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Legislator Kenneth Wishnick presents a Pride of Ulster County Award to Jennifer Halpern, in recognition of her service with the Dispute Resolution Center (DRC), for Ulster County. (L to R) Jack Ruddick, Donna Ramlow, Deputy Director, Arzi McKewon, Jennifer Halpern and Kenneth Wishnick

Ulster County Legislature Honors the Dispute Resolution Center

(Kingston, NY) Jennifer Halpern, Agency Director of The Ulster County
Dispute Resolution Center (DRC) was honored with a "Pride of Ulster
County" at the April Legislative Session for the outstanding work that the
DRC does in bringing resolution to a wide variety of disputes throughout the

Legislator Kenneth Wishnick (D-New Paltz) noted that the Dispute Resolution Center can assist with issues ranging from neighbor disputes, landlord/tenant problems, divorce and family mediation to business to business disagreements. He said, "The non-profit organization's programs provide the means for people to come together and work out their differences they mediation." thru mediation."

Wishnick, a volunteer mediator himself, described how people can sit down together in an environment where both sides have the opportunity to be heard and jointly reach a solution that works best for all involved. "It teaches people, who are often somewhat hostile, how to work together and listen to others in a productive way," Wishnick said.

In accepting the award, Jennifer Halpern, Agency Director of the DRC described how some issues may not be the obvious problems presented but often have an underlying misunderstanding. By using mediation to help parties recognize and understand the core issues "We help people move from conflict to cooperation", Halpern said.

Halpern described the 12 volunteer Mediators at the Ulster County DRC as "conflict realists." All receive intensive training and together they handle over 100 cases annually. These mediators help people develop understanding and lasting solutions and all sessions are confidential. She explained that each mediation is different and personal because the parties involved are the only ones making the decisions. (Contd. Pg. 6)

LPN Students Graduate from Sullivan BOCES

LIBERTY - On April 11th, seven LPN students were praised for their hard work and dedication when they received their LPN pins, the Pinning

Ceremony signifying the completion of their training.
The LPN class of 2014 includes Christine Butler, Robyn Gonzalez, Nicole Leib, Imani Miranda, Meredith Rivera, Bianca Seaman, and William Stephenson.

Special Honors were given during the ceremony to recognize individuals for their efforts and achievements. William Stephenson received the Outstand Academic Performance; Christine Butler, Robyn Gonzalez and William Stephenson, all received Honors Awards; Christine Butler, Robyn Gonzalez and William Stephenson, all received Perfect Attendance Awards; and Christine Butler received the Barbara Hallenbeck Professionalism Award.

Congratulations goes out to all!

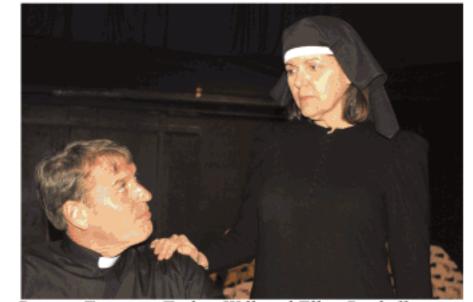
If you are interested in the attending the BOCES LPN Program, please call the Adult Education Program at 295-4900, to discuss the program and schedule an entrance exam time. The next time the entrance exam will be given is April 22nd, May 13th and June 3rd.



"HolyHoly" Opens Sullivan County Dramatic Workshop Season

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Darren Fouse as Father Will and Ellen Pavloff as Sister Brenda in "HolyHolyHoly."

SOUTH FALLSBURG, NY (April 17, 2014) - The Sullivan County Dramatic Workshop will open their 2014 season with the play "HolyHolyHoly," written by Bill Duncan, author of the critically acclaimed and award-winning play "Trust."

"HolyHolyHoly" tells of three men, the faith that nourished them and the women who loved them. The values are universal; their struggles are for our time. And then there's the awkward aspect:

Avery, Will and Zeke are priests. Or were.
Featured cast for "HolyHolyHoly," is Darren Fouse as Will, John Higgins as Avery, Albee Bockman as Zeke, Mike Gastwirth as Father Mac, DeLois House as Ms. Flora, Ellen Pavloff as Brenda/Peggy, Carol Montana as Loretta/Lucy, and Leif K. Johansen as Matthew.

The play is directed by the author and is recommended for

mature audiences.

Playwright Bill Duncan was born in the Bronx, raised in Queens, and lived in Brooklyn for a while. He moved to Sullivan County 40 years ago, and has been married to his wife Jean for 39 years.

Duncan was a social activist in the city in the late '60s and early '70s. He has two Bachelor's Degrees - one in philosophy, and one in Theology from Catholic University. Duncan also has a Master's in sociology from The New School. (Contd. Pg. 8)

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ON THE FRONT BURNER: Known unto God are all his works from the beginning of Acts 15:18 the world.

OBITUARY



Jane Wilkens Smith, age 68, of Southbury, CT (formerly of Claryville, NY) passed away unexpectedly on April 14, 2014. Born on August 2, 1945 in Oceanside, NY she was the daughter of the late Charles and Ethel Wilkens.

Jane lived in Claryville, NY, where she served for 24 years as

the Town of Denning Town Clerk. Her cheerful personality will never be forgotten at Frost Valley YMCA, where she also worked as a receptionist for 15 years. After moving to Connecticut to be closer to family, she worked at Crompton Corporation before retiring. A helper by nature, she volunteered at Southbury Community Thrift Shop, which donates all proceeds to Safe Haven of Greater Waterbury.

Anyone lucky to have known her will forever be positively affected by her love, kindness and selflessness. An avid baker, she was well known for her delicious baked goods. Her smile radiated the room and her love for family was immense. Her favorite pastime was cheering on her grandchildren in everything they pursued.

Jane is survived by her brother, Robert Wilkens and wife, Linda of Charleston, SC; her sister, Kathy Casey of Albany, NY, daughter, Penny Ploski and husband, Mark of Trumbull, CT; son, Gregory Smith of Grapevine, TX and her precious grandchildren: Hannah, Jackson, Will, and Derek.

A Memorial Service was held on April 22nd, at 5 p.m. at Holy Trinity Church in Trumbull, CT, A Memorial Service will be held in Claryville, NY, at a date later this spring.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in her name to Safe Haven of Greater Waterbury, P.O. Box 1503, Waterbury, CT 06721.

The Southbury Funeral Home of Munson -Lovetere, 235 Main St. North, is in charge of arrangements; for online condolences, please visit www.munsonloveterefuneralhome.com

Arnold Charles Ackerley, Jr, a resident of Liberty, NY passed away peacefully on Monday April 14, 2014 in the presence of family at Achieve Rehab and Nursing Home in Liberty, NY. He had endured a long illness with a dignity and grace that will serve as a lesson to those that were lucky enough to know him.

Arnold was born to Arnold and Margaret Ackerley on January 6, 1945. Arnold was one of thirteen children. He worked most of his life as a master mechanic and enjoyed racing stock cars, drag racing, hunting, fishing, gardening and photography. Later in life he became a classic movie and television afficianado, and cherished works that celebrated family and traditional American values. If Arnold had one great passion in life it was family.

In addition to his mother, Arnold is survived by his children: Sherri Cassidy, Wendy Friedman, Arnold Ackerley III and Mathew Ackerley, his grandchildren: Christopher, Nicholas, Joseph, Emily, Patrick, Rachel, Joshua and Marie; and great grandchildren, Timothy and Natasha; his brothers and sisters: Richard, Donald, Marion, June, April, Ginger and Cindy, He was predeceased by his father, Arnold Ackerley Sr., his sister's Joy Ackerley and Caroline Johnson as well as his brothers Roy, Wesley and Gene Ackerley.

