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Sullivan County Manager Appoints John Liddle Commissioner of Health & Family Services Legislature Confirms Pick; Wendy Brown Named as Deputy

Liberty, NY - Sullivan County Manager Joshua Potosek is pleased to announce the selection of Social Services Commissioner John Liddle as the new Commissioner of the Division of Health & Family Services, as confirmed today by the Legislature.

"A decorated Navy veteran who continues to serve as leader of our COVID-19 response effort, John brings the skills and experience Sullivan County needs at this moment and going forward," Potosek affirmed. "In the two years he's served with the County, John has demonstrated strategic foresight, deepened his considerable knowledge of County, State and Federal government, and developed a love for the County he now calls home. I am proud to work with him to improve upon the many ways this large Division serves taxpayers and the most vulnerable."

Liddle came to Sullivan County in 2019 after retiring from the U.S. Navy with the rank of Lieutenant Commander. The Pottsville, Pennsylvania native served for two decades on board various ships and in high-ranking Washington offices, including at the Pentagon as Technical Support Officer and Operations Briefer to the Chief of Naval Operations. (Contd. Pg. 4)



Newly appointed John Liddle, Commissioner of Health & Family Services

Ulster County Executive Ryan Announces Executive Order Supporting a Prevailing Wage for all Renewal Energy Projects

This action will support reaching Ulster County's goal of using 100% locally renewable electricity and bolster the well-being of workers



County Executive Ryan signs the Executive Order with members of the labor community.

Ulster County Executive Pat Ryan today signed an Executive Order that provides a prevailing wage requirement or a Project Labor Agreement for all County-run renewable energy projects. This initiative is part of County Executive Ryan's "Big Five" priority for a Green New Deal for Ulster County and further actions from the County's Government Operations Climate Action Plan. (Contd. Pg. 7)

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cult times. Wishing everyone well.

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Isaiah 14:14

I will ascend above the heights of the

ON THE FRONT BURNER: clouds: I will be like the most high.

OBITUARIES

Anneliese Beiling, of Neversink, NY,

passed away on Monday, April 12, 2021 at home. She was 73.

She was the daughter of the late Johann Ulrich Sulser and Anna Sulser Dutler, born on April 7. 1948 in Grabs. Switzerland.

Anneliese leaves behind the cherish her memory, her husband Gerald R.

Beiling, whom she shared 23 happy years with; her children Joshua Howard and his companion Lauren and Erik Howard and his companion Sarah; sister Edith Sommer and her husband Werner; as well as her devoted nieces and nephew Bettina Sommer, Anita Grant and her husband Adam and Reto Sommer and his wife Anna. She is predeceased by her brother Hans Sulser.

A memorial service will be held privately at the convenience of the family. Arrangements under the care of Colonial

Memorial Funeral Home, for further information call 845-434-7363 or visit www.colonialfamilyfuneralhomes.com

Robert William Gruenfelder of

Grahamsville, passed from this world to eternal life on the afternoon of Monday, April 12th at Garnett Health Medical Center in Middletown, in the loving embrace of family. On his November 11, 1945

in Williamsburg, Brooklyn, Bob was born to his loving parents Amelia and Jacob Gruenfelder. Since he was born on Veteran's Day, he often liked to joke that school was closed each year just to celebrate his birthday. He and his older brother Raymond spent a happy childhood in Brooklyn, later moving to Ozone Park, Queens when he was a teenager. As a young man, Bob enlisted in the U.S. Navy, where he served as an electrician and E4 petty officer, receiving an honorable discharge after 4 years of dedicated service. An extremely skilled woodworker and carpenter, Bob worked for years as a stagehand for CBS in Manhattan, constructing the sets for several television shows and special events, including the World Olympic Games.

His family was always in awe of the beautiful pieces he lovingly created and gifted to many throughout the years. A man of faith, Bob was a longtime communicant at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Woodbourne, NY. On a cold and snowy evening in October 1988, while out with a friend at Scallywags in Monticello, Bob met a lovely lady named Dottie, and on that evening, a beautiful and enduring love story began. Bob and Dottie would be married on April 5, 1997, blending their two families into one, creating a home full of love and sharing 21 years of marriage. Through Dottie's 27- year struggle with cancer, Bob stood beside her, loving her through each diagnosis and attending to her needs with uncompromised love and devotion. Bob, your family thanks you. Your complete devotion to your family and unsurpassed example of love will be your legacy, and we will do our very best to carry it forward in your honor. Bob leaves to cherish his memory, his daughter Elise Gruenfelder Pantino and his son-in-law, Tom and their daughter Julia, his (step)daughter, Lisa Conti Malone and her husband, Tom and their son Mason, and his (step)daughter Christy Conti Hernandez and her husband, Pedro and their children Matthew, Grace, Christian, Maria, Pedro, Joseph and Robert. He is also survived by his sister-in-law Louise, nephew, Raymond and his wife Joanie, as well as many nieces, nephews, cousins, extended family and friends. In addition to his wife and parents, his son Robert Gruenfelder, Jr. and his brother Raymond Gruenfelder, Sr. were among those waiting to welcome him to eternal life. Our family wishes to thank the relatives and friends who have walked alongside our Bobby, and us, on this journey. Your love and prayers have made all the difference to us. A heartfelt thank you to Father Edward Bader for his love and support, as well as to Father Simon and Gabe Morrow at Garnett Health Medical Center for their spiritual support. We also wish to thank the countless dedicated medical professionals and staff who cared for Bob and attended to his needs during his recent hospital stay. Visitation was heldon Thursday, April 15th at Colonial Memorial Funeral Home, 396 State Route 52, Woodbourne, NY 12788. (Contd. Pg. 4)





DAYS OF YORE.... Today's History

April 18, 1951 - Theron Hasbrouck bought the N.G. Barkley house on the Woodbourne Road last week. Mr. and Mrs. Hasbrouck are putting their present home on the market but will continue living there until such time as they sell the property.

Laborers on the Tuckahoe Construction Co. job of clearing the Merriman Dam area were called out on strike Monday by Local 17, the union in charge. A meeting of union members was scheduled for Monday night to discuss the settlement.

Elwood Velie was chosen Fire Chief to succeed himself at the recent election of operating officers of the Grahamsville Fire Department. Other officers elected were: Otto Edkin, First Engineer; Horace Sheeley, Second Engineer; Milton Van Keuren, Third Engineer; and Ray Hornbeck, Fourth Engineer.

April 19, 1961 - Miss Jean Stedner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Stedner of Ellenville, was married Sunday, April 9th to Carl Porter of Lackawack, son of Mrs. Horace Porter and the late Mr. Porter. The wedding took place at St. Mary's and St. Andres's Church, Ellenville.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Wolcott and Mr. and Mrs. Claude DePew attended the 25th wedding anniversary party given for Mr. and Mrs. Wilson VanWagner of Claryville on Saturday evening.

A shower was held for Mary Ann Lauria at Neversink Memorial Hall. She will become the bride of Walter Edwards Jr. on Sunday, May 21st.

A fisherman's dream came true for Larry VanOrden of Oak Ridge, N.J. on Sunday morning, April 9th, when he landed a 13 pound, 31 inch brown trout. VanOrden, who has been fishing and hunting in this area for many years, hooked the trout with a small metal plug with a dual treble hook. The magnificent prize was taken from the Merriman Dam Reservoir near the powerhouse in Grahamsville. The trout was thought to be the largest ever caught in this area.

April 14, 197 -A former Neversink tax collector, town clerk and magistrate, Raymond E. Erath, 81, died Wednesday at Hamilton Avenue Hospital, Monticello, after a brief illness. A lifelong resident of Grahamsville, Mr. Erath was born Jan. 6, 1880 to Eugene and Lydia Sheeley Erath. On Oct. 30, 1917, he married the former Ella Decker in Hawley, Pa. He was a retired baker.

Services were held Saturday for John N. George, 85, of Briscoe who died unexpectedly at his home on Thursday. He was born May 2, 1885 at Red Hill, Town of Denning to Halwich and Lena Veit George. He was married in 1911 at Grahamsville to the former Ann Moore who died in 1963.

Many happy wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Clark Ryan who will be celebrating their 57th wedding anniversary on April 23rd.

Beginning April 19th the price of lunch for students in grades 7-12 will be 35 cents. The price of milk for all students will be raised to 4 cents. (Oh for the good old days!! B.S.)

April 16, 1981 -Kathleen (Honey) Ellison of Liberty, died Thursday, April 9, 1981 at Mary Imogene Bassett Hospital, Cooperstown. She was 61. Among the survivors are her husband, Miles R. Ellison of Liberty; and son, Miles Jr. of Grahamsville.

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, Joyce Lockhart, Jean Helthaler, Karen Curry and Barbara Slater.

Le Secret du Caporal La Violette

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

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

'ice' of winter. Violets are quite special. There

are 450 different species of Viola worldwide, and you can eat all of them!

Flowers are usually violet colored, but can vary from deep-blue-violet to completely white. These small dainty flowers are edible! They are delicious and decorative in any salad and a

lovely embellishment to a cake or dessert recipe. A sweet syrup or violet jelly are a great addition to the breakfast table. They are as sweet as they look!

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Household Hint:

Grow beautiful azaleas

Occasionally water azalea plants with a mixture of two tablespoons vinegar to one quart water. Azaleas love acidic soil.



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OBITUARIES From Pg. 2) Robert William Gruenfelder

A Mass of Christian burial was on Friday, April 16th at St. Peter's Roman Catholic Church, 264 North Main Street, Liberty, NY 12754. Father Ed Bader was the Celebrant.

Both Dottie and Bob were grateful for the support they received from Hospice. In lieu of flowers, those wishing to make a memorial donation are asked to consider Hospice of Orange and Sullivan Counties Inc, 800 Stony Brook Court, Newburgh, NY 12550 or at www.hospiceoforange.com. Thank you.

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

Walter Irwin Edwards Jr. April 2, 1940 - April 14, 2021.



It is with sadness that the family of Walter Edwards Jr. announces his passing on April 14, 2021 at the age of 81 years.

Walt was born and raised on a dairy farm in Neversink, NY on April 2, 1940. After beginning his education in a one room school house on Mutton Hill, he went on to continue his education at Tri-Valley Central School. Walt was a passionate lover of Bluegrass music and played this music throughout his life, most

notably the banjo. He played in several bands and attended numerous Bluegrass Festivals. Walt was also an avid bowler and affectionately became nicknamed the "Legend" by those he played with weekly due to their admiration, love and respect of him.

After spending 17 years as part of Liberty Middletown Express where he drove tractor trailer, Walt went on to work with the Village of Liberty before retiring. During his lengthy retirement of 19 years, Walt kept busy not only playing music and bowling, but by continuing to work the same farm where he was born and raised.

Walter will lovingly be remembered by his wife, Gertrude J Edwards along with his three children Patricia Armstead, Michael Edwards and wife Delila and Keith Edwards, sister Barbara Stewart, nine grandchildren and a large extended family of nieces, nephews and cousins. Walter was predeceased by his father, Walter I Edwards Sr., mother, Helen Cuttler, sisters Mary Frasca and Shirley Samyn and grandchild Gabriel Edwards.

A private memorial service will be held at a later time where Walter will be returned to the farm he loved so well and where he spent his li

Sullivan County Manager Appoints John LiddleCommissioner of Health & Family Services

(From Pg. 1) During this time, he completed a Master's in Strategic Communications and Leadership from Seton Hall University, bolstering a Bachelor's in Political Science earned at the U.S. Naval Academy. At the same time, he completed a second Master's, in National Security and Strategic Studies at the Naval War College. He later became Executive Officer of Naval Support Activity Washington at the historic Washington Navy Yard, finishing his Navy tenure as Executive Assistant to the Commander of Navy Installations Command.

