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Firefighter Visits Pre-K Kids in FCSD

Joshua Wizwer is a student in Benjamin Cosor Elementary School (BCES) morning Pre-K class. He comes from a long line



...that's Joshua Wizwer with his arm in the air!

of FCSD graduates and volunteer Town of Fallsburg firefighters. On April 14, just before Spring Break, dad Aaron Wizwer and mom Stacey Wizwer paid a visit to Joshua's classroom to tell the children about being a firefighter. Part of their curriculum is to meet parents and find out about their work.

In preparation for the arrival, students watched videos about firefighters, made a virtual visit to the firehouse and read beginner books with their teacher Ms. Mindy Conciatori and her aide Ms. Jennifer Varner. The kids were eager to meet the Wizwers, especially young Joshua. A few minutes after ten, the visitors were knocking on the door. They both were needed to carry a trunk-load of equipment and other luggage. (Contd. Pg. 4)

Nadia Rajsz Joins Two National Committees

Monticello, NY - District 2 Legislator Nadia Rajsz has been named to two influential committees of the National Association of Counties (NACo): the Human Services & Education Committee, and the Immigration Reform Task Force.

"To be appointed as a representative on these two groups is immensely gratifying, and I look forward to helping create practical solutions to real-world issues," Rajsz remarked. "I work as an educator and health professional, and my parents immigrated to America from Ukraine after World War II, so both committees deal with issues incredibly important to me."

As a member of these committees, Rajsz will participate in monthly conference calls to discuss positions and strategies on a range of issues, from federal immigration policy to educational initiatives.

NACo and its committees aim to strengthen America's counties, serving nearly 40,000 county elected officials and 3.6 million county employees. (Contd. Pg. 4)



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OBITUARY

Daydree Starr (Keeler) Touchton of Tennessee passed away on Tuesday, January 25, 2022. She was 49.

She was the daughter of Virginia Ann (Curry-Keeler) Wagner and the late George Keeler, born on June 7, 1972 in Neversink, NY.

She is survived by her mother Virginia Ann (Curry-Keeler) Wagner (Robert) of Bremen, Georgia; her children, Dawson Cobb of Temple, Georgia; Christopher James Cobb of Temple, Georgia; and Shelby Eileen Farner of Jackson, Tennessee; her siblings, Peter Keeler of Sebastian; Vincent Keeler of Sebastian; Florida and Kelly Thimineau and her husband Dean of Saratoga Spring; and her grandchildren: Loralye Jenkins, Carson Farner and Bodhi Lilliana Farner.

She was predeceased by her father George Keeler, her siblings Randy Keeler, Terry Keeler and Bonnie O'Neil and her granddaughter Maci Farner.

There will be a graveside service at Grahamsville Rural Cemetery on April 25, 2022 at 11:00am with Pastors Ed and Robin Sostak officiating. There will be a funeral service at the Free Methodist Vine and Branch Church, 2535 NY-52, Liberty, NY 12754 at 12:00 noon, followed by fellowship at the church hall.

Arrangements were under the care of Colonial Memorial Funeral Home, for further information please call 845-434-7363 or visit www.colonialfamilyfuneralhome.com.

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April 25, 1962

Rural carrier, Theron Hasbrouck, began his 21 si vear on the R.F.D. Route out of the local office on March 23rd. He began covering his 6th extension on his route since he began in 1942 when he had 50 families and 60 box numbers. He is now serving 185 families with 170 box numbers

William Brenner, son of Mr. and Mrs. David Brenner of Pepacton Hollow Road, Grahamsville and New York City, was one of 15 St. Lawrence University. students participating in the recent Albany State Government Administrative Legislative Seminar

Mrs Donald Hill, senior advisor, would like everyone to know that her senior class has not been fooling away their Easter vacation. They have all been working hard to get everything under way for the play, "Harvey", which will be presented at the Tri Valley Central School on Friday and Saturday evening of this week

May 3, 1972

On Sunday, April 30th, an historic building at the Grahamsville Fairgrounds was destroyed by fire which was apparently set by four children, and was beyond control by the time firemen arrived. The unfortunate event will be a permanent loss of the building since no funds are available for replacement

Services were held Friday for Harry Robinson, 79, a retired farmer of Rocky Hill Road, Grahamsville, who died Tuesday in Liberty. Born in Eureka on May 22, 1892. He was the son of Levi and Delihia Osterhout Robinson. He married the former Beatrice F Smith July 4, 1916 in E.llenville. Surviving are his widow; four sons. Morris, Vincent and Arnold of Grahamsville and Virgil of Wawarsing. (Contd. Pg. 3)

DAYS OF YORE...

Today's History

April 23, 1952

Miss Barbara Evans of Ellenville and Mr. Carl Carlsen of Grahamsvttle will be married in New York City on May 5lh on the "Bride and Groom" program which is televised.

Miss Iva Lawton of Grahamsville has enlisted in the Woman's Air Corps and left Wednesday for training at an Air Base in San Antonio, Texas. Miss Lawton is a graduate of Ellenville High School and is the first woman of our area to join the Air Force.

DAYS OF YORE...

Today's History (From Pg. 2)

May 3, 1972

Miss Ann Beiling and Paul Stephenson were united in marriage April 15th at St. Peter's Church in Liberty The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sylvester Beiling of Bradley. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Stephenson of Jeffersonville. The bride is a graduate of Tri-Valley Central School and is employed by Sullivan's. The groom is employed by Palmer Transportation in Chester.

April 29, 1982

Faculty and friends will be gathering on the evening of June 12th to pay special tribute to Mrs. Rita Cerato's teaching career in the Tri-Valley School District. A festive dinner at King's Restaurant is being planned

Mr. and Mrs. Carlo Ferraiolo are the parents of a son, Michael Peter, born April 13 at Benedictine Hospital in Kingston. He weighed 8 lbs 6 oz. His mother is the former Cynthia Marshalek of Grahamsville Road, Woodbourne. His maternal grandparents are John Marshalek of Georgia and Patricia Marshalek of Woodbourne

Mark Korttrighi of Neversink caught a brown trout on opening day weighing 9 lbs 3 oz and measuring 29 inches. The biggie was taken from the Neversmt Reservoir.

Join Your Local Fire Department!

Open Houses Set for Weekend of April 23-24

Monticello, NY - Do you have what it takes to be one of Sullivan County's bravest? Can you find the time to make a difference?

The Sullivan County Recruitment and Retention Task Force (www.facebook.com/joinsullivanfire) invites you to any one of a number of RECRUIT NY open houses on April 23 and 24.

"Our recruitment effort, 'Join Sullivan Fire,' is moving forward with a lot of positive energy, and we're looking for more people to take part," affirms Sullivan County Fire Coordinator John Hauschild. "Local volunteer fire departments are in need of scene support personnel, interior firefighters, fire police, auxiliary members, apparatus operators and much more."

To that end, Sullivan County fire departments are hosting Open Houses next weekend for anyone interested in the fire service, equipment and/or volunteering:

- o Callicoon Fire Department - Saturday, April 23, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., 9305 State Route 97, Callicoon
- o Callicoon Center Fire Department - Sunday, April 24, 11 a.m.-4 p.m., 1669 Gulf Road, Callicoon Center
- o Fallsburg Fire Department - Sunday, April 24, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., 10 Railroad Plaza, South Fallsburg
- o Grahamsville Fire Department - Saturday, April 23, 12-3 p.m., 205 Main Street, Grahamsville
- o Highland Lake Fire Department - Saturday, April 23, 9 a.m.-3 p.m., 144 Highland Lake Road, Highland Lake (Contd. Pg. 4)

Household Hint:

Soften your cuticles

Soften the cuticles on your fingers and toes before manicuring them by soaking your digits in a bowl of undiluted white vinegar for five minutes.

Nature Column - 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 and Shirley Davis.

Winter Sleepers, Spring Peepers

With a nice warm spring day here and there, many of us are anxious to get out and do some planting. For those who have been listening to the peepers and remember the rule the 'old-timers' stood by -once you hear the peepers, the water has to freeze over their heads three times and then the threat of frost will be over. I officially counted two night so far since I first heard the peepers by city field this spring. Hopefully the pepper prediction will be right on and tonight (Monday) will be last of freezing weather and in fact, winter weather!!!

Do you wonder what is going to happen to the peepers tonight who will not only have to deal with freezing temps, but possibly 3 to 8 inches of snow too? How come these little peepers don't freeze? The answer is totally amazing. They don't prevent themselves from freezing, instead, evolution has devised a way for this creature to stay frozen and alive.

Last autumn, the bodies of these tiny peepers began their physiological preparations for the current mating season, a strategy that allows them to start the spring cycle as early as possible which also helps spring peepers avoid predators. Some males become so well prepared that they begin calling while there is still snow on the ground and freezing weather.

When the peepers emerges from hibernation in early spring, the temperature can often drop below freezing. If the temperature falls to 27° F, the frog can survive as the water inside it remains in a super-cooled state -below its freezing point, but not yet frozen. But once the temperature dips any lower, the water inside the frog can't stay super-cooled, and so it starts to freeze.

For most animals, this would mean a quick death, but not so with the Northern Spring Peeper. They have evolved an incredible strategy to protect them from frost damage. Within 5 minutes of ice crystals starting to form inside the peeper, its liver goes into emergency rescue mode. It's a race between the freezing front that's moving in from the outer parts of the peeper, and the glucose being pumped to the rescue, from the inside out. The sugar levels are therefore highest in its core organs like the liver, heart, kidneys and brain, where glucose levels shoot up as high as 50-fold. Meanwhile, the exterior tissues like skin and skeletal muscle get less glucose because they've already started freezing. The really surprising fact here is that the sugar wasn't in the frog's bloodstream before the freezing started. It was pumped out by the liver immediately after the frog started to freeze. This sugar serves as a 'cryoprotectant' - a biological antifreeze that prevents ice crystals from forming inside the frog's cells.

The little peeper goes into a state of suspended animation. Its breathing, blood flow and heartbeat shut down, and its limbs become frozen stiff. The water under its skin freezes, and the contents of its stomach become a solid ball of ice. More than half of the water in its body turns to ice. Yet it can survive in this frozen state for days, and when the temperature goes back up, the frog thaws and eventually goes back to hopping around and continues singing.

This incredible adaptation helps keep these little peepers safe, ensuring many days of singing and breeding to their hearts content.

The Latin name of the Northern Spring Peeper is *Pseudacris crucifer*, which sounds more like a comic book villain or a rapper than a tiny frog. Female Northern Spring Peepers will seek out males with the loudest calls, and also prefer the males that repeat their calls the fastest. When the female finds her perfect mate and swims over to a singing male she will touch him to show her amorous intent. The male will fertilize up to 800 eggs as the eggs emerge from the female. The eggs will be deposited individually or in small clusters on submerged vegetation. Females will then retreat from the pond while their little Don Juans continue to serenade for weeks.

The countdown in Tri-Valley has begun! Tonight (Monday) will be the third time the peepers have been silenced since we first heard their familiar chorus, a serenade that rarely misses the mark of springtime and warmer weather!



Photo by Stan C. Smith



Photo by Stan C. Smith

Nadia Rajsz Joins Two National Committees

(From Pg. 1)

Founded in 1935, NACo unites county officials to:

- o Advocate county priorities in federal policymaking
- o Promote exemplary county policies and practices
- o Nurture leadership skills and expand knowledge networks
- o Optimize county and taxpayer resources and cost savings, and
- o Enrich the public's understanding of county government.

More information on NACo's policies and priorities can be found at www.naco.org.

Join Your Local Fire Department! Open Houses

Set for Weekend of April 23-24

(From Pg. 3)

- o Hurleyville Fire Department - Saturday, April 23 AND Sunday, April 24, 8 a.m.-4 p.m., 166 Main Street, Hurleyville
- o Kenoza Lake Fire Department - Saturday, April 23, 12-4 p.m., 485 Old Taylor Road, Kenoza Lake
- o Woodridge Fire Department - Sunday, April 24, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., 2 Dairyland Rd, Woodridge

Email: joinsullivanfire@gmail.com for more info, or visit www.facebook.com/joinsullivanfire or www.instagram.com/joinsullivanfire.

Firefighter Visits Pre-K Kids in FCSD

(From Pg. 1) For the next hour, the children sat enthralled by Officer Aaron's description of being an ambulance rider, an Emergency Medical Technician, and a firefighter in Loch Sheldrake and at Castle Point Veterans Hospital. The highlight of the morning was the care and challenge of putting on the two hundred plus pounds of equipment from the heavy boots on up to the face shield and helmet. At each step of getting dressed and protected, Mr. Wizwer asked questions about what he was holding and what he was putting on. Little arms flew into the air as the children shared their knowledge. Joshua had the fastest arm in the group, and he spoke with great authority.



Ms. Conciatori engaged in emphasizing what the firefighting was saying about being protected and the life-saving procedures he was called to handle. When he spoke about smoke rising and the safety of being on the floor of a building, the teacher rallied the kids to get down with her on all fours and scurry across the floor between desks. Brief videos were made of that scene and of kids "stopping, dropping and rolling" on the floor. These films can be used by BCES to show other children what do in similar situations. It was a very instructive session, and the Wizwers were glad they came. The children were very attentive the whole time and thanked their guests for a memorable morning.

The Berlin Exchange

Mysterious Book Report No. 486

by John Dwaine Mc Kenna



What happens to a traitorous American, a scientist who spied for the Soviet Union and gave up our atomic bomb secrets, when he's released after ten years in a British prison in the U.K., swapped for a busload of political prisoners and sent to East Germany? That's the opening premise of *The Berlin Exchange*, (Scribner, \$28.00, 320 pages, ISBN 978-1-9821-5865-1), by Edgar Award winning and best-selling author Joseph Kanon. It's a tale that takes place in 1963, at the height of the Cold War-when the arms race between the U.S. and the U.S.S.R. was

measured in megatons-as the two super powers perfected evermore insanely destructive nuclear weapons.

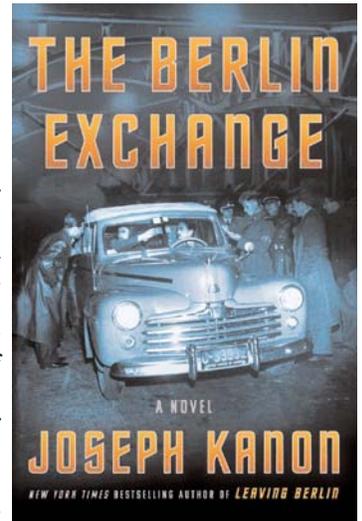
His name is Martin Keller. He's a physicist whose primary ambition is to meet and be reunited with his son Peter, who's now 11 years old. He lives with his mother, Keller's ex-wife Sabine and her new husband, a lawyer named Kurt Thiel, who facilitates prisoner exchanges. But as Keller crosses from west to east at an out of the way checkpoint usually reserved for East German VIPs, someone tries to assassinate him. And even though his physics are ten years out of date, the attempt makes Keller realize that he's still in play, the spy game is still afoot and his most valuable asset is an expired U.S. passport. The atmosphere is tense, dangerous and depressing, with an improbable, unreliable and untrustworthy protagonist who's trying to figure out how, where and why he fits into the noir and nightmarish landscape . . . and stay alive at the same time.

The novel twists, turns and slithers through the repressive and nightmarish communist controlled part of the city . . . where one is never quite sure of friend or foe as it builds to an electrifying and stunning ending. Mr. Kanon is at the top of his game with this supremely well researched, finely crafted and utterly intriguing period espionage thriller!!

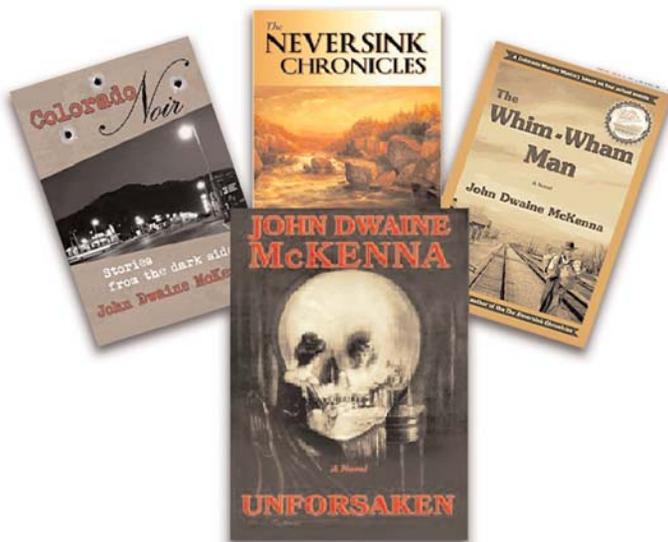
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Time for Spring Cleaning, Sullivan County!

Roadside & Trail Litter Pluck Returns April 1st through June 30th

Monticello, NY - Sullivan County's Annual Roadside & Trail Litter Pluck is set for **April 1 through June 30, 2022**. By resolution of the County Legislature, the disposal fee will be waived during that time for roadside & public trail litter.

This popular annual event is coordinated by the County's Parks, Recreation and Beautification Department and the Division of Public Works.

"This is a great way to 'clean ourselves up' as we start a new tourism season," Legislature Chairman Robert A. Doherty notes. "One of the first impressions we make on visitors is the state of our roads. Frankly, we all feel better when our roads look better, and this is an opportunity to work on a project we all agree about."

Residents who wish to participate in the Litter Pluck may pick up their free disposal coupons, along with program guidelines, on or after March 21 at their town or village hall, County-operated transfer station, or the Sullivan County Parks, Recreation and Beautification Department in the Government Center. Participants will be asked to register at the County-operated transfer station at the time of disposal.

For more information about the Litter Pluck, please contact the Sullivan County Department of Parks, Recreation, and Beautification at 845-807-0287 or email scsparks@sullivanny.org.



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Two People Arrested for Theft at Monticello Home Depot

An alert off-duty police detective is being credited with the apprehension of 2 individuals for a theft in progress at the Home Depot in Monticello.

On Saturday, April 9, 2022, Fallsburg Detective Brendan Pavese observed a female grab a Dewalt chainsaw and run out the front door of the store, past employees. The off-duty Detective immediately contacted the Sheriff's Office about his observations and provided a license plate number and description. Several minutes after the initial report, a Sheriff's patrol stopped the suspect vehicle on East Broadway



in Monticello. Upon approaching the car, Deputies were able to see in plain view, the stolen chainsaw in the back seat. Deputies arrested the driver, Joseph R. Fitzgerald 39, of Beach Lake, PA; and the front seat passenger, Brittany L. Neuberger 31, of Monticello, NY. Both suspects were charged with petit larceny, a misdemeanor. Deputies also learned that Fitzgerald had a suspended driver's license, was found to be listed as a missing person by the Pennsylvania State Police and also to had an outstanding warrant with the New York State Police in Liberty for failing to appear in court on a prior drug charge. He was turned over to state troopers for arrest processing. Neuberger was found to be in possession of oxycodone, methamphetamine, and fentanyl as well as a stolen credit card that was reported to the Sheriff's Office in February 2022. She was charged with criminal possession of a controlled substance, a misdemeanor and felony possession of stolen property. Despite having 22 prior arrests and 7 open cases, Brittany Neuberger was issued an appearance ticket and released under New York's bail reform law. Both suspects are due back in the Town of Thompson justice court later this month.



