lands, outdoor recreation opportunities, and Leave No Trace. Be sure to check out the links to additional information and tips for recreating safely and minimizing your impacts on natural resources, recreational infrastructure, and other backcountry users in the Catskill Mountains. Go to webpage for more information:

<https://www.dec.ny.gov/outdoor/120094.html>

For Sundown Wild Forest go to: <https://www.dec.ny.gov/lands/75346.html>

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The Scene Too

By Jane Harrison

I wish everyone could have the wonderful weekend that I just did. Even the predicted rain held off!

It began with speaking with my Pilates instructor, AUDRA LANG of HAPPY BODY. I joined the class with a specific goal of strength in my movements and I can say, even though I am still a newbie, I have noticed a definite difference. Well, she is now offering some new classes in YOGA CENTER at THE HURLEYVILLE ARTS CENTER that are definitely interesting. I will be attending both this week to give you a much better view of them. For those who don't wish to wait, I've included her flyers.

On Saturday, RACHEL CORRIGAN and I went to see THE JOHNNY JULES BAND at THE DALE in Mountaintale. Rachel is heading up FIBER ON MAIN in Hurley-ville where I spend my Wednesday ev-enings with other knitting, crocheting and other fiber crafting enthusiasts. And if you don't know Rachel, you should, whether you are into the fiber arts or not. She is one of those young of course with an infectious laugh and quick to use it, which is, of course, infectious. Who doesn't need more laughter in their lives!!

This is not the first time we have met at THE DALE for live music. I had gone to see RICHARD TRAVIS, I believe it was last summer, and there was Rachel. I didn't know Richard or his music at all, but Rachel did, which gave me a perspective with which to listen and appreciate. Thank you, Rachel!

And I got to meet her kitty TIMMY. Timmy is a girl. Formerly a barn kitty, she has this strong attitude of self-understanding to match her beautiful dark tortoise shell and white coloring.

Johnny's band was pared down to a trio (JOHNNY JULES on guitar and lead vocals; BOBBY D on Dobro; and guest guitarist JOHN BOTTN) to accommodate the cozy interior of the venue



but did not short-change on the quality. Within the bluesy, blue-grassy and country-ish genre the band is noted for, there was a whole host of songs that I don't remember hearing before.... and some I didn't recognize at all!

Maybe that was because they were geared to a trio, or maybe these were the new additions he was telling me about. Angel, you missed a good show!

I also was able to have a conversation with SARAH who promised me a music schedule for THE DALE. Her venue was one of the few that continued to offer live music during the CoVid years in an outdoor setting. As she said and I totally agree with, ".having somewhere to go to hear live music was more important than ever." And the food is better than excellent.

Then Sunday, I was off to Woodstock to see THE DON MILLER TRIO at the MILLSTREAM TAVERN /GOLF COURSE/COUNTRY CLUB. When my friend Don puts something together, it goes on my calendar immediately. There are two things that one can be certain of. One, it will be uplifting music. And two, you will be in an audience of notables. On a break, having Don come over with a big hug (we've been friends for years),



I guess that included me in those notables. In speaking to people, almost all were there specifically because of this group. That's quite impressive. In conversation with the gentleman at the next table, I learned he was well known jazz guitarist JIM CURTIN. As we spoke of who he had performed with, I couldn't have been more shocked to find I had met and/or knew all of them! This was something I hadn't even realized! Wow.

Did I mention the food here is also excellent?



In addition to Don on the upright bass, there was JOE TRANCHINA on keys, AMIT SHAMIR on drums, then a bit later ELIE MASSIAS and his guitar joined them. I don't know if the term 'rockin jazz' exists, but it is the best way I can describe what I was hearing. Four absolute pros in their chosen musical style, coming as close to 'rocking out' without crossing the jazz line as one could get.



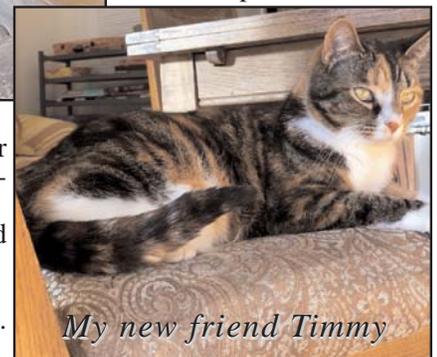
Terwilliger

And now it's back to reality, with my little Terwilliger weaving between my ankles because his cat mom has been gone too much. Poor guy will just have to deal as the amount of live music is exploding at a level that is more than pre CoVid.

Stay tuned here for upcoming venue schedules.....

And stay safe and well

Until next time.....



My new friend Timmy

Jennifer Coates and David Humphrey at Catskill Art Space

Livingston Manor, NY - Catskill Art Space is pleased to announce an exhibition from Jennifer Coates and David Humphrey. Each artist will utilize their own gallery for solo presentations, with a collaborative installation from the married couple in the center gallery. The exhibition will be on view in the ground floor galleries of Catskill Art Space, 48 Main Street, Livingston Manor, NY from May 13 through June 17, 2023. Exhibition hours are Friday and Saturday, 11am - 5pm, and Sunday 11am - 3pm. Both artists fuse heterogeneous ideas into a single image; crashing historical and contemporary themes into each other to draw out hidden longings, anxieties and perspectives. Each uses protagonists and locations to dramatize the vicissitudes of situated personhood.

Coates pulls figures and place from images from the canons of art history, while Humphrey finds sources on walks through urban, corporate, domestic, and rural settings that he documents with casual iPhone snaps. There is a collage sensibility at play in the artists' work as well; sources and references from a variety of contexts and historical eras cavort and fuse in unlikely ways. Both employ many painterly schemas at the same time - using different modes of representation as protagonists in themselves.

ABOUT THE ARTISTS

Jennifer Coates is an artist working in Brooklyn, NY and Lakewood, PA. She is the 2021 recipient of the John Koch Art Award from the American Academy of Arts and Letters, a 2021 NYFA Award in painting, a Fellowship at the Civitella Ranieri Foundation, and a Sharpe Walentas Studio residency. Recent solo shows include Lesser Gods of Lakewood, PA at High Noon, NYC; Covid Metamorphoses, George Gallery/High Noon, NYC; and Pagan Forest, West Chester University, PA. She is currently included in a group show at Acquavella Galleries' two locations in NYC and Palm Beach, "Unnatural Nature: Post Pop Landscapes" curated by Todd Bradway, editor of the book Landscape Painting Now. Her work has been written about in BOMB Magazine, the Brooklyn Rail, Art Critical, Hyperallergic, The Huffington Post, Smithsonian Journeys, and Art News, among other publications.

David Humphrey is a Brooklyn, NY and Lakewood, PA based artist who has shown nationally and internationally. He has received a Guggenheim Fellowship and the Rome Prize among other awards. An anthology of his art writing, Blind Handshake, was published by Periscope Publishing in 2010 and a new monograph on his work by Davy Lauterbach was published in 2020. He teaches in the MFA program at Columbia and is represented by the Fredericks & Freiser Gallery, NY.

ABOUT CATSKILL ART SPACE

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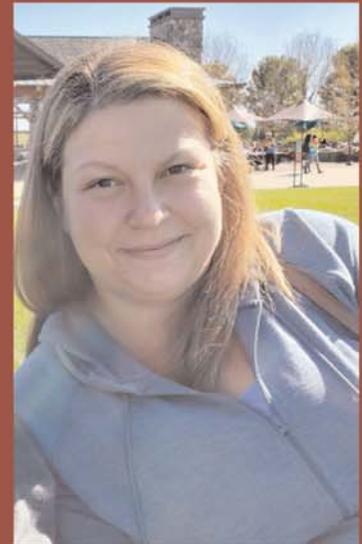
Established as Catskill Art Society in 1971, CAS reopened in October 2022 as Catskill Art Space following a major renovation and expansion of its multi-arts center, located in the picturesque hamlet of Livingston Manor in the Western Catskills. CAS presents a rotating slate of exhibitions, performances and other events featuring national and regional talents, alongside long-term installations of works by James Turrell, Sol LeWitt, Francis Cape, and Ellen Brooks. Learn more at:

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Fallsburg High School Seniors Commit to Play College Football

Two Fallsburg High School seniors have officially announced their commitment to play college football on April 11, 2023.

Mateo Scanna signed his letter of intent to play for Hartwick College, where he will major in mathematics and hopes to play full-back.

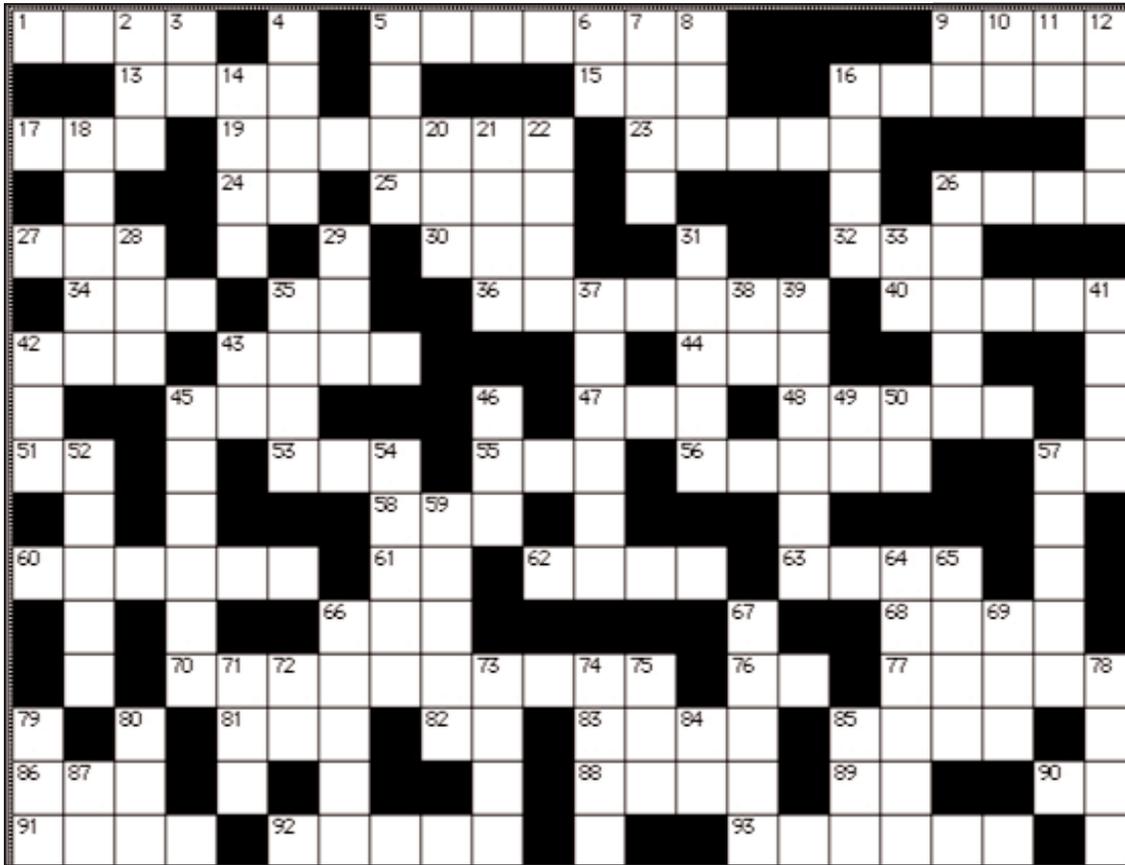


Andrew Rein Jr. signed to play for St. Thomas Aquinas College. He intends to major in Pre-Med and hopes to play quarterback or wide receiver.

Head coach of Fallsburg's football team, Dominick Scanna, congratulated Mateo and Andrew for their outstanding achievement.



As Lovely as a Tree - L. Comando



ACROSS

- 1 Legend
- 5 Trees with pliant long flexible branches used for basketry
- 9 Niche
- 13 Exclusively
- 15 Hot brewed beverage
- 16 Flowering spike of a willow tree
- 17 Give fertilizer
- 19 Relating to sight
- 23 Chantry
- 24 Regarding
- 25 Hack
- 26 Bird with a raucous voice
- 27 Part of that will become a flower or leaf
- 30 Fasten
- 32 Inlet
- 34 Help
- 35 Rural Route
- 36 Four divisions of a year

- 40 Leafless flower stalk
- 42 Bitter beer
- 43 Jetty
- 44 Grand Old Party
- 45 Drill
- 47 Runs Batted In
- 48 Makes new again
- 51 Officer of the Guard
- 53 Distinct period of history
- 55 Having three
- 56 Atrocity
- 57 Auto exposure
- 58 A definite article
- 60 Relating to spring
- 61 Brit's way of saying 'thank you'
- 62 Shred
- 63 Performed well
- 66 Drink
- 68 Course of someone's life
- 70 Half a sphere
- 76 Father
- 77 New
- 81 Record of events of a voyage

- 82 Archaic form of thou
- 83 Against
- 85 Fermented drink
- 86 Adam's wife
- 88 Norse goddess of Spring
- 89 Alternating current
- 90 Kiloliters
- 91 Entrance
- 92 Begin
- 93 Narrow river

DOWN

- 2 Staff
- 3 Half an em
- 4 Category of things
- 5 Summons
- 6 Old Testament
- 7 Disengage
- 8 Important source timber of India
- 9 New Testament
- 10 All right
- 11 Exclamation attracting attention
- 12 Recognize

- 14 Commander
- 16 Cradle
- 18 Non-partisan
- 20 Hat
- 21 Imaginary line about which the Earth rotates
- 22 Score
- 26 Series of repeated events
- 28 Expire
- 29 Anger
- 31 Codification of proven principles
- 33 Like
- 35 Ceremony
- 37 Get here
- 38 Not any
- 39 Season after winter
- 41 Fringe
- 42 Past
- 43 3.14159
- 45 Limb
- 46 Has already eaten
- 49 Printer's measure
- 50 Northeast
- 52 A new technology
- 54 Youthful consort of Cybele associated with spring
- 57 French Cleric
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- 64 Work room
- 65 Mend
- 66 Glimpse
- 67 Whirls
- 69 Small peg used for golf
- 71 Large tree

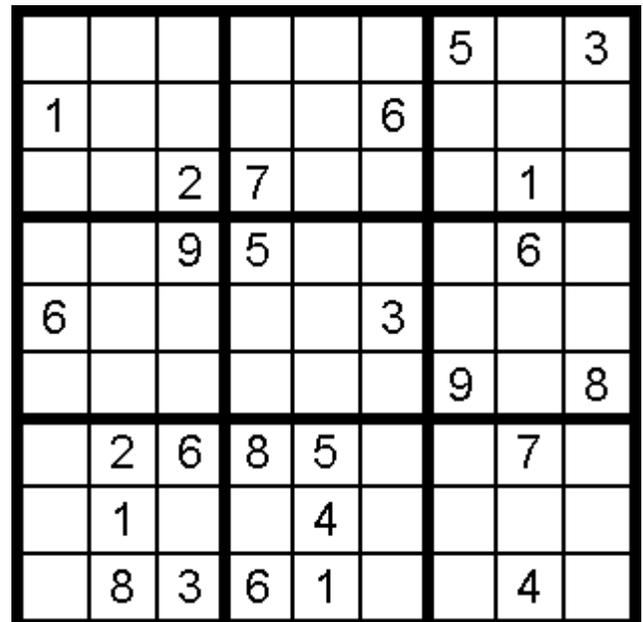
- 72 Missouri (abbrev)
- 73 High temperature
- 74 Spring precipitation
- 75 Final part
- 78 Circle of light
- 79 Plead
- 80 Moist
- 84 Trade Union
- 85 Armed conflict
- 87 Virginia(abbrev)

CONEY ISLAND CHILI DOGS

- 1 pound lean ground beef
- 1 (12-ounce) jar chili sauce
- 1 (1.48-ounce) packet chili seasoning
- 1/4 cup water
- 1 teaspoon Worcestershire sauce
- 1 tablespoon yellow mustard
- 1/2 teaspoon onion powder
- 8 beef hot dogs
- 8 hot dog buns
- Shredded Cheddar, to serve
- Chopped white onion, to serve

In a large pot over medium heat, brown the ground beef stirring constantly to break up all the clumps into fine pieces. Add the chili seasoning, water, Worcestershire, mustard and onion powder. Bring to a boil, lower the heat, and simmer for 30 minutes. Meanwhile, boil the hot dogs according to package instructions. Place hot dogs in buns, top with chili, cheddar cheese, and chopped white onion.

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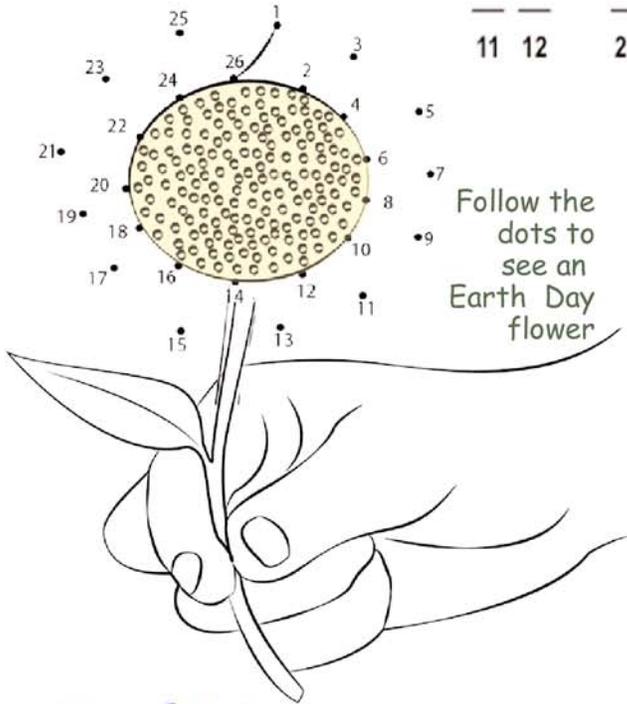
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-Native American Proverb



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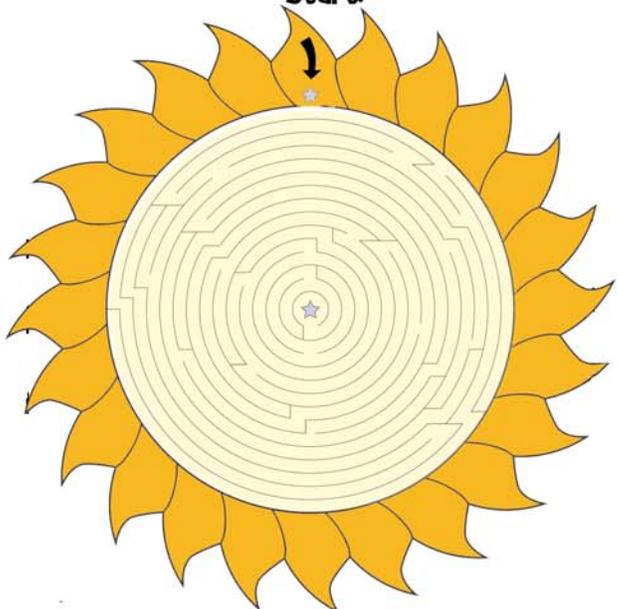
Kids' Spring Fun Page
- L. Comando

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- growth
- plant
- recycle



Earth Day Maze

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Can you find 7 differences between the 2 pictures?



