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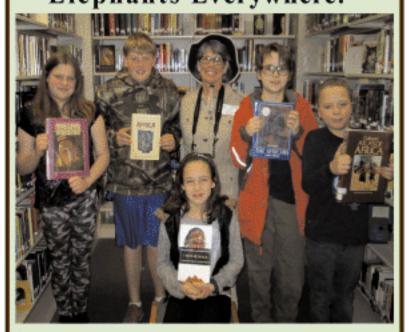
An Amazing Community
Our community is truly amazing! The
Benefit Raffle sponsored by the Tri Valley Little League to benefit two coaches battling cancer was astoundingly successful. Ticket sales and donations raised \$24,992. First prize winner was the Krummack Family, second prize winner was Scott Mentnech and third prize winner was Cathy Harvey. As winners graciously do;nated their prizes back to the fund, all money raised wll go to the families. Chris and Doreen Krummack have three children 16, 14 and 11. Mike and Patty Mullen have two children 12 and 10.

The Tri Valley Little League wants to thank the many individuals and businesses who sold tickets and all those who

donated so generously. If you would like to further support the Krummack Family in this time of need you can attend the All-U-Can-Eat Pancake Dinner Fundraiser at the Neversink Firehouse on Saturday April

25th from 4-7 pm.

"Tri-Valley Elementary Students Spot Giraffes, Zebras, and Elephants Everywhere!"



Clad in safari pants, camouflaged jacket, binoculars, a sun hat, and hiking boots, retired Tri-Valley Elementary librarian, Paula Gray, brought the wilds of Africa to Grahamsville for 150 Tri-Valley elementary students. (Contd. Pg. 8)

Holiday Reflections Along Canal Street

Have you taken a walk along Canal Street in Ellenville? If you did you will know what time of year it is when you pass by Matthews Pharmacy!

Carol Campbell, an employee at Matthews has been decorating the front window for years. Most of the time you will see Carol's familiar friendly smiling face at a register, but we just learned she is also the talented lady who so wonderfully designs and decorates the window at the pharmacy each holiday and change of season, bringing a magical transition that will brighten anyone's day.

Here is something else that should make you smile. There is a new trend according recent surveys, "America is moving from large chains as they don't offer much in the way of showing their customer appreciation like the smaller establishments who take a vested interest in the wants and needs of their customers. Independently owned small busi-

nesses offer character and a unique experience."



Matthews Pharmacy can make that claim. Small business owners, like Matthews, often live in the community, worship there, plays sports, socialize with community members, contribute to their community and contribute to your children's activities. They care about the individuals who patronize their business. Because of this personal involvement with the community, they continue strive to provide the best service possible to cus-

tomers in a personal and friendly way.

Thank you Carol for the unique and delightful window displays that you create for all to see.

Pass by Matthews at 110 Canal Street in Ellenville, enjoy their happy holiday window and smile. While you are there, stop in, say 'hello' to Carol and support a local business. Shop locally, after all, they support you.

NYS DEC Teaches Basic Wildland Search Course in Town



The NYS Department of Environmental Conservation Forest Rangers taught their Basic Wildland Search Skills course to members of the Grahamsville, Neversink and Claryville Fire Departments, as well as NYC DEP Police Officers and the Volunteer Coordinator for the Red Hill Fire Tower. Forest Ranger Howard Kreft taught the course, which was attended by 38 participants. Grahamsville Chief Ed McCarthy and DEP Police Lt Christian Gallagher were instrumental in enlisting such a high turnout. The classroom session took place on March 9 at the Grahamsville firehouse. The field exercise was held on March 16 in the private wooded area behind Chestnut Drive, thanks to the generosity of Lisa and Mike Garigliano, a member of the Grahamsville FD. (Contd. Pg 3)

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UC Exec Mike Hein Recognizes Winners of UC's Teen Dating Violence Video Contest

Ulster County Executive Mike Hein recognized and congratulated the winners of Ulster County's Teen Dating Violence Video Contest at Ellenville High School and Saugerties High School last week. The Teen Dating Violence Video Contest Committee



UC Exec Mike Hein presents certificates to Ellenville High School students

was formed as a subcommittee of the Ulster County Inter-agency Council on Domestic Violence with the goal to raise awareness about the national issue of teen dating violence. The contest encouraged students to produce creative short informative videos that identified signs of unhealthy or abusive relationships, while including local domestic violence resources.

The first place winners were 11th grade students from Ellenville High School, Vinny Mele & Edgar Saravia. (Contd. Pg. 6)

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To renew or receive a new subscription to the TOWNSMAN, please fill out the form below. Mail form to the address above or place in the TownsMan, please Thursday, March 26 at the funeral home. Harold's Funeral Mass was held on Friday March 27 at St. Peter's Church, Burial of Harold's cremains will take place at a later date. Townsman

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Have a question- please call: Linda Comando (845) 985-0501.

As always, thank you for your support.

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ON THE FRONT BURNER:

Behold it is come, and it is done, saith the Lord God; this is the day whereof I have spoken. Ezekiel 39:8

OBITUARY



Harold F. Van Aken, a lifelong area resident, passed away on Sunday March 22, 2015 at Valley View Center in Goshen, NY. He was the son of the late Floyd and Leora Lewis Van Aken and was born on July 31, 1923 in Red Hill,

Harold was Supervisor for the Town of Denning lfor 29 years. He was a

member of the Harness Owners Assn, a lifetime member and Past President of the Claryville Fire Dept. He was also a member of Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Woodbourne, NY.

He was the beloved husband of Doris Hoberg Van Aken to whom he was married for 69 years in love and friendship, who survives at home. He was the loving father of Diana Curry and her husband Donald of Harpursville, NY, both of whom he appreciated for all their special care and Karen Van Aken of Vestal, NY, who spent countless times together, sharing their love of horses. He is also survived by his grandson, Scott Curry, with whom he shared a special bond, and his wife Colleen.

Claryville Fire Dept. held services on Harold's Funeral Mass was held on Friday March 27 at St. Peter's Church, Burial of Harold's cremains will take place at a later date.

Memorial contributions may be made to Claryville Fire Department, Claryville, NY

In Harold's own words, "Get down on your knees, say a prayer for me, say so long." Until we

Funeral arrangements are by Ramsay's Funeral Homes Inc. Liberty, NY.

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson (Red) and Donna are pleased and happy to announce the engage-ment of Julianne Donovan and Arthur (LA) Weyant, all of Neversink, NY.

Julie is a 2003 graduate of Tri-Valley High School; Tompkins Cortland Community College; attended SUNY Cortland and is currently employed by Catskill Hudson Bank. LA is a 2004 graduate of Liberty Central High School and is currently employed by Sullivan County Department of Public Works.

An August 2016 wedding is planned.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT Welcome: Levi Joseph Brown

Mary and Joe Inghrim are proud to announce the birth of their great grandson, Levi Joseph Brown. Levi was born on Sunday, March 15th to their granddaughter, Jessica Brown and her husband Jacob in Toledo, Ohio. Maternal grandparents are Virginia (Ginny) and Richard Bischert Jr. of Delaware, Ohio. Paternal grandparents are Steve & Karen Brown of Cleveland, Ohio. Maternal great grandparents are Carolyn & Ed Seeley of Wurtsboro and Carol Bischert of North Carolina. Also, watching down from heaven is the late Richard (Dick) Bischert Sr. of Bradley.

DAYS OF YORE... Today's History

April 6, 1955 - Ron Willard of Albany has purchased Don's Flower Shop in Ellenville from Don Erath and took possession on Monday. Mr. Erath will remain associated with the business which he founded several years ago in the capacity of designer.

Mr. and Mrs. David Van Valkenburg are the parents of a son, Earl, born March 27th at the Liberty Loomis Hospital. Mr. and Mrs. Harold Countryman are the maternal grandparents. Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Van Valkenburg are the paternal grandparents.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Gridley and Mr. and

Mrs. Harrison Gridley celebrated their wedding anniversaries with a family dinner on Saturday evening at the Gridley farm.

March 31, 1965 - Raymond O. Furman, 68, died on March 26, 1965 at Riviera Beach, Florida after a short illness. He was born at Hasbrouck on September 17, 1896, the son of Orlando and Celeste Perry Furman. A retired farmer, he and his wife, the former Edna Van Aken, had resided at High Falls, N.Y. for thirty years. Mr. Furman was a member of the Woodbourne Reformed Church. Surviving besides his widow are one brother, Harrison Furman of Hasbrouck and one sister, Emma VanBenschoten of Grahamsville.

Anniversary congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Oland Erath, 20 years on April 2nd; Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Velie, 12 years on April 5th; Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Slater, 30 years on April 6th; Mr. and Mrs. Andrew DuBois, 7 years on April 5th.

April 9, 1975 - Once again the leaders of Troop 187, Grahamsville, are proud to announce the advancement of a scout to the rank of Eagle. Through hard work and scout spirit, Joe Barkley will become an Eagle Scout on April 26th. The Court of Honor will be held at Tri-Valley Elementary School.

Mary Lu and Steve Drobysh of Pond Road, Grahamsville, are the proud parents of a son, born March 31st. Mary Lu is the granddaughter of Mrytle Dean of Neversink.

Waldemar Gilles, 64, of Grahamsville, died last Monday at Robert Packer Hospital, Sayre, Pa., following a short illness. A 35year resident of the area, he was born in Hamburg, Germany on Dec. 23, 1910 to Max and Elsie Tunn Gilles. He married the former Emily Ratz. He is survived by his wife; a son, Fred of Grahamsville; a daughter, Mrs. Margaret Curry of Grahamsville.

April 4, 1985 - Congratulations to Travis Coddington, Christy Jo Crowfoot, Karl Haag, Jennifer Allison, Ivalyn Henderson, Kenneth Richardson, and Daniel Keller who were confirmed in the faith at the Grahamsville and Sundown U.M. Church on March 31, 1985. Also congratulations to Gloria Powell who joined the Sundown Church.

Evelyn and Jack Huntsberger celebrated their 56th Wedding Anniversary on Sunday, March 31, 1985. Congratulations!!

A Big Thank You to the Tri-Valley Community!

The Tri-Valley Teachers' Association (TVTA) would like to extend a huge thank you to the entire Tri-Valley community for their generous food donations at this year's Competition Night. With the help of our community, the TVTA was able to collect a whopping 1,175 cans of food!

The Senior class collected the most cans, as they donated more than 1000. They were followed by the Junior class, the Freshmen class, and the Sophomore class.

The donated food items will be used to support the TVTA Cares Snackpack program as well as the local community food pantry.

As teachers, we feel lucky to be part of such a caring and generous community. Thank you so much for all you do-together, we're making a difference!

SC Historical Society 2015 Elementary School Art Show

The Sullivan County Historical Society proudly presents the 2015 Elementary School Art Show, featuring the works of young artists from throughout the County. The show which was coordinated and set up by Sullivan County B.O.C.E.S., will be open for viewing through April 4th, during regular hours, at the Sullivan County Museum, 265 Main Street, Hurleyville, NY.

Hours: Tuesday through Saturday 10 A.M. to 4:30 P.M. and Sunday 1:00 to 4:30 P.M.

For Information please call: (845) 434:8044

A Round About Tri-Valley

-Carol Furman

Our thoughts are with the Koskey Family of Loch Sheldrake who lost their daughter, Shelby, in a trailer fire on March 17th.

John DiMilia, a true gentleman, passed away on March 18th. John would have celebrated his 82nd birthday on April 4th. Condolences to his family and friends.

Sympathy to the family and friends of Harold F. Van Aken, formerly a Red Hill resident, who passed away on March 22nd at the age of 92. Harold was Supervisor for the Town of Denning for 29 years and was also a horse enthusiast. Harold and his wife, Doris, were married for 69 years.