The SCVA Celebrates National Travel and Tourism Week with its 21st Annual Brochure Exchange Event

April 11, 2022 - Sullivan Catskills Visitors Association (SCVA) will celebrate National Travel and Tourism Week with its 21st Annual Brochure Exchange Tailgate Event on Wednesday, May 4, from 3:30 - 6:30 p.m. at the Forestburgh Playhouse, 39 Forestburgh Rd., Forestburgh, NY 12777.

Representatives from local businesses will gather outside at the Forestburgh Playhouse to exchange brochures, literature, and information about their organization. There will be food catered by Mr. Willy's, networking, and fun.

"This is a prime opportunity for members to showcase their hospitality businesses to hundreds of businesses throughout the Sullivan Catskills," said Roberta Byron-Lockwood, President/CEO of SCVA. "Attendees will have the opportunity to share brochures and learn about industry information in the Sullivan Catskills as we head into the warmer season."

The event is free for two SCVA members, and \$20 for each additional person per business; \$30 for non-member businesses. This event is sponsored by Bold Gold Media Group and the Sullivan County Democrat.

National Travel and Tourism Week is the annual celebration of the contributions of the U.S. travel industry and is held from May 1 through 7.

Pre-registration for the brochure exchange is required. For more information or to register, please visit www.sullivancatskills.com/tailgate-event, email lmh@scva.net or call (845)747-4449



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Sullivan County Brochure Exchange

Sullivan Catskills... So Unexpected 2022 Spring Offers

We're about halfway through April here in our legendary Sullivan Catskills. It's a lovely time for family and friends to gather. As the earth springs back to life, we're filled with hope and joy.

Before you know it, our lakes will be filled with motorboats, our rivers with canoes, kayaks, rafts, and tubes. Until then, we suggest you get out on our trails. You can hoof it on all-fours if you like. But it's bike season now, perfect for peddling on a bike. Bring your own or go rent one from our friends at Fortress Bikes in Hurleyville where their fleet of bikes is officially out of hibernation. Give it a try and get some fresh air and exercise while you tour our beautiful landscape.

It's also a great way to see our Sullivan Catskills Dove Trail which is now filled with 60- yes 60- hand-painted sculptures perched in our towns, villages, and at tourism businesses. The trail commemorates the 50th anniversary of the Woodstock Music and Art Festival held here in 1969. Speaking of Woodstock, if you've always wanted to take better photos get yourself to Bethel Woods Center for the Arts on Wednesday at 6 pm for their Digital Photography for Adults course. It's the first of a six-session, intermediate-to advanced course to help to broaden your approach and understanding of digital photography.

The folks at Catskills Curated at the Narrowsburg Union has a sweet assortment of gifts. Shop 60+ local artists, artisans, makers, and craftsmen of the Catskills and surrounds. There are plenty more places to shop in our downtowns for home goods, specialty food items and more. Our quaint towns and villages are chock-full of goodies of all sorts.

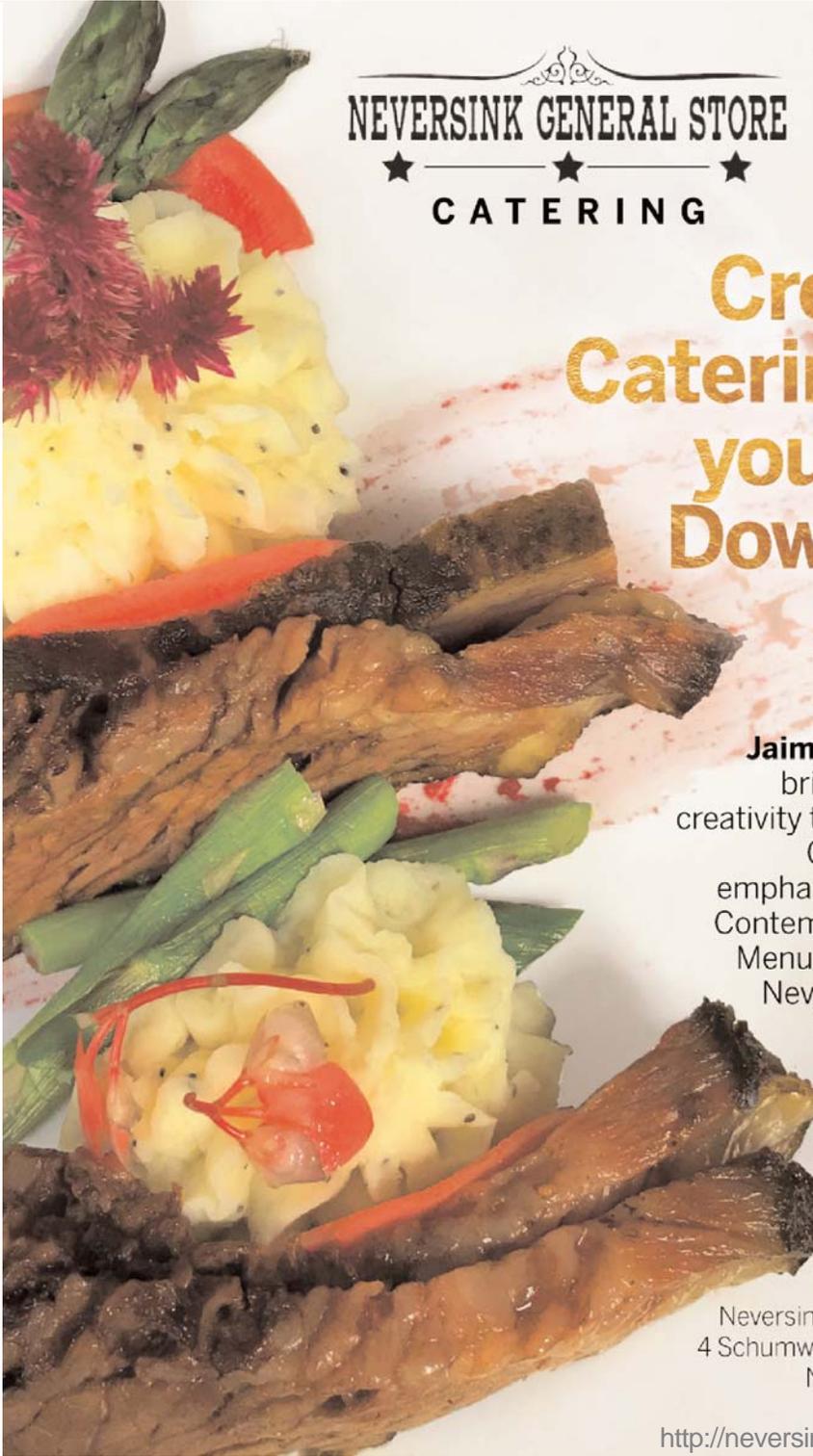
Do make time for our Catskill-icious food. From tacos and wood-fired pizza and restaurant pop-ups to roadside barbecue and multi-course tasting menus there is something for everyone. You'll most certainly want to make time for our Good Taste Craft Beverage Trail featuring over a dozen wineries, breweries, distilleries and cideries. The award-winning flavors are amazing. But don't take our word for it. Try it and see. As always, we encourage you to drink responsibly and designate a driver.

There is so much more to explore in our Sullivan Catskills. So much more in fact that you'll need to stay at least for a weekend. Many people stay longer. However you like it- full service, charming inns and B&Bs, campgrounds, or vacation rentals-we'll make sure you're always treated like family with a good healthy dose of Sullivan Catskills warm and welcoming hospitality. Book your stay now. Our hoteliers, proprietors and makers have made some special Spring Offers available that are just too good to pass up.

We're just a 90-minute drive from Manhattan. Come see us. The magic of hopeful new beginnings and the expectation of an amazing summer season awaits you, your family, and the rest of your crew and we can't wait to host you!

See you soon!

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Music on Market

Join us on Thursday, April 21 at 7:30 pm for **Soul City!**

Soul City is a Hudson Valley-based band that has been together for over 13 years and concentrates on the dance music from the Motown, Soul, Disco, and Funk era from the 1960s and '70s to more current R&B dance music.

This concert will be in person at MISU, 40 Market St. Ellenville, NY, and live-streamed on Zoom. Pre-registration on Eventbrite is requested for both. Please consider making a donation for your ticket.

If you experience technical difficulties with Eventbrite, please call (845) 377-3727 or email musicon-marketellenville@gmail.com with details of your reservation and we will assist you.

Reserve your spot here:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/music-on-market-presents-soul-city-tickets-305155968717>

The Scene Too -Jane Harrison

See you next week!

First Sunday Concerts presents: The Guitars That Changed the World

Well, sort of...

As the music of the American south migrated to the north, across the country to the west, then across the ocean and back again, it was the guitar that carried the message.

Join Little Sparrow and special guests, Sunday, May 1st, from 2-4pm, for a celebration of the guitar in acoustic, folk, country and rock music.

The show will focus on the acoustic music that became the basis for Rock and Roll. This trip will take you in and around the early 1970's, but there's bound to be some modern examples and golden oldies too.

Guitar virtuoso Van Manakas will be the featured performer. Van is a master of bluegrass, rock, country swing and jazz guitar.

The Concert will be held at the Sullivan County Museum, 265 Main Street, Hurleyville, New York. The event is free. Donations are appreciated, and directly support the music.

For more info call 845 434-8044, or visit the Sullivan County Historical Society on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/scnyhistory>

Photo credit: Aldo Troiani



Van playing Aldo's Martin guitar



Three guitar headstocks

SC Dramatic Workshop Casting Call

DATES - April 30 and May 1, 10 AM to 4 PM

Casting for actors and stage manager for sixteen 10 minute plays with several directors:

Auditions at the Rivoli Theatre, 5243 Route 42, S. Fallsburg, NY. Need Males and Females, all ages. New to theatre? No problem, we will train you.

Performance dates: June 10-12 and 17-19. Friday and Saturday performances at 8 PM, Sunday performances at 2 PM

All auditionees will be asked to cold read a scene. Then individual play directors will arrange readings for specific plays

For more information: haroldtighe50@gmail.com or 845-807-7212.

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845-210-7120.)**

***If you are presently a season subscriber to the Shadowland,
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Monti Elks Install New Officers



New Monticello Elks Exalted Ruler Ronni Yakin-Scannell holds the gavel of authority just presented to her by Past Exalted Ruler Mike Brennan at a ceremony on April 3rd. The Monticello Lodge has 307 members.

(Monticello) Monticello Elks Lodge #1544 has installed a new slate of officers. The Exalted Ruler is Ronni Yakin-Scannell who is also a Past Exalted Ruler (PER). The Leading Knight is Brian Bock, Loyal Knight Maggie Sheerer, Lecturing Knight Renee VanderMark, Esquire Ryan Walker, Inner Guard Elisabeth Bringle, Tiler David Welsch, Treasurer Sue Mapledoram, Secretary Past District Deputy (PDD) Jim Gerrard II, Chaplain PER Bob Linzer, Trustees: Past State President (PSP) Phil Conaty, PER Rich Hugel, PER Julie LiGreci, PDD Jim Sheerer and PER Mike Brennan. Presiding over the ceremony was PSP Phil Conaty. The Elk of the Year is John Greenhill and the Officer of the Year is Inner Guard Elisabeth Bringle. The Monticello Lodge supports local veterans, scouts, Little League and the Homeless Federation, as well as providing coats and gloves to elementary school children.

38th annual Kiwanis Kingston Classic

We are VERY excited to announce that we WILL be holding the 38th annual Kingston Classic this April 24th, Sunday, at the Rondout Waterfront. This is a community event and one of our largest. All money raised stays local in our community helping us help others. To sign up as a volunteer, please have your members visit the website below:

<http://www.kiwaniskingstonclassic.com/volunteers>

You can sign up and order you free T shirt here.

Please feel free to visit

<http://www.kiwaniskingstonclassic.com> for all details of the event. All volunteers must be at least 12 years of age.

Thirteenth Annual Kingston Clean Sweep

The Thirteenth Annual Kingston Clean Sweep will take place on Saturday, May 7, 2022 from 9:00 am to noon. Volunteers will be picking up litter lying along the "Kingston Corridor" from the railroad crossing on Washington Avenue through the uptown business district, down Broadway to the Rondout waterfront, as well as some side streets. The Kingston Clean Sweep is sponsored by the Friends of Historic Kingston with support from the City of Kingston and numerous other business, service and civic organizations, schools, churches and individual volunteers.

If you are interested in joining us, please contact Friends of Historic Kingston at (845) 339-0720 or click here for more information.

CASA Volunteers Needed

Make a difference in a child's life

Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASAs) are specially-trained, objective community volunteers appointed by Family Court to advocate for children who are in out-of-home placement or who are at risk of being placed in foster care.

CASA is appointed by court order to collaborate with others involved in a child's case and gather information from all interested persons including parents, foster parents, teachers, case managers, doctors, therapists, attorneys, other service providers, and the child. CASA provides fact-based reports to assist the court in addressing the child's needs and in determining what is in their best interest.

When CASA is appointed, children are either in foster care or in the care of their parents or extended family with services and family court oversight. Many are safely reunified with the parents. In other cases, children and youth are permanently placed with relatives or are adopted.

CASA's ultimate goal is for children to grow up in permanent, safe, healthy family homes.

FREE training provided, NO experience needed! Contact us!
Phone: 845-372-8771

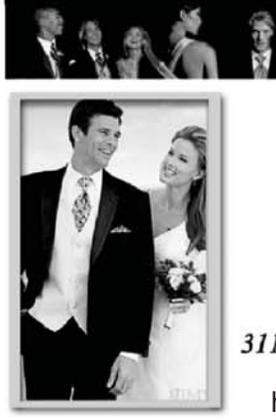
Email: Casa.Ulster@drcservices.org

More info: <https://www.drcservices.org/casa/>

<https://www.drcservices.org/volunteer-opportunities/volunteer-opportunities>

Ulster County Habitat for Humanity seeks volunteers

Let's build homes, hope, and communities together! Volunteer with Ulster Habitat ReStore today and make a difference in your community! We need volunteers to assist staff with customer service, unloading donations, organizing the warehouse and prep rooms, repairing gently used furniture, testing electronics, and preparing and pricing donated goods for resale. (Contd. Pg. 14)



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Ulster County Habitat for Humanity seeks volunteers

(From Pg. 13) There are several volunteer opportunities available Tuesday through Saturday between 9:30 and 4:30.

How do I sign up to volunteer with Ulster Habitat? Follow the instructions at <https://ulsterhabitat.org/volunteer-registration/> to register. Once we get your registration, we'll contact you to schedule your orientation. For additional information, please call Carolyn at 845-340-0907 x 105 or email volunteers@ulsterhabitat.org.

Compeer Volunteer

The COMPEER program serves people recovering from mental illness. The program matches caring volunteers from the community with clients and encourages them to develop a one to one relationship based on friendship and support.

Expectations of Volunteers

- Weekly contacts with their match using text, phone, email, etc.
- 4 hours of face to face contact in a month in which they do some sort of activity. (once a month activity is hosted and paid for by the Compeer program to assist with this requirement)

The program provides the volunteer with training, a personalized match, a monthly newsletter, social activities and continuous professional support. The goals of the program are: to encourage a nurturing relationship of friendship and support; to establish a sense of confidence in coping with the complexities of everyday life; to bring forth unique talents and abilities through social connection or activities; to ignite a sense of awareness and understanding about mental illness through involvement in community activities; and to the prevent re-hospitalization of the consumers in the program.

To become a volunteer or participant of the COMPEER program please contact:

The Compeer Coordinator 845-339-9090 x.2206

OR

Email wellnessinfo@mhainulster.com

Mental Health Peers or those with lived experience are welcome to apply for this volunteer position.

<https://www.mhainulster.com/wellness-services/compeer-volunteer-program/>

Ulster County Office for the Aging

Ulster County Office for the Aging seeks volunteers in the following areas:

Warm Callers - folks who are willing to call isolated seniors regularly so they hear a friendly voice, have someone to speak to.

Volunteer drivers for our Neighbor to Neighbor Medical appointment driving program

Help at various food pantries and community meal programs like Angel Food East, People's Place, Rondout Valley Food Pantry

Drivers for those pantries, maybe cooks

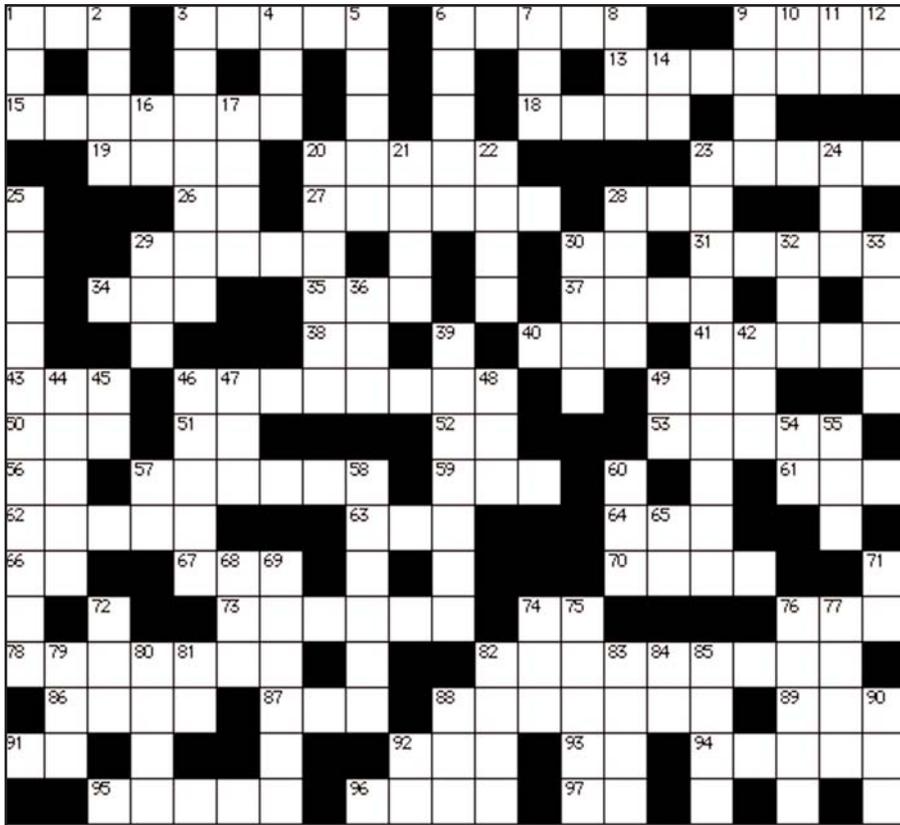
Help at area nursing home for transporting, activities, companionship

Volunteers willing to be trained to be ombudsmen in nursing homes

Volunteers willing to assist as shoppers or with grocery pickup, chore doers, light maintenance volunteers for area seniors

To learn more please contact Sue Koppenhaver at skop@co.ulster.ny.us or 845-340-3578.