Cryptogram Key

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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING, ANNUAL MEETING,
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TRI-VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
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MARCH 17, 2023

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 Lower Library in said District at Grahamsville, New York, on:

**Tuesday, May 9, 2023
At 7:00 P.M. (EDT)**

for the purpose of presenting the school budget for the 2023-2024 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 2023-2024 school year budget and the VOTING for members of the Board of Education will take place on Tuesday, May 16, 2023 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 17, 2023. 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 2023, there are three Board seats available which are three-year terms, commencing July 1, 2023 and ending June 30, 2026, for seats currently held by the following Board of Education members:

Patrick Kelly
Randall McGregor
Keith Stryker

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 9, 2023, 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 Wednesday, May 10, 2023, and Thursday, May 11, 2023, 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 11, 2023, 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 16, 2023. 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 military voters who are qualified voters of the School District may apply for a military ballot by requesting an application from the District Clerk at (845) 985-2296, ext. 5102 and normapena@trivalleycsd.org. For a military voter to be issued a military ballot, the District Clerk must have received a valid ballot application no later than 5:00 pm on April 20, 2023. Military Voters who are not currently registered to vote may apply to register as a qualified voter by filling out a Military Voter Registration Application, which can also be obtained by requesting an application from the District Clerk. Military Voter Registration Applications must be received by the District Clerk no later than 5:00 p.m. on April 20, 2023. Military voters may indicate a preference for receiving a military voter registration, military ballot application, or military ballot by mail, fax, or e-mail in their request for such registration, ballot application, or ballot. The School District will transmit military ballots to military voters no later than April 21, 2023. Completed military ballots must be received by the School District by 5:00 p.m. on May 16, 2023 in order to be counted. (Contd. Pg. 19)

LEGALS/PUBLIC NOTICES

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 9, 2023) OR the day before the election (Monday, May 15, 2023), 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 voter ballots have been issued will be available for public inspection during regular office hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. in the District Office until the day of the election. Any qualified voter may, upon examination of such list, file a written challenge of the qualifications as a voter of any person whose name appears on such list, stating the reasons for such challenge. Such written challenge will be transmitted by the District Clerk to the inspectors of the election on the day of the vote.

Please be advised that due to the ongoing and dynamic nature of the response to the Coronavirus pandemic, the dates and procedures relating to school elections may be subject to change pursuant to the Governor's executive authority or through legislative enactments.

By order of the Board of Education
Norma Pena, District Clerk
Dated: March 17, 2023

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District Openings
Tri-Valley Central School

School Monitors (FT & PT)

Please forward resumes & Tri-Valley's application
(located at www.trivalleycsd.org) by **Apr 30th**
To: tri-valley-recruitment@scboces.org
Attn: Monitor Search EOE

Fallsburg CSD Board of Education Meeting Cancelled

The Board of Education meeting scheduled for April 12, 2023 has been cancelled. There will be a Special Meeting on April 18, 2023 at 4:45pm in the Board Room at Fallsburg Junior Senior High School. The next regular Board of Education meeting will be on April 25, 2023 at 7:00 pm in the Fallsburg Jr/Sr High School Auditorium.

LEGAL NOTICE:

4/6; 4/13; 4/20; 4/27

NOTICE CONCERNING THE EXAMINATION OF ASSESSMENT INVENTORY AND VALUATION DATA
(Pursuant to Section 501 of the Real Property Tax Law)

Notice is hereby given that assessment inventory and valuation data is available for examination and review.

This data is the information which will be used to establish the assessment of each parcel which will appear on the tentative assessment roll of the Town of Denning, which will be filed on or about May 1st, 2023. The information may be reviewed, by appointment in the Assessor's Office at the Denning Town Hall at 1567 Denning Road, Claryville NY 12725.

An appointment to review the assessment information may be made by telephoning the Assessor at (845) 549-0552 or emailing the Assessor at:
assessor@denningny.gov.

Dated: 10th day of April, 2023

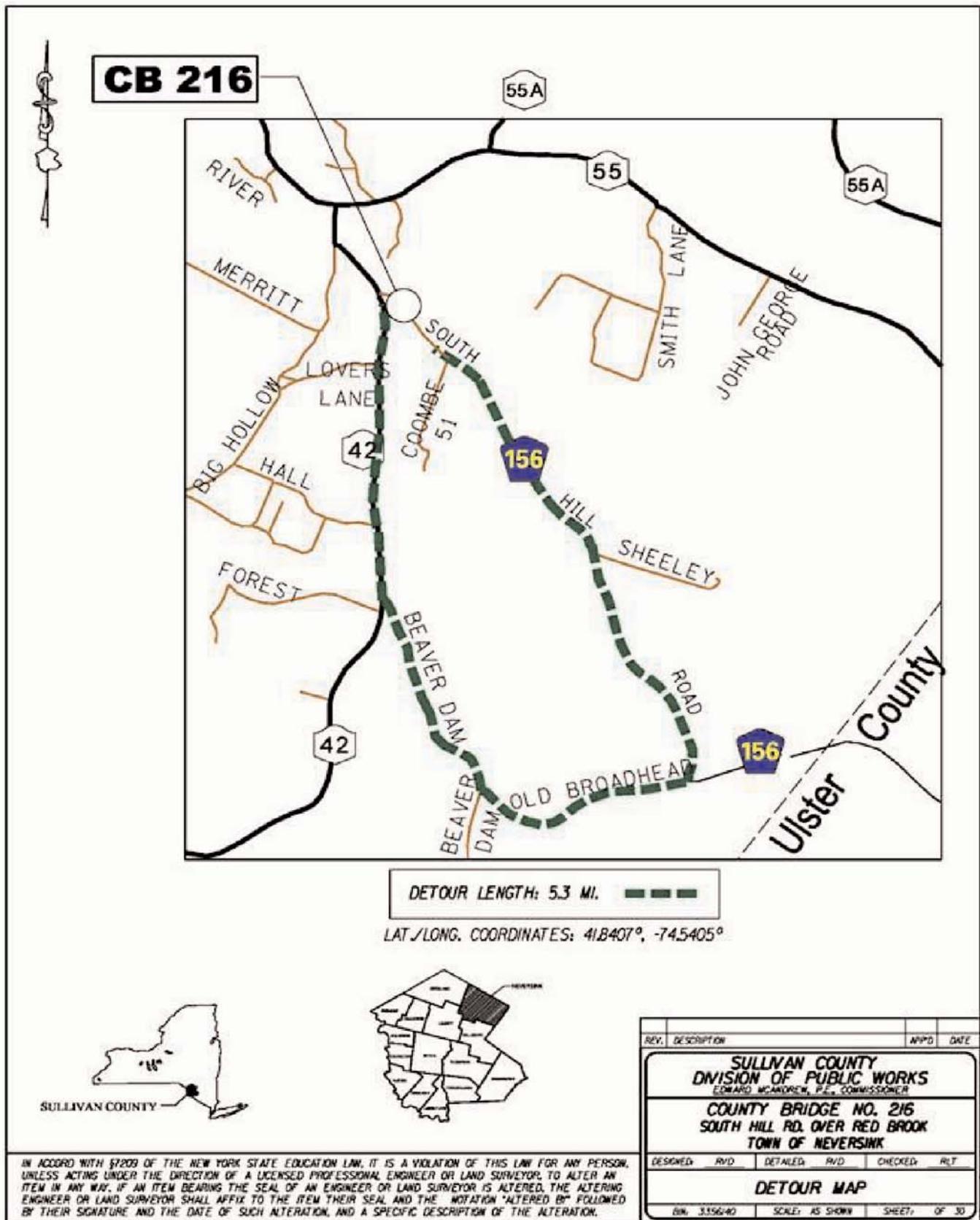
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Town of Denning Sole Assessor
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4/13 ; 4/20

Please Take Notice:**Covid-19 Home Test Kits**

are available at

Town of Denning Town Hall**1567 Denning Road • Claryville, NY****Mondays through Thursdays****8:30 AM - 3:00 PM****until they are gone****Call (845) 985-2411 for more information.****Full Time Residents Only****Proof of Denning residency required****ONE kit per household****(2 tests)****Signature required**



ROAD CLOSURE IN GRAHAMSVILLE

Grahamsville, NY - The Sullivan County Division of Public Works is closing a portion of County Road 156 (South Hill Road) in the Town of Neversink to replace County Bridge 216. The bridge itself is located approximately 300 feet east of the intersection of State Route 42 and CR 156. This section is scheduled to be closed to all traffic for approximately six months, starting at 8 a.m. on May 1, 2023.

A Little Tri-Valley School District History From the April 25, 1996 Issue of *The Townsman*

FROM THE EDITOR:

SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION COMING UP

Of the many volunteer jobs that go into making a strong community, none is more important than that of a School Board member. It can be a pretty demanding, and sometimes thankless, position as well.

It is very encouraging to see the level of care and concern about the School Board here in the Tri-Valley District. With elections coming up May 8, and a proposition on the ballot about how School Board members will be elected in the future, I thought it might be helpful to devote this space to some of the background leading up to the current debate.

On September 24, 1943, voters elected to consolidate thirteen one-room schools to become the Tri-Valley School District. The new consolidated district included Lackawack Hill, Sundown, Lows Corners, Greenville, Peekamoose, Grahamsville, South Hill, Big Hollow, Curry, Unionville, Halls Mills, Mutton Hill, Neversink and Aden. Classes were held in the original 2-room Grahamsville Schoolhouse, which was expanded to four rooms, and the offices were located in the former Lows Corners school building which was moved to the Grahamsville site for that purpose.

In 1951, the new Tri-Valley School building opened. In 1954, the Hasbrouck School joined the District, and in 1956, Divine Corners became part of Tri-Valley.

The School District thus encompasses a little over 200 square miles, with youngsters from the far reaches of the Towns of Denning, Neversink, Rochester, Wawarsing, Liberty and Fallsburg in attendance.

With the consolidation of so many schools from such differing locales, there was a concern that folks from "down below" would not know the "conditions up in the hills," reports Emma Furman, wife of Van Furman, one of the first School Board members from the Sundown/Lows Corners area. Therefore, an informal gentleman's agreement was made whereby seats for the School Board would be slated in the future to try to guarantee representation from the many various regions of the Tri-Valley District.

The initial Board members hailed from Grahamsville, Neversink, Lackawack Hill, the Unionville area, Sundown/Lows Corners, Thunderhill/Big Hollow. I was unable to pinpoint the home areas for three of the original Board.

Today's Board members, still nine in number as from the beginning, include two members from the Hurleyville area, one from Neversink, four from Grahamsville, one from Woodbourne, and one from Napanoch. The areas surrounding Claryville, Frost Valley, and the upper part of the Town of Denning are not currently represented, nor are the areas of Divine Corners and Liberty which form part of the District.

There is proposed this year a move away from the by-seat form of School Board election to an at-large method of election. This is what Proposition 5 is all about.

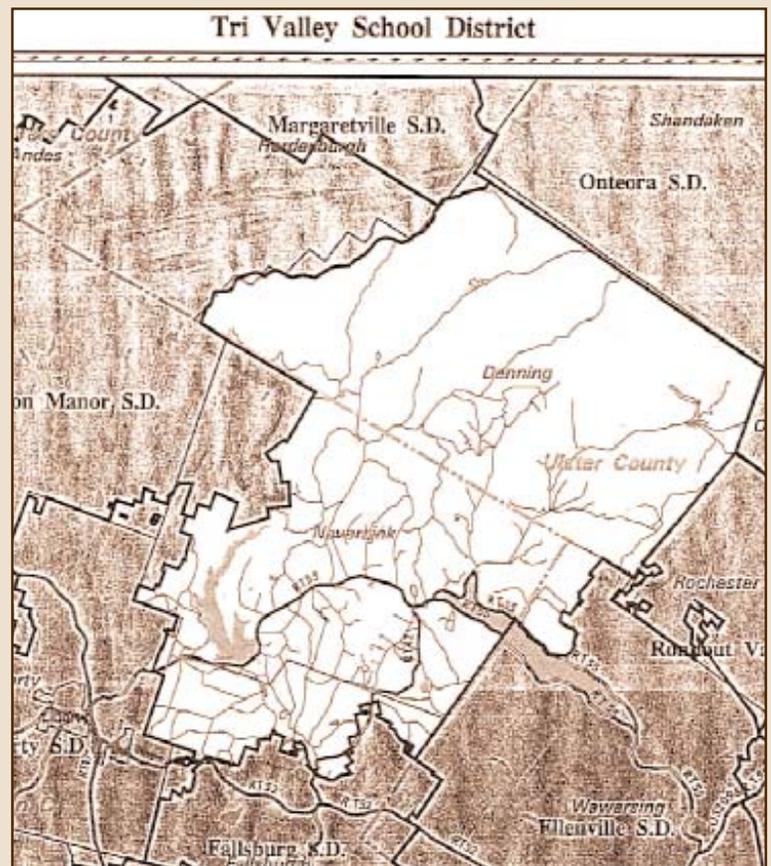
Opponents of Proposition 5 are concerned that the representative nature of the School Board as it has operated to date will be lost if the District moves to an at-large method. They are further concerned that "bullet voting" could result in candidates from more populous regions of the District being seated, while those from outlying areas would not be able to muster enough votes to place among the top three. In the at-large system, the top three vote-getters among all candidates running are seated.

Those favoring the at-large method find the current system worrisome because it forces someone who would like to run for the School Board to run against a fellow friend or neighbor. They do not like the adversarial approach of voting by seat. They also have found that there are often two terrific candidates running against each other, and they'd like to be able to vote both of them in.

By way of information, as of the 1992 Census of Government, there were 4,752 School Board members volunteering in the State of New York. Of these, 3,777 were elected at-large; 975 were elected by-seat. Large cities are mandated to vote for their School Board members at-large, so be aware that their numbers will comprise many of the 4,752 School Board members tallied. Nonetheless, the at-large method presently accounts for the majority of seats by a roughly 3-to-1 margin.

The New York State School Boards Association has published a list of the advantages of both methods of voting.. Please talk to your neighbors; please take time to study this information and to consider what you think will best serve your community. And, most of all, register and vote on May 8!

(Special thanks to Citizens For Proposition #5, Archie Dean, Fran and Gene Fuller, Emma Furman, Evelyn Hill Huntsberger and Ross Mills for their contributions to this back-ground piece. —*Editor: Kim Wilkens*



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Covered Dish Supper

5:30 pm

May 6, 2023
Tables with Yard Sale items will be available during the supper

Sundown United Methodist Church Hall



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Sunday morning: 9:00 am and 11:30 am

Daily Mass Schedule: Monday, Tuesday, Friday, and Saturday
Mass at 8:30AM.

Saturday afternoon confessions: 3:45 to 4:15 pm
Rev. Ignas Dhas MMI, Administrator
(845) 434-7643

Grahamsville United Methodist Church

Thrift Sale

May 6th, 2023
9 am to 12 noon



Grahamsville & Sundown United Methodist Churches House Worship Plan

Worship Service & Tuesday Evening Bible Study Zoom Link

Join Zoom Meeting - Worship Service & Tuesday Evening Bible Study Zoom Link
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2029912673?pwd=R2lJYUhyTVdsQWdMUXZvTEtCeGdLZz09>
Meeting ID: 202 991 2673 Passcode: 012740
Dial by your location
+1 646 558 8656 US (New York)
+1 312 626 6799 US (Chicago)

The Bible Study continues every Tuesday at 7 pm.
If you are interested in joining the Bible Study, please feel free to contact the Pastor, Seung Jin Hong. 845-985-2283

Grahamsville Reformed Church

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Pastor Kenneth Ronk
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Worship Service 9:30 am
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Grahamsville, NY 12740
845-985-7480

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Rev. Thomas P. Kiely, Pastor

Ans to last week's Crossword



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7	1	5	3	4	2	6	8	9
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GRAHAMSVILLE UMC THRIFT MINISTRY
 Donations accepted in the Thrift Building on Tuesdays from 9:30 to 11:30 am or by appointment.
 Call Ruth at 845-985-7222
The Grahamsville UMC Mission Team
<https://grahamsvilleUMC.org>
 GrahamsvilleUMC@gmail.com—Seung Jin Hong, Pastor

Sundown United Methodist Church Covered Dish Supper
Saturday, May 6, 2023 5:30 pm at the Church Hall
 Check out the tables with Yard Sale items available for sale (Covered Dish Suppers will be held the First Saturday of each month at 5:30 pm at the Church Hall)

Life After Loss: a Five-Week Bereavement Series
 Mondays starting April 24, 7 pm, at **St. Mary's St. Andrew's Church Hall** 137 South Main St. Ellenville
 Open to all adults, no cost to attend. Please pre-register by contacting **Jennifer** at **Colonial Memorial Funeral Home** 845-434-7363
 or register online at <http://www.smsaparish.org/events>

Bingo at the Monticello Elks Lodge
 Every Tuesday at 7 PM
 46 North Street in Monticello
 For information, contact Past Exalted Ruler Ronni Scannell at (845) 701-0695

Sight & Sound Theater - Ronks, PA
 Holy Cross Church in Callicoon is sponsoring a trip to see the show "Moses" on July 12th. The cost is \$155/adults and \$110 children 5-12. This includes admission to the show, transportation, and a smorgasbord lunch. Tickets must be paid for by June 1st. The bus leaves Holy Cross parking lot at 6:00 am and returns at approximately 7:30 pm. For info/reservations call: Pam Reinhardt 845-887-4714.