For nearly the past year, he has served as Sullivan County's Commissioner of Social Services, a State-required position with the Department of Family Services. Under his leadership, the Department has expanded foster care resources, ramped up support to tenants and landlords, and found ways to lower costs without compromising care.

"I'm honored that Josh and the Legislature have confidence in my abilities and have entrusted the leadership of the Division of Health and Family Services to me," Liddle said. "I never would have guessed that my career in government service would lead down this path, but I enjoy the work we do here on the Liberty campus immensely. It's incredibly fulfilling to see our work benefit people's lives every day. Supporting the work of public health, mental health, and social services professionals will rarely be easy because the stakes are so high, but I truly appreciate the opportunity I have to enable the success of everyone on this team.

"Moving forward, we will be laser-focused on improving our County health rankings, which is much more than a pure public health issue," he explains. "We can and will do better, but it's going to take a whole community effort and partnerships between government agencies, businesses, faith groups, and community-based organizations. It starts with the initiative that District Attorney Meagan Galligan and our new Deputy Commissioner Wendy Brown are leading to minimize substance use disorders, but we're also going to work hard on promoting mental health and disease prevention."

Liddle resides with his wife Laura and two daughters in Liberty, where he enjoys mountain biking, hiking and participating in revitalization efforts in the Village of Liberty.

Deputy Public Health Director Becomes Deputy Commissioner

Wendy E. Brown, MS, RN, who has served as Sullivan County Public Health Services' Deputy Director for more than three years, was named by Liddle as Deputy Commissioner of the Division of Health & Family Services.

A Bethel resident with over 25 years' in the private sector in a variety of health care settings, Brown will continue her leadership of the Sullivan County Substance Use Task Force in addition to her new duties.

"It is an honor to have been chosen for this role," she acknowledged. "I look forward to working closely with both John and Meagan's teams as we collaboratively move our County forward."

Legislators Congratulate Both Liddle and Brown

"We'll be well-served by John and Wendy, who bring critically important leadership, healthcare and team-building skills and experience to these positions," said Legislature Chairman Robert A. Doherty. "I've worked with both and am very glad to have them in charge of our largest Division."

"I look forward to Wendy and John bringing a renewed enthusiasm and vision to Health & Family Services," remarked District 2 Legislator Nadia Rajsz, who chairs the Legislature's Health & Family Services Committee, to which Liddle and Brown report. "We serve so many people through this Division - people who are struggling, sometimes desperately so. Meeting these needs is already what Wendy and John do every day, so I'm confident the citizens of Sullivan County will benefit from their compassionate and professional approach."

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Northern Heist Mysterious Book Report No. 44 by John Dwaine McKenna

Belfast, Northern Ireland, has for decades been one of the most contentious, strife-ridden and fought-over territories in the world . . . which makes it a great place to set an electrifying crime fiction and thriller novel.

Northern Heist, (Melville House, \$26.99, 269 pages, ISBN 978-1-61219-903-0) by Richard O'Rawe, takes place in 2004, when a former IRA heavyweight and expert bank robber named James "Ructions" O'Hare comes up with a plan to steal truckloads of cash from the National Bank on High Street in Belfast. He figures that the haul will get them £35 to 36 million in cash, and turns to his crime boss uncle, Johnny "Panzer" O'Hare for financing. Panzer agrees, because part of the plan is to stiff the Provos, the Provisional Wing of the Irish Republican Army, who impose a fifty-percent tax on any criminal activity that takes place anywhere in the north of Ireland.



Ructions who's been sleeping with the wife of the bank manager for a couple of years, has learned all of its operational and security secrets from her. When Panzer asks if he's fallen in love with her, Ructions lies and tells his uncle 'No.' On the other hand however, when asked if his profligate son Finnbar has knowledge of the heist, Panzer also lies, and tells his nephew 'No.'

The robbery attempt goes forward, aided by several ex-paramilitary gangsters acting as tiger kidnappers and with the first of several double-crosses in place, while the police, and the IRA, both pull out all the stops, trying to catch Ructions and his uncle Panzer in the act. But in the end, a pair of trials, one in the courts, the other by the IRA, determine the outcome of this pulsating, relentlessly exciting yarn that's based on an actual unsolved robbery that nearly derailed the Good Friday Peace Accord of 1998... the agreement which halted the 'Troubles' and stopped the sectarian violence that had plagued the area for nearly four decades.

The novel's spot-on accuracy is informed by Mr. O'Rawe's own experiences, first as an IRA operative, and then as an inmate in the infamous Long Kesh Prison. He's the real deal, and his novel is as compelling as it is fascinating!

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Olive Free Library's Exhibition "Between Wind and Water" Opens May 22 An Exhibition of works inspired by travelers to Orkney, Scotland

The Olive Free Library Association is very pleased to present the exhibition Between Wind and Water showcasing the works of seventeen visual artists, writers, and photographers who traveled together to Orkney, Scotland. Many of the pieces were completed in Scotland where artists worked in plein air, and were invited to share space at the printshop in Stromness. Each of the pieces illustrates the artist's unique reflection on the Orkney landscape where wind and water and sky dominate.

The show will run from May 22 through July 10, with an opening on Saturday, May 22 from 2 - 4 pm.

The trip to Orkney was led by Kate McGloughlin and assisted on the island by Jeanne Bousa Rose, whose work is also included in the show. Between Wind and Water is curated by Sandra Scheuer and Linda Schultz, both dedicated members of the Olive Free Library Exhibition Committee. Sandra says, "The experiences in Orkney individually and as a group held a magical quality as we became immersed

in the wind and water around us. As we walked among the ancient stones of Stenness and the Ring of Brodgar, we were awed by their immensity. We felt as if we were in an ancient culture as we viewed the Viking runes on the walls of Maes Howe, visited the museum in Kirkwall, and explored the Neolithic village of Skara Brae. Our time in Orkney was further enhanced by the warm reception we received from the Orcadians of Stromness and Kirkwall."

Sandra continues, "While each piece of work in this exhibition demonstrates an individual response to the time we spent there, there is evidence of the pervasive influence of the surrounding landscape and climate."



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Spectral Evidence Evidence" a sculptural installation by Brooklyn based artist Nancy Bowen at the Laundry King at 65 Main St, Livingston Manor, NY on Saturday,



Nancy Bowen, John Proctor, 2021, ceramic & mixed media

May 8. The exhibitions will be on view Saturday, May 8 -Saturday, June 19, 2021.

Inspired by a true story of Colonial American judgement and repentance, Bowen creates a visual interpretation of guilt and remorse. Bowen's ancestor Samuel Sewall was a judge in the Salem witch trials who later publicly recanted and confessed his sins in church. The installation visually interprets his penitence and gives space for the people killed as witches as a result of the trials. Twenty gravestones face off their accuser while he bears the burden of their

deaths. Riffing off Early American gravestone imagery Bowen deconstructs the "death head" image to create winged creatures with feet stuck in the amorphously shaped stones. The dead could rise again- at least in spirit. While these sculptures were originally conceived as gravestones honoring thewrongfully killed, they took on layers of meaning during their making. They became markers of Covid death, of gun violence death, and of other senseless killings. They took on a feeling of collective mourning for all that has been lost during these difficult times.

The figure sculpture inspired by Samuel Sewall himself depicts a rambunctious version of a hair shirt standing atop a scaffolding covered with gallows. More tiny gallows hang from shanks of hair in the shirt and cascade onto the scaffolding. The figure offers a bowl to the heavens in hopes of better times. This representation of guilt and shame is a vibrant and slightly humorous apparition, a visual cautionary tale. Along with the sculptural installation Bowen is showing a suite of collages that accompany the 46 stanzas of Elizabeth Willis' poem, The Witch. Willis, herself a descendant of one of the alleged witches, has written a luminous poem that combines folklore and observation into a celebration of women.

Nancy Bowen is a mixed media artist known for her eclectic mixtures of imagery and materials in both two and three dimensions. Her sculpture and drawing exists in an in -between zone of form and idea, of abstraction and representation. Her work offers a poetic commentary on our quickly changing material culture. Bowen has had over a dozen solo exhibitions throughout the United States and Europe including the Lesley Heller Gallery in NYC, Annina Nosei Gallery in NYC, Galerie Farideh Cadot in Paris, the Betsy Rosenfield gallery in Chicago, and the James Gallery in Houston. She has been included in group shows in various museums around the country. She has won awards from Anonymous was a Woman, the National Endowment for the Arts, the New York Foundation for the Arts, The MacDowell Colony, Yaddo, The Jentel Foundation and the European Ceramic Work Center among others.

Saturday, May 8, 2021 - Artists Talk and Opening Reception CAS will host an Artists Talk at 3-4pm, followed immediately by a free Opening Reception from 4-5pm. Laundry King hours are 11am – 5pm Fridays – Saturdays, and Sundays 11am – 3pm. (Contd. Pg. 10)

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Days of Yore... 101 Years Ago! submitted by Marion Rubenzahl

History repeats itself. Came across this poem written in 1869, reprinted during 1919 Pandemic.

This is Timeless....

And people stayed at home And read books And listened And they rested And did exercises And made art and played And learned new ways of being And stopped and listened More deeply Someone meditated, someone prayed Someone met their shadow And people began to think differently And people healed. And in the absence of people who Lived in ignorant ways Dangerous, meaningless and heartless The earth also began to heal And when the danger ended and People found themselves They grieved for the dead And made new choices And dreamed of new visions And created new ways of living And completely healed the earth Just as they were healed.







All public gatherings consisting of ten or more are prohibited.

prohibited. D. W. SUTHERLAND, Kelowna, B.C., 19th October, 1918.





Spectral Evidence (from Pg. 8)

About CAS at the Laundry King

CAS Arts Center will be closed for much of 2021 as the organization embarks on a major renovation and expansion to the previously unoccupied second-floor. During this time, CAS will program out of the Laundry King (65 Main Street) its annex performance and exhibition space. The newly realized exhibition space will launch with a long-term presentation of James Turrell's light installation Avaar, 1976 and site-specific wall drawing from Sol LeWitt. Contrasting with the established group and regional artist shows currently offered in CAS's lower level, second floor gallery programming will offer major singleartist presentations for extended periods of a year or more – attracting major press attention, encouraging repeated visits by residents, and encouraging weekend travelers to spend time at CAS and in town. These exhibitions will be fully integrated with CAS's ongoing operations, and will be used as a significant platform to develop parallel programming notably including talks or other presentations by invited guests, public tours, and other education-focused workshops. This program will also establish a new level of regional significance for CAS's arts programming.

About the Catskill Art Society

The Catskill Art Society is a non-profit cultivating public interest, participation, and enjoyment of the arts. Through its multi-arts center, CAS explores contemporary art practices and facilitates creative and professional development for established and emerging artists. Located in Livingston Manor, the renovated 4,500+ square foot facility includes a designated fine arts gallery, a large multi-purpose space, a pottery studio, a painting studio, and a digital arts lab. For more information, please visit www.catskillartsociety.org.

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Detroitus Goes to War "Detroitus Goes to War" April 24 & 25 • 11AM to 6PM. - 1/2 hour revolving Scrapture tour at Woodstock Art Exchange (1396 Rt. 28)

Detroitus the discus hurling Scrapture* by Dave Channon at Woodstock Art Exchange (1396 Rt. 28) has been recruited by West Point's Highland Falls Art Walk. Before the Greek legend goes to war, see him and and meet the artist on the weekend of April 24 & 25 from 11AM to 6PM. Get an eye and ear-full of Channon's stimulating metallic Mobius Origamic revelations, and wish Detroitus bon voyage. In one fell swoop, Channon's "Angel" and "Warrior" are traveling to the Bennington Vermont Museum. Throw kisses, wave good-bye and toss confetti. All is fair in Love and Art. C'est la guerre!