Spring Green- L. Comando



ACROSS

- 1 Used to play a fiddle
- 3 Irregular surface
- 6 Make fabric on a loom
- 9 Market garden
- 13 Grant an official pardon
- 15 Continue to exist
- 18 Makes lace
- 19 Product of three and three
- 20 Used for draining waste material
- 23 Light meal
- 26 Combining form; having two
- 27 Red wine
- 28 19th

- century Gothic poet and critic
- 29 Hue
- 30 To such a great extent
- 31 Have a particular idea
- 34 Pull along with a rope
- 35 Upper limb
- 37 Nuisance
- 38 Sixteenth letter of the Greek alphabet
- 40 Dismal
- 41 Cloth woven from flax
- 43 Grassy meadow
- 46 Medieval military expeditions
- 49 Limb used for standing

- 50 Make a mistake
- 51 Used to draw attention to an amazing event
- 52 Associated Press
- 53 A mental interpretation of an idea
- 56 Expression of triumph
- 57 Material
- 59 Strong alkaline solution
- 61 Writing tool
- 62 Prepares for publication
- 63 Make a choice
- 64 Long period of time
- 66 Auto-exposure
- 67 Fasten with stitches
- 70 Picnic

- pests
- 73 Deserving respect
- 74 Brit's thank you
- 76 An object used for play
- 78 More easily understood
- 82 Composed of different elements
- 86 Wreckage
- 87 Family
- 88 Woven fabric
- 89 Crude metal
- 91 Northeast
- 92 Ocean
- 93 Used to refer to something previously mentioned
- 94 Book of maps
- 95 Accommodate
- 96 Cloth

- shelter used by a camper
 - 97 Common Era
- DOWN**
- 1 Public transportation
 - 2 Having clothing on one's body
 - 3 Arch of colors
 - 4 Employ
 - 5 Establishment for accommodation tourists
 - 6 Compound of Hydrogen and Oxygen
 - 7 Expression of human creativity
 - 8 Consume food
 - 9 Flowerless plant with leafy fond
 - 10 Used in Comparisons
 - 11 Right (abbrev)
 - 12 Possessive pronoun

- 14 Title before a woman's surname
- 16 Roman
- 6
- 17 Something used to conceal
- 20 Small pieces of leftovers
- 21 Comfortably high temperature
- 22 Slender leaved grass plant
- 23 Where people establish a community
- 24 Be able to
- 25 Young, curled edible fond of certain fern plants
- 28 Rhyme
- 29 Domestic bovine
- 30 Whirl around

- quickly
- 32 A guest house
- 33 Group of people with similar characteristics
- 36 Long narrow inlet
- 39 Rich
- 42 Independent Grocers' Association
- 44 Decay
- 45 Chem element argon
- 46 A group of students
- 47 Steal
- 48 Secret agent
- 49 Long Island (abbrev)
- 54 General Practitioner
- 55 Snake-like fish
- 57 Foot (abbrev)
- 58 Soft white fibrous substance
- 60 Hot brewed beverage
- 65 Not off sheep
- 69 Employee
- 71 Next to

- 72 Large fast-running bird
- 74 A heavy demand
- 75 Loft
- 76
- Mythical creature
- 77
- Vegetable used in gumbo
- 79 Anger
- 80 Flat hollow bread
- 81 A logarithm to the base
- 82 Boggy decomposed matter used for gardening
- 83 Mention as an example
- 84 Hectoliters (abbrev)
- 85 Destroy by use
- 88 A decade
- 90 Eastern Standard Time
- 92 Southeast

An Earth Day Celebration
Sunny Yellow Cake
 (No artificial ingredients or preservative)

- 2 cups cake flour
- 2 teaspoons baking powder
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 cup butter, softened
- 1 cup sugar
- 3 fresh locally grown large eggs, room temperature
- 2 teaspoons vanilla
- 3/4 cup milk

Preheat oven to 350°F. Grease and flour two 9" cake pans.

In a bowl, combine flour, baking powder and salt with a wire whisk.

Cream butter and sugar until light and fluffy. Beat in eggs, one at a time. Add vanilla and mix until completely combined. Slowly add flour alternatively with milk. At end of addition batter should be smooth. Divide between the 2 pans.

Bake for 20 to 25 minutes. Cool 5 minutes in the pan, then invert onto a rack and cool completely before frosting with your favorite recipe - or top it off with strawberries and whipped cream!

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Answer on page 23

To play SUDOKO online:
<https://sudoku.com>

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z

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Kids' Spring Fun Page

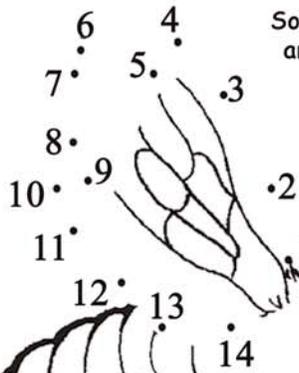
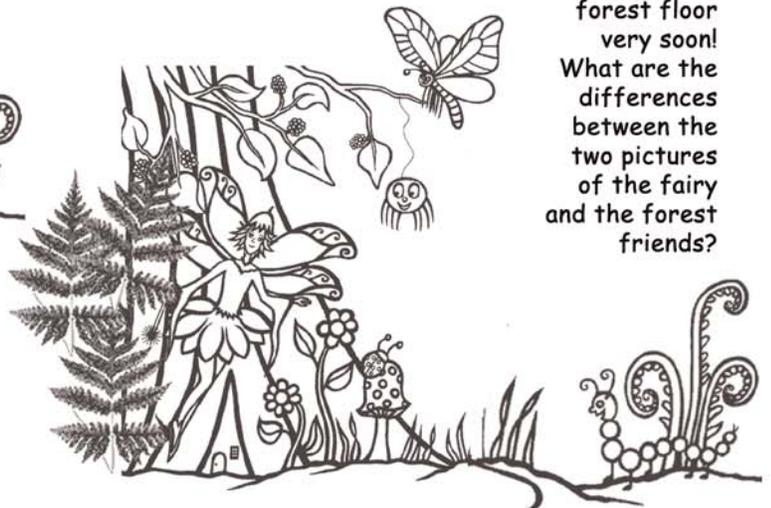
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How many words can you make from the words

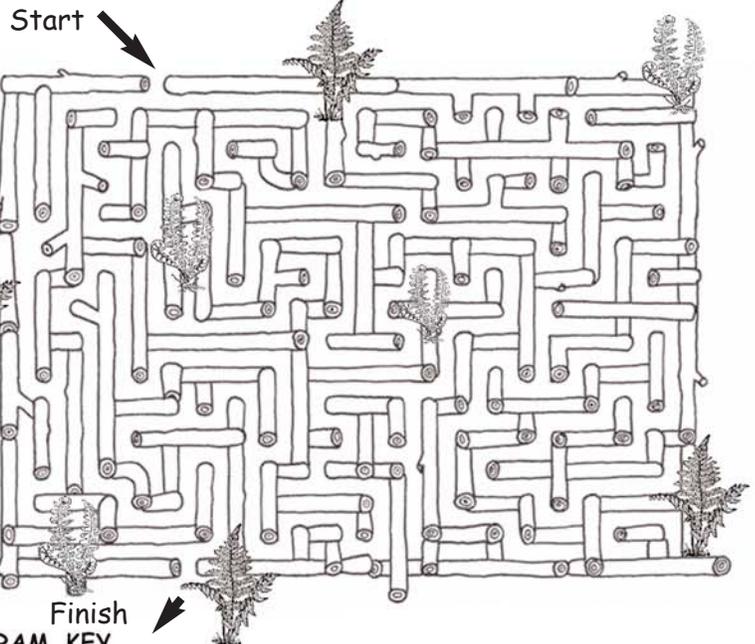
FIDDLEHEAD FERN?

The Fiddleheads will be poking their heads up through the forest floor very soon! What are the differences between the two pictures of the fairy and the forest friends?



Soon the bees will be flying around and pollinating the spring flowers. Can you follow the dots to help this bee get his wings ready?

Can you find your way through the fern garden?



WORDSEARCH

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FERN
 FIDDLEHEADS
 FOREST
 WOODLANDS
 SHADE
 FRONDS
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 LEAF
 SPRING
 FORAGE
 OSTRICH
 BRACKEN

CRYPTOGRAM KEY

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Grahamsville Reformed Church Hall

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LEGALS/PUBLIC NOTICES

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

MARCH 18, 2022

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 3, 2022
At 7:00 P.M. (EDT)**

for the purpose of presenting the school budget for the 2022-2023 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 2022-2023 school year budget and the VOTING for members of the Board of Education will take place on Tuesday, May 17, 2022 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 the following proposition will also be submitted for voter approval at said Annual Meeting:

"Shall the Board of Education be authorized to establish a Capital Reserve Fund, designated as the 2022 Capital Reserve Fund, in accordance with Education Law Section 3651(1), for the purpose of paying the cost of future building projects and facility renovations, in a maximum amount not to exceed \$20,000,000, plus accrued earnings, to be raised by annual transfers of unappropriated fund balances, annual transfers of excess funds from the General Fund in an amount up to \$750,000, for a probable term of ten (10) years, effective July 1, 2022 and expiring June 30, 2032, provided that, pursuant to Education Law Section 3651(3), no expenditure shall be made from such fund except upon authorization of the voters of the District for the purposes specified herein?"

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 18, 2022. 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 2022, there are three Board seats available which are three-year terms, commencing July 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2025, for seats currently held by the following Board of Education members:

Keri-Ann Poley
Erin Mentnech
Joseph Colón

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 3, 2022, at 7:00 P.M. in the Secondary School Library Lower Level.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that pursuant to a prior resolution of the District, personal voter registration is in effect. The dates for personal voter registration have been set for Tuesday, May 10, 2022, and Wednesday, May 11, 2022, 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 12, 2022, 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 17, 2022. 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. (Contd. Pg. 19)

LEGALS/PUBLIC NOTICES

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

(From Pg. 18)

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. Potential voters who are concerned about appearing for personal registration due to COVID-19 risks, may register online at the Department of Motor Vehicles voter registration website at the following URL: <https://dmv.ny.gov/more-info/electronic-voter-registration-application>. Potential voters may also register by downloading a Voter Registration Form from the New York State Board of Elections website (<https://www.elections.ny.gov/VotingRegister.html#VoteRegForm>), completing it, and mailing it to the Sullivan County Board of Elections at the address listed on the second page of the form.

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 21, 2022. 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 21, 2022. 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 22, 2022. Completed military ballots must be received by the School District by 5:00 p.m. on May 17, 2022 in order to be counted.

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 10, 2022) OR the day before the election (Monday, May 16, 2022), 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 Peña, District Clerk
 Dated: March 18, 2022

4/7; 4/14; 4/21; 4/28

Tri-Valley CSD Board Meetings

- 1) Regular Meeting #19 - Tuesday, April 26, 2022,
 Meeting opening call to order - 6:00 p.m.
 Secondary School Library Lower Level
 Anticipated Proposed Executive Session - 6:00 p.m.
 Secondary School Library Upper Level
 Regular Meeting #19 resumes - 7:00 p.m.
 Secondary School Library Lower Level.
- 2) Annual Budget Hearing - Tuesday, May 3, 2022 -
 Hearing opening call to order - 7:00 p.m.
 Secondary School Library Lower Level

These will be streamed live on our YouTube Channel:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCkI224vKQ8nAWhR6NVao24w/live>

Fallsburg CSD Board of Education Meeting

May 4, 2022

**May 17, 2022
 (Budget Vote)**

LEGALIS/PUBLIC NOTICES

**2022-2023 Opening
Tri-Valley Central School**

School Nurse
LPN/RN License Required

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

4/7; 4/14; 4/21

The **Commissioner Meeting** for the **Neversink Fire District** that is scheduled for **Thursday, April 21st at 7:30 pm** has been moved to **Thursday, April 28th at 7:30 pm**.

4/21

Fallsburg School Budget Includes Tax Decrease

On Wednesday, April 13, 2022, The Fallsburg Board of Education (BOE) adopted a School Budget for 2022-2023 that will go before the Fallsburg voters on May 17, 2022. The amount that was adopted is for \$52,506,954. The tax levy needed to support this budget is a tax decrease of 1.67%.

This is the lowest levy that has been put out to voters in at least the last two decades. This historic lowering of school taxes was made possible by the Governor and the Legislature who are beginning to make up for money owed to the district due to flawed budgeting formulas over past years. Additionally, the BOE Budget Committee has been working diligently with the administration and business office to put forward a budget that balances the needs of the school district with the capacity of our taxpayers.

This budget expands school programming and school safety, while at the same time creating a historically substantial decrease in school taxes. Students will have new learning opportunities, attend college classes, and address social emotional issues exacerbated by the pandemic.

In addition to enlarged student opportunities and a historically low school tax levy, the district has been able to save money to address future unknowns like fuel costs and price increases due to ongoing supply chain issues.

Please remember to come out and vote on your school budget and board member election on Tuesday, May 17, 2022, from 11:00 AM - 8:00 PM, at the Fallsburg Junior-Senior High School. The new venue is the Board of Education Meeting Room, located on the basement level near the Central Business Office, 115 Brickman Road, Fallsburg, NY.

Please Take Notice:
Covid-19 Home Test Kits
are available at
Town of Denning Town Hall
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Town of Neversink SPRING CLEANUP 2022

Spring Cleanup will be held on April 23, 27 & 30 AND May 4, 2022. The Transfer Station will be open during normal business hours. Residents with RED 2022 permits will be allowed 2 loads which must be brought during the Spring Cleanup dates. Permit cards will be punched for each load. TVs and other electronic items can be disposed of with payment being made by SW coupons. Refrigerators, freezers, dehumidifiers and air conditioners require a Freon removal fee of \$15.00 per item. Each permit holder is entitled to four free car tires. Scrap metal can be taken anytime throughout the year without charge. Due to the high volume of traffic during spring cleanup, residents are asked NOT TO bring any of these items during Spring Cleanup. Please bring these items at a later date.

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

**COVID HOME TEST KITS
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NEVERSINK TOWN
HALL.**

**Must be a Town of Neversink
Residents
**Two tests per household
**Available 8:30 to 4:30 M-F

Liberty Life Savers Mother's Day Plant and Bake Sale Fundraiser

WHEN: Saturday, April 30, 2022

PLACE: Liberty Trading Post Parking Lot

TIME: 11 am - 3 pm

Thank you for supporting the Liberty Life
Savers
*(formerly the Sullivan County
Pregnancy Support Center)*

Forestburgh Playhouse Announce the Kick-off of our 2022 Season with the Spring Series at the Tavern!

The Forestburgh Playhouse is thrilled to announce the kick-off of our 2022 Season with the Spring Series at the Tavern! Every Friday and Saturday starting May 13th, the Playhouse will offer an exciting lineup that is sure to delight and entertain Sullivan Catskills Patrons! Bands, drag, karaoke, dancing and more!

The Playhouse is also thrilled to announce that the Spring Series will be dedicated to local organizations that make our County a better place. Each event during the Series will highlight, promote and raise funds for their cause. Benefiting organizations are: The Forestburgh Fire Company, The Boys and Girls Club of Orange and Sullivan, Forestburgh Playhouse Academy, Liberty Rotary Disaster Relief Funds, St. Jude's Children's Hospital and A Single Bite.

The Spring Series kicks off on May 13th with a Catskills favorite, Far Beyond Gone, benefitting the Forestburgh Fire Company William Steinberg Memorial Scholarship Fund. May 14th will see the return of fan-favorite Paige Turner in The Marvelous Paige Turner! Ms. Turner's show will benefit The Boys and Girls Club of Orange and Sullivan Counties. Broadway vocal Powerhouse Morgan James and funny man Eddie Safarty will benefit the Playhouse Academy Scholarships, and the Liberty Rotary Disaster Relief funds respectively, on May 20th and 21st. Rounding out the Spring Series, is a Karaoke Night presented by Bold Gold Media benefitting the St. Jude's Children's Hospital on May 27th, and the swinging sensations of Little Big Band benefitting A Single Bite to help fight childhood food insecurities right here in the Catskills. For tickets and more information on the charities we're thrilled to support, go to <https://www.fbplayhouse.org/spring-series-2022> or call 845-794-1194. Come celebrate our community, food, spirits and fun at the Spring Series!

Forestburgh Playhouse is located at 39 Forestburgh Road Forestburgh, NY 12777

For information: 845-794-2005 / fbplayhouse.org

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Covered Dish Supper May 7

Sundown United Methodist Church Hall



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Saturday afternoon: 4:30 pm
Sunday morning: 9:00 am and 11:30 am

Daily Mass Schedule: Monday morning 8:50 am; Tuesday morning 8:50 am; Wednesday morning No Mass; Thursday afternoon 3:00 pm; Friday morning 8:50 am and Saturday morning 8:50 am.

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

Grahamsville Reformed Church

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Pastor Kenneth Ronk
Sunday School 9:30 am
Worship Service 9:30 am
P O Box 238 - Route 55
Grahamsville, NY 12740
845-985-7480

Grahamsville United Methodist Church

Thrift Sale

**April 23rd
9 am-12 noon
May 7th
9am- 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
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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

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Claryville Road
Claryville, NY 12725
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Rev. Thomas P. Kiely, Pastor

LOCAL CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- 4/19/22 Town of Neversink Zoning Board Meeting 7:30 pm
 4/21/22 Town of Denning Planning Board 6:00 pm Denning Town Hall
 4/23/22 Grahamsville UMC **Thrift Sale** 9 am - 12 noon
 4/23/22 Grahamsville Reformed **Church Roast Pork Dinner** 4 - 7 pm Church Hall • Eat In or Take Out
 4/28/22 Neversink Fire District Monthly meeting 7:30 PM
 5/3/22 Claryville Fire District Meeting 6:30 pm
 5/4/22 Town of Neversink Planning Board Meeting 7:00 pm
 5/7/22 **Sundown UMC Covered Dish Supper** 5:30 Church Hall
 5/8/22 Claryville Fire Department **Mother's Day All You Can Eat Pancake Breakfast** 8 am - 12 noon
 5/10/22 Denning Town Board Meetings 6:00 pm Denning Town Hall
 5/11/22 Neversink Town Board Meeting - 7:30 pm
 5/17/22 Town of Neversink Zoning Board Meeting 7:30 pm

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.

Local Town Hall Websites:

Town of Denning - <http://www.denning.us>

Town of Neversink - <https://townofneversink.org>

Ulster County Legislature Weekly Update**Monday, April 18**

- o 6:00 PM - Trails Advisory Committee, in the Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston
- o 6:30 PM - Ulster County Board of Health, at 239 Golden Hill Ln, Kingston

Tuesday, April 19

- 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) - Caucus: Democrats, in the Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston
- o 6:00 PM (or immediately following Ways & Means Committee) - Caucus: Republicans, in KL Binder Library, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston
- o 7:05 PM - Public Hearing Pursuant to Section 1411(d) of the NYS Not-For-Profit Law, Consideration of Easements Across County Owned Property in City of Kingston, in the Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston
- o 7:10 PM - Public Hearing: Proposed Local Law No. 2 of 2022 - Ulster County Ethics Law, in the Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston
- o 7:15 PM - Legislative Session, in the Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, COB, Kingston and 6600 Coastal Hwy, Ocean City, MD 21842

Public Hearings and Legislative Session are also available via vimeo Livestream at: <https://livestream.com/accounts/1512750/events/1824203>

Public Comment is also offered by "Call In Studio": Dial 205-ULSTER-0 or (205) 857-8370 to be connected.