A Celebration of Arnold's life was held Wednesday, April 16th at Colonial Memorial Funeral Home, 396 State Route 52, Woodbourne,

Robert N. Ludwig of Parksville, NY, a long time area resident, died Thursday, April 17, 2014 at the Achieve Rehab. & Nursing Facility, Liberty, NY. He was 83.

The son of the late Alexander and Elva Blanchard Ludwig, he was born February 14,

1931 in Oneonta, NY.

Robert retired from Sullivan County BOCES as the Director of Occupational Education in 1984. He enjoyed hunting, boating, and restoring old cars and trucks; he was a member of the Methol Hunting Club; a member of the Orange County Antique Auto Club; a member of the Newburgh Yacht Club; and a member of the Liberty Lion's Club; Robert loved going to all of his grandchildren's athletic games.

Survivors include his wife, Gail M. Beck Ludwig, at home; one daughter, Linda Campbell and her husband Edwin of Grahamsville, NY; one granddaughter, Tricia Lyn Corigliano and her fiancé Daniel Siciliano of Long Island; two grandsons, Nicholas Corigliano and Connor Campbell, both of Grahamsville, NY; one sister, Ann Kurtz of Camillus, NY; one brother-inlaw, Walter Slade of Galway, NY; two sistersin-law, Joyce Sazoff and her husband Irving of Liberty, NY, and Cindy DeLuca and her husband Guy of Edgewater, FL; and several nieces and nephews.

Robert was predeceased by one son, James A. Ludwig, one brother, James Ludwig, and

one sister, Claire Slade.

A memorial service will be held at a later date. Burial will be in the Grahamsville Rural Cemetery, Grahamsville, NY. Memorial contributions in his name may be made to the charity of one's choice. Arrangements have been entrusted to the Harris Funeral Home, West St. at Buckley, Liberty, NY 845-292-0001 or 845-439-5200 www.Harris-FH.com

DAYS OF YORE....

Todav's History

May 12, 1954 - Sunday, May 9th, marked the eighteenth anniversary of the coming of the Rev. and Mrs. J. Milton Harris to the Lows Corners Baptist Church. In the past eighteen years Rev. and Mrs. Harris have been active in community affairs and have extended their influence far beyond the limits of their church.

Bruce Clark has rented the corner garage from Horace Curry and will be open for busi-

ness in a short time.

The marriage of Miss Myrtle Warren, daughter of Mr. W. Warren of Wallkill and Mr. Roy Dymond, son of Mr. Isaac Dymond and the late Berta Wright Dymond, has been announced. The couple has been living with Mr. and Mrs. Harold Dymond of Rt. 55A for the present time. Mr. Dymond, who was recently discharged from the Army, has employment with the Railway Co. at Wallkill.

April 22, 1964 - Mabel Slater of Claryville died at the Liberty Loomis Hospital on Monday morning, April 20th. Mrs. Slater, 75, is survived by her husband, Harvey Slater. She was a retired school teacher. She was born in Claryville, Ulster County, on March 2, 1889, a daughter of the late Jarius and Jenny Gillette TerBush. She was a member of the Dutch Reformed Church in Claryville.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Clark Ryan of Peekamoose on their 50th wedding anniversary this week. Both Mr. and Mrs. Ryan are mountain born, Bessie at Claryville and Clark at Red Hill. An Open House will be held at the R.D. Church Hall in Grahamsville on Sunday

May 1, 1974 - Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Zanetti and Mrs. and Mrs. Robert Many spent Sunday, April 21st, in North Plainfield, N.J. where they attended the baptism of Kristen Ann O'Brien at Grace Methodist Church. The baptism was performed by the Rev. Irving Marsland, maternal grandfather of the infant. Mrs. O'Brien is the former Lynn Marsland and little Kristen wore the lovely baptismal dress that has now been worn by four generations of the Marsland family.

Miss Carol Taylor Bradford, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ellis E. Bradford of N.Y.C. and James L. Greenwald of Cobleskill were married on April 6th. Mr. Greenwald is a grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert George of Sundown.

April 26, 1984 - Sympathy of the community is extended to Mrs. Ben Davis of Davis Lane, Grahamsville on the death of her daughter, Mrs. Agnes Lamborghini unexpectedly at their camp in Peekamoose. Burial will be in Sandwich, Mass.

Cindy Krum, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Krum of Neversink, was crowned 1984-85 Loyalty Day Queen of the Dennis Ackerley VFW Memorial Post # 8648 during a contest held on the evening of April 7th. Cindy received a \$25 check and a beautiful bouquet of red, white and blue carnations.

Tid Bits: (from the pen of Tom Higgins) Some 50 countries have successfully tapped geothermal steam and applied it to generating electricity and to other practical uses. By the year 2000 geothermal steam could account for about 5% of this country's energy needs.

A Round About Tri- Valley

-Carol Furman

Petty Officer 3rd Class Michael Houghtaling, a 2011 Tri-Valley High School graduate from Grahamsville, is serving as a construction mechanic with the "Seabees", in the United States Navy.

Congratulations Eric Goldstein on being selected as one of the Sullivan County Democrat's young professionals of the year. Eric graduated from Tri-Valley in 1997 and following graduation from college, began working in the insurance industry. Eric and his wife are the proud parents of three young daughters.

Condolences to Mert and the rest of the Lockhart family on the passing of Joyce Lockhart on April 10th. Joyce, born on October 1st, 1933, was 80 years old. Joyce was a beauti-

ful person!

The mural contest at the Daniel Pierce Library, which ran for several months, has come to an end. Helena Claire Pittman painted the murals which adorn the Library's children's room. The twelve murals consist of over 200 characters from beloved children's books. Children were then asked to try to identify as many characters as they could. Adam Furman, a third grader at Tri-Valley, won the contest by naming 118 of the characters. Adam won a \$75. gift certificate to the Rolling River Cafe in Parksville.

Deputy Fire Coordinator, Jack Halchak of the Sullivan County Bureau of Fire would like to remind everyone that residential brush burning is prohibited in New York State from March 16th through May 14th. It is spring clean-up time and folks like to burn garden debris - but DON'T! Brush fires spread quickly!

Join Time and the Valleys Museum before April 30th and receive the free CD "Voices from the Valleys". Individual memberships, which include the Museum newsletter, discounted admission to all programs and 10% discounts at the Museum Shop are \$25. Two persons residing in the same household can join for just \$40.

The Tri-Valley Lions would like to thank all who purchased chocolate Easter rabbits from Lion Members. Lion, Jack Clark, is a remarkable salesman, selling close to 20 cases of rabbits! This fund-raiser enables the Tri-Valley Lions to help others in need.

It seems that the Eureka Eagle is one of the most popular gals in town! Every time I drive by there are always lots of spectators with binoculars and scopes staring up at her nest in the pine tree. She must like the attention, because she returns each year.

Words of Wisdom: Attitude is the mind

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NEVERSINK NEWS - Hulda Vernooy

Happy Belated Birthday wishes to Sue Bivens whose birthday was April 17th.

Happy Anniversary to Sue and Mitch Bivins who will celebrate their 37th Anniversary on the 23rd of April.

Neversink Renaissance Announces Two Clean Up Days

Neversink Renaissance will be cleaning out our community gardens and applying a fresh blanket of mulch on two consecutive Saturdays in May. On May 3rd we are planning a work day at the Daniel Pierce Library and Time and the Valleys Museum. On May 10th volunteers will gather at the Town Hall parking lot and clean the Bicentennial Park, Denman Mountain Garden, First Aid gardens, and the Town Hall gardens.