Don't fear, many new Scraptures are on their way to WAE, fresh from the fervent mind and fertile scrapyard of Dave Channon. Visit www.EsopusCreek.com Email Dave@EsopusCreek.com It's a half hour tour, so call to pick your time. 845-688-2977 or 646-256-9688 to make a reservation.

*Scrapture - scrap metal sculpture that induces rapture.

The Scene Too -Jane Harrison

Almost everyone I know has had both doses of the CoVid vaccination. It's wonderful to be able to actually meet with people I enjoy once again. Still masked, still maintaining some social distancing, but being able to share a glass of wine and talk is so worth the few days or hours of flu-like symptoms!

That first week after my second vax was like a deep sigh of relief combined with an exhilarating sense of freedom! I wanted to go to ShopRite, actually into the store. I wanted to get into the car and just GO. Somewhere, anywhere. But I heeded the cautions of the doctor who administered my second: "Don't go crazy. You are not considered fully vaccinated until two weeks from today." So I did neither. It was the second week that I found disturbing. I developed a cough. In itself, not surprising for a person with asthma in the spring when everything in nature is starting to come alive. But this is still the era of Covid and with the Sullivan County cases rising at 40+ a day, it was very worrying. I did something that has not been necessary for the last year....I had a CoVid test. Negative. That should have brought me back to the feelings of freedom and relief, right? Instead, I found myself still in the "CoVid mode" of this time last year. It was and continues to be, sobering.



Sobering too is the closing for good of NARDI'S (better known as FRANKIE AND JOHNNY'S), the iconic and best known italian restaurant in Hurleyville. When I moved here, it was the first restaurant recommended to me. Almost every second homeowner I know would make this their first stop after opening their homes here. It will be sorely missed as will equally iconic BUM the

AND KEL'S in Loch Sheldrake which closed for good last year.

There is good news though. Wade and RJ have resolved to stay open, continuing to provide Sullivan County with the best of local talent and the fresh, innovative groups out of New



York City and beyond. I know it will be a struggle, with Joe Peters out, but CABERNET FRANK'S, for the few years of its existence, has become as much a beloved institution as any. Which is why on Sunday, I forced myself out of my sweats and headed to Parksville.

I generally go out there for the music. I didn't know if there would be any. But it didn't matter. Somewhere out of the house was just grand...and I could get someone else to cook for me. And as usual, I walked in and saw people I knew. Then in comes Rose Barnett from the ARROWHEAD RANCH. Then my good friend and fabulous drummer NICKY 'RED' (who informed me that it was 'RED' and not 'REDD' as I've been spelling it forever). We had a good laugh and I promised not to do it again. And then GREG CASTRO, a fantastic guitarist, who I haven't seen in easily a year and a half.

And for music, a group of singers from Sullivan County Community College performing songs from a work they will be

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presenting live stream. I'm not going to go into too much detail as you will be able to find more about it in a future edition of the paper. I will tell you this....their first number, masked, the voices were so clear, so strong, I was totally amazed. And I'm looking forward to the full production.

Catching up with people is great. How they've been spending their time during CoVid. How they've been coping with CoVid. Where they are in their vaccinations. I'll be so happy when catching up with people doesn't need to involve the "C" word.

Stay well, stay masked, stay safe. Until next time.....

Sullivan County Dove Trail The SULLIVAN CATSKILLS DOVE TRAIL[©] commemorates

the 50th anniversary of the 1969 Woodstock festival and celebrates its impact on our Sullivan Catskills. It's a collection of 50 dove sculptures perched in villages, towns, and at several tourism businesses. Each permanently mounted dove is hand-painted by a professional local artist and inspired by the legendary event held here in 1969. ©Explore our beautiful Sullivan Catskills and find all 50 Doves. Take selfies with each dove and upload to the Passport page. Once you complete the entire trail, notify us, and you will receive a special gift. Use #SullivanCatskillsDoveTrail on social media and you will be entered into a monthly drawing to win a commemorative prize. All gifts and prizes are available while supplies last. The Passport Program will have new features throughout the year, so keep coming back to see what is new and exciting to add on to your Sullivan Catskills Dove Adventure. Visit http://SullivanCatskills.com to learn more about our local and regional thematic itineraries.

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Do You Rent Out Rooms to Visitors? Make Sure You've Registered with Us Monticello, NY - In order to more comprehensively cover the

Monticello, NY - In order to more comprehensively cover the full range of lodging opportunities locally, the Sullivan County Legislature just revised the existing Lodging Facility Room Occupancy Tax.

Known informally as the "bed tax" since its 1990 enactment, the tax on the occupancy of lodging facility rooms (5% of the rental rate) is split between the County (which retains 15%) and not-for-profits engaged in tourism marketing and promotion (85%).

"All short-term rentals of lodging facilities are subject to the tax, from hotels and motels to bed-and-breakfasts and homes that are rented out partially or fully for less than 90 days. That includes people who offer rooms in their own residences via services like Airbnb, VRBO, etc.," explained County Treasurer Nancy Buck. "The law was updated to clarify the definition of a lodging facility as 'any form of shelter not owned by or provided by the occupant which is used for lodging on an overnight basis'."

The Treasurer's Office remains empowered to collect and enforce the tax. Any person/entity operating a lodging facility within the County should apply for a Certificate of Authority to collect Room Occupancy Tax. For more information, including an application for the Certificate, visit https://sullivanny.us/Departments/Treasurer/RoomTax or call the Treasurer's Office at 845-807-0200.

Air Rifle Used to Take Deer - Ulster County

In November 2020, ECO Bastedo responded to a hunting-related complaint and observed an untagged antlered deer and an untagged antlerless deer on the lawn of a residence. The hunter, Jun Chen Shang, produced his regular season antlered deer tag and bow/muzzleloader tag filled out with the harvest information for that date. The bow/muzzleloader tag cannot be legally used during the regular season. Further investigation by ECOs Bastedo and Walraven determined the antlered deer was killed using a 25-caliber air rifle, which cannot be legally used to take deer. The officers issued tickets to the man for illegal take of a white-tailed deer, illegal implement, and failing to tag as required. The man's regular season antlered deer tag was seized along with his bow/muzzleloader tag and DEC donated the deer to a local food pantry. On April 8, 2021, the Ulster County man paid a penalty in the Town of Gardiner Court for the illegal taking of deer. Jun Chen Shang settled by civil compromise in court and agreed to \$1,107.50 in fines and surcharges.



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SC Sheriff Arrest for Car Theft

On April 14, 2021, the Sullivan County Sheriff's Office received a report of a car that was stolen overnight from a business on Old Route 17 in Harris. During the investigation, deputies located the stolen vehicle on State Route 55 near the Neversink Dam. Soon after, deputies learned that the suspect who took the car was at a taxi stand in the Village of Liberty, attempting to leave the area. The Liberty Police responded to the scene and took Kathleen L. Clydesdale, age 61, of Walden, NY into custody. She was turned over to the Sheriff's Office who charged her with the Felony of Grand Larceny in the 4th Degree. Clydesdale was issued an appearance ticket and released to appear in the Town of Thompson Court on Monday April 19, 2021 at 5:00 PM. Deputies were assisted by state troopers from the Liberty barracks.

SC Department of Family Services to Briefly Close the Afternoon of April 22

The Sullivan County Department of Family Services will close its offices for routine business at 1 p.m. on Thursday, April 22. The brief closure has been scheduled to conduct training for all staff members and complete a Spring cleaning of offices. The Department of Family Services will re-open for normal business on Friday, April 23 at 8 a.m. Child Protective Services and rapid re-housing services personnel will be available throughout the day for emergencies only. We regret any inconvenience this may cause and appreciate the public's patience as we take a brief moment to improve our workspaces and take steps to enhance the services we provide.

Message from: Sullivan Catskills Visitors Associaton -

Roberta Byron-Lockwood

Yellow makes me smile. Know why? It's bright and cheery. Its presence carries hopefulness, optimism, and spontaneity. It's the color of the sun, smiley faces, and the forsythias that dot our landscape right now. Isn't it time for a visit and a fun-loving dose of all things yellow in our Sullivan Catskills.

Get started on the Craft Beverage Trail and have a taste of our golden-amber handcrafted beers, ciders, and cysers (yes, cyser- a hybrid of hard cider and mead) and raise a glass to toast the goodness of spring surrounded with friends and family.

You could test your angling skills. Our freshwaters are filled with fish sporting yellow spots and stripes-Chain Pickerel, Lake Trout, Yellow Perch, and Sunfish. You're bound to see plenty of yellow in the 2021 Special Exhibit at The Museum at Bethel Woods. Lights, Color, Fashion: Psychedelic Posters and Patterns of 1960s San Francisco features over 70 rock posters, handmade street and designer haute couture clothing of the era, and a light show. For a real splash of happiness and yellow, check out the Sullivan Catskills Dove Trail - 50 hand painted doves in tribute to the 1969 Woodstock festival that happened here. Find them scattered through our towns, villages, and at local businesses and attractions. Don't worry, we made you a map to help you find your way. Download your copy and go for a drive.

Hungry? How about a short stack of golden pancakes topped with honey or maple syrup made right here in the Sullivan Catskills. Oh, how about some baked buttermilk biscuits or bagels? Yum! Our chefs and restauranteurs are always cooking up something new, different and Catskill-i-cious. With a full belly you'll want to visit our shopkeepers and artisans. Who knows, maybe you'll take something yellow home!

Ready to book your stay? We have intimate inns and B&Bs, full service resorts and hotels, and vacation rentals. It just depends on what kind of accommodations suit you best. All our hoteliers want you to feel safe and participate in our Catskills Confidence health and safety protocols because we care about your health.

We're looking forward to your visit. Come explore all there is to do on the land and in the water. And check out our attractions, too. We're just 90-minutes from Manhattan. Close. Clean. Confident and

always a great place to feel happy and be spontaneous.

Roberta Byron-Lockwood President/CEO Sullivan Catskills Visitors Association

Upcoming Events in Sullivan County

Sullivan Chamber Orchestra Streams Free Gala April 17 @ 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Weekend of Chamber Music Presents'Into The Light Concert Series



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Upcoming Events in Sullivan County

(From Pg. 13) Afternoon With Young Peoples Chorus Of New York City

May 2 @ 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm

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Francisco N®≤ñez, whose awards and recognitions include: Musical America's 2018 Educator of the Year Award, MacArthur Fellow, ASCAP Victor Herbert Award, New York Choral Society's Choral Excellence Award, and Bang on a Can's Visionary Award, is the Founder and Conductor of Young People's Chorus of New York City.

"Francisco J. N®≤ñez has been raising the bar [for children's choruses] over the last decade by commissioning a steady stream of works from composers who usually write for adults and weaving them into programs that include choral classics, spirituals, theater songs and pop arrangements." - The New York Times Website:

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Wild Ramp Festival & Market

May 8 @ 11:00 am - 7:00 pm

Join us for our Fourth Annual #WildRamp Festival, a true agricultural and #culinary experience. Enjoy a day of family fun while shopping the large farmers market, listening to live music, taking part in the many games and activities and of course some great CRAFT BEER! There will also be an educational tent dedicated to local agriculture and information about ramps, plus some sampling stations for you to truly see why #ramps are so popular! Then stick around for the after party 4-7!

Upgrade to the #VIP experience and purchase tickets to the Farm to Table food & craft beer pairing, featuring some amazing local chefs. As a VIP you will get to enjoy a sit down presentation of several ramp inspired dishes perfectly paired with one of our beers, plus a VIP goody bag to take with you.

The Roscoe Beer Co, 145 Rockland Road, Roscoe, NY 12776 Website: http://www.roscoebeercompany.com

Piano Concert by Gregg Michalak

May 9 @ 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm \$25 Scarlatti | Beethoven | Debussy | Liszt | Chopin by Gregg Michalak.