Written comments may also be submitted to the Clerk via email to vfab@co.ulster.ny.us

Wednesday, April 20

- o 9:00 AM - Ulster County Industrial Development Agency, Powered by Zoom Meeting. Meeting ID: 816 4111 9687, By Phone Dial (646) 558-8656
- o 10:30 AM (or immediately following the UC IDA) - Ulster County Capital Resources Corporation, Powered by Zoom Meeting. Meeting ID: 816 4111 9687, By Phone Dial (646) 558-8656
- o 6:00 PM - Commission on Reapportionment, in the Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston

Thursday, April 21

- o 5:30 PM - Youth Board, Powered by Zoom Meetings. Meeting ID: 997 2737 2088, Passcode: 178045, By Phone Dial (646) 558-8656
- o 6:00 PM - Commission on Reapportionment, in the Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston

Friday, April 22

- o 12 Noon - Resolution Deadline

Saturday, April 23

- o 10:00 AM - Special Meeting of the Economic Development, Planning, Education, Employment, Arts & Agriculture Committee, Powered by Zoom Meetings. Meeting ID: 817 1511 6377, By Phone Dial: (646) 558-8656

Remember All the Fun You Had at the Grahamsville UMC Thrift Sales?

We Can't Allow that to Change!

It was so much fun going to the Thrift Sale this past Saturday!

The next Thrift Sale at Grahamsville UM Church will be held on **April 23rd**. Volunteers are still needed to make sure they can continue to hold all the Thrift Sales posted on their calendar!

We all had a lot of fun looking for that special item and finding a lot more! Not only was it fun finding great bargains, but it was also a lot of fun seeing familiar faces and meeting new friends who were having just as much fun.

All those years, all those bargains, fun and food were **made possible by volunteers**. **Volunteers are special people** who gave some time and effort back to the community. In the past volunteers found their little niche - whether it was sorting the new items that were brought in by donors, washing items so they were pristine when you bought them, placing the items in an orderly fashion on the racks, tables and shelves, or being there on a sale day helping those making purchases.

Unfortunately time has taken its toll on the number of volunteers that are needed to make the Thrift Sales continue to happen. Some of the volunteers are longer with us, or are now unable to perform as they did in years past. How sad it would be not to have someone follow in their footsteps and step up and volunteer! **If you love coming to the Thrift Sales, why not become one of the volunteers?**

You don't have to be a member of the Grahamsville UM Church to be a volunteer. Think about it. If everyone who came to the Thrift Sale in the past were to volunteer just a little of their time and a little effort, we could all look forward to future **Thrift Sales!**

Please fill out the form below and bring it with you to the church on Sunday and leave it with the pastor or mail it to: **Grahamsville UM Church, P O Box 86, Grahamsville, NY 12740 Attention: Thrift Sale Volunteers**; or if you come to the next **Thrift Sale on April 23rd**, bring the form with you and give it to one of the volunteers.

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

TELE NUMBER: _____

EMAIL: _____

Please check what type of volunteer service you can offer to
help make the GUMC Thrift Sales continue to Happen!

_____ Help sort donations

_____ Wash items when necessary

_____ Help with displaying and placing merchandise for sale

_____ Help at the Thrift Sales

____ Other: If you have something else that you may offer to help, please let us know

THANK YOU!

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Friday, May 20, 2022

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

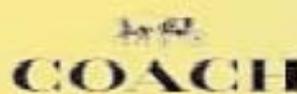
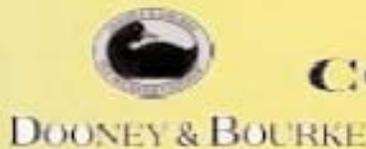
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name and phone number where you
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Fallsburg CSD 2022-2023 Pre-K & Kindergarten Registration

**NEW FOR 2022-2023:
FULL DAY PRE-K PROGRAM!**
(2 classrooms with 18 students in each)
(that day program will no longer be offered)

- Pre-K students must be 4 years old on or before December 1, 2022.
- Kindergarten students must be 5 years old on or before December 1, 2022.

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 11th - April 29th
Kindergarten students: May 9th - May 20th

For Pre-K:
COMPLETE Registration Packets (including ALL required documentation) will be accepted until April 29th. 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 2022-2023 Registro de Pre-K y Kindergarten

**NUEVO PARA 2022-2023:
PROGRAMA DE PRE-K DE DÍA COMPLETO!**
(2 aulas con 18 alumnos en cada una)
(el programa de medio día ya no se ofrece)

- Los estudiantes de Pre-K deben tener 4 años cumplidos el 1 de diciembre de 2022 o antes.
- Los estudiantes de kindergarten deben tener 5 años cumplidos el 1 de diciembre de 2022 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: 11 de Abril - 29 de Abril
Estudiantes de Kindergarten: 9 de Mayo - 20 de Mayo

Para Pre-K:
COMPLETE Los paquetes de registro (que incluyen TODA la documentación requerida) se aceptarán hasta el 29 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.

Sullivan County Pk-12 Visual Art Show Debuts at Bethel Woods and Gallery 222

Bethel: Sullivan BOCES, in partnership with Bethel Woods Center for the Arts, the Catskill Art Society, and Gallery 222, proudly presented the Pk-12 Visual Art Show at the Market Shed at Bethel Woods.

This year's exhibition, appearing throughout the Market Shed from April 1 to April 3, presented the work of students from the County's school districts plus student work from Sullivan BOCES.

The show held a public opening reception on Friday, April 1, 2022, from 3:00 pm - 6:00 pm. Bethel Woods also provided free museum admission to students attending the Arts Show throughout the weekend.

The show consisted of 600 pieces of artwork in the ten media categories of Ceramics & Glass, Digital Art, Design, Black & White Drawing, Color Drawing, Mixed Media, Painting, Black & White Photography, Color Photography, Film & Animation, and Sculpture. The Catskill Art Society adjudicated the High School artwork for Artist Choice Awards. The students visiting the show also adjudicated the artwork to award Student's Choice Awards. As a result, the list below, grouped by media category, indicates the artwork that received an Artist and/or Student Choice Award.

Gallery 222 in Hurleyville, NY, will host the Artist & Student Choice Awards Extended Show from Friday, April 8 - April 24. Gallery hours are Friday 1:00 pm - 7:00 pm, Saturday 12:00 pm - 7:00 pm, Sunday 11:00 am - 4:00 pm. The community is invited to visit the art shows to see the talents of the Sullivan County students and future artists!

The Sullivan County Pk-12 Visual Art Show is one of the many programs offered through the Arts In Education Program at Sullivan BOCES. Dedicated to raising visual and aesthetic literacy standards and levels while strengthening and supporting learning in all curriculum areas, the Arts In Education Program supports the Arts and arts-integrated learning experiences for K-12 students and teachers. For more information about the Arts In Education Program at Sullivan BOCES, visit scboces.org.

2022 Sullivan County 7-12 Visual Art Show Award Winners

Iliana Marrero, Sullivan BOCES-Animation

Student Choice Award & Artist Choice

Madison Cohen, Sullivan BOCES-Animation

Student Choice Award & Artist Choice

RileyAnn Doss, Monticello CSD - Animation

Student Choice Award & Artist Choice

Ella Werbalowsky, Monticello CSD - Animation

Student Choice Award & Artist Choice

Ella Werbalowsky, Monticello CSD - B & W Drawing

Artist Choice Award

Gwynnaeth Andersen, Eldred CSD - B&W Drawing

Student Choice Award

Elizangela Duarte Kuckler, Fallsburg CSD - B&W

Drawing - Student Choice Award

Heidi Flores, Monticello CSD - B&W Drawing

Artist Choice Award

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(4" x 6") - \$48.00 per week

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(6" x 8") - \$96.00 per week

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 Phone: _____

Vehicle Type (Please Circle One):
 Car Truck Bike Jeep Plane Tractor
 Vehicle Year: _____
 Vehicle Make: _____
 Vehicle Model: _____
 Applicants Signature: _____

Upon signing this form, the applicant agrees to release Sprague & Killeen, Inc. and anyone connected with this show, from any and all known and/or unknown damages, injury, losses, judgements, and/or claims that may be suffered by the entrant to his/her person or property.

The applicant assumes full responsibility for his/her vehicle.

**The United Methodist Church
of Shady**

**Roast Pork Dinner
& Bake Sale**

Sat. April 30

**Takeouts Only
5:00 to 6:45 PM**

Adults \$14 Children \$7

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5 miles West of Woodstock**

Reservations: 679-2982 or 679-4510

Please leave a message

Sullivan County Pk-12 Visual Art Show Debuts at Bethel Woods and Gallery 222

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Bryce Junior, Fallsburg CSD - B&W Drawing - Student Choice Award

Hannah McGruder, Monticello CSD - B&W Drawing -Student Choice Award

Khimani Tisdale, Fallsburg CSD - B&W Drawing -Student Choice Award

Summer Schmidt, Liberty CSD - B&W Photography -Student Choice Award

Zandy Valencia Bamac, Liberty CSD - B&W Photography-Student Choice Award & Artist Choice

Abby Kelly, Liberty CSD - B&W Photography- Student Choice Award & Artist Choice

Abby Kelly, Liberty CSD - Color Photography-Student Choice Award

Camille Licursi, Sullivan West CSD - Color Photography-Student Choice Award

Gavin McKee, Sullivan BOCES - Color Photography-Artist Choice Award

Dylan Parks, Liberty CSD - Color Photography- Student Choice Award

Rebecca Philips, Liberty CSD - Color Photography-Artist Choice Award

Melana Quick-Lepke, Liberty CSD - Color Photography-Student Choice Award

Annika Berman, Sullivan West CSD - Color Photography-Artist Choice Award

Jennifer Huerta, Monticello CSD - Ceramics -Student Choice Award

Gryphon McElrath, Monticello CSD - Ceramics -Artist Choice Award

Emily Rivera-Nunez, Monticello CSD - Ceramics -Artist Choice Award

Ava Toledo, Monticello CSD - Ceramics-Student Choice Award

Tashia Whidbee, Monticello CSD - Ceramics -Artist Choice Award

Angy Wood, Liberty CSD - Ceramics -Student Choice Award & Artist Choice

Alexis Fredericks, Eldred CSD - Color Drawing -Student Choice Award

Amber Manor, Fallsburg CSD - Color Drawing - Artist Choice Award

Amber Manor, Fallsburg CSD - Color Drawing -Student Choice Award

Zoey Vega, Eldred CSD - Color Drawing-Artist Choice Award

Julia Almodoval, Liberty CSD - Design-Student Choice Award

Christian DeJesus, Monticello CSD - Design - Student Choice Award & Artist Choice

Abby Kelly, Liberty CSD - Design - Student Choice Award

Eric Schark-Sanderson, Monticello CSD - Design -Student Choice Award

Julia Almodoval, Liberty CSD - Digital - Student Choice Award

Rose-Lynn Murphy, Sullivan West CSD - Digital - Artist Choice Award

Khimani Tisdale, Fallsburg CSD - Digital - Student Choice Award

Ayanna Moreira, Tri-Valley CSD - Digital -Student Choice Award & Artist Choice

Dominic DePaolo, Sullivan West CSD - Drawing - Student Choice Award

Anthony LaRusso, Monticello CSD - Drawing - Artist Choice Award

Aaden Mitchell, Monticello CSD - Drawing - Artist Choice Award

Zachary Narozny, Roscoe CSD - Drawing - Artist Choice Award

Dayana Paredes-Trujillo, Monticello CSD - Drawing - Student Choice Award

Hailie Prince, Tri-Valley CSD - Drawing - Student Choice Award & Artist Choice

Angela Roberts, Monticello CSD - Drawing -Student Choice Award

Devyn Callahan, Tri-Valley CSD - Drawing - Artist Choice Award

Katelyn Sauer, Tri-Valley CSD - Mixed Media - Artist Choice Award

Nicholas Shochi Anzuma, Monticello CSD - Mixed Media-Artist Choice Award

Ravynne Grethe, Sullivan West CSD - Mixed Media -Student Choice Award

Amber Manor, Fallsburg CSD - Mixed Media -Student Choice Award

Emma Mead, Sullivan West CSD - Mixed Media-Student Choice Award & Artist Choice

Thalia Sandoval, Fallsburg CSD - Mixed Media -Student Choice Award & Artist Choice

Jada Valentin, Monticello CSD - Mixed Media - Artist Choice Award

Aimee Welton, Sullivan West CSD - Mixed Media - Artist Choice Award

Tashia Whidbee, Monticello CSD - Mixed Media - Artist Choice Award

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Nicholas Shochi Anzuma, Monticello CSD - Painting - Artist Choice Award
Emma Coty, Sullivan West CSD - Painting- Artist Choice Award
Isabella Fairfield, Monticello CSD - Painting Artist Choice Award
Alexis Fredericks, Eldred CSD - Painting - Student Choice Award
Yahaira Garcia, Fallsburg CSD - Painting - Artist Choice Award
Helene Leahy, Eldred CSD - Painting -Artist Choice Award
Amber Manor, Fallsburg CSD - Painting - Artist Choice Award
Emma Mead, Sullivan West CSD - Painting - Artist Choice Award
Sadie Mogel, Monticello CSD - Painting - Artist Choice Award
Destanie Morris, Monticello CSD - Painting - Student Choice Award
Dayana Paredes-Trujillo, Monticello CSD - Painting - Student Choice Award
Vanessa Vranich, Monticello CSD - Painting - Artist Choice Award
Autumn Walsh, Eldred CSD - Painting - Student Choice Award
Tashia Whidbee, Monticello CSD - Painting - Artist Choice Award
Hope Woods, Tri-Valley CSD - Painting-Student Choice Award
Lisa Collins, Monticello CSD - Painting - Artist Choice Award
Madison Cohen, Sullivan BOCES - Printmaking - Student Choice Award
Reece Morgan, Eldred CSD - Printmaking -Artist Choice Award
Elena Ruef, Tri-Valley CSD - Printmaking - Artist Choice Award
Eric Schark-Sanderson, Monticello CSD - Printmaking -Student Choice Award
Chrissy Wachter, Tri-Valley CSD - Printmaking - Student Choice Award & Artist Choice
Nevaeh Bush, Roscoe CSD - Sculpture - Student Choice Award
William Martinez, Fallsburg CSD - Sculpture - Artist Choice Award
Ryan Miller, Sullivan West CSD - Sculpture - Artist Choice Award
Eduardo Salinas, Monticello CSD - Sculpture - Artist Choice Award
Aisha Darboe, Fallsburg CSD - Sculpture - Student Choice Award
Mariana O'Dorle Navarro, Fallsburg CSD - Sculpture - Student Choice Award
Fressia Medina Orellana, Fallsburg CSD - Sculpture -Student Choice Award
Helen Flores Betancourth, Fallsburg CSD - Sculpture -Student Choice Award & Artist Choice

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Catskill Center Statement on Passage of FY 2023 NYS Budget

The Catskill Center applauds Governor Kathy Hochul and the state legislature for passing a Fiscal Year 2023 budget that includes vital funding for the continued operation of the Congressman Maurice D. Hinchey Catskills Visitor Center (CVC) along with historic funding for the Catskill Forest Preserve.

"We are grateful for the steady support from and strong partnership with the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation that allows for the continued success and growth of the Catskill Park's official visitor center," said Jeff Senterman, Executive Director of the Catskill Center. "Many thanks to the strong leadership of our bipartisan Catskill Park delegation. We look forward to greeting more visitors than ever at the CVC, and invite them to browse our new exhibits as well as visit our Upper Esopus Fire Tower as part of the Catskills Fire Tower Challenge."

The \$150,000 for the CVC is part of the Environmental Protection Fund (EPF), where it has been included for the past two years. The CVC opened in 2015, and sits on 60 acres of forest, fields, and wetlands in the hamlet of Mount Tremper, Ulster County.

The Catskill Center also praises Governor Hochul and state legislators for allotting an historic \$8 million for the Catskill and Adirondack Forest Preserves, with-in a record-high \$400 million EPF. This Forest Preserve funding is intended to help address issues of overuse, concentrating on environmental protection and visitor safety. In this funding, we'll look to the state to help us carve out money for our successful Catskill Stewards Program, which goes a long way toward educating visitors to recreate responsibly in Catskills hot spots such as Kaaterskill Falls and Peekamoose Blue Hole.

The final state budget also includes funding for programs with which the Catskill Center is involved: \$100,000 for the Catskill Science Collaborative; \$500,000 to Cornell University to maintain the hemlock woolly adelgid (HWA) biocontrol lab; and \$1 million for improvements at Belleayre Ski Center.

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NICK NEEDS KIDNEY -TYPE O (IN SOME CASES TYPE A BLOOD COULD WORK)

Chronic Kidney Disease (CKD) progresses in stages and, if untreated, can lead to complete loss of kidney function. At CKD stage 5, when both kidneys fail completely, the only options for survival are dialysis or a kidney transplant. Nick is at stage 5.

If interested in donating please contact Westchester Medical Center and speak with a Living Donor Coordinator at 914.493.1990

More about our warrior Nick....

Nick was diagnosed with Tuberous Sclerosis Complex (TSC) at birth. TSC is a neurological disorder that produces seizures, tumors, and lesions that effect the organs of the body and can cause Autism. Nick has been battling with seizures his whole life from infantile spasms to adult grand-mal seizures. May 2019 we heard the worst news that Nick's function was under 10% on both kidneys. Since then Nick has had multiple surgeries so he could get the proper dialysis preformed. Nick goes in center for 4 hours 3 times a week. Not what the sweetest, kindest, 31 year old should be going through.

Nick has such a big heart and is loved by so many in our community. We all want Nick to have the best quality of life and going through dialysis does not provide that quality. We hope and pray a kidney comes to us and that Nick will be able to live a happy and healthy life doing what he loves and that is to bicycle all throughout our town making people smile. Nick is a big part of the community, he takes pride with his volunteer work with the EMS and is the Honorary member of the Monticello Fire Department.

Lets all band together for Nick and help him find a kidney so he can live life to the fullest!

For any other questions
845.798.2077 nickneedsokidney@gmail.com

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Celebrating Students' Creativity Student Art Show is back!

Friday, April 22 6-8pm
April 23 and 24 10am-5pm
at the Dorflinger Factory Museum
Route 6 & Elizabeth Street, White Mills

The Wayne County Arts Alliance along with the sponsorship of AM Skier Insurance are excited to provide an opportunity to share some outstanding artwork created in our three county schools. From Middle school to high school, these students are engaged in expressing their voice through the arts! We would like to invite our community to enjoy and celebrate the creative spirit of our youth.

Artworks by students from Wallenpaupack, Wayne Highlands, and Western Wayne schools will be on display at the Dorflinger Factory Museum at route 6 and Elizabeth Street, White Mills. Come join in the celebration on Friday, April 22nd from 6-8, or April 23rd & 24th from 10-5pm.

Ellen Silberlicht, the chairperson of this event believes, "The Arts play a strong part in the development of our children along with keeping them engaged in healthy activities. They are the future of our community, engaging their creative spirit will certainly move us all forward. Giving these young artists an audience acknowledges their hard work, just as attending a sports function supports those players."