Congratulations to Gretchen Hartman, a former Tri-Valley student, who has been promoted to Clinical Nutrition Manager at Catskill Regional Medical Center in Harris. Gretchen will lead clinical nutrition and patient service programs that provide counseling and advice to patients and staff at the medical center. Gretchen was a former student of mine when I taught in the middle school at Tri-Valley. Way to go, Gretchen!

I hear the Grandma, Barbara, and Grandpa, George, Dean of Neversink are grandparents to a new baby girl. Little Mia was born in February to their daughter, Nikki, and her husband, Eric Horton. Nikki and Eric are also parents to Mia's big sisters, Sophia and Alexandra.

Jonathan Wilhelm, Jr., an eighth grader at Tri-Valley, bowled a 267,189, 224 (a 680 series) at Kiamesha Lanes earlier this month. This very talented young man has been bowling since he was 5 years old and has won several youth tournaments.

The maple tours held at Justus Asthalter Maple Syrup in Parksville, Catskill Mountain Sugar-house in Grahamsville and Frost Valley YMCA were well attended. If you missed the tours, maple syrup and maple cream can still be purchased at these locations.

Grahamsville Reformed Church will have a Maundy Thursday Service at their church at 7:00 pm on April 2nd. A Good Friday Service will be held at the Grahamsville United Methodist Church on April 3rd at 7:00 pm. There will also be an Easter Dawn Service on South Hill Road in Grahamsville at 7:00 am on April 5th. The community is invited to attend any or all of these services.

The Eureka eagle has been setting now for a couple of weeks. Large and noble-looking, these powerful predators have wings that can reach a span of eight feet.

Several community residents went with Barbara Hahl on March 22nd to see the play, "Beautiful". I hear it was wonderful!

Words of Wisdom: Snow and adolescence are the only problems that disappear if you ignore them long enough. (Earl Wilson)

Tri-Valley Lions Jan & Feb 2015 News

We did not have a January members meeting due to the weather conditions.

A \$100 donation to the WVOS-WSUL Hearta-thon was approved and will be presented in February.

Lion Jack Clark is in charge of the Chocolate Bunny Sales this year.

Lions Carmen and Liza Salvemini will attend the County Sight and Hearing Meeting on January 19th.

The February meeting was February 3rd.

We welcomed Dian and Scott Grey to our Club. Lion Zone Chair Ilene Wizwer was installing officer with Lion Carmen Salvemini assisting.

The Chocolate Bunny cases gave been ordered. Contact Lion jack Clark to get your supply to sell.

The Sight & Hearing group would like to put out a Sullivan County Lion Club cook book. Lion Liza Salvemini will get information on this project.

Our Journey For Sight Walk is on May 2nd

along with Tag Day.

Thank you to all who donate their used eyeglasses. They are used, also hearing aids.

PTO News

A year ago the PTO undertook the collection of empty juice pouches. By collecting this "garbage" our school will receive \$198. There are boxes in the Elementary and Secondary School cafeterias for their disposal.

Beginning in April, the PTO will begin collecting more "gargabe:. Any bar warapper will now be collected. Esamples are granola, energy bars and store brands. A container for this collection will be set up in both cafeterias.

Thank you for helping the PTO.

TVCS Indoor Track Championship

Congratulations to James Tierney, Nathan Bender, Ian Kurzrock, Mohib Kahn, and the Relay team for receiving Certificates of Merit from Senator John Bonacic for their accomplishments at the Sullivan County Indoor Track Championship.

TVCS Athletic Updates

ICongratulations to Sara Dertinger and Zachrey Nilsen for being selected as our OCIAA Scholar Athletes for 2015! To celebrate they will attend a prestigious breakfast on April, 23, 2015 with their counterparts across our interscholastic athletic league.

NYS DEC Teaches Basic Wildland Search Course in Town (From Pg. 1) The classroom lecture touched upon the history of the DEC's authority to conduct searches on state land, the basics of the Incident Command System, the importance of having good communications, the appropriate gear and a positive attitude on a search and finally the actual search techniques. The technique emphasized in this course is the Type 3 search technique. Participants are spaced apart horizontally along a designated base line, and then in sequential order walk straight along a guide line towards an eventual bump line maintaining a 30° angle from the person to their left while looking for clues and / or the lost person. The spacing and pace is managed by a crew boss, who would report any significant findings up the chain of command to the Incident Commander. After the lecture, students took a written exam, needing a minimum passing grade of 70. All participants passed, with a few 100's to boot!

For the field exercise, participants were divided up into 4 crews and were assigned to a search block in the woods that was marked off with string and flagging. Ranger Kreft briefed everyone on the profile of the "missing" person, Forest Ranger Erik Stratton, who played the role of a lost hunter and purposely hid in the snowy leaf litter. The teams skillfully found clues cloaked under the cover of darkness, culminating with the "lost" hunter being found by one of the Grahamsville firefighters.

Participants will receive a NYS DEC certificate and patch for successfully completing the course. This also provided a good opportunity for the different groups involved to work together on what was essentially a drill. That way, in the event of an actual search in the area, the overall response will be that much more coordinated and cohesive. The NYS DEC relies upon the effort of volunteers like these brave firefighters and other government agencies when conducting a search. To find out more, please visit www.dec.ny.gov.

Dr. Frederick A. Cook, Polar Explorer, to be Honored

On Sunday, April 12, 2015 from 2 to 4 p,m. there will be a reception. at the Sullivan County Museum, 265 Main St., Hurleyville, NY, commemorating 150th anniversary of Dr. Cooks birth. Dr. Cook, a famous explorer and native of Sullivan County, is best known for being the first person to reach the North Pole. There will be films about Cook's explorations. Refreshments - All Welcome.

For more information please call (845)434-8044 Nature Column - Linda Comando

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

Just after the snow melts, but before the last frost, during a short window of time each year, there is a fleeting sign of spring in the Catskills. Found along muddy riverbanks and in moist meadows is

the furled baby fern that looks like the scrolled top of a violin. It's fiddleheads!

A l m o s t everyone has heard

everyone has heard "fiddlehead of fern," as they have gained popularity as a springtime gourmet wild vegetable. Few wild edibles are so well known, so convenient and tasty, or so widely available. It is regularly eaten by hundreds of millions of people today, and in North America was

and continues as a traditional food for many Native American cultures. Yet unfortunately, a few types of fiddleheads are surrounded by much confusion. Many people mistakenly believe that all fern fiddleheads and are edible.

There are three main species of edible ferns in North America: ostrich fern Matteucia struthiopteris, lady fern Athyrium filix-femina, and

When people say "fiddlehead fern" they are most often talking about the ostrich fern. The ostrich fern or shuttlecock fern (Matteuccia struthiopteris) is a crown-forming, colony-forming fern, occurring in temperate regions of northern North America including the Catskill Mountains. These magnificent ferns grow mostly in shady areas near riverbanks, where often they cover many acres of ground, and they are also occasionally found in rich hardwood forests. The name struthiopteris comes from Ancient Greek words, struthio meaning ostrich and pterion meaning wing. It grows from a completely vertical crown, that sends out lateral stolons to form new crowns. It thus can form dense colonies resist-

ant to destruction by floodwaters.

The fronds are dimorphic, (representing two distinct forms) with the deciduous green sterile fronds (palm-like leaves) being almost vertical, growing 39-67 in tall and 7.9-14 in broad, that are long-tapering to the base but short-tapering to the tip, so that they resemble ostrich plumes, hence the name. The fertile fronds are shorter, 16-24 in long, brown when ripe, with highly modified and constricted leaf tissue curled over the sporangia (receptacle where spores are formed) that develop in autumn, persist erect over the winter and release the spores in early spring.

The ostrich fern is a popular ornamental plant in gardens and is a nice addition to a shady garden. It easy to grow, and deer tend to leave it alone. In nature, it grows in dappled shade on the forest edge or in moist soil near water, so when placing ostrich fern in a garden scheme, look for a site with damp shade.

Remember, not all fiddlehead ferns are edible, so look for a U-shaped groove on the inside of the stem and a thin, brown, papery coating to identify the edible sort. When picking fiddleheads, three tops per plant is the recommended harvest. Each plant produces seven tops that turn into fronds; over-picking will kill the plant. Maintaining sustainable harvesting methods is important in the propagation of any non-farmed food species.

If you are not sure what you are looking for or don't have fiddleheads growing in your backyard, fiddleheads are now available for a short time at many grocery stores, and most of the local farmers'

Speaking of fiddles, don't forget to mark your calendar for the 21st Annual Old Time Fiddler's Gathering (see pg 15 for details) will be held on Sunday, April 19, 2015 from 2:00-6:00 pm at the Neversink Fire Hall, Route 55, Neversink, NY, another sign that spring is here!

Household Hints

Before putting those winter boots away...

In addition to leaving unsightly white stains, salt can actually cause your footwear to crack and even disintegrate if it's left on too long or indefinitely. To remove it and prevent long-term damage, wipe fresh stains with a cloth dipped in undiluted white vinegar.

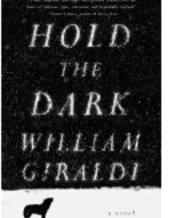
Hold the Dark

Mysterious Book Report No. 188

by John Dwaine McKenna

There's an ongoing battle between humans and nature that is eternal in character and inevitable in prospect; Mother Nature always wins in the end. But that doesn't mean we humans will ever stop trying-look anywhere on Earth and one can find places where men and women have built structures to keep out the elements.

Hold the Dark, (Liveright Publishing / W.W. Norton & Company Ltd., \$24.95, 203 pages, ISBN 978-0-87140-667-5) by William Giraldi takes place in the far north . . . in the extreme dark and cold of the Arctic winter . . . where it's mankind versus the elements, and mankind is losing. Game is already scarce, winter just beginning and the wolves are starving. In the remote village of Keelut, wolves have taken three children, one of whom is the six year old son of Vernon and Medora Slone. He's a sniper with the US Army, somewhere in the Middle East. She's just trying to survive. When her son disappears, she calls in nature writer and wolf expert Russell



Core-a sixty year-old burnout who's trying to find a way to end his life-enlisting him to locate her boys bones so that they might be buried. While Core may be a wolf expert, he's unprepared for the harsh conditions and subarctic temperatures at the top of the world . . . forcing him to borrow Vernon Sloan's clothes. Russel Core sets out to track the wolf pack that stole the village children but can't complete the task. He returns to Keelut to find Medora gone and a horror in the root cellar of her cabin. Wounded in battle, Vernon Sloan returns and together with his lifelong friend . . . a quiet and deadly man named Cheeon . . . begins a hunt for his wife that leaves a bloody smear across the frozen tundra before leading to a surprising, unforeseen and shocking conclusion that will have you thinking about the book long after you've finished reading it. What choices does one have to make in order to stay alive at the extreme edges of endurance, civilization and survival, where humans are just another species of animal trying to live one more day? What choices would you be forced into if you were locked in an icy heart of darkness? Hold the Dark is a short, but compelling read that'll give each reader food for thought for some time to come.

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Flood Mitigation Grants Available

Funding applications are available for the Flood Hazard Mitigation Implementation (FHMI) program, a new CWC program designed to help communities take actions to reduce damage from future floods. It is one of a suite of programs funded by the NYC DEP and run by several partner agencies in the Watershed. Proposals for the first annual round of FHMI grants, which are primarily intended to fund recommendations that come out of Local Flood Analyses (LFAs), must be submitted by June 1. Find program rules, background and applications here. Questions may be directed to Nate Hendricks, 845-586-1400, Ext. 308

CWC Annual Meeting April 7

The CWC will hold its 18th Annual Meeting of member towns Tuesday, April 7 at 1 p.m. at CWC offices, 905 Main Street, Margaretville. The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors will follow the Annual Meeting.