American pianist Gregg Michalak is an exciting and seasoned performer. He has appeared at numerous acclaimed venues including Bruno Walter Hall NYC and has collaborated with many prominent artists and orchestras both as a soloist and in chamber music. His playing was featured in the 2014 Broadway play "The Portrait" and the 2017 production of "The Dressmaker's Secret" in New York City. (Contd. Pg. 17)

Tri-Valley Lions Calico Geese Quilt Raffle



Drawing- June 1, 2021 (Winner does not need to be present to win) Raffle tickets are \$5 for 1 ticket or \$10 for 3 tickets.

Tickets will be available from: Gene Froehlich 845-439-4921 Mary Lou Vernooy 845-434-7781 Terry Delaney 845-434-8696

All funds raised from the sale of the raffle tickets will go right into the Tri-Valley Lions Charity Account so our group can continue its mission to support Guiding Eyes for the Blind, Lions Cancer Awareness, 5 local food pantries, eye tests and glasses for those in our community who are unable to afford these on their own due to lack of insurance, assistance to those in our community that have had catastrophic illnesses, or the misfortune of loss due to fire, The Heart-A-Thon, Diabetes awareness, and so many more causes.

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Homemade Violet Jelly 2 to 3 cups loosely packed violet blooms

the juice of one large lemon 2 1/2 cups boiling water

1 package of Sure-Jell pectin 3 1/2 cups sugar

Pour 2 1/2 cups of boiling water over the violets. The mixture will begin to turn aqua then eventually a deep blue or purple depending upon the shades of violets used.

After the violets have infused for several hours, strain the infusion, and add the juice of one lemon.

The blue will quickly turn from blue to purple - as you can see in the photos above. (The kids might enjoy watching this change too.)

Now, mix the pectin with the flower/lemon juice mixture, and stir the mixture in a heavy duty saucepan over high heat until it reaches a heavy boil.

Boil for one minute then add the sugar all at once.

Keep stirring, return to a boil for one minute.

Remove from heat and quickly ladle into prepared jars.

You can either store the jelly in the refrigerator for two weeks or process in a water bath for five minutes, for longer storage.

Just a note: Violets have mild laxative properties when eaten in excess. So please enjoy this *jelly in moderation!*

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Upcoming Events in Sullivan County

(From Pg. 14) Mr. Michalak has appeared with such conductors as Pamela Gearbart Edward

Gearhart, Edward Murray, Angelo Pagano, Woomyung Choe, Hilarie Clark-Moore and Karen Orchestral Pinoci. appearances have included the Ithaca College Orchestra, Ithaca Chamber Orchestra, the Highlands Symphony, the Orange County Community Orchestra, the Bergen Symphony and the New Sussex Symphony. Mr. Michalak's repertoire is as varied as his background extending from the Renaissance masters through such contemporary composers as Lukas Foss, David Alpher, John Musto and Lowell Liebermann. As a collaborative artist, his repertoire explores the full range of chamber music as well as vocal music



including lieder and operatic scores. As a proponent of modern music, Mr. Michalak tends to choose music he feels deeply about and connects with. http://www.greggmichalak.com/

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Weekend of Chamber Music Presents Into The Light Concert Series

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Live Events

Thursday, July 15th, 7:30 pm, **CAS Laundry King,** 65 Main Street, Livingston Manor **MusicTalks:** TalkMusic with Composer in Residence Kurt Rohde with Caroine Stinson, cello, & Sunghae Anna Lim, violin

Friday, July 16th, 7:00 pm, Eddie Adams Barn, Jeffersonville

Open Rehearsal with WCM artists

Saturday, July 17th, 8 pm, Eddie Adams Barn Pre-Concert Chat at 7 Before the Dawn Music of Waggoner, Köksal, Rohde, Washington & Schumann Nurit Pacht & Mari Sato, violins Kathryn Lockwood, viola Caroline Stinson, cello Ieva Jokubaviciute, piano

Thursday, July 22nd, 7:30 pm, CAS Laundry King MusicTalks: Come out! Improv evening with Come Out, Jesse Mills & Andrew Waggoner, violins Caroline Stinson, cello Aidan Plank, doublebass Daniel Lippel, guitar

Friday, July 23rd, 7 pm, **Eddie Adams Barn Open Rehearsal** with WCM artists Saturday, July 24th, 8 pm, Eddie Adams Barn Pre-Concert Chat at 7 Into the Light Music of Schubert, Rohde, Carter, Ling & Beethoven Carol Wincenc, flute Nurit Pacht & Mari Sato, violins Kathryn Lockwood, viola Caroline Stinson, cello Ieva Jokubaviciute, piano Christopher Lennard, percussion

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Shawn Colvin: Steady On 30th Anniversary Tour May 15 @ 8:00 pm - 11:00 pm



To commemorate the 30th anniversary of her landmark debut album, Shawn Colvin will perform Steady On Acoustic in its entirety. This promises to be a very special evening for her longtime fans.

With special guest Daphne Willis

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LEGALS/PUBLIC NOTICES

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

MARCH 19, 2021

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

> Tuesday, May 4, 2021 At 7:00 P.M. (EDT)

for the purpose of presenting the school budget for the 2021-2022 school year.

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

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Annual Meeting, including the VOTE upon the appropriation of the necessary funds to meet the estimated expenditures for school purposes for the 2021-2022 school year budget and the VOT-ING for members of the Board of Education will take place on Tuesday, May 18, 2021 between the hours of 1:00 and 8:00 P.M. daylight savings time at the Main Gymnasium of the Tri-Valley Central High School Building, in Grahamsville, New York.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that petitions nominating candidates for the office of member of the Board of Education shall be filed with the Clerk of said School District at her office in the Administration Building, on or before 5:00 P.M. on Monday, April 19, 2021. Nominating petitions shall be directed to the Clerk of the District; must be signed by at least 25 qualified voters of the District; must state the name and residence address of each signer, and, must state the name and residence address of the candidate.

Vacancies on the Board of Education are not considered separate, specific offices; candidates run at-large. For 2021, there are three Board seats available which are three-year terms, commencing July 1, 2021 and ending June 30, 2024, for seats currently held by the following Board of Education members:

Kimberly Botsford Brent Clarke Kathy Poppo

Candidates whose names will appear on the ballot will have the opportunity to introduce themselves to the public at the Annual Budget Hearing on Tuesday, May 4, 2021, at 7:00 P.M. in the Secondary School Library Lower Level.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that pursuant to a prior resolution of the District, personal voter registration is in effect. The dates for personal voter registration have been set for Tuesday, May 11, 2021, and Wednesday, May 12, 2021, in the Administration Building, between the hours of 4:00 P.M. and 8:00 P.M. Voters may also register at the Office of the District Clerk on any business day through Thursday, May 13, 2021, 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 18, 2021. 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. (Contd. Pg. 19)

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING, ANNUAL MEETING, BUDGET VOTE AND ELECTION TRI-VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT AT GRAHAMSVILLE TOWN OF NEVERSINK, COUNTY OF SULLIVAN, NEW YORK MARCH 19, 2021

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

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that military voters who are qualified voters of the School District may apply for a military ballot by requesting an application from the District Clerk at (845) 985-2296, ext. 5102 and normapena@trivalleycsd.org. For a military voter to be issued a military ballot, the District Clerk must have received a valid ballot application no later than 5:00 pm on April 22, 2021. Military Voters who are not currently registered to vote may apply to register as a qualified voter by filling out a Military Voter Registration Application, which can also be obtained by requesting an application from the District Clerk. Military Voter Registration Applications must be received by the District Clerk no later than 5:00 p.m. on April 22, 2021. Military voters may indicate a preference for receiving a military voter registration, military ballot application, or military ballot by mail, fax, or e-mail in their request for such registration, ballot application, or ballot. The School District will transmit military ballots to military voters no later than April 23, 2021. Completed military ballots must be received by the School District by 5:00 p.m. on May 18, 2021 in order to be counted.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that in accordance with Section 2018-a of the Education Law, applications for ABSENTEE BALLOTS may be applied for at the office of the District Clerk. Absentee Ballots must be applied for unless the voter's registration is marked "permanently disabled" by the County Board of Elections. Such applications must be received by the District Clerk at least seven (7) days before the election if the absentee ballot is to be mailed to the voter (Tuesday, May 11, 2021) OR the day before the election (Monday, May 17, 2021), if the ballot is to be picked up personally by the voter. Absentee Ballots must be received in the office of the District Clerk not later than 5:00 P.M. on the day of the annual meeting. A list of all persons to whom absentee voter ballots have been issued will be available for public inspection during regular office hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. in the District Office until the day of the election. Any qualified voter may, upon examination of such list, file a written challenge of the qualifications as a voter of any person whose name appears on such list, stating the reasons for such challenge. Such written challenge will be transmitted by the District Clerk to the inspectors of the election on the day of the vote.

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

By order of the Board of Education Norma Peña, District Clerk Dated: March 19, 2021

4/1; 4/8; 4/22; 4/29

Tri-Valley CSD Board of Education Meeting

will be Tuesday, April 20, 2021

Anticipated Proposed Executive Session at 6:00 p.m., Regular Meeting #21 at 7:00 p.m. **Meeting will be virtual** It will be broadcast live on our You Tube

It will be broadcast live on our You Tube Live channe. Please use this link: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCkl224 vKQ8nAWhR6NVao24w/live

Fallsburg School District 2021-2022 Pre-K Registration 2021-2022 Registración de Prekinder

• Pre-K students must be 4 on or before December 1, 2021.

• Pre-K Registration will take place from April 6th-April 23rd. Registration will take place online. Please visit

http://www.fallsburgcsd.net/parents/registration for instructions and to reach our online registration form

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

• Los estudiantes de Prekinder deben tener 4 años el 1 de diciembre de 2021 o antes

• La registración de Pre-K se llevará a cabo del 6 al 23 de abril.

• La registración se realizará en línea. Por favor visite: http://www.fallsburgcsd.net/parents/registration para instrucciones y acceder a nuestro formulario de registro en línea

* Tenga en cuenta: todos los estudiantes nuevos de Kinder DEBEN registrarse, incluso si se registraron para Prekinder el año pasado.



The participant cost for this event is \$10 in advance or \$15 on the day of the show. If you wish to pre-register please fill in the form below and mail it to our office along with a check or money order written to Disabled American Veterans Thank you for your support, we look forward to seeing you there!

Name:	Vehicle Type (Please Circle One):				
Fmail:	Car Truck Bike Jeep Plane Tractor				
Club Alfil (if any):	Vehicle Year:				
Address:	Vehicle Make:				
City, St, Zip:	Vehicle Model:				
Phone:	Applicants Signature:				

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

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If you wish to download this week's Church bulletin from St. Peter's, Liberty, NY please go to: *stpeters/bulletin* As New York begins to open allowing churches to once againhave services, we encourage our readers to contact their individual church or parish for updated information.



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

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

Ans to last week's Crossword





Ellenville-Wawarsing 4th of July Committee Annual Spaghetti Dinner

The Ellenville-Wawarsing 4th of July Committee will be holding it's annual Spaghetti Dinner on Saturday, April 24th starting at 4:00pm at the Elks Lodge in Napanoch NY. Dinner includes salad, spaghetti, Italian bread, soft drinks, dessert and coffee/tea. Proceeds from the event will benefit the 4th of July Celebration, including a parade and amazing fireworks on the 4th!

In light of the COVID 19 pandemic, and to maintain social distancing, there will be 4 seatings this year and reservations are required by noon on April 23rd. To make a reservation, please call 845 647-5963 or email joecath69@hotmail.com. Take out orders are suggested.

The cost of the dinner is \$7.00 per person, children under age 5 eat free when attending with a parent. The Elks Lodge is located on Route 55 in Napanoch. There will be no cancellations for inclement weather

Olive Free Library Association Annual Summer Group Show

The Olive Free Library Association will be presenting its annual summer group show this year juried by well-known regional artist Tom Sarrantonio. The exhibition will open on Saturday, July 24, 2 - 4 pm, and will run through September 11, 2021. All Hudson Valley artists aged 16 and over are invited, and all genres of art are considered but work must be wall-hung. Image files must be submitted by Monday, June 7, 2021.