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LOCAL CALENDAR OF EVENTS

4/18/23	Town of Neversink Zoning Board Meeting 7:30 pm
4/20/23	Denning Town Planning Board Meeting 6:00 pm Denning Town Hall
4/20/23	Neversink Fire District Commissioner Meeting 7:00pm
5/2/23	Claryville Fire District Monthly Meeting 6:30 pm
5/3/23	Town of Neversink Planning Board Meeting 7:00 pm
5/6/23	Grahamsville UMC Thrift Sale 9 am - 12 noon
5/6/23	Sundown UMC Covered Dish Supper 5:30 Church Hall
5/9/23	Denning Town Board Meeting 6:00 pm Denning Town Hall
5/10/23	Neversink Town Board Meeting - 7:30 pm
5/14/23	Claryville Fire Department All You Can Eat Pancake Breakfast 8 am - 12 noon
5/16/23	Town of Neversink Zoning Board Meeting 7:30 pm

Save the Date!

May 6, 2023 **Tri-Valley Lions' Journey For Sight Walk** at 8:30 am at Grahamsville First Aid Squad Bldg and Fairgrounds. Call Lion Esta Jacob for more information at 845-866-1579.

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.

Town of Denning - <http://www.denning.us>
Town of Neversink - <https://townofneversink.org>

Ulster County Legislature Weekly Calendar Update for the Week of April 17 - April 21, 2023

Monday, April 17

- o **5:00 PM - Charter Revision Commission, in the Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston, and by videoconferencing, Zoom Meeting ID: 840 4292 4344**
- o **6:00 PM - Ulster County Trails Advisory Committee, in the KL Binder Library, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston**
- o **6:30 PM - Ulster County Law Enforcement Community Engagement Committee, in the Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston, and 17 Bigelow Rd., Malden-on-Hudson, NY**

Tuesday, April 18

- o **5:00 PM - Ways & Means Committee, in the KL Binder Library, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston**
- o **6:00 PM (or immediately following Ways & Means Committee) - Caucuses: Democrats, in the Legislative Chambers, Republicans, in the KL Binder Library, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston**
- o **7:10 PM - Public Hearing: Pursuant to Agricultural Markets Law Article 25AA on 8-Year Review of Agriculture District No. 2, in the Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston**
- o **7:15 PM - Public Hearing: On CDBG Economic Development Small Business Grant Program Application: The Hudson House and Distillery, in the Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston**
- o **7:20 PM (or immediately following the Public Hearings) - Legislative Session, in the Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston**

Wednesday, April 19

- o **9:00 AM - Ulster County Industrial Development Agency Board, in the Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston**
- o **10:00 AM (or immediately following the UC IDA) Ulster County Capital Resources Corporation Board, in the Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston**

Thursday, April 20

- o **5:30 PM - Youth Board, at Ulster County Human Services Complex, Youth Bureau Suite, 100 Development Court, Kingston**

Friday, April 21

- o **12 Noon - Resolution Deadline**

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Count-down to Tri-Valley Lions Journey For Sight Walk & TAG DAY - May 6, 2023



2017 Journey for Sight participants

The Tri-Valley Lions Journey For Sight Walk will be held on Saturday, May 6, 2023. Registration will be at 8:30am at the Grahamsville First Aid Squad Building, with The Journey For Sight Walk starting at 9am around the Fairgrounds. The Walk is variable length, so whether you walk one loop around the fairgrounds or multiple, you are a Winner. We ask that all volunteers, Walkers, and Tri-Valley Lions members meet in front of the First Aid Squad Building for a Group Photo at 8:50am. This is our first walk since Covid hit, but we hope to have a good turnout this year. Coffee, water, juice boxes for the kids, snacks and pastries will be available to all Walkers and Volunteers starting at 8am at the First Aid Squad Building.

As you will see by the photos of the 2015, 2016, and 2017 Journey For Sight Walks, (watch next week's Townsman for the 2016 Journey For Sight participants) all our friends and neighbors are encouraged to join the Tri-Valley Lions for the May 6th Walk. We encourage all Walkers to collect pledges and bring the pledges and completed pledge sheets to the First Aid Squad Building at 8:30am on May 6, 2023. I've attached Pledge Sheets, and a Journey For Sight Poster in this week's Townsman. Pledge sheets will also be available on the morning of the Walk. Your pledges for the Walk and donations to our Tag Day enables the Tri-Valley Lions to continue our support donations to 5 local food pantries, the Heart-A-Thon, Leukemia and Lymphoma contributions to The Rhulen Walk and Trevor Loughlin Fund, perform eye screenings for local youth at our neighborhood Schools, Juvenile Diabetes, The Guiding Eyes for the Blind and so many more worthy organizations.

I will be contacting many of the past walkers to see if they will join us once again this year and to help make our 2023 Journey For Sight Walk a success. Bring the kids. Bring the family. You can reach me at 845-866-1579 or ejacob4848@gmail.com if you have any questions, would like to walk with us, or volunteer at this event. Thank you in advance and stay well and safe.

Esta Jacob
(Pledge Sheet Page 26)

1. **Anyone under 18 years of age must have the signature of parent or guardian on the form.**
2. **Each participant should encourage as many sponsors as possible. Sponsors may pledge as much as they wish.**
3. **The Sponsor Pledge Form must be returned by 8:30 am on the day of the event.**
4. **Pledges must be collected from your Sponsors and turned in at Registration or no later than June 1 to any Lion.**
5. **The Journey For Sight will begin at 9:00 am. Participants must sign in between 8:30 am and 9:00 am at the **GRAHAMSVILLE FIRST AID BUILDING** (where the walk will begin and end). Refreshments will be available during this time.**
6. **The event will be held rain or shine.**
7. **All food and drinks given before, during, and after the event are free.**
8. **Neither Tri-Valley Lions, nor Lions International will be responsible for injuries incurred during the event.**
9. **It is suggested that Participants without pledges offer a donation of \$20.00.**

Sullivan County Historical Society to Host Cornhole Mixer with a Bite of History

The Sullivan County Historical Society is pleased to host a Cornhole Mixer with a Bite of History, on Sunday May 7 from 1-4pm.



Come out and join us for an afternoon of fun, gamesmanship and three floors of Sullivan County history.

There will be music with a guest appearance by Little Sparrow, and self-guided tours of the museum. Printed copies of game rules will be available, and there will be people on hand to answer questions.

Doors will open at 1 and bags fly at 1:45. All skill levels are welcome. Single elimination with best 2 out of 3 format. Prizes will be awarded for first and second place teams, and we will have a 50/50 raffle.

Hot and cold beverages and refreshments will include all things corn - Popcorn, Corn Bread, Corn Chips and also chocolate chip cookies and brownies.

There is a suggested donation of \$5 per person. All donations benefit the museum and are greatly appreciated.

We plan to continue the Cornhole mixers through the summer months.

The Sullivan County Museum is located at 265 Main Street, Hurleyville. For information and to register, please call 845-434-8044 or visit www.facebook.com/scnyhistory. Your support of the museum and its activities is greatly appreciated.

Join the Sullivan 180 Merchant Discount Program

[Liberty] Sullivan 180 announced that the 2023 Merchant Discount Program will continue to offer grants and support efforts in Sullivan County to build a healthy community, one degree at a time. Through the Merchant Discount Program grant recipients are able to take advantage of specified dis-

counts on the purchase of supplies and materials for their grant funded projects.

Sullivan 180 offers grants to schools, community groups and municipalities for beautification, community development, and healthy community initiatives. Grant amounts range depending on the program and project. Sullivan 180 is inviting businesses to help these dollars go farther in this effort; while at the same time encouraging local spending. To participate, your business would offer a discount rate on products or services for Sullivan 180 projects. You set the discount amount. Discounts typically range from 10% to 20% (or more).

Once enrolled you will receive a list of participating 2023 Sullivan 180 grant recipients and projects. Each project leader will be given an official Merchant Discount Card that will signal to you they are making an authorized purchase for their Sullivan 180 project.

By participating in this valuable program, area businesses can join volunteer groups who have collectively raised several million dollars that have been reinvested in building healthy communities through people, places and policy.

For information on how to get involved email kathleen@sullivan180.org or call 845.295.2452.

Sullivan 180 is working to build a healthy community, one degree at a time, through people, places and policy with support from Bold Gold Media Group, The River Reporter, The Sullivan County Democrat, Manor Ink and WJFF Radio Catskill. Learn more at Sullivan180.org or Facebook.com/Sullivan180.

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- video recordings of town events
- brochures
- flyers
- momentos
- old school books
- books about people who lived in Olive

Governor Hochul Officially Kicks off Construction Season in NYS and Announces National Work Zone Awareness Week to Take Place from April 17 through April 21

- *Work Zone Speed Monitoring Pilot Program Launches April 17, Building on Ongoing Efforts to Enforce Safe Driving in Work Zones and Protect the Lives of Highway Workers Across New York*
- *NYS DOT and Thruway Authority Launch Public Awareness Campaign to Educate New Yorkers on the New Pilot Program in Work Zones*
- *State Landmarks to Be Lit in Orange on April 19 with New Yorkers Encouraged to Wear Orange in Solidarity with New York's Highway Workforce*

Governor Kathy Hochul announced that the state will officially commemorate National Work Zone Awareness Week from April 17 through April 21 as construction season kicks off. The theme for 2023 is, "You play a role in work zone safety. Work with us!" As part of this commemoration aimed at protecting highway workers, an Automated Work Zone Speed Monitoring Pilot Program to help enforce speed limits in highway construction and maintenance work zones will officially launch on April 17, a joint initiative between the New York State Department of Transportation and the New York State Thruway Authority that builds upon ongoing efforts to better protect highway workers. A total of 30 speed violation monitoring systems that rely on RADAR technology will be positioned in active work zones along New York State highways - 20 on NYSDOT maintained roads and 10 on the New York State Thruway.

"As we officially kick off construction season in New York as well as National Work Zone Awareness Week, I thank highway workers across the state who put their lives on the line to maintain and enhance the roads that we all rely on every day," Governor Hochul said. "This new pilot program will be instrumental in encouraging safe driving habits in highway work zones and protecting the lives of those who help maintain a safe and reliable highway system."

New York State has experienced a rising number of work zone speed violations in recent years, resulting in numerous highway worker injuries and several deaths among state and contractor personnel. By launching the program during National Work Zone Awareness Week, an annual campaign recognized by the Federal Highway Administration since 2000, the state is further highlighting the importance of safe driving when encountering construction, maintenance and emergency operations along highways.

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Automated Work Zone Speed Monitoring Pilot Program and Campaign

The Automated Work Zone Speed Monitoring pilot program was established by legislation signed into law by Governor Hochul. For the first 30 days of the pilot, speeding motorists will be issued warning Notices of Liability, with actual Notices being issued 30 days after the initial rollout. A technology operator for the program was selected following a competitive bidding process. Under the program, all vehicles detected violating the posted speed limit within a work zone by over an established threshold will be fined. License plate images and speed data collected will be sent to NYSDOT and the Thruway within a week, with violation fines issued to the vehicle's registered owner by mail. Vehicle owners who are New York State residents will receive notice in the mail within 14 business days of the violation instance, while those who live out of state will receive notice within 45 days. Images of the driver or contents of the vehicle will not be documented.

Fines through the pilot program will be issued as follows:

1. \$50 for first violation
2. \$75 for second violation
3. \$100 for third and subsequent violations within 18 months of the first violation

Unpaid fines may result in a vehicle registration hold where drivers will not be able to renew their registrations without first paying their fines. Owners may contest a violation within 30 days of when they received notice. As required by law, 60 percent of the funds collected by NYSDOT and the Thruway Authority through the program will supplement work zone safety projects.

The State Department of Transportation and the Thruway Authority are also launching a comprehensive public awareness campaign to include various advertising and social media opportunities that target drivers across the State. The campaign will utilize billboard advertisements, broadcast and streaming radio, Waze and more to highlight to the new program and improve motorist compliance with traffic safety laws in highway work zones. More information about the pilot program can be found here. (Contd. Pg. 29)

Governor Hochul Officially Kicks off Construction Season in NYS and Announces National Work Zone Awareness Week to Take Place from April 17 through April 21

(From Pg. 28)

Operation Hardhat

A State Police crackdown on work zone violations will also be taking place during National Work Zone Awareness Week, April 17 through April 21, 2023 as part of the ongoing "Operation Hardhat" initiative, which highlights the importance of safe driving practices in active construction and maintenance work zones across the state. State Troopers will be dressed as highway maintenance workers in active highway work zones on highways across New York where State Department of Transportation and Thruway Authority employees will be performing maintenance and construction activities. DOT, State Police and the Thruway Authority plan to partner on additional unannounced enforcement efforts in construction zones throughout the State during the remainder of the construction season which typically concludes in October.

Troopers will be present within the work zones to identify motorists who disobey flagging personnel, speed through the work zone, or violate the state's Move Over Law, which applies to both emergency and maintenance vehicles. In 2022, a total of 3,062 tickets were issued during Operation Hardhat details, surpassing the total of 2,336 tickets issued in 2021.

Lighting of Landmarks

The landmarks to be lit in recognition of Go Orange Day include:

- o Governor Mario M. Cuomo Bridge
- o Kosciuszko Bridge
- o The H. Carl McCall SUNY Building
- o State Education Building
- o Alfred E. Smith State Office Building
- o Niagara Falls
- o Empire State Plaza
- o One World Trade Center
- o State Fairgrounds - Main Gate & Expo Center
- o Albany International Airport Gateway
- o MTA LIRR - East End Gateway at Penn Station
- o Fairport Lift Bridge over the Erie Canal
- o Moynihan Train Hall

New York State Department of Transportation Commissioner Marie Therese Dominguez said, "The women and men who work in highway construction and maintenance work zones are noble public servants who make it possible for the rest of us to travel safely to our destinations across New York State. As someone who travels our state's roads regularly, I value their contributions and I am indebted to them, but it is everyone's job to keep our highway maintenance workers safe. Drivers need to operate their vehicles at safe speeds and know that the speed limit will be enforced because lives depend on it - yours and theirs. This new program, which is being launched during National Work Zone Awareness Week, will give us the tools to better monitor violations within our construction and

maintenance work zones, and serve as a reminder that we all need to slow down, put our phones down and above all, be alert."

New York State Thruway Authority Interim Executive Director Frank G. Hoare said, "Maintenance crews work each day mere inches away from high-speed traffic and put themselves in harm's way to ensure roads are safe for all drivers. It is everyone's responsibility to slow down and pay attention when driving in a work zone to keep these women and men safe. Work zone speed cameras are another tool in the toolbox to keep our employees and customers safe and I truly believe lives will be saved as a result."

New York State Police Acting Superintendent Steven A. Nigrelli said, "Our highway and construction workers put themselves at risk daily as they work to improve the roadways of our State. We have a responsibility to be mindful of the rules of the road and to slow down as we travel through construction zones to ensure the safety and well-being of these workers. I urge all motorists to operate safely by obeying posted speed limits, staying in designated lanes, and being cognizant of workers and equipment in work zones. We will not tolerate violations of the Move Over Law and work zone intrusions."

New York State Department of Motor Vehicles Commissioner and Chair of the Governor's Traffic Safety Committee Mark J.F. Schroeder said, "The safety of New York's roads depends on all of us doing our part to follow the rules of the road and being aware of everyone around us, not the least of which are the men and women out fixing and maintaining those roads on a daily basis. Not following the rules runs the risk of a hold on renewing a vehicle registration due to unpaid work zone fines, and runs the risk of motorists needlessly putting themselves and others in harm's way."

Civil Service Employees Association President Mary E. Sullivan said, "Our union actively encourages drivers to be alert, be aware of their surroundings, and exercise caution when driving in work zones. We all play a role in work zone safety. Too many of our union members have died or suffered serious injuries on the job due to the carelessness of drivers. Together we share the responsibility to ensure that the men and women who maintain our roads and infrastructure are respected and get home safely to their families each day."

Associated General Contractors of New York State President and CEO Mike Elmendorf said, "The men and women working out there on roadways across New York are doing it for our safety-and every New Yorker owes it to them to keep them safe as they do that important work. They are out there working in often dangerous conditions to make sure we all get home safely to our families; it is the obligation of all motorists to make sure every one of them gets home safely to theirs. New Yorkers need to pay attention, stay focused, slow down and move over in work zones. AGC NYS commends the efforts of our industry, labor and public agency partners for providing critical awareness of work zone safety through National Work Zone Awareness Week and beyond."

Recognizing and understanding signs leading up to and within a work zone is essential for the safety of all drivers and roadside workers. Maintenance crews across the state work alongside fast-moving traffic each day, knowing their lives depend on drivers being alert, patient and cautious. It is critically important that motorists eliminate distractions, pay attention to driving and move over for workers. As construction season continues, maintenance and work crews will continue to be out on the road performing repairs and improvements to ensure roads are safe for motorists. All travelers should be prepared to reduce speeds and to be alert when passing through work zones.

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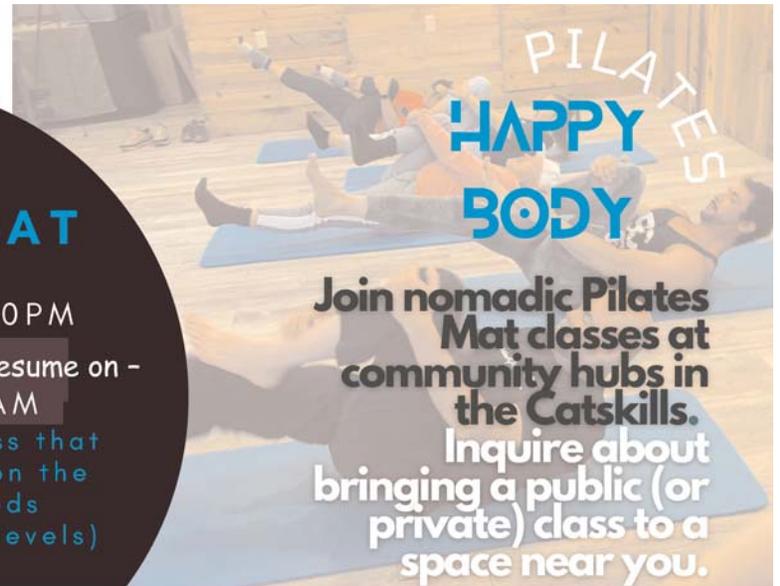
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Find out how to plant and care for young trees!