Watershed information exchange

Twenty officials from the Han River Basin Environmental Office visited the CWC in Mar-garetville March 23 to learn about water quality



protection, economic development and education programs in the New

York City Watershed. Their agency, established in 1999, runs similar programs in the watershed that serves Seoul, South Korea. The group also visited the Watershed Agricultural Council in Walton during their upstate tour.

For information, contact Brent Gotsch. bwg37@cornell.edu

Ashokan conference coming up April 11 There's still time to register for the April 11 Watershed Conference www.ashokanstreams.org or 845-688-3047. This year's conference theme is "Back to the Future: Creating a New Watershed Legacy.' Registration fee is \$10. Lunch is included. For more information, contact Brent Gotsch. bwg37@cornell.edu

Governor Cuomo Announces NY Trout and Salmon Fishing Season is Now Open

Governor Andrew M. Cuomo announced that New York State's trout and salmon fishing season will open on April 1. Ahead of the season opening, anglers can start planning their first outing on the I LOVE NY website, which features information on freshwater, saltwater and fly fishing as well as highlights ideal locations for

"New York is home to some of the best fishing opportunities in the world, and we are proud to kick off yet another season for trout and salmon," Governor Cuomo said.

"Hundreds of thousands of visitors come to this state every year to enjoy the beautiful natural resources we have to offer, and I encourage all anglers to start planning their first fishing trip of the season right here in New York."

New York boasts 7,500 lakes and ponds and 70,000 miles of rivers and streams for resident and visiting anglers to enjoy. The state is home to an estimated 1.9 million total anglers, while 297,000 non-resident anglers come to New York to fish, according to a study by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. New York's sport fishing industry generates an estimated \$1.96 billion in economic activity annually, supporting nearly

17,000 jobs.

Department of Environmental Conservation Commissioner Joe Martens said, "Some of the best fishing of the year can be found in lakes and ponds immediately following ice out. Enjoy opening day while using caution when fishing in high, cold water and icy banks and streambeds, common during the early season this time of year. To get ready for another great season of fishing in New York, the Department of Environmental Conservation plans to stock over 2.3 million catchable-size brook, brown and rainbow trout in 312 lakes and ponds and roughly 2,900 miles of streams across the state."

Fishing Forecast & Conditions

Given the record-breaking cold winter New York has experienced, opening day conditions will be best on Long Island and in the lower Hudson Valley, which typically warm up earlier than other areas of the state and have fishable stream flows. Anglers will have the best success

using bait and lures, such as spinners.

Early season trout fishing recommendations the Department of Environmental Conservation can be found in the 2015 Fishing Forecast Coldwater www.dec.ny.gov/outdoor/63598.html. The website also includes a map of recommended fishing locations at www.dec.ny.gov/pubs/42978.html and specific locations on streams where the Department of Environmental Conservation has fishing purchased easements www.dec.ny.gov/outdoor/9924.html. In addition, the free New York Fishing, Hunting & Wildlife mobile app provides up-to-date information on fishing, hunting, wildlife watching and other outdoor adventure opportunities in New York and gives both novice and seasoned outdoorsmen and women essential information in the palm of their hand.

Fishing Licenses

Before heading out for opening day, make sure you have your license. Anyone 16 years of age and older who desires to fish in New York must have a New York State fishing license. New York State reduced license fees in 2014 for both resident and non-resident anglers, making fishing in New York more affordable than ever.

Buying a license has also been made more convenient. Anglers can purchase their license and print them for immediate use on their home computer at www.licensecenter.ny.gov/. Anglers can also purchase their license by phone by calling 1-866-933-2257, or from the numerous license issuing agents across the state. Fishing licenses are now valid for 365 days from the date of purchase.

Those interested in purchasing a lifetime fishing license should consider a New York State themed license plate.

Adventure license, which is incorporated on their NY Driver's License and provides a free fishing Regulations Changes

A number of regulation changes relating to trout fishing will take effect on April 1. These include the following special regulations:

o a new catch and release season for trout on designated sections of the Salmon River (Franklin County) and Ninemile

Creek (Onondaga County);

o a year-round trout season, with catch and release fishing only from October 16 through March 31, on the following streams in Western New York: Chenunda Creek, Oatka Creek, Clear Creek, Fenton Brook, Prendergast Creek and waters in Allegany State Park; and

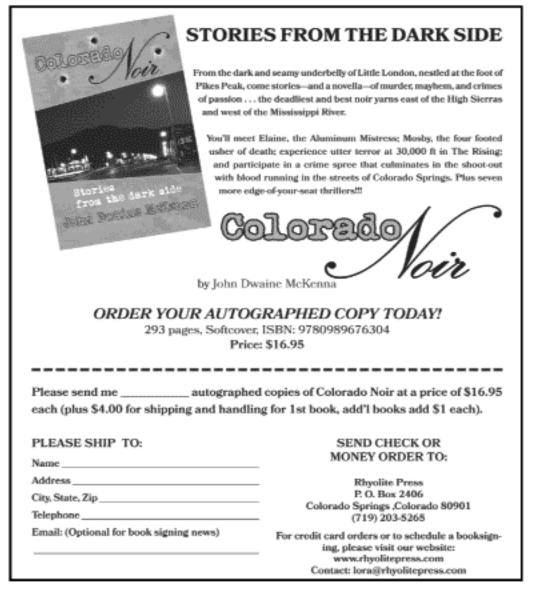
o a daily creel limit of five fish with no more than two fish longer than 12 inches, for some waters in Herkimer, Jefferson, Lewis, Oneida, and St. Lawrence counties, as well as for Little River and Oswegatchie River in St. Lawrence County and Oriskany Creek in Oneida County.

Anglers should use the 2015 Freshwater Fishing Regulations Guide available at all sporting license sales outlets, or at www.dec.ny.gov/outdoor/7917.html. Anglers should also statewide trout regulations www.dec.ny.gov/outdoor/7917.html to determine whether any special regulations apply to the waters they intend to fish.

Fish Stocking

The Department of Environmental Conservation plans to stock over 2.3 million catchable-size brook, brown and rainbow trout in 312 lakes and ponds and roughly 2,900 miles of streams across the state. Spring stockings will include 1.74 million brown trout, 431,000 rainbow trout and 141,000 brook trout. Approximately 97,000 two-year-old brown trout 13-14 inches in length will also be stocked into lakes and streams across the state.

Nearly 3.7 million yearling lake trout, steelhead, landlocked salmon, splake, Chinook salmon and coho salmon will be also be stocked this spring to provide exciting angling opportunities over the next several years. For those who prefer a quieter, more remote setting, more than 330,000 brook trout fingerlings will be stocked in 338 lakes and ponds this spring and fall, providing unique angling opportunities for future years. For a complete list of waters planned to be stocked with trout this spring, go to www.dec.ny.gov/outdoor/30465.html. A listing of waters stocked with trout last year can be found at www.dec.ny.gov/outdoor/30467.html. (Contd. Pg. 6)



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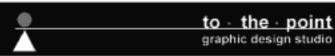
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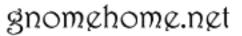
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The Olive Jar - By Carol LaMonda The Music of the Wind

When we visited the Amazon, we knew we would visit a family and share a traditional meal with them. Of course, we would bring gifts to our host. The gift was to be a part of our lives back home and something they could enjoy in the Jungle. I brought them soap, clothes pins, rope, and Woodstock Chimes. Collectively we gave their school a year's worth of supplies, and we gave local fishermen four machetes. (Contd. Pg. 8)

UC Exec Mike Hein Recognizes Winners of UC's Teen Dating Violence Video

Contest (From Pg. 1)

The second place and third place winners were both 11th grade students from Saugerties High School: second place was Kelsey Gaulin; and third place was Daniel Douglas. Both schools had extensive student participation and had teachers that acted as media coordinators, working with all of the student participants: Tim Lukaszewski from Ellenville High School and Scott Wickham from Saugerties

High School.

To congratulate contest winners and participants, County Executive Hein visited the schools and presented the students with certificates while members of the Teen Dating Violence Video Contest Committee presented the winners with gift cards thanks to the Ulster County Police Chiefs Association. Ellenville Police Chief Phillip Mattracion attended the Ellenville High School event while Saugerties Police Chief Joseph Sinagra attended the Saugerties High School Both spoke to the students about the importance of their participation and how impressed they were with the students work. School District Superintendents and Principals were also present to congratulate and encourage the students. County Executive Hein spoke to the students about the importance of respectful and healthy relation-ships and identified the local resources to contact for help with teen dating violence, and other forms of domestic violence.

"It is impressive to see the extraordinary talent of so many of our high school students and I appreciate their commitment to raising awareness of the national issue of teen dating violence with the help of their amazing teachers," said County Executive Hein. "I am pleased with the educational outreach being done by the Interagency Council on Domestic Violence and our new initiative addressing teen dating violence. Teen dating violence is a serious issue that affects many young adults and statistics show that one of three teens experiences some kind of abuse in their dating relationships. It is our hope that some of these videos will be seen by their peers and raise awareness of the signs of an unhealthy relationship and direct teens to the resources that are available if they find themselves in or observing an abusive situation. One of the many resources here in Ulster County that can help teens in these types of situations is the Family of Woodstock's 'Just Connect' Teen Hotline which can be reached at

845-679-5999." Michael Iapoce, Ulster County Commissioner of Social Services and Chair of the Interagency

Council on Domestic Violence

"The Council learned a great deal from the students thoughtful and creative entries about their understanding and perspective on domestic vio-lence," said Michael Iapoce, Ulster County Commissioner of Social Services and Chair of the Interagency Council on Domestic Violence. "They demonstrated that they have a real grasp on the issues and that the schools are an important partner in our effort to raise awareness and provide education about preventing domestic violence among young people in our community."

Lydia Diaz, Educator at the Ulster County Crime Victims' Assistance Program, Member of

the Interagency Council on Domestic Violence "Teen dating violence prevention is a priority at Crime Victims, the fact that it is often underreported makes it even more important that we raise awareness about the issue," said Lydia Diaz, Educator at the Ulster County Crime Victims' Assistance Program. "Thanks to the ongoing support of the County Executive, the Domestic Violence Council will be able to turn this contest into a yearly event highlighting the talents of our High School students. The response to this year's contest exceeded our expectations.

Joseph Sinagra, Saugerties Police Chief, Member of the Interagency Council on Domestic

"Without the support of County Executive Hein, this endeavor would not have come to fruition," said Saugerties Police Chief Joseph Sinagra. "We have a County Executive that is not only concerned about domestic violence in the adult population, but is further committed to seeing that teen dating vioso addressed.

Philip Mattracion, Village of Ellenville Police Chief and Ellenville School Board Member

"I want to thank and commend the Ellenville students for not being silent about the important, pressing problem of teen dating violence," said Village of Ellenville Police Chief Philip Mattracion. In speaking to the students, Police Chief Mattracion quoted Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.: "Darkness cannot drive out darkness; only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate; only love can do that." Noting that Dr. King also warned

against "the appalling silence of the good people."