Submission guidelines have been attached and can be found at https://www.olivefreelibrary.org/call-for-art/

Chick-E-Ribs Rib & Brisket BBQ

to benefit Tri-Valley Little League-

Saturday, April 24, 2021 from 3:30 to 7 pm (or until sold out) at the Little League Fields, Rte 42, Grahamsville.

> Half rack of rib meal-\$15, Full rack of rib meal-\$21, Beef brisket meal - \$15 (all meals include fries and coleslaw).

> Walk-ins accepted but advance orders strongly suggested by April 19.

Order using link on TV Facebook page or call Jen at 845-663-1689.

Grahamsville Reformed Church **Turkey Dinner** May 1st, 2021 4 - 7 pm

TAKE OUT ONLY

Menu: Roast Turkey; Stuffing, Mash Potatoes; Green Beans; Salad; Roll & Dessert

> ADULTS: \$14.00 CHILDREN: 5 - 10 years old - \$8.00 UNDER 5: FREE

Grahamsville Reformed Church Hall

THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR SUPPORT AND GOD BLESS YOU ALL!

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CALENDAR OF LOCAL EVENTS

5/4/21 Claryville Fire District 6:30 pm Warren Cole Hall in Claryville

5/1/21 Grahamsville Reformed Church Turkey Dinner 4 - 7 pm (Church Hall) (See ad on pg. 23 for details)

5/2/21 Town of Neversink Town Board Meeting - Regular

5/5/21 Town of Neversink Planning Board Meeting 7 pm (App submission Dt. 4/21/21)

5/9/21 Claryville Fire Dept All You Can Eat Pancake Breakfast 7 am until noon

5/11/21 Town of Denning Town Board and Business meeting at Denning Town Hall 6:00 pm (Please note: 2nd Tuesday)

5/15/21 Boy Scout Troop 97 Fish/Chicken & Chips Dinner 4:30-6:30 pm Grahamsville Fairgrounds (See ad on pg. 29 for details)

5/18/21 Town of Neversink Zoning Board of Appeals 7:30 pm

5/20/21 Town of Denning Planning Board Meeting - 6:00 pm Denning Town Hall

5/22/21 Time & the Valleys Museum Chicken BBQ 4- 6:30 pm (See Pg. 39 for details)

Save the Date!

Matthew Bertholf's 10th Anniversary Memorial Horseshoe Tournament Sunday, July 11, 2021 Neversink Fire Department Pavilion.

TOWN OF OLIVE MEETINGS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

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

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

PLEASE CONTACT A MEMBER OF EACH ORGANIZATION FOR UPDATES ON OPENINGS Town of Denning - http://www.denning.us Town of Neversink - https://townofneversink.org

Weekly Update Ulster County Legislature April 19 - April 23, 2021

Monday, April 19

o 6:00 PM - Laws & Rules, Governmental Services Committee Powered by Zoom Meetings, Meeting ID: 988 4847 4969, By Phone Dial: (646) 558-8656

o 6:00 PM - Ulster County Trails Advisory Committee Powered by Zoom Meetings, Meeting ID: 876 6071 2554, Passcode: 663305, By Phone Dial: (646) 558-8656

o 7:00 PM - Ulster County Industrial Development Agency Public Hearing: Romeo Kia, Powered by Zoom Meetings, Meeting ID: 816 4111 9687, By Phone Dial: (646) 558-8656

Tuesday, April 20

o 4:30 PM - Special Meeting of the Ulster County Economic Development Alliance Board Powered by Zoom Meetings, Meeting ID: 819 2263 6071, By Phone Dial: (646) 558-8656

o 5:30 PM - Ways & Means Committee Powered by Zoom Meetings, Meeting ID: 921 9612 9250, By Phone Dial: (646) 558-8656

o 6:00 PM (or immediately following the Ways & Means Committee) Caucus: Democrats Powered by Zoom Meetings, Meeting ID: 921 6317 4345, By Phone Dial: (646) 558-8656

o 7:00 PM - Legislative Session Powered by Zoom Meeting and available via vimeo livestream at https://livestream.com/accounts/1512750/events/1824203 Public Comment administered by "Call In Studio": Dial 205-ULSTER-0 or (205) 857-8370 to be connected. Written comments may be submitted to the Clerk via email to vfab@co.ulster.ny.us

Wednesday, April 21

o 9:00 AM - Ulster County Industrial Development Agency Board, Powered by Zoom Meetings, Meeting ID: 816 4111 9687, By Phone Dial: (646) 558-8656 o 10:30 AM (or immediately following UC IDA) Ulster County Capital Resources Corporation Board, Powered by Zoom Meetings, Meeting ID: 816 4111 9687, By Phone Dial: (646) 558-8656

Thursday, April 22

o No Meetings

Friday, April 23 o 12 Noon Resolution Deadline

Tri-Valley Elementary School WANTED:

Local establishments to display student KINDNESS artwork

Contact Penny Hennessey in the Main Office at 985-2296 ext. 5306 or pennyhennessey @trivalleycsd.org.

All artwork and frames will be provided by the District and refreshed bi-annually.

Help your local business grow Advertise locally in *The Townsman!*

Classified ads - \$6.00 for the first 20 words/ 20 cents each additional word 1" Boxed ad (1" × 3") - \$7.50 per week

Business card ad (2" x 3") \$15.00 per week (3" x 4") - \$30.00 per week

> (3" × 6") - \$45.00 (4" × 6") - \$60.00

1/4 pg (4" x 5") -\$50.00

(6" × 8") - \$120.00

1/2 pg (4"x8") -\$80.00

Full Page - 8" x10" - \$160

Low Rates - High Visibility!



4pm, 4:45pm, 5:30pm & 6:15pm <u>Takeout Encouraged</u> <u>RESERVATIONS ONLY</u> by noon 4/23/21 647-5963 or joecath69@hotmail.com



Elks Lodge

Route 55, Napanoch

\$7 per person

Under 5: FREE with Parent

No cancellations for inclement weather

Ashokan Pumped Storage Project Application Withdrawn Premium Energy Holdings LLC withdrew their application before the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission for the Ashokan Pumped Storage Project (P-15056) on Tuesday April 12, 2021. The President of Premium Energy, Victor Rojas, was quoted on WAMC saying, "The scheme that we have proposed initially impacted very badly some communities...". This was a victory for the Town of Olive and the many organizations and individuals who expressed their opposition to the proj-

ect. The FERC website received over 1500 comments and over 100 groups and individuals who filed as Intervenors in the proposal.

The Town of Olive filed early as an Intervenor in the proposal and formally submitted its response to FERC on April 8, 2021.



355 South Lemon Ave, Suite A Walnut, CA 91789 (909) 595-5314 Phone (909) 595-5394 Fax

April 12, 2021

Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary Federal Energy Regulatory Commission 888 First Street, NE Washington, DC 20426

> Re: Premium Energy Holdings' Request of Withdrawal for the Ashokan Pumped Storage Project, FERC Project No. P-15056-000

Dear Secretary Bose:

Premium Energy Holdings, LLC ("Premium Energy") requests to withdraw the preliminary permit application for the Ashokan Pumped Storage Project (P-15056-000).

Our request is mainly due to the social impact the proposed project reservoirs would cause. Once a more suitable project location is identified, Premium Energy may file a new application for a PSH project.

If you have any questions or require additional information regarding this request, please contact me at (909) 595-5314 or email me at victor.rojas@pehlcc.net.

	Sincerely,	>
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_	Victor M. Rojas	

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Holdings, LLC

Enclosures

Ulster County Executive Pat Ryan Submits Comment to New York State Opposing the Proposed Danskammer Power Plant

County Executive Ryan states that the Danskammer project "offers an outdated dirty energy solution to a problem that requires a modern, clean energy solution" County Executive Ryan reaffirms Ulster County's commitment to leaning into the new green economy

KINGSTON, N.Y. - Ulster County Executive Pat Ryan today submitted comments urging the New York State Siting Board to reject Danskammer Energy LLC's application for repowering and expansion of the Danskammer Generating Facility and urged them to ensure that all energy infrastructure projects are consistent with New York's goals under the Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act.

"Danskammer is the wrong project at a pivotal time for our community. It offers an outdated dirty energy solution to a problem that requires a modern, clean energy solution in an area known for its historical roots in the environmental movement," County Executive Pat Ryan writes. "Ulster County is committed to leaning into the new green econo-

my, from transitioning our county operations to 100% renewable energy by 2030, turning brownfields into solar fields, and training a new generation of workers in the expanding clean technology industry. We need to be going all-in on clean energy, battery storage, and energy efficiency and creating sustainable, family-supporting jobs within these industries."

"County Executive Ryan has put Ulster County at the forefront of confronting the climate crisis and taking advantage of the burgeoning green economy by investing in renewable energy utilizing local labor," Scenic Hudson President Ned Sullivan said. "This will mean more jobs and cleaner air for Ulster residents today, and a brighter future for their children and grandchildren. Scenic Hudson is grateful to County Executive Ryan for speaking out strongly against the proposed Danskammer power plant and embracing a clean-energy alternative for the site that won't pose a threat to public health and our planet. We look forward to supporting him in any way we can."

The proposed facility would be located on the Hudson River in the Town of Newburgh and would replace the current facility. It has been estimated that the new facility would emit more than ten times the annual emissions of harmful nitrogen oxides, ozone, particulate matter and greenhouse gases than the current plant. On Sunday, County Executive Ryan declared the week Ulster County Earth Week.



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JOIN THE SULLIVAN RENAISSANCE VOLUNTEER CORPS

Help make a difference in your community.



Wednesday, April 21 at 12:30 pm or 7:00 pm via Zoom The same information will be offered at both sessions Registration is required

The Sullivan Renaissance Volunteer Corps offers diverse opportunities for grassroots engagement while connecting people with places and one another. Volunteers are assigned based on individual skills, interests, and availability.

Register Online @ SullivanRenaissance.org or call 845-295-2445 Follow us on Facebook and Instagram for seminar and event updates.

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Gillibrand Asks Biden Administration to "Explore All Options", Help Hospitals Recover from Covid-Related Financial Stress

Gillibrand Letter Outlines Options Including Loan Forgiveness and Interest Payment Relief for Hospitals WASHINGTON, D.C. --- U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand sent a letter to Acting Administrator of Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) Liz Richter, requesting that the Biden administration explore all options to alleviate the financial burdens incurred through the emergency measures of the Medicare Accelerated/Advanced Payments Program. The letter requests that the administration evaluate options for total loan forgiveness, adjustments to repayment interest rates to reduce interest burdens, and extensions to repayment schedules to afford our hospitals more time as they continue to grapple with the COVID-19 pandemic.

Hospitals across New York state were stretched to the breaking point at the peak of the COVID-19 pandemic nearly a year ago. According to the Healthcare Association of New York State (HANYS) lost revenue and extra costs could add up to \$20 billion and \$25 billion, since April 2020.

"Though it appears we may be turning a corner nationally in our pandemic response, the financial burdens on New York's hospitals have not ceased, nor will they in the near future. That's why I am urging the Biden administration to explore all options to help our hospitals manage the massive financial losses incurred throughout the past few months," said Senator Gillibrand. "Accelerated and advancement payments through Medicare, as authorized under the CARES Act, have been a lifeline for New York's hospitals during the ongoing pandemic. The federal government has a responsibility to make sure our hospitals can continue delivering the quality care we rely on through the worst and best of times."