Both the May 3rd and May 10th work days will begin at 8:00 AM and will conclude between 11:30 and 12:00 noon with lunch. Please be prepared with basic garden hand tools, lawn and garden rakes, shovels, and gloves. As usual there is a great deal to get accomplished, but as we always find, many hands make light work. We are so fortunate in this community to have so many willing workers. If you are not able to commit to attending

both of these events, we will be grateful if you are able to assist at one of these workdays. Should you have questions, please do not hesitate to call Dave and Phyllis Moore at 985-2746.

Workshop to Raise Chickens in Your Backyard with CCE Sullivan

LIBERTY, NY- The public can learn to Raise Backyard Chickens for eggs or meat at a popular workshop on Tuesday, May 13, 2014. Cornell Cooperative Extension (CCE) Sullivan County staff will offer an educational opportunity from 5:30 to 7:30 pm on the intricacies and mechanics of raising chickens at home. This class will be held at the Gerald J. Skoda Extension Education Center on 64 Ferndale-Loomis Road in Liberty.

Michelle Lipari, CCE Agriculture Community Educator, will present on various topics including breed selection, egg hatching, raising chicks and adult birds, feed and nutrition, equipment, healthcare, and the regulations on selling eggs and meat.

Cost of this program is \$10.00 per person. Space is limited for this long-time favorite class so pre-registration with non-refundable payment is recommended by May 9. Walk-ins are welcome. Registration and more information can be obtained by calling CCE at 845-292-6180 or emailing Michelle at mml249@cornell.edu.

"SCBR Vendors'Expo 2014"

On Thursday, May 15th @ The Eagle's Nest Restaurant in Bloomingburg The Sullivan County Board of Realtors will host their annual Vendors Night from 4:00-7:00 pm This is a great opportunity for businesses in related fields to enjoy one-on-one contact with Realtors® thus providing an environment for you to showcase your existing/new products and services.

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\$170.00 -Full table (includes Adm. For two. \$90.00 - _ table (includes adm. For one) To register: SCBR Office @ 845-794-2735 or maryb@sullivanbor.com

It's Not Too Late to Sign up for the Home Firearm Safety Course On April 26th

The Adult and Continuing Education Program at Sullivan BOCES is offering a Home Firearm Safety Course on Saturdays at the Kauneonga Lake Fire Hall from 9:30 am to 1:30 pm. The cost of the class is \$65.00.

The course will run throughout the year on April 26th, May 17th and June 14th.

This is a hands-on pistol permit safety course from the National Rifle Association. You will learn basic firearms safety and will handle a variety of real handguns. A National Rifle Association instructor and firearms dealer with over 35 years of handgun experience will familiarize you with handguns, their working parts, and their safe handling and storage.

To register or for more information, contact the Adult and Continuing Education Program at (845) 295-4900 between the hours of 8:30 am and 7:00 pm or visit us at scboces.org. For program updates Like Sullivan County BOCES on Facebook and follow us on Twitter.

Security Guard 8-hr. Pre-Assignment Training Course

The Adult and Continuing Education Program at Sullivan BOCES is offering an 8-hour Pre-Assignment Security Guard Training course on May 3rd from 8:30 am to 5:30 pm at the St. John Street Education Center in Monticello. The cost of the course is \$80.

This course will satisfy the minimum criteria recommended by the New York State Security Guard Advisory Council and leads to a training certificate required for employment as a security guard.

To register or for more information, contact the Adult and Continuing Education Program at (845) 295-4900 between the hours of 8:30 am and 7:30 pm or visit us at schoces.org. For program updates Like Sullivan County BOCES on Facebook and follow us on Twitter.

The Adult Program at BOCES enhances our community, one family at a time.

Nature Column - Linda Comando

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

Dog Tooth Violet: a/k/a Adder's Tongue; Trout Lily

What a wonderful Easter Sunday! The sun was



shining in Sundown, and that meant after dinner, the family took a walk down back through the woods to see the waterfall. On the way, we also saw little green leaves scattered profusely through the woods. They were the young leaves of the Yellow Dog Tooth Violet. Also known as a Trout Lily, perhaps a more suitable name as the flower is not a violet. The name Trout Lily

arises because of the appearance of its gray-green leaves mottled with brown, which allegedly resemble the coloring of a brook trout.

The Trout Lily is a herbaceous flowering plant in the family Liliaceae, that is one of our most common spring wildflowers.

A pair of brownish-mottled leaves sheath the base of a stalk that bears a solitary, nodding flower, yellow

inside, bronzy outside. This colony-forming perennial sends up two, 3-6 inch, elliptic, mottled leaves and a slightly taller stalk that bears the single, nodding, yellow flower. Petals and sepals are bent backwards exposing six brown stamens. Single-leaved, non-flowering plants also occur. They are either too young or too crowded to flower.

Trout lilies produce large colonies of plants if they are left undisturbed for several decades. There have been trout lily

colonies that are said to be 300 years old! Their habitat include moist to mesic deciduous woodlands and gentle slopes in wooded areas. An abundance of this plant is an indicator that a woodland has not been subjected to the plow or bulldozed over.

The blooming period occurs during mid-spring and lasts about 2 weeks. Each fertilized flower is replaced by a 3-chambered seed capsule that is ovoid and about 1/2" long. Each chamber of the seed capsule contains 2 rows of flattened seeds. The root system consists of a corm that is several inches below the surface of the ground; this corm produces fibrous roots at its base and occasionally sends out underground stolons that can form new plants a few inches away from the mother plant.

The flowers are primarily pollinated by bees, including honeybees and bumblebees, and also by ants. After a seed is planted, it will take up to seven years to make a mature plant. Only plants that have two leaves will flower.

The mature plant has two mottled basal leaves, and a small lily nodding from the top of a leafless stem. The lily opens each morning and closes each night, but during the middle of a bright day the petals open so far that they are all curved backwards.

For as long as I can remember, the Dog Tooth Violet has been the first wild flowers to bloom in our woods. A cute wildflower with perky petals the Dog Tooth Violet begins beckoning nature lovers about this time each year.

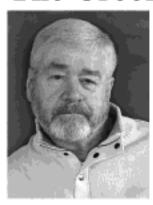
Dog Tooth Violets are one of the "spring ephemerals" - wildflowers that do all their living for an entire year in a few short weeks each spring before vanishing beneath the soil until the next year.

Household Hints

Brighten your wash loads

Why waste money on that costly all-color bleach when you can get the same results using vinegar? Just add 1/2 cup white vinegar to your machine's wash cycle to brighten up the colors in each load.

The Crooked Maid Mysterious Book Report No. 142 by John Dwaine McKenna



In the immediate aftermath of WWII, Vienna, Austria was a political, social and environmental disaster. It was a city in the hard business of reconstruction, denazification and redirection . . . a place that was in the midst of "Convincing itself that it was the first victim of Nazism, not it's willing bride." By the year 1948, expatriates, prisoners of war and other refugees were streaming back to a city that was almost unrecognizable. It was a time of change: Czechslovokia, Yugoslavia, Hungary, Bulgaria, Poland, Albania and the eastern half of Germany had all gone communist, influenced by the USSR; while the Greeks and Austrians were trying to decide whether to align themselves with the eastern communists or the western democracies, as the Iron Curtain was slamming down across the European Continent. Vienna, located at the crossroads between east and west, was saturated with intrigue, corruption and spies for both sides.