Tim Lukaszewski, ECSD TV & Radio

Coordinator at Ellenville High School "I really appreciate County Executive Hein coming to our school to personally present the awards and speak to our students," said Tim Lukaszewski, ECSD TV & Radio Coordinator at Ellenville High School. "His personal connection to the issue of Domestic Violence was sincere and inspiring. My students were both excited & honored to be part of this initiative of Ulster County and the Crime Victims Support Unit's effort to raise awareness of Domestic

Violence at the teenage level." Scott Wickham, Business Education Teacher

at Saugerties High School

"I would like to thank Ulster County Executive Mike Hein for coming to Saugerties High School and honoring our students for their work on the Teen Dating Violence Public Service Announcement contest," said Scott Wickham, Business Education Teacher at Saugerties High School. "Having Saugerties Police Chief Joseph Sinagra, School Superintendent Seth Turner, and Principal Tom Averill present also made the event truly exceptional. I am very proud of all the students' work and particularly impressed with the second place winner, Kelsey Gaulin and the third place winner Daniel Douglas. It is an honor and privilege to teach such exceptional students.'

Some of the statistics regarding teen dating

violence are as follows:

o Girls and women between the ages of 16 and 24 experience the highest rates of intimate partner violence

o 1 in 5 High School girls is physically or sexually assaulted by a dating partner

o 1 in 3 teens experience some kind of abuse in their dating relationships

You can help a friend or family member in an

abusive relationship by: Being supportive and patient, and listening. It's important that the victim expresses their feelings in a non-judgmental environment.

o Let them know you are worried about them or

that you are concerned for their safety.

Provide them with the appropriate information for resources that can help them (hotline numbers are listed below).

Teen Dating Violence and Domestic Violence Resources in Ulster County:

o Family of Woodstock 24-Hour Hotline (845) 338-2370, www.familyofwoodstockinc.org o Family of Woodstock "Just Connect" Teen Hotline (845) 679-5999

o Crime Victims' Assistance Program 24-Hour

Hotline (845) 340-3442

www.ulstercountyny.gov/cvap o Legal Services of the Hudson Valley (845) 331-9373 www.lshv.com

National and State Teen Dating Violence and

Domestic Violence Resources:

 National Teen Dating Abuse Helpline 1 -866-331-9474 NYS Office for the Prevention of Domestic

Violence 1-800-942-6906, 1-800-942-6908 (Spanish) www.opdv.state.ny.us

The Ulster County Interagency Council on Domestic Violence gathers together organizations that serve domestic violence victims to provide seamless delivery of services throughout Ulster County. For more information, visit www.facebook.com/ucdomesticviolencecouncil. The winning videos from Saugerties High School and Ellenville High School can be viewed at:

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Governor Cuomo Announces NY Trout and Salmon Fishing Season is Now Open (From Pg. 4)

Department of Environmental Conservation's stocking program traditionally commences in late March and early April with the stocking of catchable-size trout in the lower Hudson Valley, Long Island and Western New York. It then proceeds, as weather and stream conditions permit, to the Catskills, Adirondacks and other portions of the state. The thick ice cover on lakes and ponds in many areas of the state may delay the stocking of these waters this year. Stream stockings may also be delayed depending upon snow and ice conditions that may impede access for stocking trucks. Anglers are encouraged to contact the regional Department of Environmental Conservation office in the area they intend to fish for up to date stocking informa-

Fishery & Access Improvements

As part of Governor Cuomo's NY Open for Fishing and Hunting Initiative aimed at increasing outdoor recreational opportunities in New York, significant improvements to the Department of Environmental Conservation's fish hatchery system and waterway access facilities have been made. In 2014, \$4 million in funding went to hatchery improvements, which included repaving and painting at Caledonia Hatchery and the acquisition of 16 new large stocking trucks and associated fish transport equipment. Other projects initiated in 2014 and slated for completion this year are replacement of fish rearing raceways (Chateaugay and Caledonia hatcheries), installation of new water treatment and heating equipment (Chautauqua and Oneida hatcheries) and replacement of the roof at Salmon River Hatchery.

In the 2015 Opportunity Agenda, Governor Cuomo proposes an additional \$8 million for state land access projects and an additional \$4 million for the state's hatcheries in NY Works funding. The budget also proposes to create a new capital account which along with federal Pittman-Robertson funds will be used to manage, protect and restore fish and wildlife habitat, and to improve and develop public access for fish and wildlife-related recreation.

Since 2011, New York has invested more than \$6 million in developing new and renovating existing boat launches. These projects include new boat launch facilities on Cuba Lake (Allegany County), Round Lake (Saratoga County) and Point Peninsula Isthmus and Three Mile Bay on Lake Ontario (Jefferson County). Boat launch renovations have been completed on Second Pond (Lower Saranac Lake) in Franklin County, Great Sacandaga Lake in Saratoga County, Lake Champlain (Peru Docks) in Clinton County and Schroon Lake (Horicon) in Warren County. By the beginning of the 2015 boat-ing season, reconstruction of boat launches on Upper Saranac Lake (Franklin County) and Forge Pond -Peconic River (Suffolk County) will be done. A new boat launch at Lake George Beach on Lake George will also be completed this spring.

Clean, Drain and Dry: Prevent the Spread of

Aquatic Invasive Species

To help slow the spread of both aquatic and terrestrial invasive species, all citizens should clean, drain and dry watercraft and gear after boating and fishing. Anglers are reminded to be sure to disinfect their fishing equipment, including waders and boots before entering a new body of water. Since 2007, Didymo, an invasive algae species, has been discovered in the Battenkill and Kayderosseras Creek in Department of Environmental Conservation Region 5, Esopus Creek and Rondout Creek in Region 3 and the Little Delaware River, West Branch Delaware River and East Branch Delaware River in Region 4. Didymo can attach to waders, particularly felt soles, and this is believed to be the primary mechanism for its spread from its initial discovery location. Wading anglers are encouraged to use readily available alternatives to felt-soled waders and wading boots. All gear should be dried and/or disinfected before it is used in a new body of water. Methods to clean and disinfect fishing gear can be found at www.dec.ny.gov/animals/50121.html.

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carefree vacation in the Catskills should be added to your summer "must-read" list. The memoir is available at Amazon or Barnes and Noble on-line as a soft or hard cover or as a downloadable e-book for Nook Kindle. Go to amazon.com barnesandnoble.com and type in Prosilio in the search to order your copy of Prosilio

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This 90 minute class includes a question and answer session following a presentation by Paula Barber, retired food safety inspector for the New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets (NYS-

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20-C licensing requirements for direct marketing and wholesale distribution required by the NYSDAM, whether working at home or in a commercial kitchen

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Resources for business development, packaging, and legal issues connected to start-up businesses Cost to attend this educational opportunity is \$10.00

per couple. CCESC Enrollees receive a \$5.00 discounted rate, per couple. Anyone can enroll in the CCESC association for an annual fee of \$25.00 per household. Enrollees must identify membership status at time of payment in order to receive discounts.

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> NYS Ed Dept Applauds TVCS Agricultural Ed Program

Our District and Secondary School received a letter of commendation from the New York State Education Department applauding our agricultural education program. The letter states in essence that, "Agricultur Education students in our district are afforded an education that exemplifies the model of experiential learning... provides opportunities beyond the classroom through involvement in the FFA organization... and directs them toward college and career success and empowers them through personal achievements and developed leadership abilities. "Accompanying this letter was a copy of the New York FFA and Agricultural Annual Report for 2014 and in this document are photos that include TVSS FFA students, past and present. Congratulations to all members of the Tri-Valley educational community who make this program a success!





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The Brunch will be held on Sunday April 26th from 11 AM to 2 PM at The Eagle's Nest in Bloomingburg, NY. Tickets are \$40 per person. Scholarship Funds raised will aid Sullivan County Community College students going on to a four-year

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The Music of the Wind (From Pg. 6) Garry Kvistad ships chimes all over the world,



English and Indian dialects, explained that it was a musical instrument to be played by the wind and demonstrated its use. At first he translated chimes into "carillones." It was a word unknown to the River People. Then he called it "musica de viento." Luisa smiled and some of her children came to see the wonder. The family of twelve shared a traditional meal with us (with tin

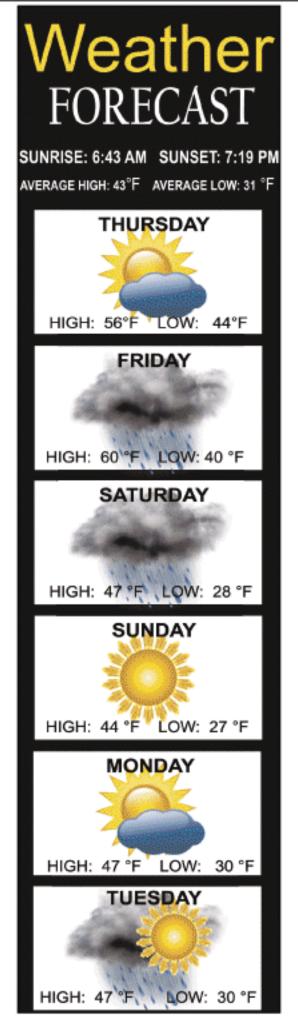
but this is probably the first set

that hangs in a river hut on the Maranon River, a tributary of the mighty Amazon. At first Luisa

looked at it with wonder until our guide, who could speak Spanish,

cups and dishes supplied from Overseas Adven-ture) of arroz con pollo, venison, fresh fish, bananas, mashed and fried plantain, blue corn juice, a salsa, and heart of palm. We ate with our right hands (left hands are for bathroom privileges) and drank from individual cups although our hosts would share a communal one.

We left them a song of civilization, and they gave us a glimpse into a simple life filled with a rich diet, happy family life and relief from the stress of the modern world. We were, for six days, unplugged from cell phones, tv and computers. The funny thing is the world went on without us, The music we had was our river boat staff, Juanito, Junior and Michael, playing a wooden box (drums), maracas, pan pipes, bamboo flute, and a miniature guitar. And in the distance, I could almost hear the "musica de viento."



"Tri-Valley Elementary Students Spot Giraffes, Zebras, and Elephants Everywhere!" (From PG. 1) Along with her husband, Town of Neversink Supervisor Mark McCarthy, Ms. Gray spent

three weeks last July in Tanzania and Kenya on a photographic tour of Africa's natural wonders. Earlier this month, Ms. Gray volunteered at Tri-Valley to share her adventures with the 5th and 6th graders as part of their week-

ly library module. Viewing slides and videos plus hearing safari tales, students experienced Africa's cheetahs, wildebeests, crocodiles, hippos, giraffes, and exotic birds. They saw cubs playing with mature male lions, elephants wandering through a mobile tent camp, scores

of animals coming out at night to drink from the local watering hole, crocodiles wrestling a carcass in the Mara River, flamingos lining the horizon, and armed guards escorting the travelers on a birding hike into the bush. In contrast to the back country were photographs of life in cities and villages; of particular interest to students was a school building with no windows or doors, connected to a tavern and adjacent to a hotel!

The high point of the journey, according to Ms. Gray, was her July 12th birthday, a day that began at 4:00 a.m. with a hot air balloon ride over the savannah. She showed the classes videos taken from the balloon with zebras, elephants, antelope, and cape buffalo grazing peacefully below, despite the sound of the balloon's surging flame. That very afternoon, she and her traveling companions witnessed the wildebeest migration, the one event she had most hoped to see when dreaming of the trip. The day ended with a birthday song specially

performed by a group of Masai tribesmen in traditional dress. Africa was full of many other surprises for Ms. Gray and companions. "I was shocked by the presence of cell phones in the hands of the Masai people," recalled Ms. Gray. "I was also impressed to see Kenya's world-leading mobile-money system called M-PESA. It has revolutionized the way Kenya does business. (I didn't learn about Apple Pay until I returned from Africa.) Kenya has been using mobile money technology for over seven years now. The system is only as good as the people who use it, however. We wasted a few hours one day waiting for the money to enter a National Park to be transferred to our driver's phone so that he could pay the admittance fees.'