LIBERTY, NY - When planting trees for any purpose, choosing the right tree and properly caring for it while young will improve the tree's longevity and vitality throughout its life. To educate community members on the care of young trees, Cornell Cooperative Extension Sullivan County's Horticulture Program Coordinator Katie Gasior will host an educational program at the Extension Education Center at 64 Ferndale-Loomis Road in Liberty on the planting and care of young trees. The program will take place on Friday, May 12th from 4:30 PM to 6:00 PM.

With a presentation from guest speaker Emma Miller, participants will learn about tree placement, species selection, and proper ground & root preparation. Additionally, Emma will discuss basic tree anatomy, as well as proper maintenance techniques for trees in the stages after planting.

Emma Miller has a B.S in Environmental Horticulture & Urban Forestry with a concentration in Urban Landscape Management. She has taught about planting trees through an internship with the City of Davis Urban Forestry division and Tree Davis, a connected nonprofit in that area.

There is no fee, but preregistration is required for each session to participate. Register for one or more of the sessions online at <http://sullivancee.org/events>. Those with related questions can email sullivan@cornell.edu or call 845-292-6180.

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DEC and OGS Announce Significant Milestone Reached in Hudson River 'Wedgewire' Project

New Wedgewire Screening System Minimizes Environmental Impacts of Hudson Riverfront Pump Station Operations in Albany

New York State Office of General Services (OGS) Commissioner Jeanette Moy and Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) Commissioner Basil Seggos today announced the final phase of construction for a new wedgewire screening system at the Riverfront Pump Station in Albany. The system, announced as part of New York State's Earth Week celebration, is designed to substantially minimize the pump station's impact on aquatic life in the Hudson River.

"Under Governor Hochul's leadership, New York has focused its efforts on increasing sustainability and resiliency in State government operations while reducing our impact on the environment," OGS Commissioner Jeanette Moy said. "The installation of the wedgewire screening system in the Hudson River is one big project that will save millions of tiny aquatic lives. The OGS team deeply appreciates the DEC's guidance on this endeavor and is grateful to all the State and federal regulatory agencies we're working with to get this project to the finish line."

"DEC is excited to be a part of this project to protect Hudson River shad and herring fisheries and the health of other species that contribute to the river's diverse and thriving ecosystem," DEC Commissioner Seggos said. "With the support of Governor Hochul and our partners at OGS, the State's commitment to sustainable infrastructure like this wedgewire screening project and water quality investments across the state will yield significant environmental benefits for generations to come."

The wedgewire project involved the installation of a wedgewire screening system at OGS's Riverfront Pump Station. The pump station draws water from the Hudson River to cool the Empire State Plaza and surrounding buildings during the summer.

Wedgewire screening is made by placing V-shaped or wedge-shaped wire at set distances. The new wedgewire system consists of eight cylindrical screens that are seven feet long and six feet in diameter with 0.75-millimeter-wide slots that prevent small fish and fish larvae from being drawn into the water intake. The low intake velocity through the screens and the orientation of the screens to the flow in the river will minimize any materials and fish eggs collected on the screens.

The installation of the screens will reduce impacts to many fish species in the Hudson and will particularly help protect river herring and American

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shad, two migratory species that have suffered significant population declines due to overfishing, invasive species, habitat loss and impingement and entrainment of fish by water-cooling intakes at industrial facilities, among other factors. These fish are important members of the Hudson River ecosystem. In particular, river herring are a significant forage fish for striped bass, a popular sport fish in the Hudson. American shad once supported a significant fishery in the Hudson; protecting eggs and juvenile shad will help the long-term recovery of the species. The wedgewire screens were installed to bring the cooling water intake system into compliance with New York State's stringent water quality requirements. Regulations require that intake structures be designed using the best technology available to minimize adverse environmental impacts.

Working closely with DEC, OGS considered several technologies before it was ultimately determined that a wedgewire screen was the best option for reducing impacts on aquatic life and that the system's installation and operation would have little to no negative environmental impact.

The project required unique underwater investigations, dredging, and the driving of piles to support and protect two concrete manifold sections where the screens were installed. The project also required the use of divers, barges, a crawler-transporter, and a 400-ton crane barge. Work in the water could not impact the nearby navigational channel and was required to occur between mid-August and the end of December to protect the river's fish population. The screens are now fully operational, and the remaining construction work at the site is expected to be completed in winter 2023.

Gillibrand's Comprehensive Plan Provides Pathway to Food Security, Independence, and Social Connection

Senator Gillibrand Has Convened Leaders From Across NYS to Form Her Aging Working Group; Gillibrand's Master Plan on Aging has Been Developed in Collaboration With Its 66 Members

CORNWALL, N.Y. - Today, U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand, a member of the Special Committee on Aging, held a press conference at the Munger Cottage Senior Center to reveal her 5-point Master Plan on Aging, which would ensure every American has the support needed to age with dignity and financial security. The Master Plan on Aging provides solutions to ensure all older Americans have the right to:

1. Affordable and Healthy Meals
2. Affordable Health Care and Prescription Drugs
3. Social Security Benefits and Financial Security
4. Age in Place
5. Aging-Friendly Spaces and Employment

There is an urgent need for the Master Plan; the population of the United States is aging rapidly and by 2034, the number of adults age 65 and older will be greater than the number of children under 18 for the first time ever.

Senator Gillibrand's Master Plan on Aging was shaped by a group of leaders she convened from across New York to focus on the issues affecting older New Yorkers and has been received enthusiastically by 66 leading organizations of the working group.

“When you look at how a society cares for its older adults, it gives you insight into its values. As a member of the Special Aging Committee in the Senate, I am dedicated to serving and investing in the wellbeing of our older loved ones. That's why I convened leaders across New York to form an Aging Working Group dedicated to finding real solutions to the many challenges older Americans face - and together, we created the Master Plan on Aging,” said Senator Gillibrand. “The Master Plan on Aging has solutions to help older Americans navigate everything from housing and food insecurity to skyrocketing health care costs, insufficient retirement savings, and elder abuse. Nearly a third of the population here in Franklin County is age 50 and older, and many New Yorkers across the state are facing similar challenges. I am so proud of the work we accomplished with President Biden to reduce drug prices and improve Medicare benefits, and I'm committed to continue working to ensure that every American has the opportunity to age with dignity and financial security.”

“Older Americans are the backbone of our communities, with many having spent a majority of their lives raising their family and working in the neighborhoods where they

reside,” Assembly Member Eachus (D-New Windsor) said. “Federal and state representatives must strive to find real solutions to critical issues that are making retiring in New York increasingly difficult, including housing affordability and access to healthcare services. As a member of the Aging committee in the New York State Assembly, it is one of my top priorities to ensure that our Seniors are protected and can lead healthy lives. I am thankful to Senator Gillibrand for highlighting and bringing real solutions to the table, and look forward to working with her to uplift all seniors in the Hudson Valley.”

“We are thrilled to have Senator Gillibrand visit Orange County and share her Master Plan on Aging. As the population ages we, as a society, need to ensure that programs and services are available to older adults. Being a member of the Special Aging Committee, Senator Gillibrand is committed to doing just that. We are fortunate for her leadership, dedication and collaboration,” said AnnMarie Maglione, Director, Orange County Office for the Aging.

“With nearly a third of our residents being seniors and many more approaching retirement ages, Cornwall is focused like a laser on making sure that our community is ready. We have been investing in programs and services, while also holding senior housing providers accountable. Senator Gillibrand's Master Plan on Aging is a blueprint that highlights the resources, policies and legislative changes that can be brought to the table if we take a whole government approach to ensuring that older adults are able to age with health and dignity. The Town of Cornwall is looking forward to partnering with her on funding opportunities for senior programming in the months and years ahead,” said Josh Wojehowski, Cornwall Town Supervisor. (Contd. Pg.



Gillibrand's Comprehensive Plan Provides Pathway to Food Security, Independence, and Social Connection

(From Pg. 32) **Senator Gillibrand's Master Plan On Aging**

1. Ensuring the Right to Affordable and Healthy Meals:

- o Senator Gillibrand is fighting to increase funding for the Older Americans Act, a major federal vehicle for delivery of social and nutrition services for more than 11 million older Americans and their caregivers. Previously, Senator Gillibrand led a bipartisan push with Senator Collins (R-ME) that helped secure over \$1.4 billion in funding for the OAA with \$750 million specifically designated for nutrition services in the American Rescue Plan.

- o Senator Gillibrand is also pushing to provide a pathway for nutritious meals, meal deliveries, and social connection for the 5.2 million older adults in the United States, including an estimated 7.6% of older adults in New York, who experienced food insecurity in 2020. Gillibrand partnered with Senator Bernie Sanders (I-VT) to call for \$1.93 billion in FY23 funding for the OAA nutritional programs.

- o The Senior Hunger Prevention Act would ensure older adults, grandparent and kinship caregivers, and adults with disabilities are able to access the food they need and stretch their budgets.

2. Guaranteeing the Right to Affordable Health Care and Prescription Drugs: Access to affordable and reliable health care options is a challenge with disproportionate impacts on older Americans. The high cost and out-of-pocket expenses for drugs cause many Americans to delay or skip taking needed treatments. Gillibrand is pushing critical pieces of legislation to protect Medicare and make prescription drugs more affordable.

- o The Lower Drug Costs for Families Act, which would impose a penalty payment for drug price increases faster than the rate of inflation to units sold in the commercial market.

- o The Prescription Drug Price Relief Act, which would peg the price of prescription drugs in the United States to the median price in Canada, the United Kingdom, France, Germany and Japan.

- o The Affordable and Safe Prescription Drug Importation Act, which would allow patients, pharmacists and wholesalers to import safe, affordable medicine from Canada and other major countries. Senator Gillibrand is also fighting to improve telehealth and remote patient monitoring services (RPM) options for older Americans, which became an essential form of care during the coronavirus pandemic. Coverage for some of these services is set to expire or phase out when the public health emergency formally ends. Gillibrand is fighting to pass the CONNECT for Health Act, which would expand the use of telehealth and remote patient monitoring services in Medicare on a permanent basis. Keeping telehealth options in place past temporary expansions would help tackle the issue of health equity and access for rural areas, marginalized communities, and older adults who may lack the means to access health care services.

3. Protecting Social Security and Financial Security: After decades of service and hard work, older adults should have economic security in their retirement. Today nearly 70 million people, or 1 in 5 Americans, collect Social Security benefits. Senator Gillibrand is working to protect and expand Social Security so it keeps up with fast-rising living costs and ensure that it is preserved for current retirees and generations to come. She is pushing to pass:

- o The Social Security Expansion Act, which would extend the solvency of Social Security for 75 years without raising taxes at all on over 93% of American households. It would also expand SS benefits across the board by \$2,400 a year, increase the Cost-of-Living Adjustment (COLA), and require millionaires and billionaires to pay their fair share into Social Security.

- o The Social Security Fairness Act, which would fully repeal the Government Pension Offset (GPO) to help protect Social

Security survivors benefits for spouses, widows, and widowers who also receive government pensions of their own. The bipartisan bill also eliminates the Windfall Elimination Provision (WEP), which in some instances reduces Social Security benefits for individuals who also receive a pension or disability benefit from an employer that did not withhold Social Security taxes.

Senator Gillibrand is also fighting to end elder abuse and put a stop to financial predators. In New York State alone, older adults are estimated to lose as much as \$1.5 billion per year to financial fraud and abuse. Monetary losses due to scams continue to rise, particularly among older adults. In 2021, consumers reported more than \$5.8 billion in losses to the FTC, an increase of more than 70% over the previous year. Senator Gillibrand is fighting for:

- o The Senior Financial Empowerment Act, a bipartisan bill that would help protect older adults from financial fraud. The bill is endorsed by AARP and LeadingAge and would do the following:

- o Centralize services for consumer education and data on scams and fraud targeting older adults.

- o Improve reporting of suspected instances of elder financial abuse.

- o Educate certain entities regarding elder financial abuse.

- o Create a grant program to prevent mail, telemarketing, and internet fraud. (Contd. Pg. 34)

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- o Direct the National Institutes of Health to conduct scientific research on older adults' increased vulnerability to scams; and
- o Designate a National Senior Fraud Awareness Week (in March)
- o Promoting Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (CFPB) guidance on frauds/scams involving peer-to-peer apps: Senator Gillibrand sent a letter to CFPB that highlights testimony the Aging Committee received in September regarding the growing impact of these scams on older adults and specifically encourages CFPB to move forward in issuing this guidance to provide better tools to protect older adults and their families.

4. Safeguarding the Right to Age in Place: The COVID-19 pandemic highlighted the need to ensure all Americans have the option to receive quality, long-term care in the setting that best meets their needs and preferences. Over 3.5 million older adults and people with disabilities receive home or community-based care (HCBS) through Medicaid, but demand has greatly outpaced supply, with more than 650,000 Americans still on the waitlist for care. HCBS also enables older adults and people with disabilities to remain in their homes, stay active in their communities, and lead independent lives. Senator Gillibrand is fighting for:

- o The Better Care Better Jobs Act, which would build on the \$12.7 billion short-term Medicaid home and community-based services (HCBS) funding that passed as part of the American Rescue Plan. It would enhance Medicaid funding for HCBS and strengthen the HCBS workforce.
- o The Domestic Workers Bill of Rights Act, Senator Gillibrand's bill that would establish overdue rights for domestic workers, including home health aides, at the national level. It would:
 - o Fill in key gaps in employment protections.
 - o Build on state innovations to create workplace protections specific to domestic work.
 - o Provide tailored protections for the most vulnerable and trafficked workers.
 - o Ensure that federal agencies competently support and protect domestic workers.
 - o Commission research to better protect and stabilize this workforce.
 - o Invest in the stability and expansion of this workforce.
 - o Support innovative new worker education and empowerment models.
 - o Address employers' needs.

5. Investing in Aging Friendly Spaces and Employment: More than 40% of Americans age 65 and older have a disability. In addition, workers over the age of 55 represent a critical segment of the American economy; by 2031, one in four U.S.

workers will be 55 or older. Senator Gillibrand is fighting to protect aging friendly spaces and combat age discrimination in the workplace, including:

- o Delivering funding for the AmeriCorps Seniors program in FY24. The letter urges funding increases for the Senior Companion Program (\$7.36 million increase to \$63.81 million total), Foster Grandparent Program (\$18.09 million increase to \$143.45 million total) and RSVP program (\$7.9 million increase to \$63 million total).
- o Gillibrand is developing legislation to end the use of forced arbitration in cases of aging discrimination. The effort mirrors her successful legislation to end forced arbitration in cases of sexual harassment and assault, which changed 60 million employment contracts overnight.
- o Gillibrand is leading efforts to address transportation, mobility, the digital divide, affordable housing, social isolation, loneliness, and bereavement.

Senator Gillibrand's recent efforts and wins for older adults:

- o Inflation Reduction Act and prescription drug pricing: Senator Gillibrand helped pass the Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) and delivered on longtime Democratic priorities to help older Americans, including:
 - o Extension of the enhanced Affordable Care Act premium subsidies
 - o Allowing Medicare to negotiate drug prices
 - o Setting a new \$2,000 cap for Medicare beneficiaries on annual out-of-pocket costs for drugs, plus a \$35 monthly cap on insulin cost sharing.
- o Senator Gillibrand's Health Force, Resilience Force, and Jobs to Fight COVID-19 Act in the American Rescue Plan: Senator Gillibrand helped secure key provisions from her Health Force, Resilience Force, and Jobs to Fight COVID-19 Act in the American Rescue Plan, which was signed into law in March, 2021. These provisions delivered over \$7 billion of funding to bolster the public health workforce, with \$3 billion going toward a new national Health Force. This funding has been used to train people to work in the health care workforce as contact tracers, COVID testers, and more.
- o American Rescue Plan: Senator Gillibrand helped pass the American Rescue Plan, which included:
 - o \$12.7 billion toward Medicaid home and community-based services.
 - o \$145 million in funding for the National Family Caregiver Support Program (NFCSP)
 - o \$500 million toward strike teams to support staffing shortages in nursing homes
 - o \$200 million toward technical assistance in nursing homes on infection control

Claryville Vol. Fire Department Craft and Vendor Fair, Community Yard Sale, and Open House



All Vendors are wanted!

New, Used, and Handmade items -- Something for Everyone!!

When: Saturday, August 26th, 2023

Rain or Shine

Where: Claryville Fire Dept.
1500 Denning Rd
Claryville, NY 12725

Time: 10 AM – 3 PM

Setup start time: 8 AM

Break Down by 3 PM - *vendors must stay until 3pm*

Regulations for Sellers:

- Open to all sellers, artisans, antique dealers, and crafts on a first come first serve basis.
- Food will be available for sale throughout the day
- **FEE** \$15 per table. Tables are 8ft long or 8ft picnic table (If you require the use of an outlet \$20 per table)- **tables are provided.**
- ****Claryville Fire Dept is not responsible for any lost, damaged, or stolen merchandise****

For more information or to register, please contact Jennifer at 845-807-6563; email at claryvillefd@gmail.com.

Payment and registration must be submitted by July 1st to reserve your spot. Payment will no longer be accepted on the day of the event!



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Claryville Craft and Vendor Fair and Community Yard Sale Registration Form

Saturday, August 26th, 2023

Rain or Shine

Vendors Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone number: _____ Email: _____

Description of Merchandise: _____

of tables needed: _____ Electricity needed (inside the building only): Yes ___ No ___

Choose type of table: 8ft table _____ or 8ft picnic table (outside) _____

Please check if you would like to be either outside under the pavilion or inside the building.
*****spots inside the building are first come first serve based on postage date of application*****

Pavilion: _____ Inside the building: _____

Amount Due: _____ Check if paid: cash: _____ check #: _____

Signature of vendor: _____ Date: _____

Cost: \$15.00 per 8ft table or \$20.00 an 8ft table with *electricity*. *Please note vendor spot fee is nonrefundable * Initials _____ Donation for door prize (an item raffled off for vendors) Yes ___ No ___

Event time: is 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM Set Up is 8:00 AM

****I understand that Claryville Fire Dept shall not be held responsible for any lost, damage or stolen merchandise**** Initials: _____ date: _____

Vendors are responsible for leaving their area in the same condition as they found it.