As The Crooked Maid, (Bloomsbury, \$26.00, 427 pages, ISBN 978-1-60819-809-2) by Dan Vyleta begins, an eighteen year old student named Robert Seidel is sharing a first-class train compartment with a thirtyish woman named Anna Beer, from Switzerland to Austria. It's 1948, and both of them are returning to a city they hardly recognize. Vienna has suffered greatly in the nine or ten years they've been gone: the woman because of her husband's infidelity, the boy from boarding school, where his family had stashed him for protection as World War II was getting underway. Neither one of them has any idea what to expect when they get home. Strangers on the train, their lives become entwined as Robert's

brother, a former Waffen SS Officer, is put on trail for murder, and Anna tries to find her husband, a former Russian prisoner of war, now among the missing, or the dead. Other principal characters in this complex novel include a hunchbacked maid, a drug dependent matriarch, a Czech former POW, a war widowed American journalists, and a shadowy, mysterious figure wearing a red scarf who's continuously appearing, but remains unknown and unidentified until the last. The novel is intense, intellectual and reminiscent of Fyodor Doestoevsky and Charles Dickens. It is not an easy or light read, but well worth the effort, as those who do will not only be entertained, but educated and enlightened as well.

Like the column? The greatest compliment you can give is to share it with friends on Facebook or follow us on Goodreads.

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Photos on exhibit at Catskill Watershed Corp. Offices

"With an Eye Toward Nature," an exhibit of color images by five area photographers, is on view at the Catskill Watershed Corporation (CWC) offices, 905 Main St., Margaretville.

The photographs, by John Mizel of Ulster Park, Linda Moriarity of Highland, Michael O'Donnell of Gardiner, John Hayes of High Falls and Renee Zernitzky of Middetown, can be seen weekdays between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. through June 6. The public is most welcome.

The artists used their unique perspectives, along with macro and wide angle lenses, to produce stunning images that range from the intricate, intimate detail of a spider's web, to a wide-sky view of the Ashokan Reservoir at sunset.

John Mizel is employed in the computer technology field, but his spare time is devoted to photographic pursuits. He has received awards for his photography which has been exhibited at the Mohonk Preserve Visitor Center, Ulster Savings Bank, Gardiner Library, Esopus Library and Town Hall.

Linda Moriarty says "I live midway between the mighty Hudson River and the majestic Shawangunk Ridge, a region which provides a rich array of subject matter. My current passion is capturing poetic images of fine details in the natural world which are invisible to the unaided eye. Using my camera to get up close and personal has given me a greater awareness of the minute and delicate micro-worlds that surround us."

Michael O'Donnell pairs a modern aesthetic with classic principals of landscape composition to create simple, bold interpretations of the Hudson Valley. "The viewer is invited to observe the scene but they play no role in its presence," says O'Donnell, who does most of his work along the Shawangunk Ridge and the Hudson River.

John Hayes has been hiking the trails of the Catskills and Shawangunk mountains for more than 20 years. "For me, photography is that perfect medium that allows me to capture the stimulating beauty of our local natural scenery that provides us with such enrichment of the soul."

Renee Zernitsky can often be found outside chasing everything from sunrises to hot air balloons as she pursues her passion for photography. An avid hiker, biker, kayaker and horseback rider, she produces beautiful landscapes, as well as unusual and intricate shots found under rock or leaf.

The CWC is a non-profit, Local Development Corporation responsible for several environmental protection, economic development and education programs in the New York City Watershed West of the Hudson River. Visit www.cwconline.org for more information.

DEP and Water Research
Foundation Host Water
Conservation Workshop for Dozens
of Upstate Communities- Workshop
Focuses on Conservation and
Demand Management to Use Water
More Efficiently

The New York City Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) and The Water Research Foundation (WRF) today hosted a water conservation workshop in Westchester County that was attended by dozens of officials from upstate communities that get their drinking water from the City's

water supply system. The free workshop, held at the Renaissance Westchester Hotel in West Harrison, N.Y., was attended by officials from communities in Orange, Putnam, Ulster and Westchester counties. More than 70 upstate communities and institutions use an average of 110 million total gallons of drinking water daily from New York City's water supply system.

Water experts from as far away as California and Canada presented strategies for short-term and long-term water conservation that have been successful in other parts of North America, along with public outreach tools that encourage homeowners and businesses to be more vigilant about reducing water consumption. The workshop was the first in a series of DEP programs that will promote water conservation and demand management among the upstate communities that tap the City's aqueducts for drinking water.

"We are lucky to live in a region that currently has plenty of clean drinking water, but
you don't have to look far to see that not all
regions of the country share in our good fortune," said DEP Commissioner Emily Lloyd.
"In addition, every drop of water we use must
eventually be treated at a wastewater treatment
plant, and that uses a lot of energy and accounts
for more than 90 percent of DEP's greenhouse
gas emissions. Conserving water can dramatically reduce emissions, save money, and help
New Yorkers be better prepared to deal with the
effects of a changing climate."

"The Water Research Foundation is a leader in funding critical research and providing information and resources that support utilities in providing adequate, safe and affordable drinking water to their communities," said WRF Executive Director Rob Renner. "Partnering with DEP on this workshop is a great opportunity to promote the value of conservation and further support the application of research that will have a long-term, positive impact on individuals, communities and businesses throughout the region."

Information presented at the workshop included:

- The current state of water demand and future projections: Participants heard about recently completed and ongoing research in the area of water demand. This body of work highlights the significant changes in residential water use patterns during the past 15 years, as well as recent advances in modeling and forecasting water use.

 Designing a successful conservation program: Local communities were advised on how to develop a tailored water efficiency program that addresses their unique circumstances and a variety of related goals.

-Tools and strategies to implement conservation programs: Presenters discussed tools and strategies that have successfully been implemented by other water utilities to achieve short-term and long-term reductions in water consumption.
-Encouraging public participation: Two utilities shared their experiences in successfully garnering support for water conservation programs in their communities, underscoring the importance of an effective communications plan as a key element of water conservation.

Water conservation can help homeowners and businesses save money, and it is also important for the long-term sustainability of the city's water supply system. Water utilities employ a set of strategies known as "demand management" that, in addition to focusing on water conservation, seek to better understand and control water use in transmission and distribution systems. Typical strategies of water demand management programs include system-wide audits of water use, metering with automated reading or advanced metering systems, and leak detection. Promoting more efficient use of water will allow DEP to make progress on key infrastructure projects now and in the future. It will also help the water supply withstand future droughts.

New York City's water consumption has steadily declined since it hit a peak of more than 1.5 billion gallons a day in the late 1970s, when the five boroughs were home to roughly 7 million people. Today, the city consumes an average of 1.1 billion gallons even though its population has grown to roughly 8.4 million people. The reduction in water use during that time is attributable to better metering and more efficient appliances and fixtures. In 2012, DEP began its Water Demand Management Program, with a goal of reducing citywide water use by 5 percent, or 50 million gallons per day. As part of the program, DEP has begun updating bathroom fixtures in 500 City schools, which will save an estimated 4 million gallons of water each day. It also partnered with the City Department of Parks and Recreation to install activation buttons on spray showers in 400 playgrounds around the city, which will save another 1.5 million gallons a day. Outreach programs that encourage residents to fix leaks, and a challenge among the city's largest hotels to reduce their water consumption by 5 percent are also part of the program.

Reducing system wide water use by 5 percent would also produce significant energy savings, reduce carbon emissions, and save money, since every gallon of water used must eventually be treated at a wastewater treatment plant. Wastewater treatment operations in New York City use an enormous amount of energy and account for more than 90 percent of DEP's carbon emissions. A 5 percent reduction in the volume of wastewater treated would cut emissions by 15,661 metric tons, the equivalent of removing 3,297 passenger vehicles from the road or planting 401,564 trees and having them grow for 10 years. It would also save DEP nearly \$9 million annually in electricity, natural gas, final chemicals, and other costs.

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Founded in 1966, the Water Research Foundation is an international, 501(c)3 nonprofit organization that sponsors research to enable water utilities, public health agencies and other professionals to provide safe and affordable drinking water to the public. With more than 950 subscriber members who provide water to 80 percent of the United States' population, the Water Research Foundation has funded and managed more than 1,000 projects. For more information, go to www.WaterRF.org. (Contd. Pg. 6)

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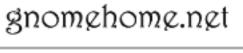
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The Olive Jar - By Carol LaMonda

Delete, Undo...