The 5th and 6th graders will be using their vicarious safari as a foundation for spring

research projects in English/Language Arts (ELA).

Ms. Gray and Mr. McCarthy plan to share their adventures with the community in April. Submitted by,

Jeanne Fiedler Tri-Valley Central School Librarian

Tri-Valley Teachers' Association Member

Fallsburg Drama Club Gets an A Plus for
Little Shop of Horrors

"Little Shop of Horrors" is an unusual musical play, not unlike

"Sweeney Todd." The devouring of human beings by crazed barbers or flesh-eating plants are certainly bizarre images for an audience. But Little Shop's weirdness just adds to the amusement of appreciative audiences as it did at Fallsburg High School during two performances at 2 PM and 7 PM on Saturday, March 21, 2015. Snow on Friday forced the scheduling change and the cast and crew came through like troopers.



The true wonders of this production were a superior cast, professional settings and staging, good sound and lighting, great band and singing voices, outstanding choreography, and an incredible flesh-eating plant that went through at least four growth spurts from seedling to practically stage-devouring enormity.
Operated by student "puppeteers
and the arms of Brendon
Sapolsky, Stephanie Perna and Morgan Williams and voiced by

Britain Burgess, this central creature was designed by Stephanie's creative mother, Missy Perna, and built by Viktor Araque and Marc

Woodword. These craftsmen deserve a special award! Although many of the outstanding cast were swallowed up by Audrey 2 (the plant), they were never upstaged. Cullen Feagin was excellent as the nerdy Seymour, who nurtured the plant and named it after the romance of his life, Audrey, played delightfully by Ashlyn Nardi. Nyasia Harris was a truly domineering stage presence as Mrs. Mushnik. (Contd. Pg. 9)

Fallsburg Drama Club Gets an A Plus for Little Shop of Horrors (From Pg. 8) Justin Mednick, one of the most gentle of souls off stage, had to play the sadistic nitrous-oxide addicted dentist Orin Scrivello. He did a truly believable job as did the entire cast. Thanks should go out here to the Stage Director, who happens to be Justin's mom Ms. Shari Mednick. One could say that she earned a "Shari" in directing her son.

Performing theater in Fallsburg High School has a long and fabled history. This year's production of "Little Shop of Horrors" belongs right up there as a source of pride. Kudos go out for the collaboration and community effort in bringing together talented young people with great stage presence. You brought joy and lots of smiles with a wonderful production.

Fallsburg Class of 2016 Hosts Annual Spaghetti Supper For the past several years the Junior Class at Fallsburg High School has held a



fund-raising spaghetti din-ner on the first night of the performance of the spring Drama Club production. This year's first night of "Little Shop of Horrors" scheduled for March 20 was canceled because of was canceled because of snow. The Class of 2016 moved its Dinner to Saturday afternoon, March 21, in the high school cafe-teria from 4 PM until 6:30 PM between a special matinee performance and evening performance of the

Faculty Class Advisor Ms. Colleen Keaveney and a staunch group of student volunteers served a delicious spread of salad, bread, spaghetti and meatballs, soft drinks, and ice cream sundaes to an appreciative group of parents, family, staff and friends who just left the auditorium or who were arriving at the school for the evening showing of the musical.

Special acknowl-edgement goes out to all those patrons and businesses that supported the supper with in-kind donations or gifts: financial Stewart's Shoppes for providing ice cream, toppings and contain-ers; Fallsburg Lumber;

South Fallsburg Dental; Steingart Printing; H.W. Goetz Well Drilling & Water Pumps; The Rustic Cottage of Jeffersonville; Good Fellows Food Mart of South Fallsburg; Prestige Paving of Monticello; and Jacob Billing of Billig Loughlin & Baer, LLP of Monticello.

The proceeds will go towards the class prom held in May and next year's senior trip.



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Families Attend Frost Valley Maple Weekends

Frost Valley YMCA's free annual Maple Sugaring Open House Weekends brought scores of people to the Catskills to learn all about how maple syrup is made.

The event took place during the weekends of March 20-21 and March 28-29, just as the sugar maple trees began to thaw in our region. Due to colder weather, there wasn't much sap available during the first weekend, however, guests were still able to learn about the entire tap-to-table process. During an educational walk, staff members from Frost Valley's Natural Resources department taught families how to identify sugar maple trees, which only grow in northeast North America. They were allowed to walk through the Sap House and see the evaporator that boils sap as part of the process, as well as learn about tapping trees. At the end of the tour, guests were allowed to taste a sample of Frost Valley's fresh maple syrup.

"Frost Valley has been maple sugaring since the late 1970s, and what started as just a humble operation - gathering sap in just a few hundred buckets - has now grown into a full-fledged tradition and fun learning opportunity," says Heather

Bowman, Director of Natural Resources. "Today, we have more than 1,200 taps in sugar maple

trees, and thanks to a tubing system, we can now collect and store larger amounts of sap to be transformed into our delicious, Catskills syrup.

Those who are interested in purchasing Frost Valley Maple Syrup can do so in person or online at FrostValley.org (please contact them first to ensure the store is open and stocked). As of print, Frost Valley was

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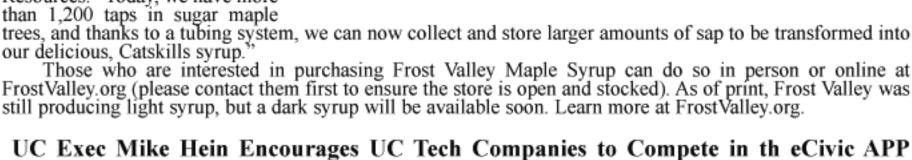
Hunter Safety Course | April 25, 9am-5pm

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Fly Fishing Field Day | June 20, 9am-3pm

Come learn to fly-fish or brush up on your skills! Please RSVP to our Natural Resources department: 845-985-2291 ext 397 naturalresources@frostvalley.org

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County Executive Mike Hein and KaleK Kaposhilin..

ers and entrepreneurs are encouraged to "Solve Local" by building intu-itive and novel smartphone apps that address the societal and civic issues in the greater Tech Valley (Hudson Valley and Capital District) community. Winners will receive cash prizes totaling \$18,000. The official link to the video for the AT&T Tech Valley Civic App Challenge: https://youtu.be/bSV1cQfzgVY. "Ulster County is home to an incredible number of talented and innovative technology professionals," said County Executive Hein. "As our society evolves, governments are using more technologies to remain responsive. I look forward to seeing the apps which are creat-

tech companies to participate in the AT&T Tech Valley Civic App Challenge happening right now. The Challenge is a two-month "virtu-al hackathon" in which innovative thinkers, designers, artists, develop-

ed and applaud the Challenge for highlighting our community."

County Executive Hein continued, "I applaud Kale Kaposhilin

and the Hudson Valley Tech Meetup for creating a forum for our local technology community and I am happy to announce that the Ulster County Economic Development Alliance will be sponsoring this important organization's meetups in Ulster County." (Contd. Pg. 12)



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common sense principles and intense inspiration for storytellers and writers of dramatic fiction. He lectures and leads workshops on storytelling and writing craft and provides developmental editing and creative consultation services to writers, game makers and other businesses.

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THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE

An instructional series for anyone interested in improving their usage of the English language

by Thorn Winter Lesson Seven: Identifying the Subject

Every verb in a sentence has a noun or pronoun subject. The subject usually comes before the verb and answers the question "Who is doing this?"

In the sentence "River threw the ball," River is the subject of the verb, "throw". Ask the question,

"Who threw the ball?" The answer is the subject - River did.

There are sentences written below. Can you find the one word subject of each verb?

- Tom drives a truck.
- 2. The dog is sick.
- Trees are burning.
- You are studying this lesson. Some verbs are action verbs.

The answers to this exercise will be in the next installment of

The English Language. If you want to see the answers now, go to workadaywriter.com/lesson-sevenidentifying-the-subject and scroll to the bottom of the content.

Last week's answers are I, me, my, him, his, he, we, ours, mine, you, yours, they, your, whose, whom

Fran Kuttner to be Recognized as Catskill Legend, Catskill Fly Center Fishing and Museum

LIVINGSTON MANOR, NY The Catskill Fly Fishing Center and Museum will recognize local flytyer and flyfishing shop owner Frank Kuttner along with (deceased): Catskill Artist and Conservationist, Francis Davis, and Theodore Gordon Albert E. associate, (AE) Hendrickson and his nephew and Catskill River conservationist Sam Hendrickson at a dinner to be held in the Wulff Gallery at the Catskill Fly Fishing Center. This award recognizes the people who have protected and promoted the Catskills as one of the most historical, beautiful and most important river system in the world. They keep the Catskill Rivers history and future alive.

The Legends Dinner is Friday April 10th. Sally Jesse Raphael will MC the dinner event that starts at 5:00 PM and dinner to be served at 6:30 PM. (Reservations can be made by calling the Center, 845-439-4810; space is limited)

The Catskill Legends dinner precedes the annual Season Opener celebration the following morning (April 11) at

the DEC pull out just upstream from the Center Bridge at 9:30. This year's season opening cast will be a Kids Only event; the next generation, hosted by Assemblywoman Aileen Gunther. Following the season opening cast, everyone will return to the Center for a warm up with coffee, hot chocolate and Agnes Van Put's famous soups. Over 40 flytyers will be attending the 2015 Catskill Flytyers Guild Rendezvous in the Wulff Gallery and provide demonstrations from 10 to 4; New exhibits: Discover South Africa; TC Cairns, the one armed flyfisher; The American Geneology of flyfishing relating back to the Catskills; Lee Wulff- The father of Modern Catch and Release; and The Year of the Hendrickson exhibits will open in the Museum. Bamboo "MIKE" will host a bamboo rod casting clinic at the Roscoe Gym and Kids can bake and decorate their own trout cookies at 11:00 AM in the workshop. Get to know the Catskills hidden secret in your backyard at the Catskill Fly Fishing Center.

For more information contact the Catskill Fly Fishing Center and Museum, 845-439-4810

DEP Encourages Anglers to use Expanded Access to Reservoirs, Streams and Creeks as Trout Fishing Season Begins

The New York City Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) today reminded anglers that its upstate reservoirs and dozens of properties along creeks and streams will be open for fishing when trout season begins April 1. Twenty-two reservoirs and lakes, covering roughly 33,500 acres, will be open for fishing from shore or from boats that have a valid DEP boat tag. Most of these reservoirs and lakes include habitat for cold-water species such as trout and warm-water species such as smallmouth and largemouth bass. New York's trout season generally runs until Oct. 15. However, the trout fishing season on certain New York City reservoirs is open yearround or closes later than Oct. 15. The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation outlines statewide fishing regulations, including information on licenses, catch limits, and stocking, on its website.

"New York City's reservoirs and the streams and creeks that feed them offer some of the best fishing in the world," DEP Commissioner Emily Lloyd said. "In recent years, DEP has improved access and expanded progrâms for recreation at our reservoirs and the upstream tributaries that have long been celebrated for excellent trout fishing. As anglers prepare for the first cast of the season, we encourage them to take advantage of these opportunities throughout the watershed.

DEP this year has distributed a fishing brochure to help guide anglers through the process of getting their free DEP access permit, and take certain precautions that help protect water quality and prevent the spread of inva-sive species. The brochure also includes valuable information about fishing conditions and fish species at each of the 22 reservoirs and lakes. (See the table below.) The brochure, along with angler maps for each reservoir and lake, can be found at the DEP website . 2015 also marks the third year that state-certified outdoor guides are permitted to offer their services including guided fishing trips - on water supply reservoirs and lands. A list of certified guides that are approved for the program on water supply lands and waters can be found on the website.