AM Skier Insurance is generously sponsoring this show and will be providing awards to the most outstanding artworks to be judged by our local jury. Bill Donnelly, a past president of the WCAA was so impressed with the shows in the past, he has also donated to sponsor the outstanding student award. We are including an opportunity for the public to vote for the People's Choice. Please come out and see what our youth creates with pen, paper, paint, clay, and other materials. Each person has their own way of seeing and expressing themselves. You will certainly enjoy some incredible artwork by our local students!

Adopted Budget Makes Significant Strides for Environmental Protection - More to be Done on Climate Action

(Albany, NY) - Last Friday and Saturday the State Legislature passed finalized budget language detailing environmental initiatives for the 2022-2023 Fiscal Year. The proposal offers significant funding for key programs to fight against climate change and preserve New York's environment.

Among the big-ticket items included in the final plan is a \$4.2 billion Bond Act proposal and \$400 million for the Environmental Protection Fund, dollars that will go a long way to financing crucial water quality projects and initiatives for habitat restoration, open space conservation and flood risk reduction.

"This budget once again represents record resources for important environmental programs," said Assemblymember Kevin A. Cahill (D-Ulster, Dutchess). "They serve as critical investments in New York's ability to preserve and protect our

communities and help us continue our national leadership in addressing the reality of climate change as it bears down upon us in the form of increasingly extreme weather."

The fiscal plan strengthens safeguards for fragile wetlands, giving the Department of Environmental Conservation a broader mandate to conserve dwindling habitats, which will better protect our homes and businesses by mitigating the impacts of severe flooding. Other proposals will extend and introduce significant incentives for New Yorkers to convert to green bio-fuel and geothermal systems and install infrastructure for charging electric vehicles.

The package was certainly not without gaps in environmental policy and funding. The legislature and governor have yet to address our aging and increasingly ineffective bottle deposit laws or require a full accounting of the tax breaks handed out to fossil fuel polluters. Also remaining to be done is putting more teeth behind our landmark Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act by placing a fee on carbon pollution paid by those who create it. Assemblymember Cahill has specific proposals to accomplish each of those important goals[1].

"While I am disappointed that the budget did not include these crucial pieces of environmental legislation, the investment it otherwise represents is significant. I will continue to work with my colleagues to improve incentives for the recycling of beverage containers, prevent billions of taxpayers' dollars from flowing into the pockets of fossil fuel companies and put in place the tools we need to continue to do our part to save our endangered planet."

All Tangled Up



*Two ECOs holding a bird trapped in fishing line
ECOs DeRose and Dickson work to free the tangled osprey*

The ECOs and Fisheries Biologists quickly responded to the other side of Belmont Lake State Park where the incident occurred. The Officers safely detangled the bird before it flew away uninjured and resumed its own fishing for the day.



*ECO holding the large bird that has its wings spread ready to fly.
Officers free tangled osprey moments before it flies away*

On April 2, while assisting DEC Fisheries employees at a freshwater fishing derby, ECOs Dickson and DeRose encountered a group of anglers who reported an osprey caught in fishing line.

Dreams Within a Dream at Lockwood Gallery

April 9 - May 8

Thursday - Friday, 11am - 5 pm

Saturday - Sunday, 11 am - 6 pm

Dreams Within

A *Dream* is a group exhibition that mines the unconscious. Each artist derives inspiration from the painting and sculpting process, as well as the immersive nature of a projected installation. Curated by Alan Goolman of The Lockwood Gallery, artists Farrell Brickhouse, William Gary, Joel Longenecker, Beverly Peterson, David Pollack and Claudia Renfro, help us to explore their art and it's ability to create a shift in perception and the reality of a situation.

Farrell Brickhouse

The oil paint-

ings of Farrell Brickhouse reel with narratives slathered densely onto canvas and wood panels. With insistent gestural energy, Brickhouse commands his paintings to come to life.

William Gary

The stark expressionism of William Gary's paintings are startling in their explosive energy. The slashing brushwork and the fractured painted planes are seized as if they are snapshots frozen in time.

Joel Longenecker

Joel Longenecker paints with an adamant commitment to materials. On his wood panels, the volumes of churning paint and the harmonics of dynamic color give Longenecker paintings a geological and climatic power.

Beverly Peterson

Light artist, Beverly Peterson, plumbs the depths of the imagination with her illuminated spaces. She creates a dreamscape of light and form with David Pollack watercolors projected as moving images. The immersive, multi-sensory experience envelops the visitor and becomes a vehicle for transformation from one dream to the next.

David Pollack

The abstracted light of David Pollack's watercolors shimmers and refracts, leading the viewer deeper into narratives and colors that persistently glow and vibrate with their gently percussive mark making.

Claudia Renfro

Admission to, and exploration of, the wondrous alternative worlds of Claudia Renfro requires a willing suspension of disbelief. The electric atmosphere of Renfro's characters and objects, whether in ink, paint, mixed media, or bronze, are spectacularly consistent, whether through the dynamics achieved between subjects, or the high flying trapeze work of the color and spaces that surrounds them.

The Lockwood Gallery is located at 747 RRoute 28,

Kingston, NY. For info: 845.663.2138 or

INFO@THELOCKWOODGALLERY.COM



DEC Announces \$130,000 in Funding Now Available to Improve Water Quality and Habitat, Bolster Flood Resiliency in Hudson River Estuary Watershed

Deadline for Proposals June 10

New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) Commissioner Basil Seggos today announced approximately \$130,000 in funding is now available to help communities in the Hudson River Estuary watershed improve water quality, increase flood resiliency, and conserve natural resources. The grants will help municipalities document constrictions that cause flooding at culverts and bridges and are barriers to fish movement in Hudson tributary streams. The grants are supported by the State's Environmental Protection Fund (EPF) and administered by DEC's Hudson River Estuary Program in partnership with New England Interstate Water Pollution Control Commission (NEIWPCC).

"Through DEC's ongoing partnership with NEIWPCC, we are advancing projects that will help Hudson River estuary watershed communities develop plans to improve infrastructure where roads cross streams to reduce flooding, restore stream habitat, and improve water quality," Commissioner Seggos said. "Supported by the State's recently increased Environmental Protection Fund, New York is making record investments in these and other efforts that boost resiliency and protect New York's water quality and natural resources."

Susan Sullivan, NEIWPCC Executive Director said, "In a year when NEIWPCC is celebrating the 50 years of the Clean Water Act and NEIWPCC's 75th anniversary, we are pleased to partner with DEC to help communities improve water quality in tributary streams to the Hudson River Estuary. A healthy estuary requires a healthy watershed."

In the 2022-23 Enacted State Budget, Governor Hochul succeeded in increasing the EPF from \$300 to \$400 million, the highest-ever level of funding in the program's history. The EPF supports climate change mitigation and adaptation efforts, improves agricultural resources to promote sustainable agriculture, protects our water sources, advances conservation efforts, and provides recreational opportunities for New Yorkers.

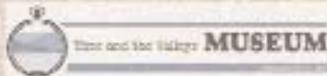
The \$130,000 in grant funding announced today will support the development of regional municipal management plans and designs to improve inadequate road-stream crossings focused on priority sites for flood mitigation and/or stream habitat for fish in multiple municipalities. In 2021, DEC in partnership with NEIWPCC awarded nearly \$100,000 to T&B Engineering to develop municipal management plans for road-stream crossings and dams in the towns of Red Hook and Milan, Dutchess County. The plans include all crossings in both towns, building on the 148 previously inventoried culverts, including the road-stream crossings located within the portions of the watersheds of nine tributary creeks.

The deadline for proposals is June 10, 2022, at 12 p.m. The "Restoration of Watershed Connectivity and Improved Road Infrastructure" Request For Proposals (RFP) with application requirements and instructions is available on NEIWPCC's website. General information about the RFP can be found on the DEC website

Did you know?

We have passes to the Mohonk Preserve & the Time and the Valleys Museum available for Daniel Pierce Library card holders to checkout!

Stop in or call the library at 845-985-7233 to speak with one of our staff members for more information.



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Proceeds will benefit the NHC Foundation

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UC NOW TRENDING

April 2022

Apr 1-Oct. 31 Bridge Music: 13th season. Joseph Bertolozzi's musical opus celebrating the Mid-Hudson Bridge. Free. Dawn to dusk. Access from the Mid-Hudson Bridge's pedestrian sidewalks at Johnson-Iorio Park. 281 Haviland Road, Highland. josephbertolozzi.com/bridge-music

Apr 22, 24 Pebble Painting: A fun-for-all art expression. Includes instruction and materials. Children must be accompanied by an adult. 2-3 p.m. Free for overnight guests. \$25 per participant. Emerson Resort & Spa, 5340 Rte. 28, Mount Tremper. 845-688-2828; emersonresort.com

Apr 16, 23, 30 Secret Ruin Hikes: See ruins of the Overlook mountain hotel and explore summit of the fire tower. Breathtaking views at Eagles Point. 9 a.m.-1 p.m. 353 Meads Mountain Rd., Woodstock. 765-314-6181; bornwild.rocks/day-trips-2/secret-ruin-hike

Apr 22-24 Northeast Blacksmiths Association Spring Hammer-In: An exciting weekend of activities for beginners and experienced metal-smiths alike. The Ashokan Center, 477 Beaverkill Road, Olivebridge. 845-657-8333; ashokan-center.org

Apr 22-24 Hudson Valley Tango Festival: Workshops, classes. Senate Garage, 4 N Front St., Kingston. 845-802-5900; senategarage.com

Apr 23 Mid-Hudson Orchid Society Orchid Show and Sale: 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Wallkill View Farm Market, 15 State Route 299 W., New Paltz. 845-255-8050; wallkillviewfarmmarket.com

Apr 23 Blossom Street Fair - Event by Meet Me In Marlborough: Crafts, farms, food, music, dance, kids activities and much more. 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Rain date 4/24. Main Street, Milton. meetmeinmarlborough.com

Apr 24 38th Annual Kiwanis Kingston Classic: Race start/registration under the 9W bridge downtown Kingston. kiwaniskingstonclassic.com

Apr 30 Rail Explorers Opening Day: Eight mile round trip with electric pedal assistance. 70 Lower High Street, Phoenicia; railexplorers.net

Jan. 1-Dec. 31 2022 Catskills Fire Tower Challenge: Experienced hikers are encouraged to visit the region's six fire towers. Hike to all six Catskill Fire Towers between January 1 and December 31, 2022. Fill out the log of completed hikes along with one favorite photo. Download the Catskills Fire Tower Challenge log (PDF) and email it to catskillschallenge@dec.ny.gov or mail to New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, Outdoor Recreation, 625 Broadway, Albany, New York 12233-1010. Entries must be

postmarked by January 7, 2023. Limit one entry per person. Participants will receive a commemorative patch and will be entered to win great outdoor prizes including hiking accessories. Catskills Visitor Center, 5096 Route 28, Mt. Tremper. 845-688-3369; catskillsvisitorcenter.org

Feb. 5-July 17 The Samuel Dorsky Museum of Art at SUNY New Paltz - "Mary Frank: The Observing Heart:" A retrospective exhibition of Mary Frank's powerful artwork that spans her career of more than six decades. Centered on the twin themes of social justice and the preservation of the natural world. "Museum hours: Wednesday-Sunday, 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Anderson Gallery and Howard Greenberg Family Gallery, 1 Hawk Drive, New Paltz. 845-257-3844; newpaltz.edu/museum

Angel Food East Seeks Volunteers

Are you passionate about food and combating food insecurity for the most vulnerable among us? Want to make a difference in your community, TODAY? Angel Food East is looking for dedicated chefs, prep cooks and dishwashers, various shifts; hours and days are flexible. Meal delivery drivers are needed on Thursdays from 11:30-1pm. OR simply sign up as a substitute cook or driver and can call in weekly to let us know your availability.

If you can help out, or to learn more, please email contact@angelfoodeast.org or call (845) 331-6538.

Ulster Literacy Association

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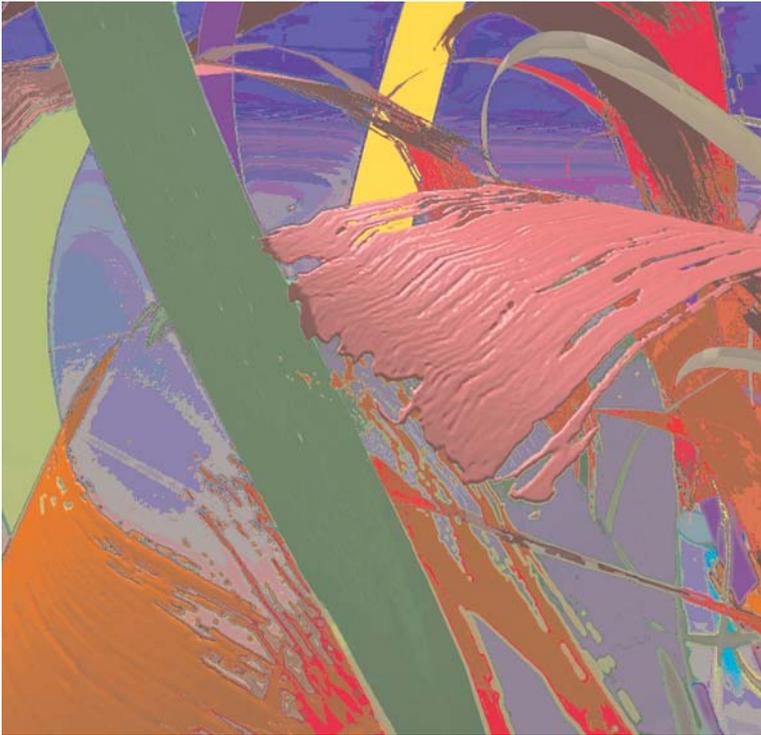
Plattekill Food Pantry

Volunteers needed at Plattekill Food Pantry on distribution days, which are every first and third Wednesdays of each month. The pantry is open from 4-6pm, but volunteers are needed for before and after pantry hours for set up and clean up, as well. Volunteers may be checking in and assisting clients and should be able to lift boxes, bins, or crates of various food items.

Art Gate International Art Fair 2022 – April 21-24

Art Gate is pleased to announce our third annual global art fair in virtual reality, AGI 2022

AGI 2022 will take place this April 21-24th, 2022, providing a vibrant environment for collecting, networking and connecting.



Flower Brushes by Darcy Gerbarg

Featuring galleries, dealers and artists showing off new work, new acquisitions, and new projects. The fair will include diverse programming featuring artist talks, panel discussions, performance events and networking gatherings.

Today, Art Gate has the fastest growing arts community in virtual reality with many new galleries and projects joining our platform throughout the past year. The first edition of the AGI art fair in VR took place in 2020 and saw record-breaking visitors during the Covid-19 pandemic. Our second edition of Art Gate International in 2021 surpassed the attendance of the prior year, and we anticipate further growth for 2022.

Join the Art Gate district community in the Metaverse via your VR headset or laptop. *Updates will be posted on this page

Whether you're interested in finding and meeting our community, connecting with new clients, exploring new galleries, or treating yourself to new artworks, now is a great time to check our programming and attend our events: <https://www.artgatevr.com/events/>

Art Gate VR is open 24/7, and free to download from Oculus App Lab (Oculus Quest 1 or Quest 2), PC or Mac. Install instructions here: [artgatevr.com/download](https://www.artgatevr.com/download)

PANELS / DISCUSSIONS

THURSDAY, APRIL 21ST, 2022

FRIDAY, APRIL 22ND, 2022

SATURDAY, APRIL 23RD, 2022

SUNDAY, APRIL 24TH, 2022

DEC Navigation Training in Towns of Gardner and Shawangunk in Ulster County

On April 7 and 8, Forest Rangers Cowart, Jahn, Kreft, and Rusher led a land navigation course for 27 Wallkill Corrections Emergency Response Team (C.E.R.T.) members from Shawangunk and Wallkill correctional facilities. Rangers taught terrain analysis, map reading, and compass skills and conducted a field exercise to practice these techniques. C.E.R.T. handles emergency situations in correctional facilities and are sometimes activated to assist Rangers with search missions in the field.



Group of people lined up in the rain during training
Navigation training



Rangers speaks to group of people during training
Navigation training



BEHIND the Scenes

A show of works by the Olive Free Library Exhibition Committee



May 21 – July 9, 2022

Opening: Saturday, May 21, 3 – 5 pm

Janette Kahil
Elaine Ralston
Sandra Scheuer
Linda Schultz
Jan Sosnowitz
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Weekly Recap

Dear Neighbor,

After another good week, I wanted to give you an update on how I've been serving you.

Working to Prevent insider Trading by members of congress

This week, I joined Democratic and Republican colleagues in urging the Committee on House Administration to advance strong, bipartisan legislation to ban members of Congress from trading individual stocks.

By preventing members of Congress from owning and trading stocks, we can help ensure representatives are working to serve their communities, not their own self-interests. As a cosponsor of the TRUST in Congress Act, I am committed to pushing forward legislation that will prevent insider trading by Members of Congress and increase transparency and accountability. It is encouraging to see momentum on this issue, and I will keep advocating to get this comprehensive, bipartisan legislation to the president's desk.

Closing the loophole on PFAS

I also joined Reps. A. Donald McEachin (VA-04) and Dan Kildee (MI-05) in leading a bipartisan group of 38 representatives urging the Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention to immediately close a reporting loophole that allows hundreds of dangerous per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) chemicals to be manufactured, processed, used, and released in the United States.

Communities across New York and our country have been impacted by the dangerous effects of PFAS contamination. While Congress has taken action to address and clean up these toxic chemicals, there are reporting loopholes that allow industries to continue underreporting the releases of these harmful substances. I will keep working to close the loopholes and help keep our upstate communities safe and healthy.

Funding for Local Historic site

I was proud to help announce and highlight \$50,000 in federal funding for the Thomas Cole National Historic Site in Catskill, NY. The grant was made possible through a \$2.5 million grant program funded by the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) under the American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act of 2021.

For more than 20 years, the Thomas Cole National Historic Site has been an educational and artistic resource for folks in Catskill and visitors from all over. I am glad to see this funding delivered through the American Rescue Plan, which included my unique funding formula to help deliver direct support to our rural towns and villages. I will keep working to support the local arts and help ensure organizations like the Thomas Cole House have the resources needed to continue their work.

Military Service Academy Nominations

The applications for the 2022 service academy nomination season are now posted. Members of Congress may nominate candidates for appointment to the U.S. Military Academy (USMA), the U.S. Naval Academy (USNA), the U.S. Air Force Academy (USFA), and the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy

(USMMA). The fifth service academy, the U.S. Coast Guard Academy (USCGA), New London, CT, does not require a congressional nomination for appointment. Members of Congress may nominate applicants who meet the eligibility requirements as established by law. Completed application packets are due by October 28, 2022.

For more information about the application process visit my website: <https://delgado.house.gov/services/military-academy-nominations>.

To sign up for a virtual information session on about the nomination process on April 28th, use this form.

Community Project Funding Deadline

The Community Project Funding (CPF) application process is open to local governments and non-profits until April 18, 2022.