"The Medicare Accelerated and Advance Payment Program was a lifeline to New York hospitals during the height of the COVID-19 pandemic, but the repayment terms are onerous," said Greater New York Hospital Association President Kenneth E. Raske. "Fortunately, Senator Gillibrand recognizes that the hospitals continue to struggle financially as they navigate numerous COVID-19-related challenges. GNYHA is extremely grateful to Senator Gillibrand for her efforts to provide relief to hospitals in New York and across the country by easing the Medicare Accelerated and Advance Payment Program's repayment terms."

"The Medicare Accelerated and Advance Payment Program was a desperately-needed lifeline for New York's hospitals at the height of the COVID-19 pandemic," said HANYS President Bea Grause, RN, JD. "Our hospitals are still on the front lines of the pandemic and are grappling with staggering financial losses. Instead of forcing struggling hospitals to repay these loans, HANYS strongly supports loan forgiveness. We thank Senator Gillibrand for her commitment to drawing attention to this critically important issue and for seeking all avenues to provide relief to hospitals in communities across the state."

Gillibrand previously wrote to Senate leadership calling for Medicare accelerated/advanced payment program loan forgiveness for hospitals across New York. At the time, hospitals in New York reported an average revenue loss of over 40% in March alone, and were losing at least \$750 million per week at the beginning of the pandemic. While the CARES Act authorized the Medicare accelerated/advanced payments, a lifeline for many hospitals, the steep interest that accompanied the loans coupled with ongoing financial devastation, has left many hospitals unable to repay. Without additional federal support, New York hospitals will be forced to make disastrous cuts like reducing critical health care services and laying off essential health





ROAD CLOSURE

North Branch, NY - The Sullivan County Division of Public Works is closing a portion of Town Highway 37 (Peters Road), in the Town of Fremont, to replace County Bridge 431. The bridge is located approximately 1.6 miles north of the intersection of County Road 121 (North Branch Road) and Pleasant Valley Rd.

This section of Peters Rd. is scheduled to be closed to all traffic starting at 8 a.m. on April 19, 2021, and will remain closed for approximately 8 weeks.

The Catskill Mountain Classic Car



The 36th Annual Car Show Sunday, June 27th 2021 Big Indian Valley Park

Route 28, Big Indian, NY 12410 "Special Awards" Fireman's choice, President's choice and Best of Show

DJ, Food, 50/50 and just good old fun Registration if your entering a car 8am to 12:30 Music, Food 50/50

The CMCCC is dedicated to the preservation and appreciation of the vintage and late model automobiles. To be a member is \$10.00 a year

We invite any enthusiasts to join us for the show either as an entry or to enjoy seeing all the vehicles in our beautiful Park

For more information call Frank at 845-254-4238 or cheifrun@aol.com

APRIL 22, 2021

UC Executive Ryan Announces Mobile Mental Health Team is Up and Running

Ulster County now has a dedicated full-time social worker as a part of Ulster County 911 Announced in the 2021 Budget, Ulster County allocated \$900,000 to Mobile Mental Health Team

As a part of National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week, County Executive Ryan announced that the Mobile Mental Health Team now includes a full-time social worker available to respond to 911 calls based out of the County's 911 of a Licensed Master Social Worker, assigned as a Mobile Team Dispatcher. The years of education and experience in both mental health and emergency services possessed by the chosen candidate were matched to the needs of the county. The goal for the Mobile Team Dispatcher position is to partner with their 911 center dispatch counterparts to facilitate safe diversion of callers, who are seeking support for a behavioral health issue.

The 911 center has become the work location for the Mobile Team Dispatcher. The Mobile Team Dispatcher has begun triaging telephone calls made to the team from residents seeking assistance. She has been providing telephonic counseling to



County Executive Ryan with members of Ulster County's 911 team

callers in acute need, as well as tracking the location of the Mobile Mental Health teams to coordinate in person, community responses to callers. At present, the mobile team dispatcher is primarily an extension of the community team and an additional supportive resource for Ulster County residents. This position is steeped in diversion. Frequently, behavioral health issues do not require law enforcement intervention to achieve resolution. Many times, law enforcement is deployed as the initial response despite the absence of criminal activity. The ultimate goal is for 911 dispatchers to divert behavioral health-related calls to the Mobile Team Dispatcher. In an effort to responsibly and carefully move toward diversion, the county will first embark on a project to train all 911 center dispatchers in the funda-

Center. Through the 2021 Executive Budget, \$900,000 in funding was allocated to expand Mobile Mental the Health Team. The increase allowed for the hiring of a full-time social worker to be located at the 911 Emergency Center. Residents who are experiencing a mental health crisis who call 911 will now be met with a traumatrained informed emergency response.



"At a time when so many residents are still struggling due to the impacts of COVID-19 on our community, the addition of a fulltime social worker as a part of our Mobile Mental Health will help provide the necessary support for our residents during this time of need," said County Executive Ryan. "Working out of the County's 911 Center, this expansion of services will strengthen the County's already strong public safety telecommunications and ensure we are responsive to County residents."

In January 2021, Access: Supports for Living expanded the Ulster County Mobile Mental Health Team through the addition

mentals of behavioral health. The Mobile Mental Health team operates every day from 10:00 a.m.- 10:00 p.m.. The mobile team dispatcher is on duty from noon until 8:00 p.m. five days per week.

April 11th through April 17th is National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week. Ulster County's 911 dispatchers serve as a vital link between the residents in our county and the fire, medical, and law enforcement agencies. In 2020, Ulster County's public safety team answering point processed 83,037 calls for service.

Statement from UC Commissioner of the Department of Health and Mental Health Dr. Carol Smith

"Out of an abundance of caution, the CDC and the FDA have recommended halting the use of the Johnson & Johnson vaccine. Ulster County is immediately putting a pause on administering this vaccine while a review is underway. I applaud the CDC and FDA for taking this matter seriously, and we will continue to closely monitor the situation. Here in Ulster County, we have not had any resident report a severe reaction to any vaccine that we have administered. However, any resident that may have a concern regarding a vaccine should reach out to their medical provider.

As we continue our work to counter COVID-19, Ulster County remains committed to ensuring the health and safety of our residents. As we have from Day One, we will always follow the science and public health data when making decisions about health protocols and vaccine administration. As such, we will continue to administer the Pfizer and Moderna vaccines as planned. I encourage all residents in Ulster County to visit VaccinateUlster.com and sign up for an appointment."

Gillibrand, Murkowski Announce Bipartisan Bill to Expand Summer Meal Program and Ensure Children Maintain Access to Nutritious Meals When School is Out

Summer Meals Act Would Expand Eligibility And Participation For Summer Meals Programs, Facilitate Program Administration, And Improve Access In Rural, Underserved, Hard To Reach Areas

WASHINGTON, D.C. - Today, U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand (D-NY), member of the Senate Agriculture Committee, and U.S. Senator Lisa Murkowski (R-AK) introduced legislation to expand summer meal programs across the country to ensure children maintain access to nutritious meals when school is out. The COVID-19 pandemic, and subsequent switch to remote learning, exacerbated the challenges that food insecure students face when schools are closed. The Summer_Meals_Act would improve the U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Summer Food Service Program, which provides low-income children - who would normally receive free or reduced lunch during the school year - with nutritious meals during the summer, after school, and when school is closed for vacations or emergencies. The bill would expand eligibility and participation for summer meal programs, facilitate program administration, and improve access to these critical programs in hard to reach areas, including rural and underserved communities. Gillibrand and Murkowski are calling for the inclusion of the Summer Meals Act in the upcoming Child Nutrition Reauthorization currently being negotiated by the Senate Agriculture Committee.

"Learning disruptions caused by the pandemic have deepened the hunger crisis for vulnerable children who rely on school meals to keep from going hungry. When schools are out for the summer, we must guarantee that food insecure students maintain access to nutritious food," said Senator Gillibrand. "This legislation will provide more children with a reliable source of meals when schools are closed and deliver critical resources to help schools and nonprofits to administer these programs. With summer quickly approaching, I urge my colleagues to join Senator Murkowski and I to pass this important legislation so that every student has the opportunity to grow healthy and strong."

"Far too many children in Alaska and across the country go hungry each and every day. Meals served at school and in afterschool or summer programs are sometimes the only meals they can rely on," said Senator Murkowski. "We need to make it easier for schools and non-profits to feed children when schools are not in session-regardless of whether it's summer vacation, a natural disaster, or a pandemic that keeps kids out of school. Put simply, our bill will reduce barriers that prevent hungry kids from being fed. (Contd. Pg. 33)

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I respect my neighbors. When you wear a mask you are saying,

I respect nurses and doctors.

When you wear a mask you are saying, I respect other people.

We all need to show respect to one another in difficult times.

Wearing a face covering is a small inconvenience to protect others. We have gotten through this crisis by standing together and doing the right thing. The right thing - the respectful thing - is to wear a mask.

Gillibrand, Murkowski Announce Bipartisan Bill to Expand Summer Meal Program and Ensure Children Maintain Access to Nutritious Meals When School is Out

(From Pg. 32) "I look forward to working with Senator Gillibrand and my Senate colleagues to include the Summer Meals Act in the upcoming reauthorization of the Child Nutrition Act."

"Every day across the country, youth-serving organizations like the Y provide healthy meals to children experiencing food insecurity. This is a pressing need in our communities, and we are committed to addressing it. But having to navigate two different federal programs to feed kids all year long makes our work harder. The Summer Meals Act would create welcome efficiencies for our year-round feeding programs and deliver other critical improvements, including expanding eligibility to help Ys feed more hungry kids in our communities and providing funding for transportation to get kids to programs where they can eat, learn and play," said Kevin Washington, President and CEO, YMCA of the USA.

"Federal Summer Nutrition Programs have been vital for communities across the nation that face the increasingly critical reality of food insecurity," said Jim Clark, president and CEO of Boys & Girls Clubs of America. "The Summer Meals Act would help community organizations like Boys & Girls Clubs to provide young people the physical and emotional support they need to focus and succeed. We're grateful for Senator Gillibrand's continued leadership and dedication to the urgent issues facing America's youth."

"The need to expand the reach of the Summer Nutrition Programs is more important than ever as communities continue to respond to the impacts of COVID-19 on food security, education, and the economy," said Luis Guardia, president, Food Research & Action Center (FRAC). "The Summer Meals Act of 2021 will help address the alarming spike in childhood hunger by ensuring more children have access to the nutrition they need. FRAC commends the bill's sponsors for their efforts to strengthen, protect, and expand access to the Summer Nutrition Programs through the Summer Meals Act of 2021. We strongly encourage Members of Congress to cosponsor this important bill."

"Even before the pandemic, only one in three low-income children in New York State received meals through the Summer Food Service Program, far fewer than those who rely on free school lunch," said Sherry Tomasky, Director of Public Affairs at Hunger Solutions New York. "The Summer Meals Act will increase access to nutritious meals when hunger is most severe for many children. This is a critical component of Child Nutrition Reauthorization and we enthusiastically thank Senator Gillibrand for her leadership on this important issue."

"Summer can be a tough time for low-income children because they lose access to free and reduced-price school meals. Summer meal programs play an important role in closing the summer hunger gap, but we know this program is reaching only a portion of Alaskan kids in need," said Jim Baldwin, Food Bank of Alaska CEO. "The Summer Meals Act would strengthen, streamline, and expand access to summer meals, particularly for the hard-to-reach, rural areas of our state. The flexibilities outlined in this bill are especially important given the challenges that the pandemic has placed on our efforts to feed kids."

"Summer should be a time of outdoor exploration and

hands-on learning, but for to many children summer is time of food insecurity. The impacts of childhood hungry last much longer than just the summer. Childhood malnutrition can lead to unhealthy body weight, the development of chronic health conditions such as diabetes, and prevents students from being ready to learn during the school year. The Summer Meals Act addresses these concerns by expanding community eligibility, improving nutrition in rural and hard to reach communities, and reduces administrative paperwork that prevents summer learning programs from participating. This legislation is especially needed now more than ever as families continue to struggle with the long-term financial impacts of COVID-19. The Summer Meals Act will allow summer camps, public libraries, tribal youth programs, schools, and community organizations to feed more kids have the nutrition they need to thrive," said Thomas Azzarella, Director of the Alaska Afterschool Network.