In addition to its reservoirs and lakes, New York City also owns protected land in the watersheds that include roughly 210 miles of frontage along rivers, streams and creeks that are suitable for trout fishing. Some open parcels that offer excellent trout fishing include:

Delaware County
o Spring Valley Recreation Unit in the Town of Meredith includes a 12.5-acre

pond that's ideal for fishing. Access is

off Waterman Road.

Weaver Hollow Recreation Unit in the Town of Andes includes 3,000 feet of frontage along unnamed stream. Access is over Weaver Hollow Road.

Bryants Brook Recreation Unit, also in Andes, includes more than 3,000 feet of frontage along Bryants Brook, located off State Route 28.

 Mallory Brook Recreation Unit in the Town of Hamden includes more than 800 feet of frontage along the Mallory Brook. Access is located off County Route 26.

 River Road Recreation Unit in the Town of Walton includes more than 2,000 feet of frontage on the West Branch Delaware River. Access is off East River Road.

 Carey Road Recreation Unit in the Town of Delhi includes more than 5,000 feet of frontage on the Little Delaware. Access is Tocated off State Route 28.

 The Bloomville Recreation Unit in the Town of Stamford includes more than 3,000 feet of frontage along the West Branch Delaware River. Access is off County Route 18.

Greene County

Railroad Bend Recreation Unit in the Town of Hunter includes more than 3,400 feet of frontage along the Schoharie Creek. Access is located off County Route 38.

o Batavia Recreational Unit in the Town of Ashland includes more than 3,000 feet of frontage on the Batavia Kill. Access is located off State Route

Putnam County

o Boyd Corners South Recreation Unit in the Town of Kent includes more than 2,200 feet of frontage along the West Branch Croton River. Access is on State Route 301. A valid DEP Access Permit is required for this site.

o Dean Pond Recreation Unit, also in Kent, includes more than 4,000 feet of frontage along the Horsepound Brook. Access is located off Horse Pound Road. A valid DEP Access Permit is required for this site.

Sullivan County
o North Side Recreation Unit in the Town of Neversink includes a half mile of frontage along the Rondout Creek. Access is along Sundown Road.

Ulster County Trout Creek Recreation Unit in the Town of Wawarsing includes more than 1.5 miles of stream frontage along the Trout Creek. Access is located off Yagerville Road.

 Woodland Valley Recreation Unit in the Town of Shandaken includes 900 feet of frontage along the Woodland Creek. Access is along Woodland

Valley Road.

Maps of these recreation units and others where fishing is available can be found on the DEP website. Please note that some of the units listed above require a free DEP Access Permit. An access permit can be obtained through DEP's online permitting system, found at www.nyc.gov/dep/accesspermit. Fishing on all city-owned reservoirs and lakes also requires the free permit. Those with questions about permitting also recreation@dep.nyc.gov or call (800) 575-LAND. Those fishing on streams that run across water supply lands should carefully check signs in those recreation units to determine whether a permit is required.

In addition, fishermen should be aware that boats are not allowed on DEP reservoirs and lakes until they are free of ice. With only seven days until the start of trout season, most reservoirs in the water supply system remain covered in thick ice because of this winter's extremely low temperatures.

The breadth of fishing opportunities on City reservoirs and land underscores DEP's effort to support the recreation and tourism economies in the watershed by opening more properties to recreation. There are currently more than 126,000 acres of City property open for recreation in the watersheds, including the reservoirs. Of that, 63,612 acres are public access areas that can be used without a permit for fishing, hiking, snowshoeing and other forms of low-

impact recreation. DEP manages New York City's water supply, providing more than one billion gallons of high quality water each day to more than 9 million New Yorkers. This includes more than 70 upstate commu-nities and institutions in Ulster, Orange, Putnam and Westchester counties who consume an average of 110 million total gallons of drinking water daily from New York City's water supply system. This water comes from the Catskill, Delaware, and Croton watersheds that extend more than 125 miles from the City, and the system comprises 19 reservoirs, three controlled lakes, and numerous tunnels and aqueducts. DEP has nearly 6,000 employees, including almost 1,000 scientists, engineers, surveyors, watershed maintainers and other professionals in the upstate watershed. In addition to its \$70 million payroll and \$157 million in annual taxes paid in upstate counties, DEP has invested more than \$1.7 billion in watershed protection programs-including partnership organizations such as the Catskill Watershed Corporation and the Watershed Agricultural Council-that support sustainable farming practices, environmentally sensitive economic development, and local economic opportunity. In addition, DEP has a robust capital program with nearly \$14 billion in investments planned over the next 10 years that will create up to 3,000 construction-related jobs per year. For more information, visit nyc.gov/dep, like us on Facebook at facebook.com/nycwater, or follow us on Twitter at twitter.com/nycwater.

Ulster County Office of **Employment and Training** holds monthly workshop for SSI and SSDI consumers to increase their income

Kingston New York: On Thursday, April23, 2015 at 2:00 PM, The ULSTER WORKS One-Stop Center and the Ulster County Office of Employment and Training will hold a workshop for SSI and SSDI consumers on how to return to the workforce. A trained counselor will offer tools for finding employment, job training and the best ways to gain self-sufficiency in the workplace. The workshop is open to the general public, professionals, and agencies who work with SSDI and SSI recipients. All are encouraged to attend who are interested in learning about the Social Security Work Incentives and the Ticket to Work Program.

The workshop will explore work incentives available in the Ticket to Work Program established by the Social Security Administration that allow SSI and SSDI benefit holders to increase their income and avail themselves of training opportunities. The trained counselor has a network of key employers who are willing and able to provide jobs, with a goal towards self-sufficiency in the workplace.

This program is scheduled for Thursday, April 23, 2015 at 2:00 PM, at the One-Stop at 601 Development Court (Albany Avenue) in Kingston. Reservations are required. Job seekers should contact: Troy Snyder, Disabilities Resource Coordinator of the Ticket to Work Program at the Ulster Works OneStop Center on Albany Avenue at 845-331-7202.

UC Exec Mike Hein Encourages UC Tech Companies to Compete in th e Civic APP CHALLENGE

(From Pg. 9) Hudson Valley Tech Meetup is a local partner in the AT&T challenge. According to Co-Founder Kale Kaposhilin, "Hudson Valley Tech Meetup was formed to unite professionals who are interested in web technology and development, design, and entrepreneurialism. Our goal is to provide an outlet for collaboration and education, thus strengthening the New York's Tech Valley community. We're very happy and excited to be a major partner on this project." To join this great community, visit:

www.meetup.com/hvtech. The challenge, facilitated by Hack Upstate, was announced in front of more than 200 regional technologists and entrepreneurs, and will run until May 1. Coders, designers, entrepreneurs and technologists can register for the challenge and get more information at techvalleyatt.hackupstate.com. And interested persons can follow the challenge on Twitter using the hashtag

Senator Bonacic Visits the Annual Sullivan County Sportsmen Catskills and Outdoor Recreation Expo

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(Albany, NY)- As a proud supporter of sportsmen and outdoor recreation, as well as a staunch defender of the 2nd Amendment and an advocate for veterans, Senator John J. Bonacic (R/C/I-Mt. Hope) was pleased to attend the Annual Sullivan County Catskills Sportsmen and Outdoor Recreation Expo this past Saturday. The event was held at Sullivan County Community College in Loch Sheldrake, NY. The expo allowed outdoor recreation businesses the opportunity to showcase their products as well as provide an opportunity for sportsmen groups to educate the public on land conservation practices, provide information on responsible gun ownership among other things. Veteran's groups were also on hand to answer questions and provide information about veteran's organizations in the County. Because of its pristine landscape and natural beauty, Sullivan County is at the heart of outdoor recreation in New York State

Schneiderman: I Am Committed To Rooting Out Drug Abuse In Every New York Community -Joint Investigation, Code-Named

"Operation Iron Horse," Uncovered Network That Allegedly Moved Illegal Drugs and Money On Metro-North Trains And Greyhound Buses- Third Major Drug Bust In Three Weeks; Adds To Record Of More Than 550 Felony Narcotics Arrests By New York Attorney General's Office And New York State

Police In Four Years

NEW YORK - Attorney General Eric T. Schneiderman today announced the indictment of 13 individuals charged with conspiring to distribute heroin from New York City across state and county lines into Orange, Sullivan, and Nassau Counties, as well as Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Starting in June 2014, law enforcement agents from the New York Attorney General's Organized Crime Task Force (OCTF) and the New York State Police's Community Narcotics Enforcement Team (CNET) conducted a joint investigation, code-named "Operation Iron Horse," that included joint covert physical surveillance and hundreds of hours of wiretaps that identified this alleged multicounty and multistate heroin distribution network. The indictment charges 13 people with a combined 179 counts related to the trafficking and possession of heroin. One defendant who called himself "The Prime Minister" - is charged with Operating as a Major Trafficker, the only felony narcotics charge in the state that carries as possible

life sentence.

"For the third time in as many weeks, we have dismantled a large heroin ring that allegedly crossed county and state lines, stretching from Pittsburgh to Long Island," said Attorney General Schneiderman. "The tragic reality is that we are in the midst of a heroin epidemic in New York State - and the conventional wisdom that these drugs are confined to inner cities is clearly wrong. Using every tool and resources at my office's disposal, we will continue our efforts to root out drug abuse in every New York community suffering from the blight of illegal narcotics.

"With today's arrests, law enforcement is once again sending a strong message that this type of crime will not be tolerated in New York State," said New York State Police Superintendent Joseph A. D'Amico. "These individuals are accused of carrying heroin on public transportation and putting innocent lives at risk. I commend the members of the New York State Police Community Narcotics Enforcement team and our law enforcement partners for the interagency cooperation and coordination it takes to get drugs off our streets."

As outlined in the indictment unsealed today by the Orange County Court, evidence gathered by state investigators showed that Brian Bacon - a.k.a. "The Prime Minister" - was the alleged kingpin behind a major heroin distribution network based in New York State. This network allegedly stretched from Harlem and the Bronx, where Bacon lives and works, to Nassau, Orange, and Sullivan Counties in New York and Allegheny County in Pennsylvania.

As alleged, Bacon sold up to a kilogram of heroin per month with assistance from his son, Tamar Dillard, and his girlfriend, Donna Marie Haggans, who were integral to the packaging and delivery of the heroin to customers and resellers, as well as the handling of money. Bacon was also allegedly assisted by Wallace Walker - the self-styled "quality control officer" - who distributed heroin to third parties, who would test and then rate the quality, thereby permitting Bacon to gauge how much he could "cut" the heroin and the price he should charge.

As detailed in the indictment, Bacon had two suppliers: an as-yet unidentified male and Raymos Bertrand. The main resellers allegedly supplied by Bacon were: Jerome Turnbough, from Newburgh; Roderick Copeland, from upper Manhattan; Jamaul Aziz, who currently resides in Sullivan County, New York; and Kenneth Parris, from

Uniondale.

As alleged, Bacon regularly sent his son, Dillard, to take the Metro-North train from the 125th Street station in Harlem to deliver drugs to Turnbough in Newburgh. Turnbough also allegedly traveled by train to New York City, where he would buy heroin to take back up to Newburgh.

Another one of the main resellers, Roderick Copeland, allegedly acquired heroin from Bacon every two weeks and gave it to a co-conspirator, William Thomas, who regularly traveled by bus between the Port Authority Bus Terminal in Manhattan and Pittsburgh, where the heroin was then distributed.