Find more information and resources to apply on my website: [Community Project Funding | Representative Antonio Delgado \(house.gov\)](#)

Congressional Art Competition

The Congressional Art Competition for the high schoolers in NY-19 is still open. I'm inviting all high school students from across our district to participate and submit your artwork before the April 29 deadline.

All submissions will be collected digitally at NY19.Art@mail.house.gov. All high school students who are residents of New York's 19th Congressional District are eligible to submit entries to our office. Each student may submit one piece of art to the competition. If students are unsure of who their Congressman is, they can check the U.S. House of Representatives' "Find Your Representative" tool here to find which congressional district they reside in.

Images of the artwork must be received via email no later than Friday, April 29, 2022 and a release form must be submitted along with each submission. Rules for submission and additional requirements can be found on my website.

APRIL mobile office hours

My team is doing mobile office hours throughout the month of April. Mobile office hours are an opportunity for constituents to meet with my staff and receive assistance with constituent services. See below for dates, times, and locations.

Mobile Office Hours for April

Monday, April 18th

2:00 pm - 4:00 pm
Woodstock Public Library
5 Library Lane
Woodstock, NY 12498

2:00 pm - 4:00 pm
Liberty Public Library
189 N. Main Street
Liberty, NY

Resources for Residents

USDA Announces More Resources to Increase and Expand Meat and Poultry Processing Capacity

The USDA announced the application deadline for the Meat and Poultry Processing Expansion Program (MPPEP) has been extended to May 11, 2022.

Reporting Passport & Visa Fraud

Reporting U.S. Passport or Visa Fraud (state.gov)

Resources for Ukraine

U.S. Department of State
<https://www.state.gov/united-with-ukraine/>
United States Agency for International Development (USAID)
<https://www.usaid.gov/usaid-response-ukraine> (Contd. Pg. 43)

Congressman Delgado Weekly Recap (From Pg.42)

New York Statewide Burn Ban

The New York Statewide burn ban goes in effect from March 16 through May 14.
Open Burning - NYS Dept. of Environmental Conservation

Cybersecurity Resources

Stay safe when you use the internet. Find the the Department of Homeland Security's Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency's (CISA) publication of a list of free cybersecurity services and tools to help organizations reduce cybersecurity risk and strengthen resiliency.

NYS Low Income Household Water Assistance Program

If you need help with water and sewer services, the Low Income Household Water Assistance Program (LIHWAP) is here to help. This program helps low income households pay the cost of water and sewer services and can assist households who have past due bills (arrears) for water and/or sewer services.

IRS Child Tax Credit Letters

Did you receive advanced Child Tax Credit payments in 2021? If so, look out for a letter from the IRS.

The IRS started issuing information letters to advance child tax credit recipients in December. Recipients of the third round of the Economic Impact Payments will begin receiving information letters at the end of January. Using the information in these letters when preparing a tax return can reduce errors and delays in processing.

People receiving these letters should keep them. Do not throw them away. These letters can help taxpayers, or their tax professional prepare their 2021 federal tax return.

COVID-19 Booster Update:

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration has authorized a second booster dose of either the Pfizer-BioNTech or the Moderna COVID-19 vaccines for older people and certain immunocompromised individuals.

The agency amended the emergency use authorizations as follows:

A second booster dose of the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine or Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine may be administered to individuals 50 years of age and older at least 4 months after receipt of a first booster dose of any authorized or approved COVID-19 vaccine.

A second booster dose of the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine may be administered to individuals 12 years of age and older with certain kinds of immunocompromise at least 4 months after receipt of a first booster dose of any authorized or approved COVID-19 vaccine. These are people who have undergone solid organ transplantation, or who are living with conditions that are considered to have an equivalent level of immunocompromise.

A second booster dose of the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine may be administered at least 4 months after the first booster dose of any authorized or approved COVID-19 vaccine to individuals 18 years of age and older with the same certain kinds of immunocompromise.

Learn more at [COVID.gov](https://www.cdc.gov/covid19) - Find COVID-19 guidance for your community, [CDC.gov](https://www.cdc.gov) or [COVID-19 Vaccine | COVID-19 Vaccine \(ny.gov\)](https://www.cdc.gov/covid19)

As always, it's an honor to represent you in Congress.

Sincerely,
Antonio

Environmental Conservation Police on Patrol

New York State Department of Environmental Conservation's (DEC) Division of Law Enforcement enforces the 71 chapters of New York State's Environmental Conservation Law (ECL), protecting fish and wildlife and preserving environmental quality across New York. In 1880, the first eight Game Protectors proudly began serving to protect the natural resources and people of New York State. In 2021, 282 Environmental Conservation Police Officers (ECOs) and Investigators across the state responded to 26,207 calls and worked on cases that resulted in 11,562 tickets or arrests for crimes ranging from deer poaching to solid waste dumping, illegal mining, the black market pet trade, and excessive emissions violations. Some of these incidents result in injuries, property damage, or even death, and starting this year, 'ECO Highlights' is transitioning to a new title, 'Environmental Conservation Police On Patrol.'

"DEC Environmental Conservation Police Officers and Investigators are on the front lines each and every day protecting our natural resources by upholding New York's environmental laws and regulations and safeguarding public health," DEC Commissioner Basil Seggos said. "From ensuring hunters and anglers follow rules and regulations afield and on the water, to sustaining partnerships with local law enforcement agencies investigating crimes that include solid waste dumping and air emissions violations, ECOs and Investigators are on patrol, ready to serve their communities. Each year brings new challenges, and fortunately, these Officers and Investigators are expertly trained to perform their duties with persistence, integrity, and good judgment, as they've done for over a century."

Alligator Tales

On March 22, ECO Damrath received a call from a man in the town of Amherst claiming he had recently rescued an alligator from a bad home and needed assistance rehoming it. However, when questioned, the subject's rescue tale fell apart and he admitted to buying the alligator to keep as a pet. Recognizing a 3.5-foot

alligator is too dangerous and difficult to care for, the owner attempted to sell it without success. ECO Damrath charged the man with unlawfully possessing the animal and the alligator was turned over to a permitted handler. After a few days, ECOs Damrath, Dougherty, and Koepf tracked down the original seller of the alligator in the city of Dunkirk, Chautauqua County, and charged the individual with unlawfully possessing an alligator. The investigation is ongoing, with additional charges pending.



Alligator handler with seized gator

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Environmental Conservation Police on Patrol

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Trapped Fox



ECO Crain enters enclosure to rescue fox

On April 5, ECO Crain received reports from a homeowner in the town of Nassau claiming she heard an animal in distress that fell approximately five feet into an outdoor enclosure that surrounds their furnace exhaust pipe. When Officer Crain arrived, the homeowner advised that she saw an adult red fox pacing back and forth in her yard before she heard the noises. ECO Crain shined a light on the bottom of the enclosure and saw the kit (young fox) partially hidden underneath the furnace pipe. Using a cordless drill, the ECO removed the plywood cover to the enclosure and attempted to capture the kit with a catchpole. The kit, however, crawled underneath the pipe to avoid capture. ECO Crain then utilized a ladder to get into the pit to capture and release the kit uninjured. Before clearing the scene, ECO Crain cut wire fencing the homeowner had on hand and secured it over the open area of the enclosure.

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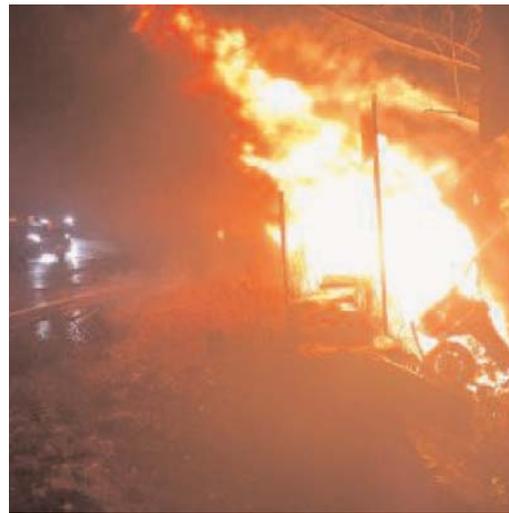
ECO Crain uses catchpole to capture fox



Fox running across field towards woods

ECO Pulls Man from Burning Vehicle

On April 7, ECO Franz was on patrol when he observed



Vehicle explodes seconds after man and dog are pulled from the inside

neath the vehicle and the driver was unable to get out on his own. ECO Franz crawled into the burning car through the passenger side, retrieved the dog, and pulled the driver out of the mangled car, dragging him a few yards away before the car exploded into a ball of fire. Emergency Medical Services transported the man and his dog for a medical evaluation. ECO Franz, unscathed, continued his patrol that evening.



ECO Franz

a vehicle over the edge of an embankment at the intersection of Route 301 and Gypsy Trail Road in the town of Carmel. Officer Franz sprang into action after observing a man and dog trapped inside the vehicle following the crash. The fire was spreading quickly under-

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Department of Financial Services Issues New Guidance to New York Regulated Banks to Increase Availability of Low-Cost Banking Services

Governor Kathy Hochul announced new guidance to expand access to low cost bank accounts for New Yorkers in recognition of National Financial Literacy Month. New DFS guidance encourages State regulated banks to offer "Bank On" certified accounts to fulfill the state's affordable banking requirements. Bank On accounts eliminate overdraft fees and are critical to attracting individuals from underserved communities into the banking system. These reforms are critical to help low-income New Yorkers access affordable, FDIC-insured banking options that protect and grow hard-earned savings. This builds on the Governor's financial inclusion agenda that includes tackling debt and surprise billing, helping families and graduates with student loans, strong consumer protection and transparency requirements for financial products and other recent actions to help New Yorkers gain financial security.

"Financial literacy is an essential life skill for everyone's financial wellbeing, and that is why New York State continues to take bold steps to increase access to affordable banking services," Governor Hochul said. "The COVID-19 pandemic has shown how important it is for every New Yorker to have financial security, and access to low-cost banking services is critical to managing and securing their financial needs. These new accounts will help hard working individuals in underserved communities get the affordable, accessible banking options they need and is a crucial step towards ensuring a more inclusive economy for all."

Superintendent of Financial Services Adrienne A. Harris said, "The ability to have a bank account is fundamental to the idea of financial health. Through both Bank On and Basic Banking accounts, more New Yorkers can have access to safe, affordable banking services that eliminate a number of fees, including overdraft, inactivity and low balance fees."

According to a survey conducted by FDIC, an estimated 7.1 million U.S. households were "unbanked" in 2019, meaning that no one in the household had a checking or savings account at a bank or credit union. Consumers in low- and middle-income communities have often been saddled with bank account fees if they overdraw their account, dip below a balance threshold, or fail to use their account regularly. Under current law, banking institutions are required to offer lower cost banking services either through the New York Basic Banking accounts or through an alternative that is as advantageous to consumers. These accounts eliminate burdensome

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fees in order to expand access to bank accounts among low- and middle-income communities.

Making Bank On accounts an alternative to the existing New York Basic Banking account offering is a critical a step to enhancing financial access and improving financial literacy across the State. "Bank On" Accounts are nationally recognized

A 2020 study by the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis found that 80% of consumers opening Bank On accounts were new to that institution and nearly 60% were opened in majority minority neighborhoods. Today's regulatory guidance expands the availability of the nationally recognized Bank On account by allowing New York banking institutions to offer those accounts as an alternative to the existing Basic Banking account. Bank On accounts follow a set standard to offer account features with low or zero fees, including no overdraft fees.

Please find a copy of the Bank On Guidance on the DFS website.

Governor Hochul Announces Approval of First Adult-use Cannabis Conditional Cultivation Licenses to Farms in NY

- *52 Licenses Are the First Granted for New York's Adult-Use Cannabis Program, Licenses for Already Operating Hemp Farms Across New York*
- *Awarding of Licenses Advances Seeding Opportunity Initiative*
- *Medical Home Cultivation Regulations Are Approved for a Second Round of Public Comment*

Governor Kathy Hochul today announced that the Cannabis Control Board approved 52 Adult-use Cannabis Conditional Cultivator Licenses across the state. These are the first adult-use cannabis licenses granted in New York State and they advance the Seeding Opportunity Initiative.

The approved licenses are from a pool of more than 150 that have been submitted to the Office of Cannabis Management (OCM) following the March 15 opening of the online application portal. The OCM will continue to review applications on a rolling basis and will work to get them to the Board for approval as quickly as possible. A list of the licenses approved today is available here. In February, Governor Hochul signed legislation creating the Cannabis Conditional Cultivator Licenses.

"New York's farms have been the backbone of our state's economy since before the American Revolution, and now, New York's farms will be at the center of the most equitable cannabis industry in the nation," Governor Hochul said. "I'm proud to announce the first adult-use cannabis cultivation licenses in the state, and I'm proud of the work the Office of Cannabis Management and the Cannabis Control Board are doing to get adult-use cannabis sales up and running as fast as possible without compromising our mission to uplift communities and individuals most impacted by the past century of cannabis prohibition."

Assembly Majority Leader Crystal Peoples-Stokes said, "New York State continues to lead the nation in an equity-focused cannabis industry. The approval of the first 52 provisional cultivation licenses will help create a responsible start to the NYS cannabis industry by granting cultivators the ability to produce enough product and inventory for social equity retail dispensaries to meet the initial demand of the anticipated legal market. We are on our way towards realizing our goal of creating a viable and inclusive path for minorities and small farmers to have the opportunity to create generational wealth for their families and communities. I am proud of the work conducted thus far by the NYS Office of Cannabis Management and the Cannabis Control Board, and I look forward to our actions bearing fruit."

Senator Liz Krueger said, "The approval of these licenses will help ensure an adequate supply of cannabis when the first round of social and economic equity adult-use retail stores open later this year. It will also prioritize New York farmers and environmentally sustainable agricultural practices. I am excited and gratified with the steps OCM is taking to fulfill the goals and the spirit of the legislation we passed last year as they roll out the adult-use cannabis program."

Cannabis Control Board Chair Tremaine Wright said, "Today represents a huge step in our efforts to establish an adult-use cannabis industry in New York. We couldn't be more excited to approve 52 small farms across the state to start to cultivating cannabis for adult consumption. We've been working hard to

establish this industry, and now, New York farmers will be able to plant seeds in our fertile ground, so dispensaries owned by justice-involved New Yorkers with business experience will be able to sell these products in stores by the end of the year. Growing season waits for no one, and we're moving as quickly as possible to help our local farmers take full advantage of it this spring."

Office of Cannabis Management Executive Director Chris Alexander said, "We are working hard to provide a legal framework for New Yorkers using medical cannabis to grow their own cannabis plants. We understand that patients are looking to this new option to access medication at a low cost, and we are doing everything possible to speed up this process while working within the rules of New York's regulatory system."

The Seeding Opportunity Initiative, announced by Governor Hochul March 10, 2022, positions equity-entrepreneurs to be the first to make adult-use cannabis sales in New York with products grown by New York farmers. Under the Initiative, these initial equity-entrepreneur, retail owners must meet two prongs of eligibility to qualify. First, they must have a cannabis-related conviction that occurred prior to the passage of the Marijuana Regulation and Tax Act (MRTA) on March 31, 2021, or had a parent, guardian, child, spouse, or dependent with a pre-MRTA cannabis-related conviction in the State of New York. Second, they must also have experience owning and operating a successful business in the State of New York.

Medical Home Cultivation Regulations Are Approved for a Second Round of Public Comment

At today's meeting, the Cannabis Control Board also directed the OCM to file updated regulations for medical home cultivation for a 45-day public comment period, which would start on May 4, the first opportunity for it to appear in the state register. Only after final regulations are approved by the Board will medical home cultivation of cannabis be allowed.

The public comment period for medical cannabis home cultivation regulations closed on January 18. The OCM received over 160 comments from a wide range of stakeholders, including addiction prevention and awareness coalitions, small farmers, industry associations, clinical associations and more.

Revisions to the guidelines based on the past comment period include:

Updating definitions to provide clarity for terms like "on the grounds of" and "private residence";

Streamlining section 115.2 to clarify that the regulations pertain to certified patients and designated caregivers 21 years of age or older;

Amending some of the storage and security requirements to maintain protections while reducing costs;

Clarifying the plant limit for designated caregivers growing for multiple patients; and

Providing a framework for the sale of medical cannabis seeds or immature plants for home cultivation by entities licensed or registered with the Office. These regulations include provisions for packaging, labeling, transporting, storing, and selling of seeds and immature plants for the purposes of home cultivation of medical cannabis.

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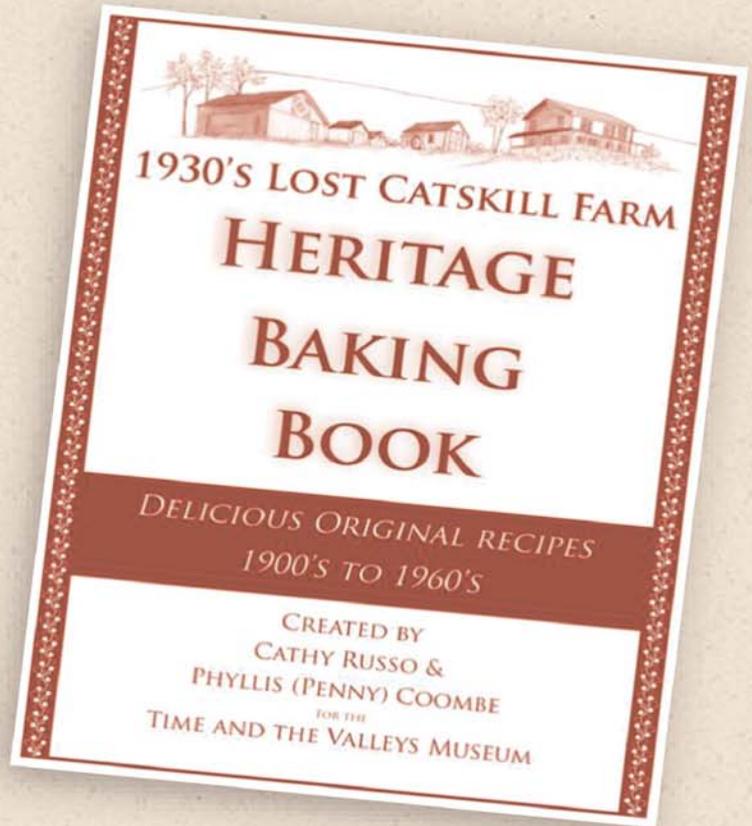
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Survey Asks Sullivan Residents to Weigh in on Their Health

Results Will Guide Local Healthcare Providers

Liberty, NY - In collaboration with Siena College Research Institute, Garnet Health and the Sullivan County Rural Health Network, Sullivan County Public Health is conducting a community health survey from now through May, and every 18+ County resident is invited to participate - in English or Espanol!

“The data we collect - which is completely anonymous - will help us better understand the health and quality of life for the people and places we serve,” Public Health Director Nancy McGraw explains. “In fact, we’ll use it to craft a Community Health Improvement Plan to guide us for the next three years, so every answer will make an important difference.”

The survey takes less than 10 minutes and can be completed online at www.tinyurl.com/hvscrl or over the phone. Siena College researchers will be directly calling a sampling of County residents to do the survey, but those who have not gotten a call from Siena (and who also do not have access to the Internet) can contact Public Health Educator Jill Hubert-Simon at 845-513-2243 to complete the survey by telephone. No identifying information is collected, and individual results will only be seen and utilized by the researchers and Public Health staff.