Computers are a wonderful tool. I remember typing term papers with "white-out," running mimeographed copies, and using messy carbon paper. Writing was work, and errors were a frustrating nightmare. Today we have a neat little key called DELETE that can wipe out small and large mistakes. Another little curly arrow can UNDO.

With a powerful little key, I can DELETE about 54 of the 57 e-mails I got this morning offering me sales, cures, and political philosophies or requesting money and support for charities or lobby groups. I can DELETE that Facebook comment I hastily posted before my brain kicked into gear. I can DELETE or UNDO all I attempt. Nothing is final or complete. I can eliminate, change, and improve.

Wouldn't it be nice to have those two little keys in real life? DELETE Cancer, the flu, poverty, ignorance, and prejudice. Then UNDO all those unkind words, arguments, hasty decisions, and reckless purchases.

How about UNDO-ing wars and murders?

Something I would not DELETE or UNDO would be the traditions of our Easter celebration. After an early dawn service at Gray's field in Glenford, we gather at our son and daughter-in-law's home for an extended family pot-luck Easter feast complete with ham, duck, shrimp, perogies, quiches, and grilled veggies. Then we, young and old, enjoy the annual Easter egg hunt.

My addition to the celebration will be Margie's salad named after the friend who first made it years ago.

The wonderful recipe is shared below:

Margie's Salad

1 head lettuce 6 oz. shredded Swiss cheese 1 head cauliflower 6 oz. shredded cheddar cheese 1 head broscoli 1/2 to 1 lb becom goolead and

1 head broccoli 1/2 to 1 lb. bacon, cooked and crumbled 1 red onion, thinly sliced

Shred and mix the vegetables. Put in a large container. Grate cheeses and layer with the bacon on top of vegetables. Make dressing and pour over top. Sprinkle with Parmesan cheese. Cover with foil and refrigerate overnight. Toss when ready to serve.

Dressing: Combine 1 package of Hidden Valley Ranch dressing, 2 cups of mayonnaise, 1T. of sugar and 1/4 cup of milk.

After eating it, I again wish for those two little computer keys. First I would UNDO the waistband of my tight pants and then push DELETE to eliminate all those delicious calories.

DEP and Water Research Foundation Host Water Conservation Workshop for Dozens of Upstate Communities-Workshop Focuses on Conservation and Demand Management to Use

Water More Efficiently (Frm Pg. 4) DEP manages New York City's water supply, providing more than one billion gallons of water each day to more than 9 million residents, including 8.4 million in New York City, and residents of Ulster, Orange, Putnam, and Westchester counties. This water comes from the Catskill, Delaware, and Croton watersheds that extend more than 125 miles from the City, and the system comprises 19 reservoirs, three controlled lakes, and numerous tunnels and aqueducts. DEP employs nearly 6,000 employees, including almost 1,000 scientists, engineers, surveyors, watershed maintainers and others professionals in the upstate watershed. In addition to its \$68 million payroll and \$157 million in annual taxes paid in upstate counties, DEP has invested more than \$1.5 billion in watershed protection programs-including partnership organizations such as the Catskill Watershed Corporation and the Watershed Agricultural Council-that support sustainable farming practices, environmentally sensitive economic development, and local economic opportunity. In addition, DEP has a robust capital program with over \$14 billion in investments planned over the next 10 years that will create up to 3,000 construction-related jobs per

Belleayre Music Festival 2014 Calendar of Events

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Saturday, July 5, 8 p.m. Belleayre Festival Orchestra Performs The Music of Queen: A Rock Symphony. Brent Havens, conductor Brody Dolyniuk, vocalist + rock band. Tickets: \$/66/56/26 lawn.

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Friday, Aug. 1, 8 p.m. Django Reinhardt Festival - Belleayre Jazz Club Tickets: \$26 table seating in the lodge.

Saturday, Aug. 2, 8 p.m. The Cookers - All Star Jazz Band - Belleayre Jazz Club Tickets: \$26 table seating in the lodge.

Thursday, Aug. 7, 8 p.m. Hot Latin Nights 1 - Alberto Solis and Gil Gutierrez - Belleayre Jazz Club Tickets: \$26 table seating in the lodge.

Friday, Aug. 8, 8 p.m. Hot Latin Nights 2 - Pedrito - Belleayre Jazz Club Tickets: \$26 table seating in the lodge. Belleayre Music Festival, Belleayre Mountan,

Romero Lubambo Quintet & Pablo Aslan Tango Orchestra Tickets: \$66/56/46/36/26 lawn.

Saturday, Aug. 16, 8 p.m. Broadway's Leading Man Norbert Leo Butz Tickets: \$66/56/46/36/26

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Ulster County Legislature Honors the Dispute Resolution Center

(From Pg. 1)The Center also coordinates arbitration under the New York State "Lemon Law" that calls for replacements or cash refunds for purchasers of defective new or used vehicles and motorized wheelchairs. Halpern pointed out that at present, Legislator Wishnick is the only fully-trained Lemon Law Arbitrator in Ulster County. Volunteer mediators qualify for arbitrator status after completion of training by the Attorney General's Office with follow up case observation requirements.

Wishnick hopes this exposure will help to make people aware that these valuable services are available free of charge. The DRC serves residents in Orange, Putnam, Sullivan and Ulster Counties. Individuals who are interested in the services of the DRC or in training to become a mediator can contact the DRC at ulsterinfo@drcservices.org or call 845-331-6136.

Cahill Convenes Post Hearing Meeting with Local Insurance Agents

Assemblymember Kevin A. Cahill (D-Ulster, Dutchess) met today with two members of the Professional Insurance Agents of New York (PIANY) - who are prominent, local insurance brokers and financial planners - to examine their priorities for the rest of the legislative session. Kevin M. Ryan, President and CEO of The Valley Group, and Robert J. Ryan, Jr., President of Ryan & Ryan Insurance

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"Assemblymember Cahill has long maintained relationships with local PIANY agents in the Mid-Hudson Valley, meeting regularly to discuss insurance-related issues, and he has an understanding of insurance that will benefit his constituents and all of New York's insurance buying public," said Kevin Ryan.

Aetna to Pay \$500,0 00 Penalty for Consumer Protection Violations

on Insurance Policies

Governor Andrew M. Cuomo announced today that Aetna Life Insurance Company will pay a \$500,000 penalty for consumer protection violations. A Department of Financial Services (DFS) investigation found that Aetna repeatedly used policy forms that violated New York Insurance Law for certain group life insurance policies and failed to inform policyholders of the rights and benefits guaranteed under those policies.

"Making sure that policyholders know what they are paying for is a bedrock consumer protection requirement," Governor Cuomo said. "Our administration will continue our work to ensure that consumers are fully informed of their rights and insurance companies meet

their obligations.

Benjamin M. Lawsky, Superintendent of Financial Services, said, "When insurance companies fail to comply with their consumer protection requirements, it can prevent New Yorkers from making informed choices. We will take action whenever insurers leave consumers in the dark about their rights and benefits."

A DFS investigation uncovered that Aetna had used noncompliant consumer policy forms between 2002 and 2011 for six group life insurance policies. Consequently, during that period, Aetna failed to inform the insured policyholders of all rights and benefits

One such undisclosed benefit included the right - for a longer period than was disclosed in the policy forms - of an individual within a group policy to continue their coverage under an individual policy in the event the group policy is canceled. In other words, a consumer may not be aware of that benefit and may not take advantage of it.

To view a copy of DFS's agreement with Aetna, please visit http://www.dfs.ny.gov/about/stip/stip-

20140416-aetna.pdf.