Registration forms and payment must be submitted by July 1st to reserve your spot!

****Payment will no longer be accepted the day of the event! ****

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(If your child attended the Tri-Valley UPK program in the 2021-2022 school year they do
not need to register for Kindergarten)



UPK Registration

**Do you have a child that will be 4 years old by
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If so, please call 845-985-2296 ext. 5405 or send an email to:
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**When you call or email please leave your name, your child's name
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Attorney General James Urges Supreme Court to Protect Veterans' Rights

NEW YORK - New York Attorney General Letitia James called on the United States Supreme Court to grant review in Rudisill v. McDonough, a case involving veterans' rights and access to educational benefits under federal law. As part of a bipartisan coalition of 34 attorneys general, Attorney General James called on the Supreme Court to hear the case which seeks to remedy the fact that decorated U.S. Army veteran James Rudisill is currently being denied his Post-9/11 GI Bill Benefits.

"Our veterans stepped up to protect our freedoms and safety, and we owe them a debt of gratitude that can never truly be repaid," said Attorney General James. "The petitioner in this case, U.S. Army veteran James Rudisill, like thousands of other veterans, served our nation with distinction, and he has earned the educational benefits provided through the Post-9/11 GI Bill. I am proud to work with this bipartisan group of attorneys general to try and right this wrong before more veterans are denied the benefits they deserve."

James Rudisill is a decorated United States Army veteran of the conflicts in Iraq and Afghanistan. After his first tour, Mr. Rudisill used educational benefits under the Montgomery GI Bill to successfully complete his undergraduate degree and returned to the U.S. Army as a commissioned officer. Mr. Rudisill served his country bravely and received one of the military's highest honors, the Bronze Star, for his service. Following his third tour of duty, Mr. Rudisill was accepted into the Yale Divinity School, with a goal of returning to the armed forces, as a chaplain. Mr. Rudisill sought to use expanded educational benefits under the Post-9/11 GI Bill, but was denied the ability to do so by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) on the ground that he was entitled only to the more limited benefits under the Montgomery program.

After exhausting administrative remedies, Mr. Rudisill appealed to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit, which upheld the VA's decision in both a panel decision and a decision by the full court. The Post-9/11 GI Bill was intended to help members of the armed forces who served on or following September 11, 2001, pay for school or job training. If the Federal Circuit's decision is not addressed by the Supreme Court, it could have the effect of denying thousands of veterans of the benefits they earned while serving in the United States Armed Forces. (Contd. Pg. 39)

We are launching a Chess Club at the Daniel Pierce Library

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Tuesday, May 9 and May 23
Tuesday, June 6 and June 20

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Governor Hochul Updates New Yorkers on Brush Fires Across the State

State Has Deployed Resources to Respond to Fires in Rockland, Orange, Schoharie and Otsego Counties Annual Prohibition on Residential Brush Burning in Effect to Prevent Wildfires

Governor Kathy Hochul provided an update on brush fires burning across New York. The Governor has deployed a multi-agency response in collaboration with local first responders and continues to provide resources and respond to fires in Rockland, Orange, Schoharie and Otsego counties, among several other communities.

"Given the dry and warm conditions over the past few days, we have seen an increase in wildfires in multiple counties and are responding quickly," Governor Hochul said. "I encourage all New Yorkers to stay vigilant and thank all our first responders, partner agencies, and neighbors who are working to contain these fires and protect our communities."

Dry weather and lack of green vegetation resulted in dangerous conditions that fuel wildfires. In the last week alone, Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) Forest Rangers, New York State Police Aviation, local fire departments and trained volunteers responded to nearly 20 wildfires that burned more than 400 acres in communities across the state. Video footage available here: Richmondville Fire; Blooming Grove Fire; Shinhollow Fire.

Officials from the Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services' (DHSES) Office of Emergency Management and Office of Fire Prevention and Control remain on the ground in Rockland, Orange, Schoharie, and Otsego counties to support response and resource coordination, including the deployment of generators to support operations in Orange County. Additionally, the Office of Fire Prevention and Control has opened the State Fire Operations Center and activated the state's Fire Mutual Aid Plan. This will allow for the delivery of additional firefighting resources from communities statewide upon request.

Since two recent fires likely started due to sparks coming from trains, New York State Department of Transportation (NYS-DOT) Commissioner Marie-Therese Dominguez and DEC Commissioner Basil Seggos are coordinating outreach to rail companies to determine safety precautions moving forward.

Rockland County - Haverstraw Beach and Hook Mountain

The initial fires were divided across three areas: Conger, Stony Point, and next to the railroad. The Conger Fire is under control and assets are being released, but hot spots remain. Westchester County helicopter continues to drop water on it. Stony Point Fire is nearly out and responders continue to hit remaining hot spots. Fires along the railroad are out. The area will be reassessed tomorrow morning. The structures that were reportedly on fire were a residence, a shed, and fencing. Train traffic still stopped.

Orange County - Blooming Grove and Deer Park

There are two fires in Orange County. The fire in Blooming Grove is slow moving and has burned approximately 85 acres with 65 percent contained. State agencies are on site and first responders are aiming to have the fire 100 percent contained by end of operations today. Eighteen fire departments are responding from within the county and four out-of-county fire departments are assisting. Round Hill Elementary School was closed today as a precaution due to smoke conditions.

The fire in Deer Park has burned approximately 150 acres and is currently 75 percent contained. Four local fire departments in the county are assisting as well as one from Pennsylvania. First responders expect to have the fire fully contained by tomorrow afternoon, depending on the weather.



JOIN US!

**WE ARE
HERE TO HELP!**

RESOURCE DAY

The Town of Fallsburg in partnership with Action Toward Independence (ATI). Presents day where you can learn about free income based resources.

ATI and other agencies will be providing on-site application assistance for primary heating improvement, heating replacement, home winter weatherization, replacement of windows, food storage appliances repair/replacement (refrigerators or freezer) and home efficiency related repairs for owners and renters of the Town of Fallsburg community.

Veterans are strongly encouraged to attend!

Sunday
April
30TH
From 11am -4pm
At the
Youth-Senior Center
12 Laurel Dr
South Fallsburg NY



for more information call The Office of
the Town Supervisor, Kathy Rappaport

(845)434-8810, EXT. 5

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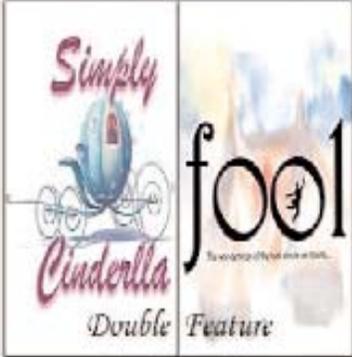
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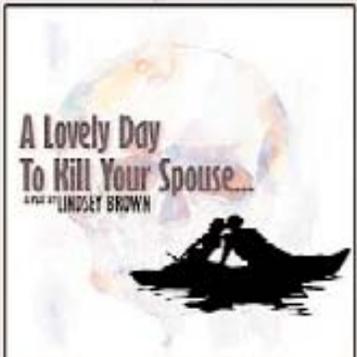
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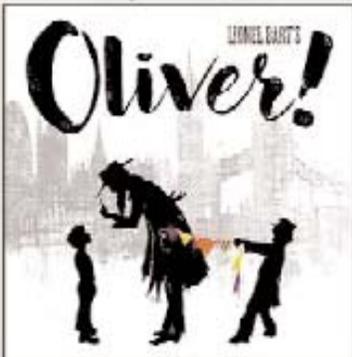
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Saturdays at 4:00 p.m.

April 22 Pelia String Quartet with
Hiroko Sakurazawa, piano

May 13 John Halle, piano

Olive Free Library

Suggested donation:
\$15 at the door
\$12 before day
of concert



Woodridge Volunteer Fire Dept. Station 38

FATHER'S DAY RAFFLE

1st Prize: EVEN EMBERS Ceramic Egg / Pellet Fueled
Blue Tooth Enabled

2nd Prize: Pit Boss 5 Series Wood Pellet Vertical Smoker

3rd Prize: Char-Griller Portable Grill

DRAWING DATE: JUNE 15, 2023

DONATION: \$10.00 Each

No. 0001

Name _____ Telephone _____

For more information or to purchase your raffle tickets
Contact: Eric Akerley 845-707-1483

The Daniel Pierce Library

Spring Children's Programs 2023

The library is a wonderful place to ignite your child's love of reading.

The following children's programs are open to caregivers and their children ages 12 months to five years who are residents of the Tri-Valley Central School District. The spring eight-week long session begins the week of April 10, 2023. These programs are free and are made possible through the generosity of our community. Registration is required.

Mother Goose Time (12-23 months) Beginning Wednesday, April 12th

This program is specially designed for very young children. It includes "read together" time (each child has his or her own board book), nursery rhymes, felt stories, playtime, and music for our tiniest patrons ages 12-23 months. Two programs will be held each Wednesday: one from 9:30 a.m. to 10:15 a.m. and one from 11:00 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. Must be 12 months by 12/1/22.

Toddler Time (24-35 months) Beginning Thursday, April 13th

Stories, felt stories, crafts, music, and friendship-building geared for wee ones ages 24-35 months. Two programs will be held each Thursday: one from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. and one from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 a.m. Must be 24 months by 12/1/22.

Story Hour (3, 4, and 5 year-olds) Beginning Friday, April 14th

Our classic, beloved program for three, four, and five year-old children, featuring the "Magic Bag," a read-aloud, felt stories, craft projects, homework, and music. Two programs will be held each Friday: one from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. and one from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 a.m. Must be 3 years or older by 12/1/22.

Universal Pre-Kindergarten Story Hour

Our "Story Hour on the Road" program visits the three UPK classes at Tri-Valley Central School. (Children will be registered at school.)

Give your child a head start by enrolling in one of these valuable programs this spring. Registration is open to Tri-Valley residents. Please register online at www.danielpiercelibrary.org by April 1st. If you have any questions, please email dmchugh@rcls.org or call (845) 985-7233 x105.

<http://www.danielpiercelibrary.org>



P.O. Box 268 • 328 Main Street • Grahamsville, NY 12740
845-985-7233 • www.danielpiercelibrary.org

Register
Today!



Friday, May 26 & Saturday, May 27

9:00 am to 12 Noon

Sundown United Methodist Church Hall

Intersection of Sundown, Peekamoose & Greenville Roads

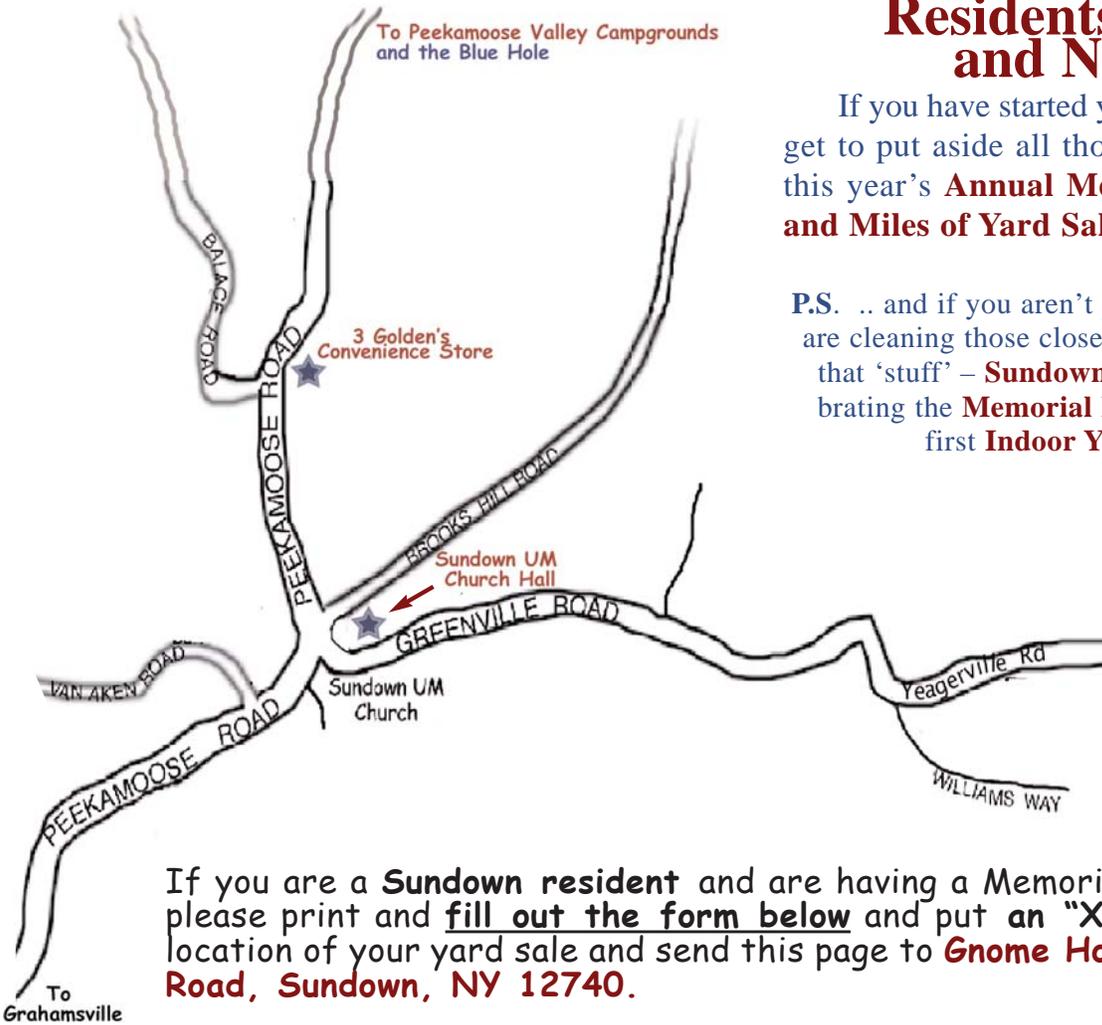
Sundown, NY 12740

Residents of Sundown and Neighbors –

If you have started your Spring cleaning, don't forget to put aside all those things you want to sell for this year's **Annual Memorial Day Weekend Miles and Miles of Yard Sale!**

P.S. .. and if you aren't planning to have a **Yard Sale** and are cleaning those closets and wonder what to do with all that 'stuff' – **Sundown Methodist Church** will be celebrating the **Memorial Day Weekend** and will hold their first **Indoor Yard Sale on Friday, May 26 and Saturday, May 27 from 9 am to 12 Noon**

The **Sundown UMC Ladies** will continue to open their **Indoor Yard Sales every Friday and Saturday from 9 am to 12 Noon** throughout the summer season!

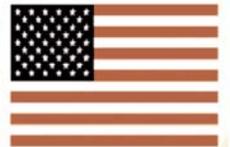


If you are a **Sundown resident** and are having a Memorial Day Weekend Yard Sale please print and fill out the form below and put an "X" on the map showing the location of your yard sale and send this page to **Gnome Home Inc., 131 Peekamoose Road, Sundown, NY 12740.**

If you are from a **neighboring community** and wish to have your Memorial Day Weekend yard sale added to our list of Yard Sales, please print and fill out the form below (be sure to include your Zip Code as it helps those who will use GPS) -and return it to **Gnome Home Inc., 131 Peekamoose Road, Sundown, NY 12740.**

Sundown Memorial Day Weekend Miles and Miles of Yard Sales

Let's Have Fun and Make America Peaceful and Happy Again!!



Sundown Residents & Neighbors,

If you are planning a Yard Sale over the Memorial Day Weekend, let us know and we will post your sale in The Townsman.

Physical address where you will have your Yard Sale. _____

Date(s) of Yard Sale ___ Fri, May 26 ___ Sat, May 27 ___ Sun, May 28 ___ Mon, May 29

Time(s) of Yard Sale: _____

Optional:

Type of Items you are selling: Crafts; household items; clothing; other _____

Sundown UMC Ladies Indoor Thrift & Yard Sale Every Friday and Saturday starting May 26 & 27, 2023

All NEW items this year!
Come have some fun!
... and look for that special bargain or treasure



9am to 12 Noon

We appreciate donations for our White Elephant table
Sundown United Methodist Church Hall
(Intersection of Sundown Rd, Peekamoose Rd & Greenville Rd, Sundown, NY 12740)

The Daniel Pierce Library

— Presents —

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Feeling Lucky?

What happens at BINGO stays at BINGO!



Fundraiser

Celebrating our 125th Year Anniversary

Friday, May 19, 2023

Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Calling begins at 7:00 p.m.

\$40 per Person

Includes 7 games, door prize entry & light refreshments

\$5 tickets available for more chances to win

7 PRIZES

One winner per game over \$2,500 worth of prizes including:

- Meat Package
- Hotel Stay
- Splash Pass
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- Dining Package

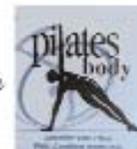
Tickets on sale NOW

Must be 18 or older

Reserve tables of 8 or 10 per request

Tricky Tray chances available for an additional purchase

Seating is limited, call 845.985.7233 today!