Those charged in the indictment are: o BRIAN BACON, a.k.a. Prime

Minister, 52, Bronx, NY
o JEROME TURNBOUGH, 55,
Newburgh, NY o DEVONNA BARRERAS, a.k.a. Creechbarreras, 22, Newburgh, NY o TAMAR DILLARD, a.k.a. Young

Buck, 37, Bronx, NY KENNETH PARRIS, 42, Uniondale, NY o JAMAUL AZIZ, 34, Monticello,

o RODERICK COPELAND, 51,

Manhattan, NY DONNA MARIE HAGGANS, 49, Bronx, NY

 WILLIAM THOMAS, JR., 50, Pittsburgh, PA EDDIE L. CULLINS, 44, Newburgh,

 GILBERT MAXI, 22, Monticello, NY

RAYMOS BERTRAND, 43, Bronx,

The charges against the defendants are accusations, and the defendants are presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty in a court of law.

This is the third major take down of a narcotics distribution network by the New York Attorney General's office in the last three weeks, totaling more than sixty arrests. Including this case, OCTF has busted 24 large drug trafficking gangs, made more than 560 felony narcotics arrests, and seized more than \$1.5 million, 80 guns, and more than 2,000 pounds of illegal drugs in the last four

The New York Attorney General's office has undertaken a comprehensive approach toward reducing opioid drug abuse in New York State. In October 2014, Attorney General Schneiderman initiated the Northeast and Mid-Atlantic Heroin Task Force (NEMA-HTF), which brings together state attorneys general from New York, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Massachu-setts, Maine, and Maryland to collaborate, coordinate, and share information to combat large-scale distribution operations spanning multiple states. I-STOP, the nation's first real-time prescription tracking system for the most addictive prescription drugs, reduced doctor shopping in New York by 75 percent in just the first 8 months of the program. The Community Overdose Prevention (COP) program has supplied law enforcement departments across the state with naloxone, which has been used to save more than 100 lives from opioid overdoses in less than a year.

The investigation that led to today's indictment was conducted by NYSP-CNET Investigators Christopher Fox, Gary Mazzacano, Senior Investigators Charles Kelly and Robert D'Angelo, Lieutenant Francis Kealty, and Captain William McEvoy. The commanding officer of NYSP-CNET is Major David Krause. They were joined by NYAG-OCTF Investigators Brad Farrell and Margenat, Supervising Investigator Kevin McCann, and Deputy

Chief Christopher Vasta. The case is being prosecuted by Assistant Deputy Attorney General Jonathan Sennett and Assistant Deputy Attorney General Cristina A. Villani. The Organized Crime Task Force is led by Deputy Attorney General Peri Alyse Kadanoff. The Executive Deputy General for Criminal

Attorney Prosecutions is Kelly Donovan.

Senate Passes "Joanne's Law" to Protect Employees in the Workplace

(Albany, NY)- Senator John J. Bonacic (R/C/I-Mt. Hope) is pleased to announce that the New York State Senate passed his bill, S.1677. The bill, also known as "Joanne's Law", would require employers and workplaces to be notified if a former employee with a criminal record in that workplace is released from prison or violates parole. In 2005 an incident occurred where an employee who had been fired from his job and later sentenced to 10 years' probation returned to the office of his former employer and shot three of his managers. One of the victims was Joanne O'Brien of Greenwood Lake, who later died of her injuries.

"This terrible tragedy could have been prevented had simple protections been in place," said Senator Bonacic. "Joanne's Law would provide the needed protections and help ensure a safer workplace for all employees in New

York State." The Bill will now be sent to the Assembly.

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Holy Week Services in Grahamsville

Holy Thursday at 7:00 at the Grahamsville Reformed Church Good Friday Tenebrae Service at 7:30 at the Grahamsville Methodist Church Easter Sunrise Service on South Hill at 7:00 am.

Catholic Parish of the Immaculate Conception

6317 RTE 42, Woodbourne NY Rev. John J. Lynch, Ph.D., Pastor 434-7643

Easter Week Schedule:

Thursday, April 2nd Holy Thursday - 8:00 pm

Friday, April 3rd—Good Friday services — 3:00 pm Stations of the Cross - 8:00 pm

Saturday, April 4th Holy Saturday Confessions 4 - 4:45 pm

Saturday, April 4th Easter Vigil – 8:00 pm

Sunday, April 5th – Easter Sunday – Mass at 9:00 am and 11:30 am

Jewish Federation of Ulster County

Thursday, April 16, 7:00-8:30 pm at Congregation Emanuel of the Hudson Valley, 243 Albany Ave, Kingston. Annual Yom Hashoah (Holocaust Remembrance) Memorial Service for those lost in the Holocaust and recognition of survivors. All welcome! • Sunday, April 19, 6:00-8:00pm at Congregation Emanuel of the Hudson Valley, 243 Albany Ave, Kingston. Multi-generational community seder program to commemorate the Shoah (Holocaust), led by guest author, Dr. Jacobo Rubinstein. (845-338-4271)

TIME & THE VALLEYS MUSEUM GRAHAMSVILLE, NY



Saturday & Sunday, noon to 4 p.m. through Thanksgiving Three floors of exhibitions, Local History Resource Center and a Museum Shop

Time and the Valleys Museum has copies of every Townsman printed since the beginning (1947) classified by year for anyone to research.

> 985-7700 timeandthevalleysmuseum.org

CrossWay Assembly of God

Service Times

Sunday School 9:30 am Sunday Worship

Service/ Children's Church 10:30 am Monday Night Home

Bible Study 7 pm Tuesday Night Youth Home Bible Study 7 pm

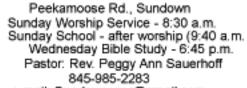
Friday Youth Night 7 pm

Ismael Berrios Lead Pastor

P. O. Box 480 507 Hasbrouck Drive Woodbourne, NY 12788 845-434-8263

Email: crosswayaog@aol.com www.crosswayaog.com

Sundown United Methodist Church



e-mail: Sundownumo@gmail.com

Grahamsville United Methodist Church

Rte. 55, Grahamsville Sunday Worship Service - 10:30 a.m. Sunday School for grades k-7 - 10:30a.m.

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Grahamsville Reformed Church Roast Pork Dinner

April 11, 2015 Saturday 4 pm to 7 pm

Menu: Roast Pork, Stuffing, Mashed Potatoes, Sauerkraut, Green Beans,

Salad, Homemade Apple Sauce, Breads, Assorted Desserts, & Drinks

Adults: \$12.00, Child 5-10 \$5.00 under 5 free

Grahamsville Reformed Church Hall

For more information please call: 845 985 7480

We look forward to seeing you! Thank you for your support, God Bless you!

Saturday, April 25th, 2015, from 4-7 p.m.

All-U-Can-Eat Pancake Dinner Fundraiser to benefit the

Krummack Family at the Neversink Fire Hall Route 55, Neversink

\$10 for Adults (ages 13 and up); \$5 for Children (ages 5-12);

Eat-in or take out!

Children age 4 and under Free! For information contact Kim at krock@hvc.rr.com or 914-799-0042. To donate food or other supplies for the pancake dinner, contact Tawny at 985-7553. To

donate to the Bake Sale, call Keri

at 985-7369

The GFD Ladies

Our Annual Easter Egg Hunt

When: Saturday April, 4 2015 Where: Grahamsville Fairgrounds

Time: Egg Hunt Starts promptly at 10:30 am

Please join us by bringing your lit-tle ones to meet and take a picture with the **Easter Bunn**y after hunting for some eggs. We will also be raffling an Easter Dinner Basket off with all the fixings for a complete dinner. Tickets are \$1.00 ea. or 6 for \$5.00. Please see any Auxilary member for tickets.

This event will be held Rain. Sleet. Snow or shine!!!

Hope to see you there!!!



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The Little Church with the Big Heart March 29, 8 am Palm Sunday Service of Holy Communion, The Rev. Canon David L. Carlson, preacher & celebrant

April 5, 8 am Easter Sunday Service of Holy Communion, The Rev. Canon David L. Carlson, preacher & celebrant

5277 State Rt. 42 South Fallsburg 845-436-7539 Music by Fred VanWagner All are welcome!

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Weekend Mass schedule: Saturday afternoon: 5:00.

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Daily Mass schedule:

Monday afternoon 5:45 (Holy Rosary at 5:30); Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday mornings: (includes Morning Prayer)- 8:30 am (starting Sept. 3 - 8:50 am).)

Saturday afternoon confessions: 4 to 4:45.

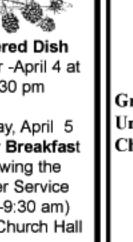
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Thrift Sale & Boutique

9 am-1 p.m. Luncheon 11 am p.m

Third Saturday Thrift Sale & Boutique 9 am - 1 pm April 18, 2015

St . Augustine's Chapel

Watson Hollow Rd . • West Shokan, NY Sunday Mass - 9:30 am Holy Days 5:30 pm

Penance 9:00 am, 2nd Sunday of the month Rev. George W. Hommel, Pastor

Grahamsville Reformed Church

Sunday School 9:30 A.M. Worship Service 9:30 A.M.

845-985-7480

Rev. Paul Z. Ruter, Pastor



PUBLIC NOTICES/LEGALS:

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

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Annual Budget Hearing of the residents of the Tri-Valley Central School District at Grahamsville, Sullivan County, New York will be held at the Tri-Valley Central High School Upstairs Gym/Auditorium in said District at Grahamsville, New York on:

Tuesday, May 5, 2015 At 7:00 P.M. (EDST)

for the purpose of presenting the budget for the 2015-2016 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 preceding the Annual Meeting (Beginning Tuesday, May 5, 2015).

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 2015-2016 school year budget and the VOTING for members of the Board of Education, and VOTING on any other proposition to be acted upon, will take place on Tuesday, May 19, 2015 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 term of three members of the Board of Education will expire on June 30, 2015. 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 20, 2015. Vacancies on the Board of Education are not considered separate, specific offices; candidates run at-large. The three highest vote getters will fill the three full-term positions. 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.

The 3-year terms of the following Members of the Board of Education expire on June 30, 2015, and are to be filled at this election:

Michael Brooks Curtis Brock Kathy Denman

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 12th, 2015 and Wednesday, May 13th, 2015 in the Main Entrance Area, 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 12th, 2015 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 19, 2015. If a voter is eligible to vote under Article 5 of the Election Law and is registered with the Sullivan or Ulster County Board of Elections, he/she is also eligible to vote at this election. The register of voters prepared pursuant to Section 2014 of the Education Law shall be available in the office of the Clerk, to any qualified voter, on each of the five (5) days prior to the annual meeting, except Sunday, and at the polling place on the day of the vote.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that in accordance with Section 2018a 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 12th, 2015) OR the day before the election (Monday, May 18th, 2015), if the ballot is to be picked up personally by the voter. Absentee ballots must be received in the Office of the District Clerk not later than 5:00 P.M. on the day of the annual meeting. A list of all persons to whom absentee ballots have been issued shall be available for public inspection during regular office hours (9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.) until the day of the election. Any qualified voter may file a written challenge of the qualifications of a voter, whose name appears on such list, stating the reasons for the challenge.