According to Feeding America, 22 million kids rely on the National School Lunch Program for free and reduced-price meals. However, during summer vacations and when school is closed for emergencies, many students lose access to daily, healthy meals. Currently, less than 4 million students receive meals from the USDA's Summer Food Service Program.

Gillibrand and Murkowski's Summer Meals Act would help close the gap for the 18 million children who risk going hungry when school is out. The legislation would allow more children to have access to summer meals, and expand flexibility for schools and students to participate in the program. Specifically, the Summer Meals Act would:

o Help more children access healthy food by lowering the threshold to allow areas with 40 percent or more of students receiving free or reduced lunch to be eligible for the program, rather than the current threshold of 50 percent.

o Reduce the paperwork burden for meal program sponsors who want to participate in the program.

o Improve nutrition in rural, underserved, and hard to reach areas by providing transportation grants for underserved areas to get children to summer meal sites and by promoting innovative ways to increase children's access to summer meals, such as through mobile meal trucks.

o Offer sites the option of serving two meals and a snack or three meals to children who attend evening enrichment programs during the school year and summer months.

o Allow Summer Nutrition Program providers to serve food to children after emergencies or disasters and be reimbursed if the meals are taken off site.

In addition to Gillibrand and Murkowski, the legislation is cosponsored by U.S. Senators Jack Reed (D-RI), Richard Blumenthal (D-CT), Chris Murphy (D-CT), Tina Smith (D-MN), Cory Booker (D-NJ), Angus King (I-ME), Tammy Baldwin (D-WI), Jon Tester (D-MT), Bob Casey (D-PA), Chris Van Hollen (D-MD), Elizabeth Warren (D-MA), Dianne Feinstein (D-CA), Jacky Rosen (D-NV), Kyrsten Sinema (D-AZ), Tammy Duckworth (D-IL), Alex Padilla (D-CA), Jeanne Shaheen (D-NH), Ron Wyden (D-OR), Patty Murray (D-WA), Bob Menendez (D-NJ), Amy Klobuchar (D-MN), Ben Ray Lujan (D-NM), and Bernie Sanders (I-VT).

The legislation is supported by 500 national, state, and local endorsements including YMCA of the USA, Boys & Girls Clubs of America, Food Research & Action Center (FRAC), Feeding America, American Academy of Pediatrics, National Education Association, Hunger Solutions New York, Food Bank of Alaska, Alaska Afterschool Network.

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Senators Gillibrand and Sanders, Representatives Ocasio-Cortez, Pascrell, and Kaptur Call on Congress to Implement Postal Banking Pilot Programs

Expanded Programs Will Help Financially Underserved Americans Recover From Economic Crisis

WASHINGTON, D.C. - Today, U.S. Senators Kirsten Gillibrand (D-NY) and Bernie Sanders (I-VT), and U. S. Representatives Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez (D-NY), Bill Pascrell (D-NJ), and Marcy Kaptur (D-OH) called on Congress to implement postal banking pilot programs in rural and urban communities across the country as part of the Fiscal Year 2022 (FY22) Senate and House Financial Services and General Government Appropriations (FSGG) Appropriations Bill and eventual final conference agreement. The lawmakers also pushed for \$6 million in funding for USPS in FY22 to carry out the pilot programs to expand nonbank financial services offerings.

"Mainstream financial institutions and predatory lenders often take advantage of underbanked Americans with high fees and interest rates that keep them in a cycle of poverty. As families across the country try to recover from the economic crisis, establishing postal banking pilot programs would ensure these communities have financially safe and reliable banking services," said Senator Gillibrand. "Expanding basic financial services at post offices in both rural and urban communities would help families who know just how expensive it is to be poor in America. This pilot program takes important steps to help struggling Americans and reintroduce widespread postal banking. I am proud to work alongside my colleagues to ensure it is included in the FSGG Appropriations Bill.

"So many families in my community in The Bronx can't afford to be banked. So instead, they go into checking cashing places and pay relatively large fees - money that's desperately needed for food, rent and diapers. Others go the ATM, and sometimes they can only afford to take out \$5, but they're paying \$3 in fees. What we are asking the Post Office to do here is very basic - checking cashing, money wiring, and taking out money from an ATM without a penalty - but it'll make a dramatic difference in so many communities and so many families. It'll also provide needed revenue to USPS," said Rep. Ocasio-Cortez.

"Postal banking is that rare issue in our politics today that can unite both Democrats and Republicans, urban and rural Americans alike," said Rep. Pascrell. "Millions of Americans at the mercy of predatory payday lenders further cements the economic inequality tearing our nation apart. With branches in every zip code - from Paterson, New Jersey, to Key West, Florida, to Barrow, Alaska - postal reach opens a world of opportunity to bridge the gap. The current Post Office leadership has failed miserably and must be replaced to begin the work of rebuilding our beloved Post Office. But postal banking is essential to that rebuilding and will help this beloved institution flourish into the next century. Postal banking must be part of American's future."

"The COVID-19 pandemic has demonstrated all too well that too many Americans are being left behind by the current financial system led by Wall Street bankers and rapacious payday lenders," said Rep. Kaptur. "As the economy was plummeting and unemployment soared in 2020, the U.S. Congress moved swiftly to provide relief through economic stimulus payments, unemployment insurances, and so much more yet many who needed the assistance the most lacked the most basic banking services to access these funds. The U.S. postal service is perfectly positioned to offer more financial services to every zip code: rural, urban, and suburban. It's clear that we must act now to reestablish postal banking services."

Millions of Americans live in 'bank deserts' - regions without immediate access to a brick and mortar bank - and nearly 63 million Americans are considered underbanked. Ninety percent of the zip codes lacking a bank or credit union are in rural areas. However, low income communities of color are also historically underserved by mainstream financial services - approximately 46% of Latino households and 49% of African American households are underbanked.

As families struggle to recover from the economic crisis caused by the pandemic, postal banking will be a critical tool to help Americans overcome financial strain. Postal Banking programs would provide essential banking services to low-income households and rural communities and safe financial alternatives to predatory financial services such as prepaid debit cards, rent-to-own stores, and overdraft fees. Instead of turning to these predatory services, families struggling to make ends meet would gain access to traditional basic banking services through the postal bank pilot program.

Additionally, establishing permanent postal banking services would strengthen the Postal Service by creating a nonprofit bank that offers low-cost checking and savings accounts, ATMs, mobile banking, and low-interest loans. According to a report from the USPS Inspector General, this proposal would create \$9 billion in revenue for the Postal Service each year. Senators Gillibrand and Sanders are lead Senate sponsors of the Postal Banking Act, legislation that would establish permanent essential financial services in post offices in every community.



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Out of an abundance of caution, the Daniel Pierce Library has reverted to curbside pick up ONLY until Monday, April 26th due to the TVCS closure.

> Please note that the library will be CLOSED on Saturday, April 17th & 24th.

Please call 845-985-7233 to schedule curbside pick up services.

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NYS DEC and Agriculture and Markets Announce Eighth Annual Invasive Species Awareness Week June 6-12

State Agencies Encourage Partners to Begin Planning Events The State Departments of Environmental Conservation (DEC) and Agriculture and Markets (AGM) today announced that New York State's eighth annual Invasive Species Awareness Week (ISAW) will be held June 6-12. Organizations are encouraged to connect with their local Partnership for Regional Invasive Species Management (PRISM) to begin planning events.

"Each year, Invasive Species Awareness Week programs are increasing public awareness of the economic and ecological impacts of invasive species and what each of us can do to prevent their spread," said DEC Commissioner Basil Seggos. "Public engagement is essential in the fight against invasive pests, so DEC encourages organizations across the state to work with their local PRISMs to offer another round of stellar programs this year."

"Invasive species like the spotted lanternfly can cause serious damage to our farms and crops," said State Agriculture Commissioner Richard A. Ball. "Public awareness and vigilance are key components to preventing the establishment and spread of invasive species in New York State. Events held during Invasive Species Awareness Week help inform the public and encourage people to watch for and report these pests."

ISAW is an educational campaign featuring statewide events that promote an understanding of invasive species-how they get here, how to recognize them, what their negative impacts are-and empower New Yorkers to take action to protect the state's resources from their introduction and spread. New York State is particularly vulnerable to invasive species due to its role as a center for international trade and travel. Managing invasive species is a long-term effort and requires collaboration from State agencies, stakeholder organizations, and the public.

Curbside Pick up only

Organizations interested in hosting an event should visit the New York Invasive Species Awareness Week website for more information. All types of programming and events are encouraged, including removal projects, science trainings, film screenings, and more. Virtual programs and outdoor activities with social distancing and other protocols to limit the spread of COVID-19 are recommended. Examples of past events include:

Guided hikes to survey for hemlock woolly adelgid;

Water chestnut removals at DEC-owned boat launches; Holding a social media campaign the week of ISAW to raise awareness:

Invasive species educational programs for children; and Educational trainings to help identify and survey for invasive species, such as Spotted Lanternfly.

Interested partners should provide local PRISM coordinators with information about proposed events by Monday, May 24, to ensure events can be added to the statewide list. To learn more about ISAW, visit the New York Invasive Species Awareness Week website.

NY Invasive Species Advisory Committee, Chair: Renee St. Jacques, New York Farm Bureau, Assistant Director of Public Policy, RSt.Jacques@nyfb.org, (518) 436-8495

2021 ISAW Planning Committee Chair: Molly Hassett, NYS Department of Environmental Conservation, Molly.Hassett@dec.ny.gov

Partnerships for Regional Invasive Species Management (PRISM) Staff for this region include Adirondack Park Invasive Plant Program, Tammara Van Ryn, tammara.vanryn@TNC.ORG, (518) 576-2082 and Catskill Regional Invasive Species Partnership, John Thompson, jthompson@catskillcenter.org, (845) 586-2611



In 2016 a few of the Sundown residents put some ideas together and we decided we would celebrate our **1st Sundown Community Memorial Day Weekend Miles and Miles of Yard Sales.** It was a huge success and the idea grew into the start of a 'tradition' and a lot of fun over the next few years. Like most activities last year, we did not hold the **4th Annual Sundown Community Memorial Day Weekend Miles and Miles of Yard Sale**, however, this year we will to do our best and we will have a **4th Annual Sundown Community Memorial Day Weekend Miles and Miles of Yard Sale**! <u>Please be sure to maintain all of the COVID safety pre-</u> <u>cautions whether holding a yard sale or attending the various yard sales.</u>

If you live in the Sundown community and are planning on a Yard Sale over the Memorial Day weekend, please download the map/information form. Go to: *http://thetownsman.com* and click on **Sundown Community**. Print out the form, make an "X" on the map locating where you will hold your Yard Sale then fill in the rest of the form and mail it to us at : **The Townsman**, **P O Box 232**, **Grahamsville**, **NY 12740**, or send us your information by email to: **tvtownsman@yahoo.com**.

For all our friends and family in neighboring communities, we also invite you to join us. If you are planning a **Yard Sale** over the **Memorial Day Weekend**, please fill out the form. To download go to: *http://thetownsman.com* and click on the link **Friends and Neighbors** of the Sundown Community. We will list the address where your sale will take place (be sure to include your zip code for those who use GPS), include the dates, times and anything special about your event. Mail it to: **The Townsman**, **P O Box 232**, **Grahamsville**, **NY 12740**, or send us an email at **tvtownsman@yahoo.com** with your information.