Telehealth Parity Included in the State Budget

(Albany, NY) - The New York State Budget for Fiscal Year 2022- 2023 includes significant legislative changes to the delivery of health care through telephonic and electronic means. In sum, the State Legislature and Governor Kathy Hochul agreed to reimbursement methodologies that will provide parity payment for both in person and virtual telehealth visits.

Central to the agreement was the extension of certain provisions imposed under emergency orders by former Governor Andrew Cuomo and current Governor Kathy Hochul. The new law essentially requires insurance companies to compensate providers at the same rate for telehealth and in-person visits for the next two years. The law sunsets on April 1, 2024. In the meantime, the Departments of Financial Services and Health will be required to conduct a study on a variety of key metrics in the administration of the new rules. For the period from April 1, 2022 through April 1, 2023, the agencies will track statistics and information pertaining to patient demographics, types of virtual services used and paid claims totals.

“The COVID-19 Pandemic brought to light just



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how vital remote health appointments can be to both patients and healthcare providers,” Assemblymember Kevin A. Cahill (D-Ulster, Dutchess) said. “It appears that telehealth is here to stay. But this does not mean that in-person appointments no longer hold value. Quite the opposite is true. Not all office visits are appropriate to conduct over a computer screen or telephone. Though the closure of doctors’ offices and the diversion of hospitals and other facilities during the height of the Pandemic made it so on an emergency basis, virtual health care is not interchangeable with in-person care. In addition to the unfamiliarity of some with technology, some care, a significant amount, requires face to face interactions between patients and health care professionals. In some instances, telehealth can provide access not otherwise available. In other instances it is a poor substitute for a face-to-face office visit. That is why this is a much more nuanced conversation than simple one to one parity.”

Assemblymember Cahill has also voiced concerns over the impact on community-based services should parity become the standard. “What would stop giant or multi-state, telehealth-only corporations from moving in and turning healthcare into a dumbed-down version of what our community-based providers offer today? Local facilities with invaluable and intimate knowledge of their patients and communities would suffer and disappear or become prohibitively expensive. Nothing can replace the added benefits of having family doctors and providers taking care of patients in a nearby office or facility. We need to study and compare data based on pandemic and non-pandemic use of telehealth services. We need to know how parity will affect both rising costs of healthcare and brick and mortar facilities before the Legislature makes this proposal permanent and discover which version of parity best fits our state,” concluded Cahill.

DEC Announces Northern Expansion of Southern Pine Beetle Sensitive Pitch Pine Ecosystems at Greatest Risk

New York State's Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) and Office of Parks, Recreation, and Historic Preservation (OPRHP) today announced that southern pine beetles (SPB) were found farther north than previously documented and in greater numbers, suggesting their range is expanding and populations are on the rise. SPB are destructive forest pests that pose a significant threat to the State's pine forests, particularly pitch pine forests like those found in the Albany Pine Bush and Minnewaska State Park Preserve.



Tiny holes in tree bark

removing infested trees and thinning and prescribed fire activities to increase forest health and resiliency."

"Southern pine beetle poses a real threat to some of our most fragile ecosystems and iconic landscapes, which could have a large impact in multiple State Parks, including Minnewaska State Park Preserve, Schunnemunk Mountain State Park, Hudson Highlands, and Taconic State Park," said OPRHP Commissioner Erik Kulleseid. "We will continue to partner with DEC to identify potential SPB infestations, allowing us the ability to react quickly and hopefully mitigating any largescale damage before it occurs."

A joint research project between DEC's Division of Lands and Forests and OPRHP's Division of Environmental Stewardship

DEC Commissioner Basil Seggos said, "DEC, in partnership with OPRHP, will continue to proactively work to combat the environmental threats that the SPB poses to New York's treasured forestland and the impacts we are seeing from our changing climate and the increase in severe weather events, which influence SPB survival and movement. Our ongoing strategies will help mitigate the impacts of SPB in the Hudson Valley and help slow the spread by susceptible forests using



Tree trunk with white pine pitch bumps on it

and Planning resulted in a new trap detection of SPB at the Saratoga Sand Plains Wildlife Management Area in Saratoga County. Additionally, significantly larger trap catches of SPB were documented at locations in the Hudson Valley where SPB were previously found, and several infested trees were discovered in Taconic State Park, the first infested trees to be identified outside of Long Island. Ecologically sensitive pitch pine habitat in upstate New York will increasingly be at risk if SPB populations continue to increase and expand.

DEC, OPRHP, the Albany Pine Bush, and other partners have been monitoring SPB movement for several years in the areas of the State north of the known infestations in New Jersey and Long Island. Since 2016, SPB had been detected in low numbers in insect traps in the Hudson Valley but the recent increase in trapped beetles may mean they will soon be established north of Long Island. Trapping efforts in Schunnemunk, Minnewaska, and Taconic State Parks produced SPB numbers only previously seen on Long Island.

The three infested pine trees in Taconic State Park were found near Sunset Rock during joint survey efforts by DEC and OPRHP crews. A DEC strike team removed and destroyed the infested trees in cooperation with OPRHP staff. Surveys of pine forests near the increased trap catches continue, and experts with both State agencies and partners agree that more infested pines are likely to be found in the next few years as the climate warms.

"We have known for some time that restoring the globally-rare ecology of the Albany Pine Bush is benefitting many rare plant and animal species and reducing the risk of uncontrolled wildfire," said Neil Gifford of Albany Pine Bush Preserve. "It turns out that the forest thinning, and prescribed burning may also protect the preserve's iconic pitch pines from a new threat, southern pine beetle. This approach has the added benefit of reducing the harmful effect of southern pine beetle and other forest pests and diseases."

Native to the southeastern United States, SPB was first discovered infesting pitch pines on Long Island in 2014. Since that time, it has killed hundreds of thousands of trees on Long Island alone. SPB attack primarily pitch pine and red pine but will attack additional conifers when outbreaks occur. DEC encourages the public to report any signs of SPB that they encounter in pine forests (outside of Long Island) by emailing pictures and location information to foresthealth@dec.ny.gov. The signs of an infestation include discolored needles (yellowing to brownish-red), popcorn-



Close-up of a small black beetle in some liquid on a tree



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Ulster County “Raises the Flag for Life” to Raise Awareness of Organ Donation in New York

Kingston, NY - The Ulster County Department of Motor Vehicles and the nonprofit organization Donate Life New York State are teaming up to raise awareness of the lifesaving impact made by organ, eye and tissue donors. On Tuesday, April 19 Ulster County hosted a “Raise the Flag for Life” event. During this event, a Donate Life Flag was raised at the Ulster County Office Building, 244 Fair Street, Kingston, to encourage the public to enroll in the New York State Donate Life Registry. Everyone is invited to attend this public event.



“Our goal is to have Donate Life Flags waving atop all county government buildings throughout our state,” said Aisha Tator, Executive Director of Donate Life NYS. “Waving these Donate Life Flags will make a significant impact on creating a culture of donation and saving the lives of the thousands of New Yorkers in need of transplant.”

While more than 3,000 life-saving organ transplants were performed in state last

year, nearly 8,500 New Yorkers remain on the national organ transplant waitlist. In 2021, 465 patients awaiting an organ transplant in New York State died because the organ needed to save their lives was not donated in time. A single organ donor can save up to eight lives, while tissue and cornea donors can improve more than 75 lives. Ulster County is proud to partner with Donate Life NYS to save and improve the lives of those in need of transplants.

“The Legislature will continue its tradition in proclaiming April Ulster County Donor Awareness Month at Legislative Session on April 19,” said Chair Tracey Bartels. “We encourage all Ulster County residents to add their names to the New York State Donate Life Registry. Each day 17 people die waiting for an organ transplant; some have been on the list for years,” she added. “It is so important to dispel the myths and fear surrounding organ donation. While it can be extremely difficult to think about what happens to your body after you die, your decision today could allow you to impact hundreds of lives.”

Seven million New Yorkers have already enrolled in the New York State Donate Life Registry, the state’s electronic database that documents a person’s authorization to be an organ, eye, and/or tissue donor upon their death. New Yorkers aged sixteen or older who haven’t already enrolled have several opportunities to do so both online and in person through the DMV.

Additionally, New Yorkers can show their support for organ and tissue donation by purchasing a “Life-Pass It On” custom license plate from the DMV or making a voluntary \$1 contribution to organ transplant research, education and donation promotion projects by checking off the box when applying for or renewing their driver license, learner permit, or non-driver ID.

“The Ulster County DMV is committed to raising awareness of the importance of organ donation,” said Ulster County Clerk Nina Postupack. “I encourage everyone to learn more about this life-saving program, as you never know when you or someone you love may need an organ or tissue transplant. By enrolling in the New York State Donate Life Registry, we are taking a powerful step towards helping to save and improve the lives of all those in need of a transplant within our community.”

“I’m pleased to join Ulster County Clerk Nina Postupack in promoting April as Donate Life Month,” Ulster County Executive Pat Ryan said. “There’s a tremendous need for organ donations in New York State, and I encourage all Ulster County residents who are interested in helping to stop by the DMV office in Kingston or the Mobile DMV bus to register to become an organ donor.”

Learn more about National Donate Life Month and Donate Life NYS at donatelife.ny.gov. To make an appointment at the Ulster County DMV, please visit <https://bit.ly/UCDMVapp>.

For further information on this or other outreach programs of the Ulster County Clerk’s Office, please contact County Clerk Nina Postupack at (845) 340-3040 or countyclerk@co.ulster.ny.us, visit the office online at <https://clerk.ulstercountyny.gov/countyclerk>, or find us on Facebook.

UC Executive Pat Ryan and Congressman Antonio Delgado to Host Hearing to Collect Testimony on the Impact of the Potential Closure of Castle Point

Comments collected will be provided to the Asset and Infrastructure Review (AIR) Commission who will ultimately make a recommendation to the President and Congress on the potential closure of the facility

Ulster County Veterans already travel up to an hour for VA services, the closure will significantly increase travel time and eliminate essential services for seniors, addiction recovery, mental health, womens’ health, and more

Last month, County Executive Pat Ryan, Congressman Antonio Delgado, and other leaders and veterans held a rally in Kingston against the potential closure of the facility

Ulster County Executive Pat Ryan and Congressman Antonio Delgado announced that they will be holding a hearing to collect testimony from veterans and other individuals impacted by the potential closure of the Castle Point VA Medical Center. The hearing will take place on Thursday, April 21st, at 12:30 p.m., at the VFW 8645 in New Paltz. All comments collected will be provided to the Asset and Infrastructure Review (AIR) Commission who will ultimately make a recommendation to the President and Congress on the potential closure of the facility.

“The VA’s recommendation to close the Castle Point VAMC is completely unacceptable, and our entire community - especially the tens of thousands of veterans and military families who rely on this facility - feels like the VA is turning its back on us,” County Executive Pat Ryan said. (Contd. Pg 53)

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“Congressman Delgado and I are bringing together those most impacted, to elevate their concerns, and ensure that those in charge of determining the future of this critical facility understand the importance it has in so many of our veterans’ lives.”

“It is critical that policymakers in Washington hear directly from our local veterans on the potential impacts of closing the Castle Point VAMC - how it would increase travel times and render essential VA services less accessible,” Rep. Antonio Delgado said. “Castle Point cannot close unless the VA ensures that every veteran who uses it will maintain equally accessible, high-quality care through a VA facility in the Hudson Valley. I look forward to the discussion and will do everything I can to further amplify the concerns that are raised.”

“We were at war for over twenty years,” Executive Director of the Hudson Valley Center for Veteran Reintegration Kevin Keaveny said. “Why Now, as combat operations dwindle and the men and women of our country desperately need services provided by the Veterans administration, would we even consider closing a single facility. This is a slap in the face of the Veteran community.”

The Veterans Administration realignment report calls for the closure of Castle Point VAMC and proposes downgrading to an outpatient clinic (CBOC) to serve the region, which would remove all inpatient services and close an existing fully-occupied senior living center (CLC). In addition, the VA’s report recommends that other local and regional hospitals could “absorb” the growing demand for inpatient and urgent care services in the Hudson Valley, which is concerning given recent divestments by WMC in mental health and addiction recovery services in Ulster County and compounding layoffs of over 40 senior staff members at end of 2021. The report will now undergo a one-year committee review.

Ulster County has over 11,000 veterans who currently access VA services at Albany Stratton Veteran Affairs Medical Center (VAMC) and Castle Point VAMC. Currently the Ulster County Veteran Services Agency transports thousands of veterans annually to both of these locations. Veterans in Ulster County, depending on where they live, already travel up to an hour for these essential services.

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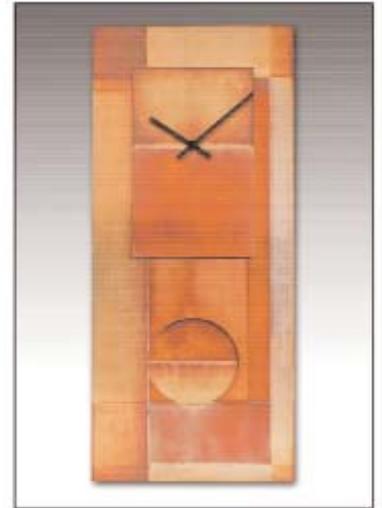
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For additional information, submission guidelines and to apply online visit:



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All You Can Eat Pancake Breakfast



Sunday, May 8th

Serving 8:00 until 12 Noon

Adults: \$9

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3 types of Eggs any style, Pancakes, French Toast,
Hash browns, Sausage, cvfd specialties, Oj, coffee, tea

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

Statement from Governor Kathy Hochul regarding Brian Benjamin's Resignation

"I have accepted Brian Benjamin's resignation effective immediately. While the legal process plays out, it is clear to both of us that he cannot continue to serve as Lieutenant Governor. New Yorkers deserve absolute confidence in their government, and I will continue working every day to deliver for them."

NY Lt. Gov. Brian Benjamin Resigns Following Arrest in Campaign Finance Fraud Case *Benjamin is being charged with bribery and fraud*

Just seven months after being appointed by Governor Kathy Hochul and sworn into office, New York's second-in-command stepped down after surrendering to authorities for criminal charges in an alleged campaign fraud scheme.

Benjamin, a Democrat, was charged with bribery, fraud, conspiracy and falsification of records in an alleged scheme to obtain campaign contributions from a real estate developer in exchange for Benjamin's agreement to use his influence as a state senator to get a \$50,000 grant of state funds for a nonprofit organization the developer controlled.

Benjamin pleaded not guilty at an initial appearance in Manhattan federal court. He was released and bail was set at \$250,000.

He is being charged with one count of federal program bribery, one count of honest services wire fraud, one count of conspiracy to commit those offenses and two counts of falsification of records.

The charges carry with them a conviction of 5 to 20 years in prison per count.

RUPCO Re-celebrating Community

Mark your calendars for RE-Celebrate Community on June 9, 5:30 pm at the Senate Garage. While it has been two years since we last hosted our friends and supporters, our agency has been hard at work carrying out our mission of creating homes, supporting people and improving communities. We have a lot to celebrate, so dress up, bring a friend and join us for this joyous occasion!

Sponsorship Opportunities

Show your support by becoming a Re-Celebrate Community sponsor showcasing that you too are a community builder and that you understand that housing is at the center of everything. RUPCO provides various sponsorship levels that fit your budget and give your business recognition, such as online and social media promotion, print journal advertising, complimentary tickets, and event promotions. Join us at one of five sponsorship levels between \$125 - \$2,500.

We have much more to build and we appreciate your partnership in helping us make this Re-Celebrate Community one for the books.

About RUPCO

RUPCO creates homes, supports people, and improves communities across a broad spectrum of community development solutions, including housing, historic preservation, and neighborhood revitalization in the Hudson Valley. RUPCO creates and maintains quality, sustainable housing, and rental opportunities, inspires understanding and acceptance of affordable housing initiatives, and champions pathways to opportunity. For more information, visit www.rupco.org

WHEN:

Thursday, June 9th at 5:30PM

WHERE:

Senate Garage, 4 N. Front St, Kingston, NY 12401

QUESTIONS:

Contact Rachel Tantillo, 845-331-2140 ext 217

Health and Safety To ensure the safety of our guests, RUPCO will be following state and local guidelines and recommendations.

HEAP Cooling Season Is Approaching –Sign Up for Benefits Starting May 2

Liberty, NY - Effective May 2, 2022 through August 31 (as funds allow), the Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP) Cooling Assistance Component (CAC) can provide for the purchase and installation of air conditioners or fans. Though certain eligibility requirements still apply, having a certified medical condition is no longer a requirement.

The program will pay up to \$800 for the installation of a cooling mechanism in your home (but will not provide any benefit to offset increased utility bills as a result).

Whether or not you received a HEAP benefit this past winter season, you can apply for the Cooling component, subject to the following eligibility requirements:

- Your household's gross monthly income is at or below the current income guidelines for your household size as posted in the following table, or
- You receive Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits, or
- You receive Temporary Assistance (TA), or
- You receive Code A Supplemental Security Income (SSI Living Alone), or
- You received a Regular HEAP benefit greater than \$21 in the current program year or received a Regular HEAP benefit equal to \$21 during the current program year and reside in government-subsidized housing with heat included in your rent, and
- A member of your household is a United States Citizen or qualified alien, and
- You currently do not have a working air conditioner, or the air conditioner you have is five years old or older, and

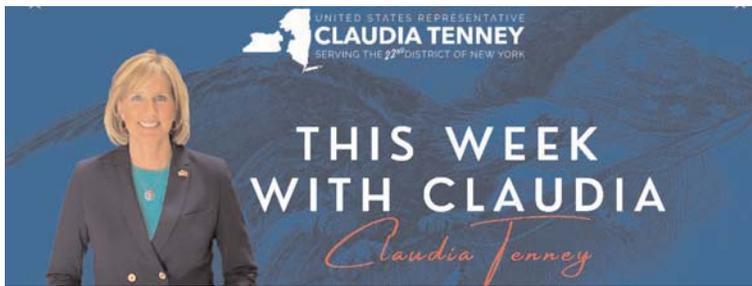
Household Size Monthly Income Maximum

1	\$2,729
2	\$3,569
3	\$4,409
4	\$5,249
5	\$6,088
6	\$6,928

- You did not receive a HEAP-funded air conditioner within the past five years.

<https://www.ny.gov/services/apply-heating-and-cooling-assistance-heap>

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call a HEAP staff member at 845-807-0142, prompt 2. Any requested documents can be faxed to 845-292-4651 or emailed to HEAP@sullivanny.us.



Ensuring our Veterans are Never Treated as Second Class Citizens

Tenney Slams Biden Admin for Reports VA Medical Staff Would Be Redirected to Border

A recent report suggested that the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) was considering diverting medical personnel from the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) to the Southern Border to help process a flood of illegal immigrants expected after the official termination of Title 42. A U.S. border official also stated that border agents are anticipating a surge of as many as 18,000 illegal immigrant encounters at the border every single day following the end of Title 42.