By order of the Board of Education Norma Peña, District Clerk Dated: April 1, 2015 The Catskill Watershed Corporation is soliciting bids for portable toilets for boat launch sites on the Cannonsville, Neversink, Pepacton, and Schoharie Reservoirs. Bids must be received at CWC by 4 PM, April 10, 2015. For bid documents please contact Barbara Puglisi or Frieda Suess at 845-586-1400. EOE 3/12; 4/2

2015 County Health Rankings Report Released

Liberty, N.Y. - The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation and the University of Wisconsin's Population Health Institute released their annual health rankings on Wednesday, March 25. Public Health Directors and Commissioners got a sneak preview a few days prior. Many counties in the region were found to be less healthy than they were in 2014. Sullivan County's rankings for Health Outcomes have remained the same since 2010 - at 61 out of 62 counties, which include Length and Quality of Life indicators. In addition, Sullivan ranked again at 60 out of 62 counties for Health Factors, which includes measures such as health behaviors, clinical care, social and economic factors, and the physical environment (distance commuting to work and housing.) Researchers looked at a wide variety of factors such as adult smoking, adult obesity, excessive drinking and physical inactivity. For the first time this year, the study also took income inequality into account. (www.countyhealthrank-

Four counties in the Hudson Valley ranked in the top 10, including Rockland, Putnam, Westchester, and Dutchess County, while Orange County ranked 20 and Ulster County ranked 21 overall. "Median household income, educational attainment, and access to health care are factors that are intimately related to improved health outcomes," said Nancy McGraw, Public Health Director. "When we begin to make more significant progress toward income equality, which is one of the measures used this year by the Rankings Report and the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, we will start to see more progress toward improved health outcomes for Sullivan County residents. We also need to invest in wellness across all sectors of the community, and build a culture of healthy lifestyles as the norm."

"As poverty and joblessness play such significant roles in these health statistic outcomes, I am hopeful that the county's economic future, that now looks much more promising, will lead to more and better jobs, subsequently a much brighter overall outlook for everyone. This will mark the beginning of a better trend toward a healthier and more prosperous population across the spectrum. I am confident with our Public Health leadership and focus that these goals are achievable and will be met in the very near future," said Scott Samuelson, Chairman of the Sullivan County Legislature.

While Sullivan County's rankings have not changed, a great deal of progress has been made toward improving health outcomes, such as two projects that received recognition in the Nonprofit Leadership Summit's Innovation Awards this year at Bethel Woods: the Maternal Infant Services Network and Sullivan County Public Health's Breastfeeding Coalition in partnership with improving breastfeeding support and education, and the Eat Healthy Farmer's Market in Monticello, now a 4-year collaboration between Public Health and Catskill Mountainkeeper designed to bring access to fresh fruits and vegetables to low income seniors and families to improve health.

"There are tremendous efforts through collaborations with our county Public Health department to promote healthy lifestyles such as connecting agriculture with our local communities, expanding healthcare and providing education. We also need to address very real socioeconomic issues that exist in the county and work together to bring forth improvements." said Legislator, Cindy Kurpil Gieger, Chair of the Health and Family Committee.

Sullivan County as a whole has expanded access to health care services with two federally qualified health centers serving residents, expanded primary care offices and specialty services, improved access to dental providers, has made significant improvements in our local hospital system, Catskill Regional Medical Center, and has realized greater collaboration between government and community partners. "We are moving in the right direc-tion and we are hopeful. However, it takes years of investment in prevention, public health infrastructure, health care services, creating living wage jobs, designing healthy communities and creating more affordable housing to improve population health" according to Nancy McGraw, Public Health Director. Stronger partnerships are being built between the local business sector, health care, public health, SUNY Sullivan, and workforce development. In addition, there are many leaders working on building a sustainable food system that supports the local agricultural business community while also working improving school nutrition and our children's health. "We are moving in the right direction, but we need to keep building the momentum.3

For more information please contact Sullivan County Public Health at (845) 292-5910.

Town of Neversink Parks & Recreation www.townofneversink.org

Call for info: (845) 985-2262 extension 312

Westside Story Westchester Broadway Dinner Theatre Thursday, April 30. Leave 9:45 am to Elmsford, NY, returns approx 5:30 pm. \$40 Neversink Residents and TV School Students/ \$70 non-residents must be paid by Tuesday, January 27: includes the show, funch, dessert and transportation.

Liberty Science Center Saturday, May 30. Leave 8 am to Liberty Science Center in New Jersey, return approximately 5:30 pm. Please bring money to eat with and to make purchases. Includes exhibits and IMAX movie admission. SIGN-UP: \$20 Neversink Residents and Tri Valley School Students/\$28 non-residents must be paid by Tuesday, February 10.

Camp Fire Fun, Friday, June 19. at the Grahamsville Fairgrounds at 5:30 pm SIGN-UP: \$4 Neversink Residents and Tri Valley School Students/\$13 non-residents must be paid byTuesday, May 5.

Pizza Hut Fundraiser Thursday, June 25. at the Liberty Pizza Hut between 5 pm and 9 pm

3rd Annual Community Yard Sale, Craft & Vendor Fair Saturday, July 11.at the Grahamsville Fairgrounds from 10 am to 3 pm SIGN-UP: \$15 per space must be paid by Tuesday, June 9.

Family Fun NIGHT Friday, July 17.at the Grahamsville Fairgrounds at 5:30 pm for a hot dog dinner, and fun! \$7 Neversink Residents/Tri Valley School Students/\$12 non-residents must be paid by Tuesday, June 9.



Daniel Pierce Library hours of operation beginning September 1, 2011. Tuesday: 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Wednesday: 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Thursday: 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Friday: 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Saturday: 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Sunday and Monday: Closed If you have any questions, please call the library at 985-7233.

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

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

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



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4/1/15 Town of Neversink Planning Board Meeting - 7 pm

4/2/15 Claryville Fire District Meeting 6:30PM 4/3/15 Town of Neversink Holiday - GOOD FRIDAY

4/4/15

Covered Dish Supper - Sundown Methodist Church - 5:30 pm Grahamsville UMC Thrift Sale & Boutique (9:00 am-1 pm) & Luncheon(11 am - 1:00 pm) 4/7/15

4/715 Town of Denning Town Board Meeting - 7 pm Sundown Church Hall

4/8/15 Town of Neversink Town Board Meeting - 7:30 pm 4/9/15

Town of Denning Planning Board Meeting 6 pm 4/11/15 Grahamsville Reformed Church Roast Pork Dinner 4 - 7 pm

4/14/15 Town of Denning Town Board Business Meeting -7 pm Denning Town Hall

4/15/15 Neversink Rondout Antique Machinery Association Meeting

4/16/15 Town of Neversink Motor Vehicle 10 am - 2:30 pm 4/18/15 Third Saturday Thrif Sale & Boutique Grahamsville UMC- 9 am-1 pm

21st Old Time Fiddler's Gathering 2-6 pm Neversink Fire Hall 4/19/15

4/20/15 Grahamsville Fire District Meeting 7 pm

4/21/15 Town of Neversink Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting - 7:30 pm

Neversink Fire District Commissioners Meeting 7 pm -Public Meeting 7:30 pm 4/23/15

4/25/15 All-U-Can-Eat Pancake Dinner Kummack Family Fundraiser 4-7 pm Neversink Fire Hall

Save the Date!

Tri-Valley Journey For Sight Walk and Tag Day • Saturday, May 2, 2015 in Memory of Lions Joyce Lockhart, Eugene Fuller and Fred Ahrens . Sign in 8:30- 9 am Walk Starts at 9 am at the First Aid Buidling

Old Time Fair and Barbecue, July 25, Grahamsville Fair Grounds, 10:00 am to 5:00 pm

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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.

<u>Town of Olive Planning Board</u> meets the <u>first and third Tuesdays of each month</u>. 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.

WANTEL ... VENDORS

The 2015 Old Time Fair, sponsored by the Time and the Valleys Museum, is going to be held Saturday, July 25th. Vendors with home crafted items are needed. Why not reserve your \$15. space early, we promise you a large crowd and a fun filled day. For reservations and information please call Ann-Marie Kremer at 985-2016 or PO Box 161,982 Claryville Rd, Claryville 12725,

Effective Communication Strategies

for Caregivers
LIBERTY, NY- Individuals living with dementia often experience changes in behavior that can be confusing to friends and family. For caregivers, learning to decode messages through attitude, tone of voice, facial expressions, and body language can help both parties to connect and communicate in meaningful

ways. A free program on Effective Communication Strategies is offered on Thursday, April 9, 2015 from 2:00 to 3:00 pm at the Cornell Cooperative Extension Sullivan County (CCESC) Gerald J. Skoda Extension Education Center located on 64 Ferndale-Loomis Road in Liberty. Healthy refreshments will be provided. Funded under the NYS Office for the Aging's

Caregiver Program, this class is free to all informal family caregivers and the general public.

The Effective Communication Strategies program, provided by the Alzheimer's Association®, will explore how communication takes place when someone has Alzheimer's disease. Donna Davies, LCSW and Care Consultant will share her expertise and experience during this presentation.

By the end of the program, attendees will be able to:

 Explain the communication changes that take place throughout the course of the disease.

- Decode the verbal and behavioral messages delivered by someone with dementia and respond in ways that are helpful

 Identify strategies to connect and communicate at each stage of the disease.

Effective Communication Strategies includes video interviews with professionals who explain critical aspects of communication throughout the Alzheimer's journey, and caregivers who share tips that have worked for their families.

Pre-registration is encouraged by calling CCESC at 845-292-6180 or emailing srb46@cornell.edu.

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

21st Annual Old Time Fiddler's Gathering Sunday, April 19, 2015

2:00-6:00 pm Neversink Fire Hall Route 55, Neversink NY

Featuring many talented local musicians

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Enjoy "Eat In" while listening to the music!

Cost for music \$10.00 for adults \$1.00 for students Children under 5 Free

Cost for food

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plus 2 sides with a drink \$12.00 for RIBS and 2 sides with a drink \$7.00 for a pulled pork sandwich, chips with a drink Lunch take outs will be available at 11:00.

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For more information please call Paul Lounsbury at 985-2923 or cell 845-649-8963

Fundraiser for the Sullivan County Pregnancy Support Center

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Position Title: School Business Official District/Company:Tri-Valley Central School District Location:34 Moore Hill Road, Grahamsville, New York 12740

Position Description: Oversees the preparation of school district budgets, payroll, purchase orders, and financial and statistical reports. Develops policies and procedures to conform to District policies. Advises school district on financial matters.

School District Business Leader Qualifications: certification or Bachelor's Degree in Accounting, Finance, or Business Administration (Competitive Civil Service). Five years of experience with a minimum of four years in the administration, management, or supervision of support staff performing school district finance functions.

Salary Range: \$95,000 - \$115,000 Position Available: July 1, 2015 Application Deadline: April 10, 2015

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The Outlaw

(Western, 1943)



Billy the Kid and Doc Holliday fight over possession of a stallion and a sultry Mexican girl. .Dirwected by Howard Hughes, starring.Jane Russell, Jack Buetel, Walter Huston, Thomas Mitchell, Mimi Aguglia, Joe Sawyer. Notorious "sex Western" (and Russell's ballyhooed screen debut) is

actually compelling--if offbeat--story of Billy the Kid, with principal honors going to Huston Filmed in 1941 and directed mostly by Howard Hawks, though Hughes' interest in Russell's bosom is more than evident. Some prints run 95m. and 103m.

See this film on TCM Monday, April 06, 2015 starting at. 9:45 PM. B/W - 116 min. TV-PG

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1. Which actor played Pat Garrett? 2. Who played Doc Holliday?

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On Saturday, April 25th, 2015, from 4-7 p.m., there will be an All-U-Can-Eat Pancake Dinner Fundraiser to benefit the Krummack Family at the Neversink Fire House. Eat-in or take out! \$10 for Adults (ages 13 and up); \$5 for Children (ages 5-12); and Children age 4 and under Free! In addition to a tasty Pancake dinner, there will also be a Tricky Tray, 50/50 Raffle and Bake Sale!

The 21st Annual Old Time Fiddler's Gathering will be held on Sunday, April 19, 2015 2:00-6:00 pm at the Neversink Fire Hall on Route 55, Neversink NY

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