Please get us your information by <u>Friday, May 14, 2021</u> so that we can post all the Memorial Day Yard Sales in the May 20th and 27th issue of *The Townsman*. Please feel free share this information with your friends and neighbors. Let them know they too can be part of this year's 4th Annual Sundown Community Memorial Day Weekend Miles and Miles of Yard Sale

NAME & TELE # (only if we need to get in touch with you; not for publication):

ADDRESS WHERE YARD SALE WILL BE HELD: _____

Dates & Time of your Yard Sale:

Additional information about your Yard Sale:___

Youth Turkey Hunting Weekend is April 24-25, Followed by Regular Season **Opener May 1**

New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) Commissioner Basil Seggos today announced that spring turkey season opens May 1, in all parts of Upstate New York, north of the Bronx-Westchester County boundary. In addition, DEC's annual youth turkey hunting weekend will take place April 24 to 25. The youth turkey hunt for junior hunters aged 12 to 15 is open in all parts of Upstate New York and Suffolk County.

"Turkey hunting has long been a sign that spring is here. It also presents a wonderful opportunity for New Yorkers to get outside and enjoy the outdoors and introduce the next generation of hunters to the sport,' Commissioner Seggos said. "As hunters take to the field this spring, DEC reminds everyone to hunt safe and hunt smart by following the guidelines to support hunter safety and prevent the spread of COVID-19.

Last year, turkey hunters took approximately 21,500 birds in New York during the spring season, an increase of about 25 percent from 2019. Much of the increase was likely due to a rise in hunter participation as more people looked for outdoor activities close to home during the COVID-19 pandemic. This spring, hunters can expect good numbers of jakes based on average-to-good productivity in 2020 and a mild winter. However, two-year-old birds may be more difficult to find. During 2019, turkeys in New York experienced one of the worst breeding seasons in the 25 years DEC has been monitoring productivity, and the effects of this poor productivity will be experienced most heavily for hunters targeting adult birds this year.

About the Spring Youth Hunt, April 24-25:

• Hunters 12 to 15 years of age are eligible and must hold a hunting license and a turkey permit;

• Youth 12 to 13 years of age must be accompanied by a parent, legal guardian, or adult over 21 years of age with written permission from their parent or legal guardian. Youth 14 to 15 years of age must be accompanied by a parent, legal guardian, or adult over 18 years of age with written permission from their parent or legal guardian;

· Accompanying adults must have a current hunting license and turkey permit. The adult may assist the youth hunter, including calling, but may not carry a firearm, bow, or crossbow or kill or attempt to kill a wild turkey during the youth hunt;

• Shooting hours are from one-half hour before sunrise to noon each day; • The youth turkey hunt is open in all parts of Upstate New York, north

of the Bronx-Westchester County boundary, and in Suffolk County; • The bag limit for the youth weekend is one bearded bird. This bird becomes part of the youth's regular spring season bag limit of two bearded birds. A second bird may be taken only in Upstate New York, north of the Bronx-Westchester County boundary, beginning May 1;

• Crossbows may only be used by hunters 14 or older. In Suffolk and Westchester counties it is illegal to use a crossbow to hunt wild turkeys; and

• All other wild turkey hunting regulations remain in effect.

About the Spring Turkey Season, May 1-31:

• Hunting is permitted in most areas of the state, except for New York City and Long Island;

• Hunters must have a turkey hunting permit in addition to their hunting license;

• Shooting hours are from one-half hour before sunrise to noon each day; • Hunters may take two bearded turkeys during the spring season, but only one bird per day;

• Hunters may not use rifles or handguns firing a bullet. Hunters may hunt with a shotgun or handgun loaded with shot sizes no larger than No. 2 or smaller than No. 8, or with a bow or crossbow (except crossbows may not be used in Westchester County);

• Successful hunters must fill out the tag that comes with their turkey permit and immediately attach it to any turkey harvested;

 Successful hunters must report their harvest within seven days of taking a bird. Call 1-866-426-3778 (1-866 GAMERPT) or report harvest online at DEC's Game Harvest Reporting website; and

• For more information about turkey hunting in New York, see the 2020-2021 Hunting and Trapping Regulations Guide or visit the Turkey Hunting pages of DEC's website.

Hunt Safe, Hunt Smart!

While statistics show that hunting in New York State is safer than ever, mistakes are made each year. Every hunting-related shooting incident is preventable and DEC encourages hunters to use common sense this season and remember what they were taught in their DEC Hunter Education Course: Point your gun in a safe direction; Treat every gun as if it were loaded; Be sure of your target and beyond; Keep your finger off the trigger until ready to shoot; and Stalking stinks! Set up with your back against a tree or other object wider than your shoulders and call birds to you.

DEC also encourages all hunters to wear blaze orange or blaze pink when moving between hunting spots to make themselves more visible to other hunters. A blaze orange or blaze pink vest or other material can be hung in a nearby tree when you are set up and calling birds so other hunters are alerted to your presence. In addition, all hunters should continue to follow COVID-19 precautions to ensure a safe hunt, including social distancing and wearing masks. A hunter education class is required for all new hunters and is available in-person (for free) or online (for a fee). To find an in-person hunter education class in your area, visit DEC's Hunter Education Program website or call 1-888-HUNT-ED2 (1-888-486-8332).

Tips for a Successful and Safe Turkey Hunting Season

• Don't stalk. More than half of turkey hunting injuries happen when one hunter stalks another.

· Always assume any call or footsteps you hear are from another hunter. Don't shoot until you clearly see the whole turkey and know its sex

• If you see another hunter, talk to him or her clearly, and don't move. Never wave or use a turkey call to alert another hunter.

• Turkeys are tough. You need to be close (30 yards or less is best). You need to get a clear head and neck shot. Do not try to shoot them in the body or when they are flying.

• Smaller shot, no. 4, 5, and 6, work better than larger shot, due to denser shot patterns.

• When calling, sit still with your back against a big tree, to hide you from turkeys and stalkers.

Never wear turkey colors: red, white, or blue.

· Wear hunter orange when going in or out of the woods and when walking around.

• When sitting still waiting for a turkey, put hunter orange on a tree near you.

• If you take a turkey or carry a decoy, wrap it in hunter orange.

For more information about getting outdoors and #RecreateLocal, go to DEC's Website.

Buy Sporting Licenses Online

DEC is encouraging hunters, trappers, and anglers to purchase sporting licenses online to help further limit the community spread of COVID-19. Sporting licenses may be purchased online at any time, and anglers may use their privileges immediately by simply carrying their transaction number (DEC-LS#) while afield. Anglers, hunters, and trappers may also use the HuntFishNY mobile app to display an electronic copy of their license. The HuntFishNY app is available for download through the Apple App or Google Play stores. Back tags and carcass tags must still be mailed, and customers should allow 10-14 days for receipt of their tags. Please visit our website for more information about sporting licenses.

Citizen Science Opportunity: DEC Seeks Turkey Hunters for Ruffed Grouse Drumming Survey

Turkey hunters can record the number of ruffed grouse they hear drumming while afield to help DEC track the distribution and abundance of this game bird. To get a survey form, go to DEC's website or call (518) 402-8883. To participate in DEC's Summer Wild Turkey Sighting Survey or other wildlife surveys, visit the "Citizen Science" page of DEC's website.



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We are sorry to announce the closing of **Sundown Camp and Bait Shop.** It has been a pleasure working with our many customers throughout the years. We will certainly miss you all!

We still have quite a bit of fishing, hunting and camping supplies. We also have a large chest freezer, glass cabinets and some peg boards for sale. If you are interested in taking a look at what we have, please call Jim at 845-985-7560.

Thank you all for your many years of support for Sundown Camp and Bait!!

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KNARF'S CLASSIC MOVIES STREAMING NOW ON HBOMAX THE DEVIL WEARS PRADA (PG-13 · 2006 · 1HR 49MIN · COMEDY/DRAMA) CLICK THE LINK BELOW

https://decider.com/what-to-watch/the-devil-wears-prada



The Devil Wears Prada is a 2006 American comedy-drama film directed by **David Frankel** and produced by **Wendy Finerman**. The screenplay, written by **Aline Brosh McKenna**, is based on **Lauren Weisberger's** 2003 novel of the same name. The film adaptation stars **Meryl Streep** as Miranda Priestly, a powerful fashion magazine editor, and **Anne Hathaway** as Andrea "Andy" Sachs. Andrea "Andy" Sachs is an aspiring journalist fresh out of Northwestern University. Despite her ridicule for the shallowness of the fashion industry, she lands a job as junior personal assistant to Miranda Priestly, the editor-in-chief of *Runway* magazine, a job that "millions of girls would kill for". Andy plans to put up with Miranda's excessive demands and humiliating treatment for a high paying position in the fashion industry.

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(From Pg. 40) KNARF'S CLASSIC MOVIE'S ON AMAZON PRIME

MULHOLLAND FALLS

American neo-noir crime thriller film directed by Lee Tamahori, written by Pete Dexter, and starring an ensemble cast featuring Nick Nolte, Jennifer Connelly, Chazz Palminteri, Michael Madsen, Chris Penn, Melanie Griffith, Andrew McCarthy, Treat Williams, and John Malkovich.

Nick Nolte plays the head of an elite group of four Los Angeles Police Department detectives (based on the real life



'Hat Squad') who are known for stopping at nothing to maintain control of their jurisdiction. Their work has the tacit approval of LA's police chief (Bruce Dern). A similar theme is the basis of a 2012 film, Gangster Squad (in which Nolte also appeared), as well as the television miniseries, Mob City. In the early 1950s, a four-man squad of unorthodox Los Angeles Police Department

detectives begins throwing its weight around by tossing Jack Flynn, an organized crime figure from Chicago, off a cliff on Mulholland Drive – nicknamed 'Mulholland Falls' for all the men they have thrown off it.

Detective Lieutenant Maxwell Hoover and his partners Coolidge, Hall, and Relyea are called to investigate the suspicious death of a young woman found at a construction site. The evidence shows that every bone in her body is broken. A coroner deduces that she looks as though she 'jumped off a cliff', even though there are no cliffs nearby. The woman turns out to be someone Hoover knew very well: Allison Pond.

The detectives receive a film of Allison having sex in a motel room, taken by a secretly hidden camera behind a two-way mirror. Allison's friend Jimmy Fields admits to making this film and more, including one with Hoover in it. Fields is murdered while being guarded by Hall and Relyea.

Mullholland Falls is a masterfully produced film noir with distinctive moods of romance and mystery.

KNARF'S CLASSIC MOVIE'S COMING ON TCM ON ONE OF THE FUNNIEST FILMS FROM THE 1980'S

Victor/Victoria

(2h 14m / 1982 / Rated PG)

Victor/Victoria is a 1982 British-American musical comedy film directed by Blake Edwards and starring Julie Andrews, James Garner, Robert Preston, Lesley Ann Warren, Alex Karras, and John Rhys-Davies. The film was produced by Tony Adams and scored by Henry Mancini, with lyrics by Leslie Bricusse. Released by Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer, it was adapted in 1995 as a Broadway musical. The film was nominated for seven Academy Awards and won the Academy Award for Best Original Score. It is a remake of the 1933 German film *Viktor und Viktoria*.

In 1934 Paris, Carroll "Toddy" Todd, an aging gay performer



at Chez Lui in Paris, sees Labisse, the club owner, auditioning a frail, impoverished soprano, Victoria Grant. After her failed audition, Victoria returns to her hotel room to find herself evicted, unable to pay rent. That night, when Richard, a hustler with whom Toddy is romantically involved, comes to Chez Lui as part of a straight foursome, Toddy incites a brawl. Labisse fires Toddy and bans him from the club. Walking home, he spots Victoria in a restaurant. She invites him to join her. As neither of them can pay for the meal, she dumps a cockroach in her salad to avoid paying, but it escapes and mayhem ensues. Julie Andrews plays a woman playing a man playing a woman. It's a complicated challenge.

What makes this film profound is not only the fact that it is humorous, but that it's about likable people.

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