Let me be clear: any plan that takes resources away from our veterans is absolutely unacceptable and I will fight tooth and nail against it in Congress. This week, I joined 53 of my colleagues in a letter to DHS Secretary Mayorkas demanding answers about any plans that would take medical personnel away from the VA. Read more about the letter here:

<https://tenney.house.gov/media/press-releases/tenney-demands-answers-about-biden-administrations-plans-divert-resources>

Sadly, the Biden Administration has refused to take the crisis at our Southern Border seriously. Since President Biden's swearing in, over two million illegal border crossings have taken place. Last year, deportations fell 68% to just 59,011, down from 185,884 in 2020. And more than 11,200 pounds of fentanyl were seized by border agents in Fiscal Year 2021, which is enough to kill every American nearly seven times over. While an unprecedented amount of drugs and people are being stopped at the border, an unprecedented amount are also slipping through. This crisis is having a direct impact on our communities, with more than 100,000 Americans dying of drug overdoses in a recent 12-month period - the most ever! It's time for Secretary Mayorkas and President Biden to finally take this border crisis seriously, or else they should resign.

To read more: Republicans slam Biden admin for 'deeply troubling' possibility VA docs could go to border for expected surge. Go to:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=v1ZUtlfyk5w>

Election Integrity Update: No More Zuckerbucks in Virginia and Alabama!

This week was a big one for election integrity! In Virginia, Governor Glenn Youngkin approved a bill banning Zuckerbucks, which will prohibit private donors from bankrolling elections in that state. In Alabama, Governor Kay Ivey did the same, an important step to protect the safety and

security of our elections.

On Tuesday, the Center for Tech and Civic Life announced that it would not be distributing Zuckerbucks again in 2022. As you may recall, this is the non-profit organization that Meta (then-Facebook) CEO Mark Zuckerberg used to funnel \$350 million to local boards of election in overwhelmingly Democrat regions without any oversight or accountability.

Last year, I introduced the End Zuckerbucks Act to stop people like Mark Zuckerberg from funding elections through these shady operations. Faith in our elections is at an all-time low, and it's crucial that we take meaningful steps to restore confidence by enacting commonsense reforms and protecting the role of states in administering elections.

<https://tenney.house.gov/media/press-releases/congresswoman-claudia-tenney-introduces-bill-end-zuckerbucks-safeguard>

New Op-Ed: What is Biden's Iran Envoy Hiding?

On Tuesday, I published an op-ed about the ongoing negotiations for a revived nuclear deal with Iran, the world's leading state sponsor of terror. Robert Malley, President Biden's Special Envoy for Iran and the chief negotiator of the 2015 failed Iran Deal, has refused to testify publicly before the House Foreign Affairs Committee. I led a letter to Secretary of State Blinken recently demanding that Mr. Malley testify just like his predecessor did under the Trump Administration.

Bombshell developments over the last several weeks shed light on why Mr. Malley may be refusing to testify publicly. Recent reports have revealed that as Russia wages an unprovoked and murderous war in Ukraine, President Biden is bizarrely fixated on securing Russian cooperation to finalize a nuclear deal with Iran. The reports out of Vienna signal that a new deal could be imminent, and that it is even worse than the original deal Mr. Malley negotiated.

Special Envoy Malley has an obligation to answer the tough questions, and I will continue fighting to make sure he does. Click the link below to read the op-ed!

To read more: What is Biden's Iran Envoy Hiding?

<https://www.newsweek.com/what-bidens-iran-envoy-hiding-opinion-1697671>

Win for Upstate: Repeal of the State's Broadband Tax

Last week, I joined with House Republican Conference Chairwoman Elise Stefanik and other members of the New York congressional delegation in a letter urging Governor Hochul to work with the state legislature to repeal the broadband fee, which is charged to private providers for installing, operating or maintaining fiber optic cable lines needed for quality broadband connections. This fee amounted to a tax on rural broadband that stifled growth and expansion. To read the letter go to: <https://tenney.house.gov/media/press-releases/tenney-stefanik-press-hochul-repeal-rural-broadband-tax>

This week, I was very happy to announce that New York repealed the fiber fee as part of the 2022-2023 state budget. It is already costly enough to run a business and raise a family here in New York, and this additional fee was just harmful and unnecessary. While so much of our state's budget failed to cut back on onerous mandates and remove many of the most egregious taxes on small businesses and Upstate families, I'm pleased that at least the fiber fee was eliminated. This will make it easier to expand broadband in our state, especially in the rural communities across New York's 22nd District that need it most.

Ulster County Executive Pat Ryan is Seeking Residents to Serve on Community Boards and Commissions

Ulster County residents have multiple opportunities to volunteer for boards and commissions ranging from the Office for the Aging Advisory Council to the Charter Reform Commission

KINGSTON, N.Y. - Ulster County Executive Pat Ryan announced today that he is seeking community minded residents to serve on various boards and commissions. Service opportunities range from the Office for the Aging Advisory Council to the Charter Reform Commission. Applications are being accepted on a rolling basis until all positions are filled, and County Executive Ryan will appoint volunteers to fill the vacancies.

“Our community relies on the tremendous work of our volunteers from all walks of life,” Ulster County Executive Pat Ryan said. “Volunteerism can also help inform your government on important items and help make positive change. That is why we are looking for civic minded individuals to fill a number of the essential openings that we have on our boards and commissions.”

There are currently vacancies on the following boards and commissions:

o Community Services Board (Subcommittee on Substance Abuse/Subcommittee on People with Developmental Disabilities)

The Community Services Board (CSB) consists of licensed professionals and general members of the community who have a demonstrated interest in behavioral health services. The CSB advises the County Executive, the County Commissioner of Mental Health and the County Legislature on matters relating to the Department of Mental Health.

o Youth Board

The Youth Board shall propose policies, programs and recommendations to the Director of the Youth Bureau, the County Executive and the Legislature regarding measures

most suitable to supplement, aid and coordinate the work and activities of all public and private agencies, including religious and social institutions, seeking to prevent delinquency and youth crime, to advance the moral, physical, mental and social well-being of the youth of this County, and to encourage the County's local governments to take an interest in the well-being of youth.

o Board of Health

The Board of Health shall advise the Commissioner of Health or Public Health Director, the County Executive and the Legislature in matters relating to the Department of Health. The members of the Board of Health shall further have the power to inspect and review all facilities and programs of the Department of Health and may report and make recommendations to the County Executive, the County Legislature and Commissioner of Health or Public Health Director.

o Office for the Aging Advisory Council

Council members advise the agency on all matters relating to the development of the area plan administered by the Office for the Aging, the administration of the plan and operations conducted under the plan.

o Fish and Wildlife Management Board

This cooperative program is authorized for the purpose of obtaining on the privately owned or leased lands and waters of the state practices of fish and wildlife management which will preserve and develop the fish and wildlife resources of the state and improve access to them for recreational purposes by the people of the state.

o Human Rights Commission

The mission of the Human Rights Commission exists to foster respect for the rights of all people and to explore opportunities for improving relations among all people of Ulster County. Many activities include monitoring human rights violations in Ulster County, engaging in public education about human rights, keeping abreast of national and international issues involving human rights, organizing public events and forums on human rights topics, engaging in public outreach to agencies and lobbying state and local legislative bodies when appropriate.

o Charter Revision Commission

Commission members review and make recommendations to the County Executive and Legislature on amendments, additions or revisions to the Ulster County County Charter.

To submit an application for an executive appointment to one of these openings, fill out the online form at <https://codev.ulstercountyny.gov/board-member-application/>. Applications are due in 30 days.

The Daniel Pierce Library Children's Programs 2022



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 4, 2022. These programs are free and are made possible through the generosity of our community. Registration is required.

Mother Goose Time–

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. Program will be held each Wednesday from 9:30 a.m. to 10:15 a.m.

Toddler Time–

Stories, felt stories, crafts, music, and friendship-building geared for wee ones ages 24-35 months. Program will be held each Thursday from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

Story Hour–

Our classic, beloved program for three, four, and five year-old children, featuring the "Magic Bag," a read-aloud, felt stories, crafts, homework, and music. Program will be held each Friday 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

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 him/her in one of these valuable programs this spring. 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.



Come visit us at the library, remember to check out our website for upcoming events, and like us on Facebook and Instagram!

Spring Into Self Care

at the Daniel Pierce Library

Revitalize & Cleanse Through the Spring Season

Two separate workshops

Breathwork & Relaxation Techniques for Spring

Saturday, May 21, 2022

Spring Cleanse Through Nutrition

Saturday, June 18, 2022

10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Are you ready to feel clarity of the mind,
move toward emotional balance and feel nourished in the body?

May's workshop will include: breathwork, relaxation techniques,
aromatherapy, exercise for the spring and a yoga position guide for at home application.

You can join one or both of these free workshops for a holistic experience rooted in balance this spring season. You do not have to attend one to attend another. Registration for each workshop will be open at the beginning of each month, for adult residence of Tr-Valley at www.danielpiercelibrary.org.



Meet your instructor, Kelsey Riley.

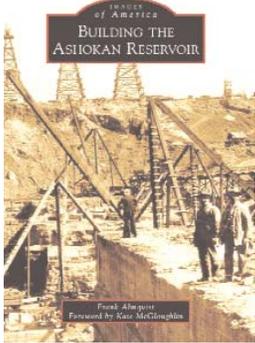
Kelsey is a Holistic Health Coach with a background in Ayurveda, Yoga and Reiki. Her passion is to uncover the root causes of dis-ease and disconnection in the lives of others and guide them in their discovery toward the nature of the true Self. She founded EyeAwaken Wellness to bring these ancient wellness teachings into modern lifestyles with the intention to integrate them in ways that feel inspiring, nourishing and aligned to YOU!

Click here to register for Daniel Pierce Library Spring into Self Care Workshop
<https://danielpiercelibrary.org/spring-into-self-care-workshop/>

Building the Ashokan Reservoir

Sunday, April 24th, 2 p.m.
At the Time and the Valleys Museum
and virtually on ZOOM

[Grahamsville, N.Y.] Join Author Frank Almquist for a presentation on his book: Building the Ashokan Reservoir on Sunday, April 24 at 2 p.m. at the Time and the Valleys Museum on St. Rt. 55 in Grahamsville Sullivan County, or virtually on zoom.



Author Frank Almquist brings to life the story of how this massive dam, miles of dikes, and water controls was built more than 100 years ago mostly by hand, an undertaking nearly the magnitude of the Panama Canal. Construction started on September 30, 1907 and the dam and dikes, followed by roads and bridges, was

completed in December, 1917. Completion was ahead of schedule and under budget!

Frank Almquist shares his collection of real-photo postcards and other collected material, with support of materials from local collectors, libraries and historical societies, to tell the story



of the Olive Bridge dam construction, the two basins as well the dividing weir and dikes, the workers

and their camps.

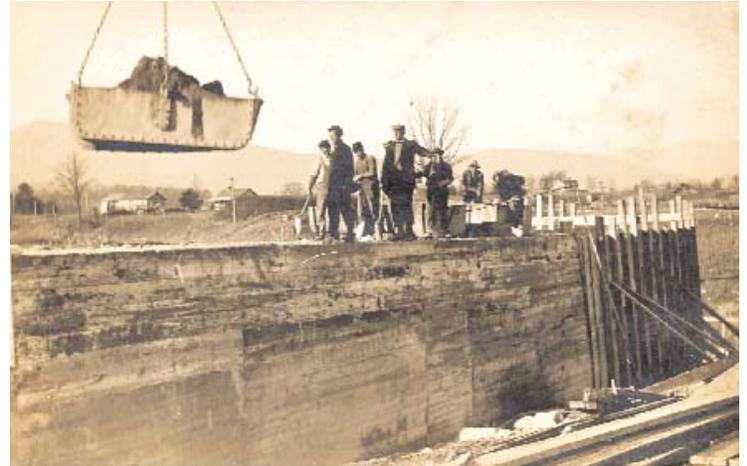
Admission to the program is free for Museum members and \$5 for non-members. For virtual attendance: Non-members can make a donation on the Museum's website:

www.timeandthevalleymuseum.org. To register and receive a program link, please email info@timeandthevalleymuseum.org and put Ashokan Reservoir Talk Zoom Link Request in the subject line, or call 845 985-7700.

In person registration is not required and includes admission to the Museum's three floors of interactive exhibitions. The program will be held at the Time and the Valleys Museum on St. Rt.



55 in Grahamsville. For more information please email info@timeandthevalleymuseum.org or call 845 985-7700.



About the speaker: Frank Almquist

In summer of 1997 Frank retired early from IBM after a 37 year engineering and management career in product technology and development. For many years he fly-fished the Esopus Creek as well as collected area postcards. In antique shops he found cards of the Ashokan Reservoir area, the towns that were displaced, then construction postcards. The bug hit, "learn more about how the reservoir was built".

About the Time and the Valleys Museum: Connecting Water People and the Catskills, the Museum is currently open by appointment and during programs. Located at 332 Main Street in Grahamsville (St. Rt. 55), Sullivan County, admission for adults is a suggested donation of \$5, children under 16 \$2, and children under six are free.

Museum exhibitions are interactive and both fun and educational for all ages:

- o Water and the Valleys, an exhibit on the history of the Rondout and Neversink watershed area from early geological times to the 20th century. This exhibition includes interactives such as a Native American artifact guessing game, grinding corn with a mortar and pestle, videos and more.
 - o Tunnels, Toil and Trouble: New York City's Quest for Water and the Rondout-Neversink Story, an interactive exhibit on NYC water supply system and the towns that were removed to build the system, which includes computer interactives, games, puzzles, videos and building a dam and tunnel.
 - o 1930s Lost Catskill Farm, a farmhouse, outhouse, barn, electric plant, milk house and working waterwheel help visitors experience life in the 1930s through displays, videos, games and hands on activities.
 - o New! One Teacher, Eight Grades, One Room an exhibition on one room schools in the Tri-Valley area.
- The Time and the Valleys Museum is proud to be a Blue Star Museum, a collaboration between the National Endowment of the Arts, Blue Star Families, the Department of Defense and over 1,500 museums across America to provide free admission to active duty military members (with ID) and up to five family members. This free admission for members of the military and their families runs from Memorial Day to Labor Day.

For more information call 845 985-7700, e-mail info@timeandthevalleymuseum.org or visit www.timeandthevalleymuseum.org. To schedule a group tour for



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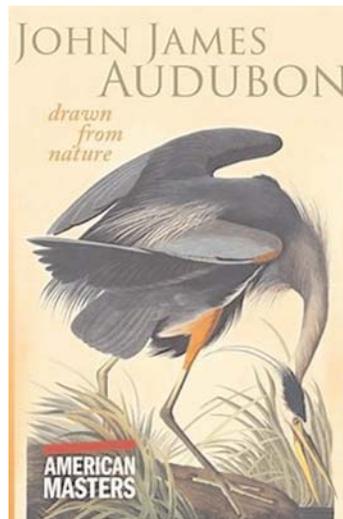
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**“KNARF'S CLASSIC MOVIE I
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IN APPRECIATION OF AUDUBON DAY
JOHN JAMES AUDUBON'S BRILLIANT
WORK AND LEGACY ARE CELEBRATED
ON AUDUBON DAY ON APRIL 26, 2022,**

**John James Audubon:
Drawn From Nature**

Lawrence Hott Director, Producer Unrated
/ Format: DVD



"The story of John James (born Jean Rabin; April 26, 1785 – January 27, 1851) was an American self-trained artist, naturalist, and ornithologist. His combined interests in art and ornithology turned into a plan to make a complete pictorial record of all the bird species of North America. Audubon's story is a dramatic and surprising one. He saw more of the North American continent than virtually anyone of his time, and came to stand for America - the America of wilderness and wild things. Audubon was a self-made man whose life was rife with action and contradiction. He played the debonair European when he visited the American frontier, and then the wild woodsman in the drawing

rooms of Europe. As an artist and a naturalist his achievements are monumental. *The Birds of America* - an astonishing collection of 435 life-size prints - was the largest book printed in the 19th century. Audubon was not only the artist; he was the writer, publisher and promoter. Among his early subscribers were the kings of England and France. Audubon continued to draw, creating a smaller folio of even more birds, and embarking on a major study of mammals. This book, *The Viviparous Quadrupeds of America*, was only half-done in 1846, when he turned the work over to his son. His eyesight was failing, as was his mind. This spectacular film is accompanied by DVD extras including a description of the printing process, Donald Heald gallery discussion comparing the work of Alexander Wilson and Audubon, and a demonstration of how Audubon posed birds to capture the extraordinary natural detail in his work drawn from nature.

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JAMES AUDUBON’S BRILLIANT WORK AND
LEGACY ARE CELEBRATED ON AUDUBON
DAY ON APRIL 26, 2022... BUT! DON’T UPSET**

THE BIRDS

(1963 / RATED PG-13 / 1HR 59MIN / MYSTERYTHRILLER)



The Birds: Directed by Alfred Hitchcock. Starring Rod Taylor, Jessica Tandy, Suzanne Pleshette and Tippi Hedren.



A wealthy San Francisco socialite pursues a potential boyfriend to a small Northern California town that slowly takes a turn for the bizarre when birds of all kinds suddenly begin to attack people.

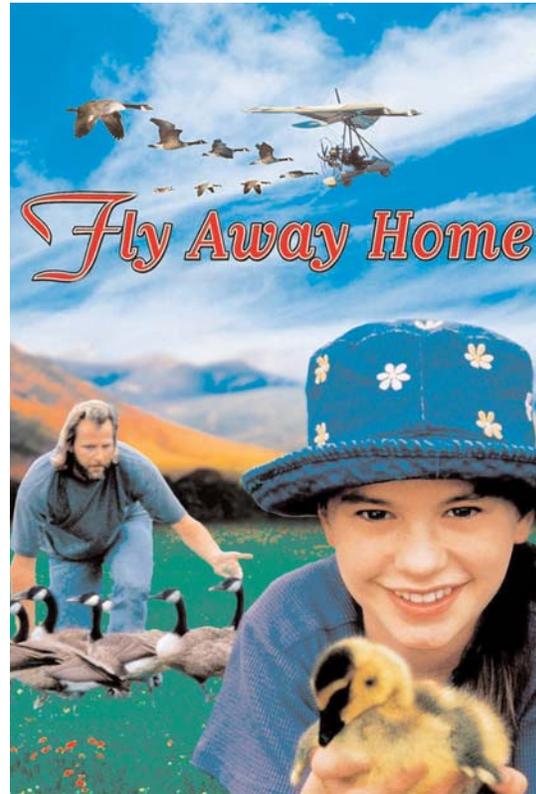
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TCM, AMAZON PRIME, IMOB, NETFLIX,
IN APPRECIATION OF AUDUBON DAY**

FLY AWAY HOME

(PG / 1996 / 1HR 47 MIN / FAMILY/ADVENTURE)

The Geese have no leader except a little girl that they follow who learned to fly in order for them to migrate south to



get the Geese home. Your heart will be filled with love, when this little girl gets the support of a nation as she flies an Ultra-lite plane that results in a soaring adventure of a 13-year-old girl and her estranged father, who learn what family is all about when they adopt an orphaned flock of geese and teach them to fly!



Directed by Carroll Ballard and starring Jeff Daniels as Thomas Alden, Anna Paquin as Amy Alden, Dana Delany as Susan Barnes, and Terry Kinney as David Alden.

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