Gibson Campaign Raises \$459K in First Quarter District, Upstate Support Drives Strong Fundraising Result

Kinderhook, NY -- Congressman Chris Gibson announced that his campaign raised \$459,000 in the first quarter of 2014, the most raised in any quarter since he was elected to Congress

For the first quarter, 86% of contributors were individuals, with two-thirds of individual contributors residing in the 19th Congressional district and 85% of individual contributors being from Upstate New York. These numbers match the

overall election cycle.

"While we know our opponent will continue to use his billion dollar fortune to try and buy this election, our strong local support cannot be matched. Our campaign gathered 5,000 more signatures than our opponent to appear on the ballot and has raised more local money," said Stephanie Valle, spokeswoman for the Congressman. "This is reflective of Chris's record of service and putting Upstate New York first in every action he takes. Though we expect we'll be outspent, we're confident we will have the resources we need to win decisively once again."

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The honor, presented annually, recognizes school districts' safety efforts as they work to help keep students, staff and visitors safe. Sullivan County BOCES received its award at Utica National's 34th annual school safety seminar at the Ramada Conference Center, Fishkill, NY, one of seven such seminars the





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The company insures more than 300 company hosts in the state. school districts in upstate New York alone through its insurance program for educational institutions, which is marking its 40th year.

Sullivan County BOCES officials accepted a certificate to commemorate

the district's safety efforts from Utica National representatives.

Utica National's School Safety Excellence Award Program has three levels - titanium, platinum, and gold - in which schools can earn a meritorious distinction by meeting specific criteria to enhance overall safety. Through the program, schools with their own transportation, schools with contract

transportation, and BOCES are evaluated. Categories covered include bullying prevention pro-grams, playground safety and other areas, and are measured using spe-cific, quantifiable surveys.

Safety and health concerns continue to be a priority in our school districts," explained Mark Aquino, regional manager in Utica National's risk management department. "Districts that go 'above and beyond to provide a safe, healthy and focused culture for learning are to be applauded, and we're pleased to count Sullivan County BOCES among them."

Mr. Aquino noted that, beyond the recognition itself, an added benefit of following the safety program is the chance to pinpoint specific threats to safety. "The time to address those threats is before a loss happens, which really helps contribute to the safety culture that districts are working toward.

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Katie's Café is open on May 3rd



Katie's Café, sponsored and hosted by St. Paul's Lutheran Church, will be offering its monthly free community lunch on Saturday, May 3rd, at 31 Erie Avenue in Narrowsburg, NY. Homemade food and desserts, accompanied by hot and cold beverages, will be served from 12 noon to 1pm. You're invited to bring your friends, neighbors, children and grandchildren to lunch or just come for a meal and friendly conversation.

St. Paul's has been in the neighborhood for almost 145 years. Opportunities for worship are Saturdays at 4:30pm; Sundays at 9:30am, with Sunday School meeting at 9am. St. Paul's is affiliated with the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, a denomination comprised of 9,638 congregations all over the United States.

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Vote For Catskill Edible Gardens- Support Seven Teaching Gardens throughout Sullivan County

[SULLIVAN COUNTY] - The Catskill Edible Garden Project is vying for a Seeds of Change grant and needs assistance from supporters around Sullivan County. Two top prizes of \$20,000 will be awarded, as well as 15 grants of \$10,000 each.

To help, individuals need to go to www.seedsofchange-grant.com and follow instructions. Enter zip code 12752

grant.com and follow instructions. Enter zip code 12/52 to find the project. Then click "vote" next to the Catskill Edible Garden Project. Votes may be cast once every day until voting ends on April 21.

The Catskill Edible Garden Project works with schools and community organizations in Sullivan County to design edible gardens as living classrooms to teach about food and nutrition. These projects offer access to healthy local food, "hands on" youth development experience and exposure to food and agriculture as important rience and exposure to food and agriculture as important aspects of our community, culture and potential career opportunities.

The project has gardens located at:

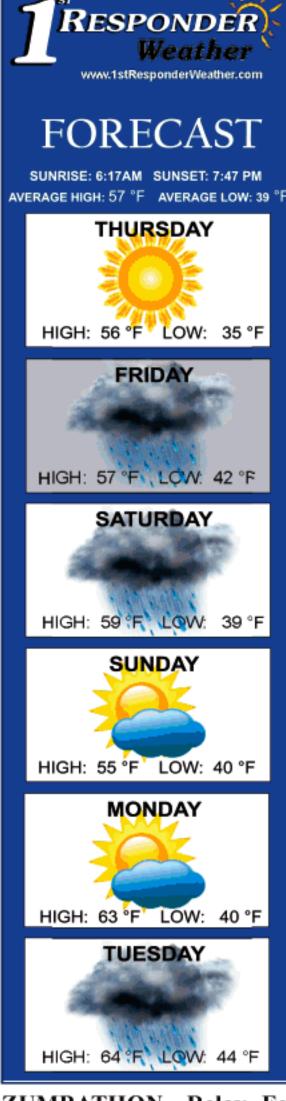
- -Cooke Elementary School in Monticello
 - RJK Middle School in Monticello
 - Hebrew Day School in Kiamesha
 - Sullivan West Elementary School in Jeffersonville
- Liberty Elementary School in Liberty
- Roscoe Central School in Roscoe
- Cornell Cooperative Extension in Liberty

The Seeds of Change grant would support the purchase of a geodesic dome greenhouse - a four-season, solar-powered growing laboratory and learning center - extending the growing season and learning opportunities for the community. Increased food production would enhance the gar-den-to-cafeteria and community service initiatives, and would offer year-round access to fresh food for students and families.

The Catskill Edible Garden Project also offers a youth summer employment program to train, mentor and inspire the next generation of food entrepreneurs. The summer program includes a community service component which donates produce to local food pantries; and a garden-to-cafeteria initiative to incorporate healthy foods into student lunches.

The project is a collaborative effort among Catskill Mountainkeeper, Center for Workforce Development, Cornell Cooperative Extension, Green Village Initiatives and Sullivan Renaissance.

For more information contact Sullivan Renaissance at 845-295-2445.



ZUMBATHON -Relay For Life Fundraiser

A Zumbathon, Relay for Life from 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm. Contact: Jackie-845-807-6215. All proceeds to benefit Relay For Life/America Cancer Society Come out and help Team Allidap finish the Fight!!! \$10.00 presale \$15.00 at the door \$5.00 (ages 5-13) Raffles 50/50 ZIN ZUMA Instructors from Sullivan and Delaware County.

"HolyHolyHoly" (From Pg. 1)

Inspiration for the play comes, not only from Duncan's Theology degree, but also from having lived through those heady times of war protests, college student uproar, anti-poverty fights and general urban unrest. He also visited the ghetto neighborhoods

of Brooklyn and Chicago that were decimated by rioting.
Performance dates for "HolyHolyHoly" are Friday and Saturday May 2 and 3 at 8:00 p.m.,



De Lois House as Miss Flora and Mike Gastwirth as Father Mac in "HolyHolyHoly."

Sunday matinee May 4 at 2:00 p.m., and Friday and Saturday May 9 and 10 at 8:00 p.m. (Please note: there is no Sunday matinee on May 11.)

Admission prices are: Adults - \$18.00, adult subscribers -\$16.00, seniors, students, military - \$14.00, seniors, students, and military subscribers -\$12.00. You may become a subscriber with a \$15 donation. Your subscriber card entitles you to a \$2 savings on your ticket and a half-priced beverage at the concession stand.



Ellen Pavloff as Sister Brenda and Darren Fouse as Father Will in "HolyHolyHoly."

Tickets will be available at the door.

For additional information call 845-436-5336, or check the SDCW website at scdw.net or email: scdwemail@aol.com.