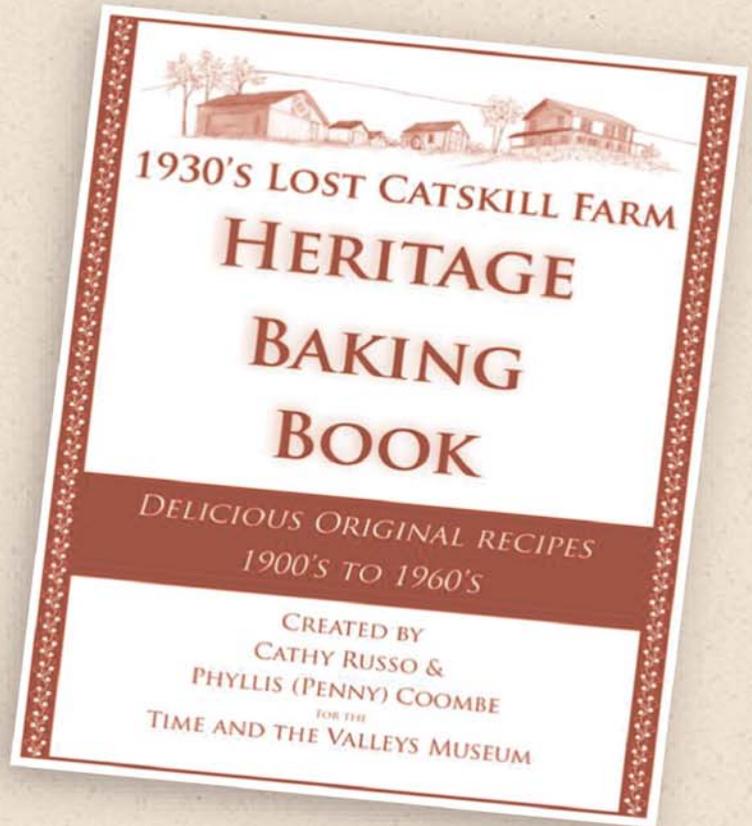
NEW HERITAGE BAKING BOOK

It Makes a Unique Gift

The new 68-page **Heritage Baking Book** has tried-and-true old time treasured recipes for cakes, muffins, pies, cookies and much more, all from local bakers of the past.

It includes a history of baking and information and photos of many of the early local bakers, including bakers from the Smith, Hornbeck, Sheeley and Erath families.

\$15 Each
\$12 for Museum Members



IT MAKES A UNIQUE GIFT
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Time and the Valleys Museum Baking Book Order Form

Name: _____

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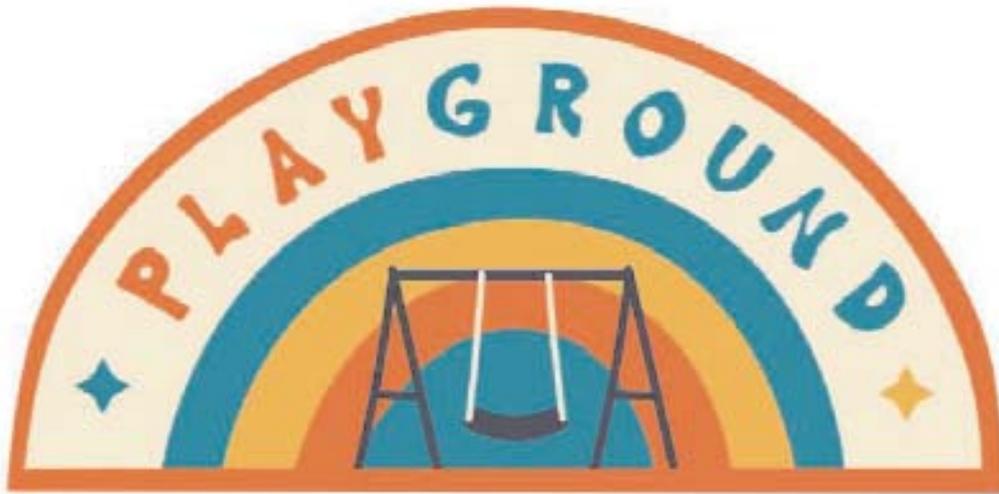
Phone #: _____ E-Mail: _____

Please make check payable to: **Time and the Valleys Museum**, P.O. Box 254, Grahamsville, New York 12740

of copies: _____ Shipping/Handling please add: \$5 for the first book and \$1.00 for each additional book

Total enclosed: _____ **Books can also be picked up by appointment to eliminate shipping - Just call 845 985 7700 or email info@timeandthevalleymuseum.org

ORDER ONLINE AT WWW.TIMEANDTHEVALLEYSMUSEUM.ORG/SHOP
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WE ARE BUILDING A PLAYGROUND!!!

**WHERE? At the Route 42 Community
Park in Grahamsville**

TV Bears PTO, Tri-Valley Little League and Community have joined together along with Town support to place a play structure at the Town park. Fund raisers are ongoing.

DONATIONS Can be made out to:

TV Bears PTO

PO Box 43 Grahamsville, NY 12740

Check out our Facebook page [Route 42 Community Playground Project](#) for more information.

LIFE AFTER LOSS

A 5-WEEK BEREAVEMENT SERIES

Mondays, starting April 24, 2023

7:00-8:15 pm

Facilitated by Jennifer Perito

St. Mary's St. Andrew's Catholic Church Hall

137 South Main Street, Ellenville

It has been said that grief does not change you, it only reveals you. The truth is, you never really "get over" the loss of someone you love, but there *are* ways to understand the powerful and sometimes confusing feelings that come with grief. This 5-week series is open to adults who have suffered the loss of a loved one, regardless of how recently or long ago the loss occurred. There is no cost to attend, but pre-registration is encouraged.

For information or to register,
contact Jennifer at Colonial Memorial
Funeral Home at 845-434-7363.





Fallsburg CSD 2023-2024 Pre-K & Kindergarten Registration

FULL DAY PRE-K PROGRAM!
(2 classrooms with 18 students in each)
(half day program will no longer be offered)

- Pre-K students must be 4 years old on or before December 1, 2023.
- Kindergarten students must be 5 years old on or before December 1, 2023.

Registration packets can be picked up in the Central Office in the JSHS or completed online. Please visit <http://www.fallsburgcsd.net/parents/registration> for instructions and to reach our online registration form.

****PLEASE NOTE:**
ALL incoming Kindergarteners MUST register, even if registered for Pre-K last year.**

- Registration will take place for incoming:
- Pre-K students: April 10th - April 28th.
- Kindergarten students: May 9th - May 19th

For Pre-K:
COMPLETE Registration Packets (including ALL required documentation) will be accepted until April 28th. At that time, a lottery may be held if more register than available seats. Once all seats are filled, students will be added to a Waiting List. Registration will be processed, by date of receipt, for COMPLETE registration packets only.



Fallsburg CSD 2023-2024 Registro de Pre-K y Kindergarten

PROGRAMA DE PRE-K DE DÍA COMPLETO!
(2 aulas con 18 alumnos en cada una)
(el programa de medio día ya no se ofrecerá)

- Los estudiantes de Pre-K deben tener 4 años cumplidos el 1 de diciembre de 2023 o antes.
- Los estudiantes de kindergarten deben tener 5 años cumplidos el 1 de diciembre de 2023 o antes.

Los paquetes de inscripción se pueden recoger en la Oficina Central en el JSHS. Visite <http://www.fallsburgcsd.net/parents/registration> para obtener instrucciones y acceder a nuestro formulario de registro en línea.

****TENGA EN CUENTA:**
TODOS los estudiantes que ingresan a kindergarten DEBEN registrarse, incluso si se registraron para Pre-K el año pasado.**

- El registro se llevará a cabo para los entrantes:
- Estudiantes de Pre-K: 10 de Abril - 28 de Abril
- Estudiantes de Kindergarten: 9 de Mayo - 19 de Mayo

Para Pre-K:
COMPLETE Los paquetes de registro (que incluyen TODA la documentación requerida) se aceptarán hasta el 28 de abril. Una vez que se llenen todos los asientos, los estudiantes se agregarán a una lista de espera. El registro se procesará, por fecha de recepción, solo para paquetes de registro COMPLETOS.

Time and the Valleys Museum

Grahamsville, NY

Are you interested in local history?

Did you know that Museum membership is only \$25 a YEAR?
Members receive:

- Free admission to all diverse in-person and virtual programs
- Free admission to the Museum and expanding Catskill Farm
- Invitations to exhibit openings and special events
(there are TWO exhibit openings in 2023!)
- *Around the Reservoirs* Newsletter
- Monthly historical and informative emails
- 10% discount in the Museum Shop



Join now & get 10% off!

Join at the \$100 (Patron) level for FREE admission to thousands of museums all across North America! You can use the form below, or go to www.timeandthevalleymuseum.org to join with paypal.

Time and the Valleys Museum, P.O. Box 254, Grahamsville, New York 12740
845 985-7700 www.timeandthevalleymuseum.org

<input type="checkbox"/> Individual	\$25 \$22.50	Name: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Double	\$40 \$36	Address: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Family	\$50 \$45	City: _____ State & Zip: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Patron	\$100 \$90	Phone: _____ e-mail: _____
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<input type="checkbox"/> Patron Gold	\$500 \$450	

Thank you for supporting local history and the Museum.



BONUS - Free Art Catalogue!

VOICESUNITED4CHANGE'S VIRTUAL

YOUTH SUPPORT GROUP

JOIN US!

Join us for a peer led, mental health, lesson based virtual support group for teens ages 13-17. Together we learn about our mental health and do an activity together. This group is completely free to join, and all supplies for the activity will be sent to your home. Space is limited for each group!

Contact Rebekah at rumarbashar@asfl.org for more information.

EVERY 1ST & 3RD WEDNESDAY @ 6:30PM

Voices United 4 Change

VOICESUNITED4CHANGE'S VIRTUAL

PARENT SUPPORT GROUP

JOIN US!

Join us for a peer led virtual support group for parents of children with mental health challenges. Together we have time for conversation and an activity. This group is completely free to join, and all supplies for the activity will be sent to your home. Space is limited for each group!

Contact Anne-Marie at afreitas@asfl.org for more information.

EVERY 2ND & 4TH WEDNESDAY @ 6:30PM

Voices United 4 Change

Please join us in:
NYS Rural Issues Forum Series
for the Southcentral Catskills Region

Featuring:
David Little, Executive Director of the Rural Schools Association of NYS

Why:
 In this Public Forum, Mr. Little will provide updates on the state of our rural schools and communities from a position of legislative advocacy. Participants will then engage in an open dialogue regarding their thoughts, concerns, and priorities regarding issues faced in our rural schools and the communities that support them. The feedback received will be reviewed by a statewide task force of experts, culminating in a policy brief/advocacy platform to be presented to state and national leaders.

Who:
 Free & open to the Public including School and Community Leaders and Stakeholders

When:
 Thursday, May 11, 2023 at 6:00pm

Where:
 Delaware Academy CSD is proud to host this event:
 High School Auditorium, 2 Sheldon Drive, Delhi, NY

Registration:
 Use the camera on your phone to click this QR code for the registration form or call (607) 746-1306.

Please join us in serving as a voice for our rural schools and communities.

Delaware Academy
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2023 SUMMER YOUTH EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM

PAID WORK EXPERIENCE FOR AGES 14-20!

July 10th - August 18th
Application Deadline: May 31st

Center for Workforce Development

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON HOW TO APPLY
 (845)-794-3340 syepinfo@sullivanny.us

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Wrapping up Another Week in Washington

– Congressman Pat Ryan

As we wrap up another productive week, I wanted to give you an update on all that I've been doing on behalf of the Hudson and Delaware Valleys!

PROTECTING ACCESS TO ABORTION MEDICATION

This week, I introduced The Protecting Reproductive Freedom Act after a Texas court's assault on one of our country's foundational freedoms - a woman's right to choose.

The court moved to ban Mifepristone - a safe and effective medication that has been prescribed by doctors during the over two decades since the FDA approved it. However, the Texas decision has nothing to do with science or medicine and everything to do with radical groups whose only goal is a national abortion ban.

The Protecting Reproductive Freedom Act will reaffirm the FDA's approval authority and protect doctors who use telemedicine to prescribe medication abortion.

These deeply personal and private medical decisions should be made by women and their families, not by extremist judges, courts, or politicians.

PROTECTING THE HUDSON RIVER

Holtec's plan to dump radioactive water into the Hudson River and water supply of NY-18 at Indian Point is outrageous and flat out unacceptable.

That's why, together with community leaders, we've managed to delay the release of the radioactive water for now and we will continue to advocate for our community to keep the radioactive water at Indian Point until it's safe.

Know that I will do everything I can to prevent this. I will not stand for such flagrant disregard for the health and safety of Hudson Valley families.

...AND RESTORING THE HUDSON RIVER

For too long, Polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), a form of toxic waste stemming from General Electric's industrial past, were dumped into the Hudson River.

And for far too long, the massive health and environmental consequences were ignored. There's no more time to wait.

I joined with Representative Molinaro to call for the FULL and long overdue cleanup that our communities deserve.

WORKING TO MAKE HOUSING MORE AFFORDABLE

Thank you to RUPCO for taking the time to show me around your largest community project to date!

The completed community spaces and affordable apartments are going to be a great addition to Newburgh.

I'm looking forward to continuing to work together to bring more affordable housing options to the Hudson and Delaware Valleys!

AMERICA'S PASTIME

Nothing better than Opening Day- congrats to the Hudson Valley Renegades on the strong start to the year!

MODERNIZING OUR INFRASTRUCTURE FEATURING SECRETARY BUTTIGIEG

With the passage of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law and the Inflation Reduction Act, our communities are set to receive long overdue infrastructure upgrades and I'm committed to delivering that funding right here in the Hudson Valley.

Transportation Secretary Pete Buttigieg, Department of Transportation officials, and I are hosting a webinar conversation to discuss how local elected leaders, nonprofits, and communities can access and benefit from these new funding opportunities and I want **you to join us!**

SUPPORTING OUR LOCAL FARMERS

So glad my team was able to attend the 25th Dutchess County Agriculture Breakfast!

Hudson Valley farmers work day in and day out to make sure our

nation is strong and healthy with nourishing meals.

I am committed to continuing to support our farmers and strengthening a sustainable food system.

GRANTS CORNER

REMINDER! Applications are open for:

The U.S. Department of Transportation's new Charging and Fueling Infrastructure (CFI) Discretionary Grant Program, established by the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law, will provide \$2.5 billion over five years to a wide range of applicants, including cities, counties, local governments, and Tribes. This round of funding makes up to \$700 million from fiscal years 2022 and 2023 funding available to strategically deploy EV charging and other alternative vehicle-fueling infrastructure projects in publicly accessible locations in urban and rural communities, as well as along designated Alternative Fuel Corridors (AFCs). Due May 30.

EDA Public Works and Economic Adjustment Assistance (PWEAA) supports bottom-up strategies that build on regional assets to spur economic growth and resiliency. EDA encourages its grantees throughout the country to develop initiatives that present new ideas and creative approaches to advance economic prosperity in distressed communities.

The Department of Justice opened the applications for numerous grants for its Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) program to hire community police, develop and test innovative policing strategies, and provide training and technical assistance to community members, local government leaders, and all levels of law enforcement.

The Industrial Demonstrations Program opened grants funded by the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law to accelerate decarbonization projects in energy-intensive industries and provide American manufacturers a competitive advantage in the emerging global clean energy economy.

Environmental Justice Thriving Communities Grantmaking program is funded by the Biden Administration's Inflation Reduction Act and will invest in America and expedite investments to reduce pollution in disadvantaged communities. EPA plans to award cooperative agreement(s) to pass-through entities (referred to as Grantmakers by the program) who will collaborate with EPA to design and build their own processes to receive and evaluate competitive community project applications from communities for EJ Thriving Communities Subgrant activities. These activities consist of assessment, planning, and/or project development activities addressing local environmental and/or public health issues. Grantmakers will provide EJ Thriving Communities Subgrants (i.e., subawards) to Eligible Subrecipients. Due May 31.

Local Agriculture Market Program (LAMP) grants with USDA support the development, coordination, and expansion of direct producer-to-consumer marketing; local and regional food markets and enterprises; and value-added agricultural products. Due May 2.

Drug-Free Communities (DFC) Support Program provides grants up to \$125,000 per year for five years to community coalitions to strengthen the infrastructure among local partners to create and sustain a reduction in local youth substance use.

Contact our district office for assistance applying for these grants and learning more about other funding opportunities.

If you want to stay up-to-date on all of that my office is doing, I encourage you to follow along on our social media channels: Facebook and Twitter.

Please remember that my office is always here to help if you have a question or need assistance. You can reach us using the contact information above and below and we will do everything we can to connect you with the resources you need.

I look forward to hearing from you soon!

Sincerely,

Patrick K. Ryan

Member of Congress

New York's 18th District

<https://patryan.house.gov/>

SULLIVAN COUNTY attain POWERED BY SUNY UCAWD

Sullivan County ATTAIN *powered by* SUNY UCAWD has returned to In-lab **Cost-Free** Training!

New participants are enrolling every day at www.sul.sunyattain.org and training right in the Computer Lab on their own schedule in Excel, PowerPoint, Rosetta Stone, QuickBooks, Aztec Learning Software for GED, Mavis Beacon Typing, and more.

Please E-mail lori.boyd@attain.suny.edu so that we can begin writing the first chapter of your Success Story.

- 2020 – Rose to the Covid-19 challenge – quickly and remotely!
- 2021 – Expanded remote opportunities while prioritizing participant support and quality engagement!
- 2022 – Successful Hybrid Transition – FREE training in the Computer Lab AND at Home!
- 2023 – Still on the cutting edge, Sullivan County ATTAIN**



Please visit ATTAIN at sul.sunyattain.org to view the calendar!

Cornell Cooperative Extension | Sullivan County

**Agricultural Training Series
for Municipal Officials and CEOs
Part Two: Tools and Techniques to Help
Your Zoning be Farm-friendly**

**Wednesday, April 26th, 2023
5:30 PM - 7:30 PM**

Cornell Cooperative Extension Education Center

Stay tuned for more information about upcoming workshops
Part 3: Agri-Tourism Zoning and Techniques for Municipalities

Come learn how to tackle the loss of farms and farmland through implementing farm-friendly land use and zoning tools. Topics covered will include zoning law barriers, conservation subdivision, density instead of lot size, Transfer and Purchase of Development Rights, agrivoltaic practices, and more. This workshop will taught by Nan Stolzenberg, FAICP CEP, principal consultant with Community Planning & Environmental Associates who concentrates on planning for small and rural communities throughout eastern and central New York.

Planning and Zoning Board members are eligible for 3 NYS training credits (if approved by their municipality). Light refreshments will be provided.

Registration is required in advance. Available spots limited!
https://pub.cce.cornell.edu/event_registration/main/events.ctm

Co-sponsored by CCP, Sullivan County Division of Planning and Community Development and Sullivan County Agricultural and Forestry Protection Board.
Cornell Cooperative Extension, Sullivan County, provides equal access and nondiscrimination opportunity. Contact the office for program accommodations.




AT BETHEL WOODS CENTER FOR THE ARTS
HISTORIC SITE OF THE 1985 WOODSTOCK FESTIVAL

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SUNDAY, AUG 20

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THE WAR ON DRUGS

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Citizen Preparedness Corps



With severe weather events becoming more frequent and more extreme, it is more important than ever that New Yorkers are prepared for disasters. **The NY Citizens Preparedness Training Program** teaches residents to have the tools and resources to prepare for any type of disaster, respond accordingly and recover as quickly as possible to pre-disaster conditions. This training course will provide an introduction to responding to a natural or man-made disaster. Participants will be advised on how to properly prepare for any disaster, including developing a family emergency plan and stocking up in emergency supplies. Each family that attends will receive one Preparedness kit.

When: *Thursday, April 27, 2023*
6:00PM

Where: *Daniel Pierce Library*
Lower Level Community Room
328 Main Street
Grahamsville, NY 12740

THIS EVENT IS BROUGHT TO YOU BY THE GOVERNOR IN CONJUNCTION WITH:

The Daniel Pierce Library

** All Participants **Must** Register In Advance*

To register and for additional information, visit www.prepare.ny.gov



Daniel Pierce Library

328 Main Street | P.O. Box 268
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<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/DPL04272023>



Protecting our Local Taxpayers & Holding Albany Accountable

New York is one of the only states in the nation to require counties to pay a significant portion of the state's non-federal matching share of its Medicaid program. This costs local counties in New York up to \$7.6 billion per year, and results in county governments imposing some of the highest taxes in the country on property owners. In her budget plan for this year, Kathy Hochul proposed blocking federal funds from reimbursing counties for a portion of these expenses. This is not only irresponsible, it is contrary to Congress' intent.

This week, I joined the Protect Local Taxpayer Act, which will prevent state governments like ours from further shifting our bloated state Medicaid expenses onto our local county governments and then refusing to reimburse them for a portion of the costs. Since New York counties face a massive obligation under New York's Medicaid program, this legislation will ensure they are never left with a significant and harmful budgetary impact, such as the one that Kathy Hochul's irresponsible 2024 budget proposal would cause.

Albany should be focused on supporting our local communities, not taking more of our money to subsidize far-left priorities in Albany.

READ MORE: House Republicans want to block proposed Medicaid shift- <https://spectrumlocalnews.com/nys/capital-region/ny-state-of-politics/2023/04/13/house-republicans-want-to-block-proposed-medicaid-shift>

Federal Assistance Available Following Winter Storm Elliott

Federal grant and loan programs are now available to assist Western New York families, farms, and small businesses following the devastating Winter Storm Elliott that hit the region in December 2022.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) announced the availability of grants to assist residents in need of home repairs following the severe storm. The Small Business Association (SBA) is also offering federal disaster loans for families, businesses, and farms with uninsured or underinsured losses due to the storm.

To qualify for the USDA grant, homes must be in the presidentially declared disaster areas in Cattaraugus, Chautauqua, Erie, Genesee, Jefferson, Lewis, Niagara, Oneida, Oswego, St. Lawrence, and Wyoming Counties. The Rural Disaster Home Repair Grant Program offers up to \$40,675 in assistance to repair storm-damaged homes. More information on this program is available here.

The funding from the SBA loan is available for families and businesses in Erie, Cattaraugus, Chautauqua, Genesee, Niagara, and Wyoming counties. As of early April, the SBA has approved over \$5.8 million in disaster loans for 195 busi-

nesses and residents across Western New York. The deadline to apply for this loan is April 28, 2023. More information is available here. <https://www.rd.usda.gov/page/rural-development-disaster-assistance>

If you have questions while applying for these programs, please call my district office at (716) 514-5130 for additional information.

READ MORE: Grants now available for homes, businesses, farms damaged by Christmas blizzard https://www.thedailynewsonline.com/news/publicserviceneews/grants-now-available-for-homes-businesses-farms-damaged-by-christmas-blizzard/article_db2d6f14-6e47-5153-a0e2-902037df806a.html

Leading the Charge to Call Out Iran's Extremist IRGC

Combatting Iran's IRGC is one of the most urgent national security agenda items today. This week, I released an in-depth report detailing the full breadth of the IRGC's terrorist activity. In addition, I also released a bipartisan resolution calling on the European Union to designate the IRGC as a terrorist organization, just as the United States did in 2019. Congress is united in opposing the IRGC's terror campaigns around the world.

Specifically, this report provides a comprehensive look into the history, mission, and leaders of this terrorist organization that continues to violently oppress the people of Iran as they peacefully protest. This report has received support from various advocacy groups, including JINSA, UANI, FDD, and prominent leaders in the field, including Secretary Mike Pompeo, former Special Representative for Iran Elliott Abrams, and former Deputy National Security Advisor Victoria Coates. You can read the full report on the IRGC here.

READ MORE: In Comprehensive Report, US Lawmaker Urges Allies, EU To Designate IRGC

<https://www.iranintl.com/en/202304144082>

Standing up for Women and Girls in Sports

On February 1, 2023, which was National Girls and Women in Sports Day, I walked up the steps of the U.S. Capitol beside Riley Gaines to introduce the Protection of Women and Girls in Sports Act in Congress.

As a former athlete in high school and college, I know the unparalleled opportunities that sports offer to women and girls. They are a chance to learn new skills, develop lifelong friendships, and challenge yourself to compete at the highest levels. Title Nine and the banning of discrimination against women in school sports made so much of this possible for countless other women. That's why the Protect Women and Girls in Sports Act is so important. We must provide and protect essential opportunities for women to thrive in every state of their life.

This week, I joined Riley in Buffalo, NY, to support her courageous quest to protect women's sports! Thank you to Riley and all who came out to support this important fight.

WATCH MORE: I introduced the Protection of Women and Girls in Sports Act on the House Floor earlier this year

Small Businesses Across #NY24 Drive our Region's Economy

I had the honor this week of continuing to visit many local businesses across #NY24! This includes Howlett Farms Feed, which manufactures feeds for the dairy and livestock industries across New York! I also visited Matthew's Buses Inc. Since 1967, this family business has been providing the region with quality jobs and vital services. Family businesses fuel our economy, and I will always be a tenacious advocate for them in Congress!



THE MOLINARO MEMO

Welcome to the Molinaro Memo: catching you up on my latest moves and work for Upstate New York! 100 Day Progress Report

I released my 100-Day Progress Report. This report shows significant progress on lowering costs, making our communities safer, strengthening infrastructure, delivering quality constituent services, and much, much more.

I said I would come to Congress and work with anyone who is honest and earnest about addressing the issues facing Upstate New York. That's exactly what I've done

Click here to see my full 100-Day Progress Report. https://molinaro.house.gov/uploadedfiles/100-day_report.pdf?utm_campaign=90-598

Gathered Local Feedback on the Farm Bill

I hosted a Farm Bill listening session in Binghamton with the Chair of the House Agriculture Committee. We heard from local farmers, producers, and agribusiness owners on their priorities for the upcoming Farm Bill. With this feedback, I'll be working to ensure Upstate New York's priorities are represented. Click here to watch the full session.



Following my listening session, I visited the Cornell University Agricultural Experiment Station. We learned about Cornell's work to create viable agriculture & food systems. Cornell

Legislative Update: Breaking Down Barriers for Students with Disabilities

The Department of Education found that an overwhelming majority of students with disabilities have not informed their college - meaning they aren't getting the accommodations they need. I introduced a bipartisan bill that allows students to use existing documentation, including 504 Plans and Individualized Educational Plans (IEP), as proof of a disability when seeking accommodations. Every student, regardless of ability, should have the tools and support they need to succeed.

Launched Bipartisan Effort to Finish Cleanup of Hudson River

As representatives of the Hudson Valley, Congressman Pat Ryan and I have repeatedly united on efforts to remove the massive volume of Polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) carelessly dumped into

the Hudson River. Now, as members of Congress, we are urging the Biden Administration and New York State to complete a comprehensive cleanup.

Around New York

Last week was National Dispatcher week. I made stops at 911 Call Centers in Broome County, Chenango County, and Sullivan County to



thank the men and women who help coordinate lifesaving services for families in our community.

I joined Hudson Valley Pattern for Progress for a discussion with Congressman Pat

Ryan on issues facing our region including affordable housing and infrastructure.

I visited A.O. Fox Hospital and met with their team. Their commitment to patient-centered care is truly admirable.

I sat down with the National Alliance on Mental Illness. We talked about our commitment to expanding access to resources



for those struggling with mental health disorders.

I celebrated the grand opening of the NYC Department of Environmental Protection's new office in Delaware County. I'm excited to see this local workforce grow and continue its service to protect access to clean drinking water.

How Can I Help You?

If you can't get the answers you need from a federal agency like the VA, IRS, or Social Security Administration, give my office a call at (607) 242-0200. You can also give us a call if you need help purchasing U.S. flags, getting tours and tickets for your visit to Washington, DC, or have questions about internships and military academy nominations.

Sincerely,

Marc Molinaro (NY-19)

P.S., Don't forget to follow along for regular updates on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram!

DEC Seeks Volunteers for Striped Bass Cooperative Anglers Program

Recreational Fishery Information Helps Guide Striper Management

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) is seeking participants for its Striped Bass Cooperative Anglers Program to help biologists understand and maintain a healthy striped bass population. The Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission (ASMFC) requires New York State to provide catch information from its recreational fishery to manage this species. Volunteer anglers play a crucial role in helping DEC satisfy this requirement, and all anglers who fish for striped bass are invited to participate.

As part of the program, DEC provides volunteer anglers with logbooks and instructions to record catch information such as fishing location, gear used, and number of fish caught. Anglers may participate whether fishing by boat or from shore. Anglers may also choose to use DEC's new online logbook and record catch information on their smartphone or computer. Biologists then analyze the recreational fishery data and summarize it in an annual newsletter, providing insight into the striped bass fishing season. Participating anglers will receive the latest news and information about regulations and annual fish population surveys.

Anglers in marine waters south of the George Washington Bridge can also provide DEC with scale samples from the striped bass they catch. Biologists use the scales to age the striped bass to create length-at-age keys which are incorporated in striped bass population assessments and ultimately help guide fishery management decisions.

Visit DEC's YouTube channel to learn more about becoming a Striped Bass Cooperative Angler and instructions on how to collect scale samples.

Anglers who fish for striped bass north of the George Washington Bridge in the tidal Hudson River should email HUDSONANGLER@DEC.NY.GOV or visit DEC's Hudson River Striped Bass website to learn more about the Hudson River Cooperative Anglers Program. In the tidal Hudson River, the recreational slot limit is 18 to 28 inches (not less than 18 inches nor greater than 28 inches) and the season is open April 1 through Nov. 30.

Anglers who fish for striped bass in New York's marine waters south of the George Washington Bridge should contact the Diadromous Fish Unit at SBCAPROGRAM@DEC.NY.GOV or visit DEC's Striped Bass Cooperative Anglers website. In marine waters, the recreational slot limit is 28 - 35 inches (not less than 28 inches nor greater than 35 inches) and the season is open April 15

through Dec. 15.

The recreational striped bass possession limit for all waters in New York State is one fish/angler. DEC encourages anglers to check Recreational Saltwater Fishing Regulations for the most up-to-date information before going fishing and enroll in the annual no-fee Recreational Marine Fishing Registry before going fishing in New York's Marine and Coastal District waters or when fishing in the Hudson River and its tributaries for "migratory fish of the sea," including striped bass. Anglers can enroll in the registry online or by phone or by visiting a license issuing agent location. To enroll, go to DEC's website.

2023 Striped Bass Recreational Gaff Prohibition Regulation

On March 22, DEC prohibited the use or attempted use of gaffs when recreationally fishing for Atlantic striped bass. This regulation intends to reduce release mortality in recreational striped bass fisheries as required by ASMFC Amendment 7 to the Interstate Fishery Management Plan for Atlantic Striped Bass (PDF). DEC is accepting public comments on the regulation through May 22, 2023. The full text of the regulation can be found at DEC's website. Comments on the gaffing regulation should be sent to caitlin.craig@dec.ny.gov or by mail to: Caitlin Craig, Division of Marine Resources, 123 Kings Park Blvd., Kings Park, NY 11754.



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MAY 6 | 11 a.m.-4 p.m.

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Monticello, NY 12701

Claryville Fire Dept.

1500 Denning Road, Claryville, NY 12725

All You Can Eat Mother's Day Pancake Breakfast



Sunday, May 14th
Serving 8:00 until 12 Noon

Adults: \$11
Children Ages 5-11: \$5
Under 5 Yrs. Free

Take-outs are available (845) 985-7270

\$50 from the Breakfast Is Donated to the Claryville Reformed Church Food Pantry

ELLENVILLE REGIONAL HOSPITAL AUXILIARY FUNDRAISER

TASTE OF BROADWAY II

SUNDAY, AUGUST 27, 2023 MATINEE AT SHADOWLAND THEATER

GABY'S CAFE
TICKET PRICE OF \$99
LUNCH 11:45/SHOW 2 P.M.***The Million Dollar Quartet***

Impromptu country rock musical super group of Elvis Presley, Jerry Lee Lewis, Carl Perkins, and Johnny Cash will be performing.

DON'T MISS THIS EXCITING AND FUN FILLED DAY IN ELLENVILLE!

Make check payable to "ERH Auxiliary". Subscriber's tickets will be discounted. Call me with questions, your phone #, and choice of entree at 845-210-7120.

Mail to: Helene Morris, PO Box 105, SPRING GLEN, NY 12483

" A Taste of Broadway II"

Sunday, August 27, 2023

Lunch at Gaby's Café before the Show

11:45 Start / Open Seating

Menu

Chips & Salsa

Gaby's House Salad

Choice of main entrée**Pollo 5 de Mayo**

Egg battered, pan seared chicken breast with capers, fresh tomato in a reduction of fresh garlic, white wine and lemon juice.

Pernil al Horno

Roast Pork, Gaby's Style.

Veggie Fajita

Roasted vegetables.

Dessert

Assorted Cookies

Soda / Coffee / Tea

Cash Bar**Please call ERH Auxiliary Event Chairperson Helene Morris at 845-210-7120
with your selection.****(You will be given your ticket at the restaurant)**

**Neversink – Rondout
Antique Machinery Association
P.O. Box 393 – Grahamsville – New York 12740**

Sullivan County High Schools Guidance Directors, please see attached \$500 Scholarship Application provided by the Neversink – Rondout Antique Machinery Association for your dissemination. Of Particular note is the submission deadline date of June 2, 2023. If I have sent this notice to the wrong department I request your assistance in directing it correctly.

- Eldred Central School District.
- Fallsburg Central School District.
- Liberty Central School District.
- Livingston Manor Central School District.
- Monticello Central School District.
- Roscoe Central School District.
- Sullivan West Central School District.
- Tri-Valley Central School District.
- Sullivan County Boces

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Liberty High School -

Livingston Manor

Monticello

Roscoe

Sullivan West

Tri Valley -

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Thank you,

John McHugh

Chairperson – NRAMA Scholarship Committee

254 South Hill Road

Grahamsville, NY 12740

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jmchugh4@hvc.rr.com

(See next page for application)

NEVERSINK RONDOUT ANTIQUE MACHINERY ASSOCIATION

P.O. Box 393, Grahamsville, NY 12740

The purpose of the NRAMA Scholarship is to encourage graduating high school seniors from Sullivan County to pursue secondary education opportunities in any field related to either heavy equipment, automotive mechanics or agriculture at any accredited academic or vocation school. The scholarship will be awarded annually to one individual selected by the NRAMA Scholarship Committee. The Value of the scholarship is \$500.00, and is non-renewable. Scholarship proceeds will be utilized for tuition, fees or books. In addition, the winner will also receive a one (1) year membership to the NRAMA.

The scholarship monies will be distributed after proof of obtaining a 2.0 or higher GPA and completion of first semester. Faculty must send proof of GPA and semester completion.

The Applicant may use the scholarship to study any field related to heavy equipment, automotive mechanics or agriculture at any accredited academic or vocational school.

To be eligible, the applicant must meet the following criteria:

- Achieve a minimum grade point average of 2.0 on a 4.0 scale in your Sullivan county home school and career and technical education during Junior and Senior years.
- Illustrate a commitment to the fields of heavy equipment, automotive mechanics or agriculture by either graduation from a related program at Sullivan County BOCES or related work efforts outside of school.
- Be accepted as a full time student at an accredited academic or vocation institution

Submit a completed application to the NRAMA by June 2nd, 2023

Name: _____

Home Address: _____

City/State: _____ Phone: _____

High School: _____ GPA: _____

What school(s) have you applied to? _____

What school(s) have you been accepted at? _____

What is the course of study? _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

On a separate sheet of paper, please write a brief essay describing your career goals and what you hope to gain by furthering your education and what you may bring to our club in the future. Also include with this application one letter of recommendation from a teacher, educator or employer.

Please mail completed application to: NRAMA Scholarship Application
P.O. Box 393
Grahamsville, NY 12740

Ellenville
Regional
Hospital

Programs

Farm-acy: Thursday, April 13th and 27th at 4:00 PM located behind Ellenville Regional Hospital.

Tasty Herb Gardening Family/Community Workshop: Thursday, April 20th from 6:00 PM – 7:00 PM in the Ellenville Jr/Sr High School Media Center. To register, please call or email Veronika at vdaragona@erhny.org or 845-647-6400 ext. 247.

Gardening Class with CCEU: Wednesday, April 26th from 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM in the Lower Conference Room at Ellenville Regional Hospital. To register, please call or email Veronika at vdaragona@erhny.org or 845-647-6400 ext. 247.

New Horizons: A Healthy Living Program for Seniors: Tuesday, April 25th from 1:00 PM – 2:00 PM at 19 Healthy Way Ellenville, NY 12428. To register, please call or email Olivia at oingalsbe@erhny.org or 845-647-6400 ext. 281.

Sharps Container and Medication Collection: Friday, April 28th from 12:00 PM – 4:00 PM in the Emergency Department entrance of Ellenville Regional Hospital.