Buddy Guy, Gretchen Wilson, Jazz Stalwarts, Brooklyn Hipsters

Blues great Buddy Guy, "Redneck Woman" Gretchen Wilson and five nights of top-flight jazz shows are among the highlights of the 2014 season at the Belleayre Music Festival in Highmount. Tickets go on sale April 15.

The new season promises to be one of Belleayre's most diverse lineups. The action starts with a night of classics on Saturday, July 5 when the Belleayre Festival Orchestra Performs The Music of Queen: A Rock Symphony featuring conductor Brent Havens, vocalist Brody Dolyniuk and a full rock band. The music shifts gears on Saturday, July 12, 8 p.m. with the Belleayre Blues Show headlined by Rock Hall of Famer Buddy Guy - voted the world's greatest living blues guitarist. Opening the show will be special guest Quinn Sullivan, a 15-year-old blues prodigy.

A foot-stomping good time is promised when country phenomenon Gretchen Wilson takes the stage on Saturday, July 19. Gretchen burst into stardom a decade ago when her "Redneck Woman" anthem ruled the charts.

The entertainment takes a 180-degree turn on Saturday, July 26 when the Belleayre Festival Opera presents Gaetano Donizetti's "Lucia Di Lammermoor" under the direction of Donald Westwood.

The acclaimed Catskill Mountain Jazz Series will begin a run of five shows on on Friday, Aug. 1 with the Django Reinhardt Festival. Up next will be The Cookers All-Star Jazz Band featuring Billy Harper, Eddie Henderson, Gary Bartz, David Weiss, George Cables, Cecil McBee and Billy Hart on Saturday, Aug. 2. Both of these shows will be in the intimate setting of the Belleayre Jazz Club. Three Hot Latin Nights start on Thursday, Aug. 7 at 8 p.m. headlined by Mexico's Alberto Solis and Gil Gutierrez. On Friday, Aug. 8, Cuba's Pedrito makes a return engagement following last year's blistering performance. The jazz action returns to the big stage on Saturday, Aug. 9 with a night of scintillating Bossa Nova & Tango music and dancing to the sounds of the Romero Lubambo Quintet and the Pablo Aslan Tango Orchestra.

Broadway's Leading Man Norbert Leo Butz brings his Tony award-winning talents to Belleayre on Saturday, Aug. 16, 8 p.m. The focus turns to laughter when Saturday Night Live alum Colin Quinn headlines Comedy in the Catskills III on Saturday, Aug. 23.

The 2014 season wraps up in ultra-cool style with a full day of Brooklyn Hipster Bands taking the stage on Saturday, Aug. 30. The Hold Steady headlines with other bands to be announced soon. All shows begin at 8 p.m. Tickets for all shows go on sale April 15 via Ticketmaster. For additional information, please call 800 942-6904, ext. 1344, visit: belleayremusic.org or e-mail: belleayremusicfestival@gmail.com For information on where to stay, dine, shop or to simply enjoy the great outdoors when you re in town for the Belleayre Music Festival, please visit: www.catskillhighpeaks.com, www.ulstertourism.info or www.greatwesterncatskills.com._Belleayre Music Festival concerts are held on the grounds of Belleayre Mountain in Highmount. Belleayre Mountain is located in the heart of New York's Catskill Mountain region, and is operated by the Olmpic Regional Development Authority. The ski resort is located just off Route 28 and is 37 miles west of Thruway Exit 19 at Kingston; 55 miles southeast of Oneonta on Route 28; 40 miles from the Route 17 exit at Roscoe; and 95 miles southwest of Albany and just two hours north of NYC.

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Broadway Trip to Benefit Two Local SC Arts Groups

A trip to Broadway will be benefiting two arts groups in Sullivan County. The dual fundraiser will take place on Saturday, May 3rd when the Rolling V motor coach will depart with a bus load of theater goers to see The Phantom of the Opera at the Majestic Theater on Broadway in New York City. The package includes roundtrip transportation and a ticket to see the Saturday matinee performance of The Phantom of the Opera. Participants will have the option to experience "THE RIDE" if they have already seen Phantom, or just take the bus into NYC. Portions of the proceeds will be split between the Sullivan County Dramatic Workshop (SCDW) and Nesin Cultural Arts (NCA).

The Sullivan County Dramatic Workshop has served our community with quality live performances for over 64 years. The 2014 season will be featuring productions of Snow White and Guys and Dolls just to mention a couple. The organization is raising funds to restore the workshop's Marquee and Blade Sign at the Rivoli Theater in South Fallsburg which they purchased in 1998 and is the home of their productions and movies. "This is going to be an exciting experience for all in attendance and SCDW is looking forward to partnering with Nesin Cultural Arts and CD Trips in this fundraising endeavor," says Board President, Heather Strauss.

Nesin Cultural Arts is one of Sullivan County's newest arts organizations and is no stranger to doing fundraisers with CD Trips as past trips have raised nearly \$1000 for the organization. According to Ellen Nesin, one of NCA's founding members, "our mission is to provide our local youth in Kindergarten through 12th grades with performing arts opportunities in music, art, drama and the visual arts throughout the year. We also offer multi-generational programs and outreach in our surrounding communities. In 2014 NCA will present student recitals, benefit concerts featuring Slam Allen and his Blues, Band, The Rock Ridge Band, our Children's Chorus and our Summer Integrated Arts Institute among others. Our Aspiring Young Musicians program provides lessons in piano, strings and voice with the support from the Nesin Scholarship. All funds raised

through NCA's fundraisers benefit student programing."

The price is \$121 per person. Reservations may be made by calling 845 798-2188 or emailing cdtripsLLC@gmail.com. Online reservations and payments may be made securely through paypal at www.cdtrips.com. "Let us take you out to the theater," says Siegel. "We are proud to be the 'common denominator' to bring these two great organizations together to benefit from this event."

For more information about the Sullivan County Dramatic Workshop call 845 436-5336, email scdwemail@aol.com or on the web at www.scdw.net . Information about Nesin Cultural Arts can be found by calling 845 794-6013, email ellen@nesinculturalarts.org or on the web at www.nesinculturalarts.org.





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 \mathbf{UC} Exec Mike Hein Announes Initiative with Open Space Institute to Lauch Rail Trail

Planning Study

Ulster County Executive Mike Hein and the Open Space Institute ("OSI") today announced the launch of a privately-funded trail planning study for the Ashokan Reservoir section of the Ulster County Rail Trail Project. The trail planning study has been commissioned by OSI and will be conducted by the engineering firm, Barton & Loguidice. The study will focus on the 11.5-mile segment of the County-owned Ulster & Delaware Railroad ("U&D") corridor running along the northern shore of the Ashokan Reservoir from Basin Road in West Hurley to the western end of the Reservoir near Boiceville. The OSI partnership builds upon the December 2013 announcement that Ulster County and the New York City Department of Environmental Protection ("NYC DEP") had developed a landmark agreement in principle to help fund and facilitate the conversion of the U&D corridor running through NYC DEP lands into a non-motorized rail trail, opening these lands to public access without permit for the first time in over 100 years.

The OSI trail planning study will be funded entirely through private contributions raised from the Dyson Foundation and the Woodstock Land Conservancy, as well as individual donors, including Ulster County residents Rob and Eileen Rominger, Floyd Lattin, Ward Mintz, and Bill Collins. The study will provide necessary surveys, engineering inspections, and analysis of design alternatives for one of the longest and most scenic segments of the Ulster County Rail Trail Project running along the entire length of Ashokan Reservoir. The study will examine potential locations for multiple public access areas ("trailheads") and will include a robust public input process for area residents, businesses, and communi-

ties along the trail.
"Ulster County is grateful for the commitment of the Open Space Institute and the generosity of the Dyson Foundation, the Woodstock Land Conservancy ("WLC"), and the local residents who have contributed towards this transformational project," noted County Executive Hein. "OSI has provided invaluable leadership in expanding the Wallkill Valley Rail Trail and restoring the Rosendale Trestle. We are thrilled to launch this new initiative with OSI to advance the County's vision of a rail trail network running from the Walkway Over the Hudson to the Ashokan Reservoir and Catskill Park communities.