Healthy Cooking Class with CCEU: Wednesday, April 26th at 6:00 PM on Zoom. To register, please visit: www.ulster.cce.cornell.edu/events

Parent and Child Cooking Classes with CCEU: Wednesday, April 12th, 19th, and 26th at 6:00 PM in the Ellenville Senior High School Cafeteria. To register, please contact Mary at Brimmer at mmb335@cornell.edu, call 845-340-3990 ext.326 or visit their website at: www.ulster.cce.cornell.edu

Narcan Training by Appointment: You can now schedule your own Narcan Training when you are available. You will have the option of over the phone, via zoom or in person (Here at the hospital, at Family of Ellenville or at the Ellenville Library). To register bit.ly/ERHNarcanTraining If you have any questions, please feel free to call 845-647-6400 ext. 318



at the Daniel Pierce Library

Celebrate Earth Day!

A Grab + Go Event for ALL Ages

Saturday, April 22, 2023

Pick up supplies: 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

while supplies last

Can you dig it?

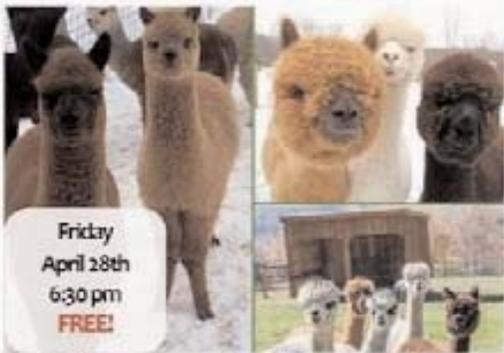
Let's do our part for the Earth and plant something!
We'll supply the pot, soil, and seed YOU plant at home!

Earth Day is celebrated annually on April 22nd with events worldwide in support of the environment and to raise awareness for the environmental protection and care of our planet.

Thank you to the New York Ag-in-the-Classroom and the Cornell Cooperative Extension 4-H program for supplying the Tomato & Basil seeds and soil!

Reuse the Past * Recycle the Present * Save the Future

Cornell Cooperative Extension | Sullivan County 4-H Alpaca Program



Friday
April 28th
6:30 pm
FREE!

For Sullivan County Youth interested in alpacas!

- Youth will develop basic skills in alpaca knowledge through hands-on learning!
- Learn alpaca history, specifics on the species and breed, temperament, and their use!
- No alpaca ownership is required to be involved!



Program will take place at the Extension Education building.

Registration is required in advance.

sullivanccce.org • sullivan@cornell.edu • 845-292-6180

Any Sullivan County youth age 5-18 can enroll in 4-H for FREE.

Cornell Cooperative Extension, Sullivan County, provides equal opportunities and encourages participation. Contact us for program accommodations.

Mental Health FIRST AID
THE NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR MENTAL WELLBEING

YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID

LEARN HOW TO SUPPORT THE YOUNG PEOPLE IN YOUR LIFE

Youth Mental Health First Aid teaches you how to identify, understand and respond to signs of mental health and substance use challenges among adolescents ages 12-18. Youth Mental Health First Aid teaches you how to help connect them to appropriate support.

AFTER THE COURSE, YOU'LL BE ABLE TO:

- Recognize common signs and symptoms of mental health challenges, including anxiety, depression, eating disorders and attention deficit hyperactive disorder (ADHD).
- Recognize common signs and symptoms of substance use challenges.
- Understand how to connect with a young person in crisis.
- Know how to connect a young person with help.
- Better understand trauma, substance use, self-harm and the impact of social media and bullying.

Join the more than

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UPCOMING TRAININGS:

Friday, May 19 - 9am - 4pm

OR

Thursday & Friday, September 5 & 6 - 9am - 12pm

Sullivan BOCES Training Room
15 Sullivan Ave. Liberty, NY

To register for one of these trainings, email info@sullivan180.org.

For more CCEU info register at bit.ly/CCEUSullivan.

Learn how to respond with the Mental Health First Aid Action Plan (ALICE):

- 1 Assess for risk of suicide or harm.
- 2 Listen non-judgmentally.
- 3 Give reassurance and information.
- 4 Encourage appropriate professional help.
- 5 Encourage self-help and other support strategies.

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Attention all campers! This is your monthly trivia update:

The next Trivia Night at The Tango Cafe will be the usual third Thursday, i.e., Thursday, April 20th! 7pm go time. Seating begins at 6:30pm. Pre-registration is highly recommended to ensure your team gets a table. Reservations can be made at tangocafe@hacny.org or 845-520-5453 (see, also, attached flyers - these will give you some hints as to the evening's themes)

This one's a bit more nerdy but, then, so am I.

Both evenings are free. Food and drink available and advised.

Hope you can make one or both!

Arthur A.



Attention Actors and Performers

River Rep Theatre will hold auditions for its World premiere production of the dystopian classic **WE**, adapted and directed by Christopher Peditto, opening July 28 at the Delaware Valley Opera Center in Lake Huntington, NY.

All ages and types are sought. We have an open-door, colorblind casting policy. AEA and non-union actors, including first-time performers, are welcome.

Please send a headshot or photo and reel (if available) to:
riverreptheatre@gmail.com.

Scenes from the play will be sent to applicants,
from which you can choose a scene or monologue for your audition.

AUDITION DETAILS

WHEN: Sunday, April 23: 10am-2pm

WHERE: Delaware Valley Opera Center. 6692 NY-52, Lake Huntington, NY 12752

To schedule an appointment, email us at: riverreptheatre@gmail.com.

Walk-ins also welcome. Questions? Call 718-490-3050.

Learn more at riverrep.org

Sullivan County Intervention Line for Parents and Teens

Are you a parent struggling with your family?
Are you a teen having problems at home?

Help is available now!

We are here anytime you need to talk.

Give us a call or send us a text and someone will always be there to listen and help you deal with your situation.



Text 845-372-1817
Call 866-372-2336

Calls and texts are answered 24/7

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Sullivan County Text For Teens

Monday - Friday
4pm-10pm
Saturday & Sunday
5pm-12am



Hey...I really need to talk to someone. Can you help?



Free & confidential support
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Call 1-888-750-2266, option 2



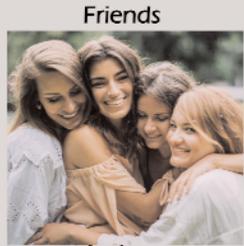
Text for Teens is supported by a Grant of the Mother Cabrini Health Foundation



Rewarding lives. Healthy communities.

COVID-19 Vaccines Save Lives

Who will you protect?



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¿A quien protegerás?

Get the facts.



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Obtenga los hechos.

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awowk@chowc.net

Sullivan County Department of Social Services is looking for families who can help fulfill the **DESPERATE NEED** for ages **8-18!**



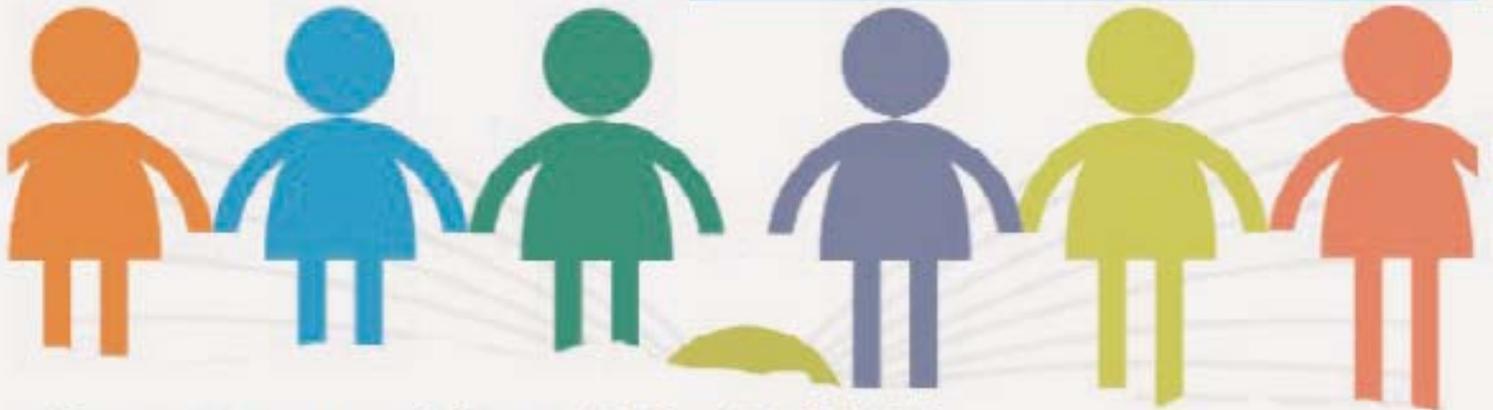
FOSTER HOMES NEEDED!

Classes Begin January 5th



CHILD + BABYSITTING SAFETY COURSE at the Daniel Pierce Library

For Tri-Valley Students
11 - 15 years of age



SATURDAY, MAY 20, 2023

9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Looking for a job this summer? This 5 hour course will provide the necessary skills needed to care for infants and children. Learn CPR and Child and Babysitting Safety (CABS). Brought to you by ClassRooms to You, instructed and owned by Michael Conglelosi, NYS FF/EMT. An approved training center for American Safety & Health Institute. Space is limited. \$65 per registrant, due day of event

- *Become a babysitter
- *Safety instruction
- *How to take care of Children
- *What to do when things go wrong
- *Learn basic first aid
- *Gain confidence
- *This is an outside event, weather permitting
- *Additional course information to follow upon registration

BRING YOUR LUNCH!

Advance registration only.

Register online @ www.danielpiercelibrary.org



Daniel Pierce Library

328 Main Street | P.O. Box 268
Grahamsville, New York 12740-0268 | 845-985-7233

To register: baby sitting course register now:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeK8AW5bxNAkVtLv2ZVwFhtZJYXrzmKq7OYGLDVR4tsw7xZiA/viewform>



Live

Medicare 101 Zoom Webinar

Saturday, April 22, 2023
10:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M.

Presented by:
James Farnham, MBA, MS
Licensed Agent

Will you be turning 65 soon? Are you eligible for Medicare?

Please join us for this live webinar as we learn about Medicare basics including, Prescription Drug Plans, Medicare Supplement Plans, and Medicare Advantage Plans (HMOs and PPOs). This program will simplify the choices you need to make, help you make well-informed decisions and explain what Medicare means to you!

Advanced online registration at danielpiercelibrary.org is required. Those who register will receive an email prior to the event with a link and instructions on how to join.

Register now: <https://danielpiercelibrary.org/Pages/Index/226538/medicare-101>

Tri-Valley Lions Journey For Sight Annual Walk Saturday, May 6, 2023

In memory of our fellow Lions lost over the past years. All proceeds go into our Charity Account to help support the missions of The Tri-Valley Lions, which include Sight, Hearing, Diabetes, and support to Guiding Eyes for the Blind, Local Food Pantries, Service Awards for local high school graduates, Sight Screenings, and so much more

**Register at 8:30 am on
Saturday, May 6, 2023
at the Grahamsville First Aid Squad Building**

Please be available no later than 8:50 am for a group photo before the start of the Walk. Walk starts promptly at 9 am from the First Aid Squad Building and consists of as many loops around the Fairgrounds that each walker feels comfortable doing.

COME WALK WITH US!

Refreshments will be served before and after the walk. For additional pledge sheets or questions about the Journey For Sight Walk, please call **Esta Jacob 845-985-2927** or **Stephen Miller at 845-798-1981**.

Thank you!

PFC Joseph P. Dwyer Peer Support Program

2nd Annual

VET FEST

Saturday 11am-6pm

August 5, 2023

Grahamsville Fair Grounds

**FREE for Veterans, Service Members,
and their Families**

Music by Derek Stoner

**Free rabies and distemper vaccines for Service Dogs
provided by Catskill Veterinary Services.**

Proof of previous vaccines and Service Dog Certification required

ALL ARE WELCOME



**For more info, call 845.794.4228 or
follow us at Vet 2 Vet of Sullivan County on FB & IG**

SULLIVAN 180 Internship Opportunities
 Work in your community as a paid Sullivan 180 Intern



Love where you live! Be a changemaker in your community.

Sullivan 180 interns work alongside dedicated volunteers May through August in Sullivan County communities.

Interns build resume experience, make valuable connections, develop and refine skills, and participate in leadership training.

"Overall, this was a great experience. The community was extremely supportive and it made me proud to be an intern."

Erin Bidwley, 2022 Town of Thompson Intern

If you're a Sullivan County resident ages 18-20, you're eligible to be a Sullivan 180 Intern! Pay starts at \$14.20 per hour.

To apply to become a Sullivan 180 Intern, contact Anna Louise Scandakofski at 845-295-1105 or Anna.Louise@sullivan180.org.



Sullivan180.org • 845-295-3660

Vendors Wanted!!

HEALTHFEST 23!



Public Health
Prevent. Promote. Protect.
Sullivan County
Department of Public Health

June 4, 2023
11:00 AM—3:00 PM
Hanofee Park
129 Sunset Lake Rd
Liberty, NY



Would you like to be part of a FREE fun day promoting health and wellness in Sullivan County?

Do you have a health and wellness service or activity that you would like to promote ?

Then we want you! Sullivan County Public Health and Action Toward Independence invite you to participate in our first annual HealthFest!

We are planning a fun filled day of information, refreshments and fun activities for all ages to encourage county residents and visitors to discover all the services and activities available in Sullivan County.

For more information, or to register your organization or group to be part of the fun, contact:

Shawn Comfort
ATI
scomfort@atitoday.org
845-794-1228

or

Jill Hubert-Simon
SC Public Health
Jill.hubert-simon@sullivanny.us
845-513-2243



Wellness Writing Series



For Veterans and their families

Learn how to:
Communicate better
Relieve stress
Preserve your memories and stories

Lessons are free and all materials will be provided
Taught by Michelle Levy MA, who has been teaching
writing for over 10 years

Session 1: Journaling

3rd Thursday of every month 5-6 pm

Registration Required, please call 845-794-4228

309 E Broadway Suite A Monticello NY 12701



RENTALS

Store for Rent in Grahamsville (845) 985-7411

FOR SALE

**Sundown Camp and Bait Shop!
Firewood for sale**

HELP WANTED

Typing Help Wanted

Experienced or Student. Full/Part time. Work in Grahamsville. Busy Law Office.
William Brenner
(845) 985-7411

Blooming Green Lawn and Landscape Sevice

Part time/Full time work.
Salary based on experience.
Call: 845-665-3348
or 945-985-0516

WANTED

Wanted: 30 inch exterior door.
Please call: 1-413-883-2533.

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**"KNARF'S CLASSIC MOVIE I
AMAZON PRIME, IMOB, NETFLIX**

PAULIE

(RATED G / 1998 / 1hr 30min / heart warming love story)

<https://www.imdb.com/title/tt0125454>



Get ready for fun! "Paulie" will tug on the strings of your heart with sentiment of love and caring for others.

Paulie helps his friend Marie stop stuttering.

Paulie, a talking parrot, recounts his travels while looking for his original owner along with a Russian janitor who helps him happily end his journey.



Tony Shalhoub, a wonderful Russian actor, brings some respect back to the Russian people in the face of today's turmoil in the Ukraine.

Paulie – Directed by John Roberts. Staring Gena Rowlands, Tony Shalhoub, Cheech Marin, and Bruce Davison.

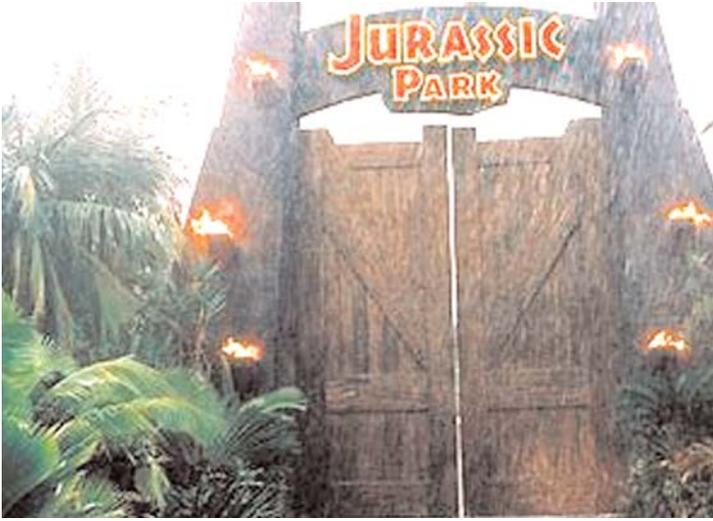
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“KNARF’S CLASSIC MOVIE II
SEE ALL OF YOUR FAVORITE FILMS ON
TCM, AMAZON PRIME, IMOB, NETFLIX,
 Available to stream on HBO Max

Jurassic Park

(1993 / PG-13 / 2 HR 7 MIN / FANTASY / DRAMA)



Ellie and Alan find a sick Triceratops in Jurassic Park. Dinosaurs had already been featured in hit Hollywood films before 1993, but Jurassic Park changed the template forever.



One of Steven Spielberg's best films, *Jurassic Park* was adapted from Michael Crichton's novel of the same name, featuring an island theme park overrun with pre-historic animals. Spielberg's mix of early CGI and animatronics helped bring the dinosaurs to life in a way that had never been seen before. It was thrilling, overwhelming, and exhausting in the best possible way, and audiences couldn't seem to get enough of watching earth's early inhabitants chow down on hapless human victims.

“KNARF’S CLASSIC MOVIE III
SEE ALL OF YOUR FAVORITE FILMS ON TCM,
AMAZON PRIME, IMOB, NETFLIX,

The Lion King

(Rated-G / 1994/ 2 hr 30 min / fantasy/ Drama)



The Lion King is proof that no matter how great Pixar's CGI is, it's no substitute for classic hand-drawn animation.



The Lion King –the story of Simba and Mufasa was such a hit for Disney that it received its own live-action remake in 2019, albeit with less enthusiasm than the original.

In many ways, *The Lion King* was a swan song for Disney's traditional animated art style before shifting focus to CGI. It was one of the defining films of the 1990s, and an unbreakable hit for Disney even to this day.

*Stay Safe,
 Knarf Odnamoc
 Gnome*