"As we celebrate our recent completion of the Rosendale Trestle and extension of the Wallkill Valley Rail Trail to the City of Kingston border, OSI is delighted to put its shoulder behind this tremendously exciting project and partner with the County in developing a world-class rail trail network in Ulster County," said Erik Kulleseid, Senior Vice President of OSI. "County Executive Mike Hein has shown leadership and vision in advancing this rail trail project, and OSI looks forwards to partnering with the County to create an extraordinary rail trail park that connects the City of Kingston to the Ashokan Reservoir and beyond and eventually links to the Walkway Over the Hudson.

"WLC is delighted to join with OSI and County Executive Hein and help privately finance this important planning study. The 11.5-mile linear park will create new connections

between Route 28 businesses and local communities and open access for the first time in many generations to the beautiful forests and shorelines along the northern shore of the Ashokan Reservoir," said Patty Goodwin, President of the WLC

Board of Directors. The strategic partnership with OSI and start of the trail planning study builds upon the announcement in late 2013 that the County and the NYC DEP had consented to an agreement in principle supporting the development of the Ulster County Rail Trail Project along the northern shores of the Ashokan Reservoir. That agreement establishes a cooperative framework to facilitate and help fund the conversion of the U&D right-ofway into a multi-use recreational trail open for public use year round without permit. The agreement with NYC DEP covers the approximately 11.5-mile section of U&D right-ofway that crosses NYC DEP lands from Basin Road in West Hurley westward to Boiceville in the Town of Olive. The agreement provides more than \$2.5 million in direct funding and other assistance from NYC DEP in support of trail devel-

The Open Space Institute (OSI) protects scenic, natural, historic and working agricultural landscapes to provide public enjoyment, conserve habitat and sustain communities. For decades, OSI has worked in Ulster County, helping to preserve more than 31,000 acres, including iconic landscapes in the Shawangunks and eastern Catskills and working farms in the Wallkill, Rondout and Lower Esopus Valleys. Founded in 1974 to protect significant landscapes in New York State, OSI has been a leader in the protection of nearly 2.2 million acres in North America, leveraging its extensive conservation experience to attract resources for strategic land protection and public recreation.

Woodstock Conservancy (WLC) is a non-profit community land trust committed to the protection and preservation of the open lands, forests, wetlands, trails, scenic areas and historic sites in Woodstock and the surrounding Eastern Catskills. WLC is committed to connecting people to the places they care about most, in the interest of protecting and celebrating the land, the environment and sustain-

able communities.

Total of 319 Master Teachers Every Region of the State throughout the academic year.

Governor Andrew M. Cuomo announced the selection of 215 educators from all ten regions of the portive environment for the next state to expand the first cohort of generation of STEM teachers. New York State Master Teachers. These educators join the 104 Master Teachers announced in October 2013, bringing the total number of Master Teachers in New York to 319.

"The Master Teacher Program creates a community of teacher experts dedicated to providing a first-rate learning experience for students across New York, and contributes to our efforts to attract and tion is open. retain the best and the brightest in our STEM classrooms," Governor Cuomo said. "Investing in our teachers is investing in our students, and I am pleased to welcome and congratulate 215 additional outstanding teachers to this program, who have already proven to be some of the highest-performing professionals in for New Town Park their field."

SUNY Chancellor Nancy L. Zimpher said, "The Master Teacher Program allows for our brightest

STEM educators to share their experience and knowledge with their colleagues, furthering student success and helping to improve_college readiness across the state. This program complements the newly established STEM scholarship program that will provide full tuition scholarships to any SUNY college or university to New York's best high school graduates if they pursue a STEM career and work in New York for five years. The University's continued partnership with Governor Cuomo is helping contribute to the STEM workforce that will keep New York competitive in the 21st century global innovation economy.'

These 215 Master Teachers will become part of the inaugural cohort of the Master Teacher Program, which has engaged Master Teachers in the Central NY, Western NY, Mid-Hudson, and North Country regions in content-rich professional development activities since the fall of 2013. At SUNY campuses in every region, STEM and Education leadership and faculty work to lead the transformation of STEM teaching and learning in New York.

The newly named Master Teachers have over 2,700 years of combined full-time teaching experience. Subjects of expertise include calculus, algebra, physics, earth science, chemistry, engineering design and development, and genetics. The Master Teachers already fulfill various leadership roles within their school districts-such as department chairs, curriculum development leaders, and STEM club sponsorsand contribute to their communities as active members of professional associations, technology innovators,

On August 15, 2014, all Master Teachers are invited to attend the first annual Master Teacher Program professional development conference, "New York State Master Teachers: Inspiring the Next Generation of STEM Leaders." This dynamic event will allow for these outstanding educators to design, lead, and participate in enriching professional development workshops.

and athletics coaches.

The Master Teacher Program is supported by SUNY campus partners in each region of the State. Master Teachers will:

 Receive a \$15,000 stipend per year over four years for participation in the program (total compensation of \$60,000 per teacher).

Engage in peer mentoring and intensive content-oriented profes-Represent sional development opportunities

- Work closely with pre-service and early career teachers to foster a sup-

- Attend required regular cohort meetings and participate in and lead several professional development sessions each year.

- A third application cycle for the Master Teacher Program will take place this year. STEM teachers are encouraged www.suny.edu/masterteacher for more information and to register to be notified when the online applica-

More information on the Master Teacher Program can be found at www.suny.edu/masterteacher.

\$50,000 Grant for the Town of Neversink/ Monies To Be Used

Senator John Bonacic announces that the Town of Neversink has been awarded \$50,000 in funding from the Municipal Facilities Program.

The funding will go towards a

new Town Park and will replace a park that existed in a flood plain. This new park will include ballfields, a pavilion and concession stand.

"We are eternally grateful to Senator Bonacic for securing this money for our town park," said Town Supervisor Mark McCarthy. "This is going to be built from scratch from land purchased by the town, and will include picnic tables, an open air pavilion, concession stand, and bathrooms for town residents. Plus, our Little League program, made up of 300 Tri-Valley students, are thrilled with this grant."

"I am pleased to provide this funding," said Senator Bonacic, "as it will create a new community recreation area that will be utilized by all ages, and for many years

to come.

Ulster County Legislature to State: Standardize the Sales Tax Rates

While a Federal standardized sales tax is being debated, in an effort to address a growing internet market, New York State continues its bi-annual authority to administratively approve requests for increased local sales tax to pay for the rising cost of health care and private sector pensions. This seemingly mundane act of allowing counties, cities, and school districts to continue decade long practices of extending beyond the 3% local tax by an additional 1%, is made by fifty-two counties and five cities throughout New York State.

The cost to request and the ensuing battle for an additional 1% is taxing to administrations that are already under an immense amount of State mandates and burdens. The flexibility granted to the local leaders would enable them to secure the needed revenues without the unnecessary administrative procedures.

Ulster County experienced firsthand the position of being an unfortunate party in a tug of war between State and local leaders over what and how local sales tax "We elect should be expended. individuals at the local level to make the tough decision of how to pay for the service that is needed and how to cut the services that we don't need. Yet, New York State continues its role of pushing down requirements and forcing us to suck it up and pay," stated Ulster County Legislator Jeanette Provenzano. "This State Bill would bring the authority and flexibility of if and when to utilize the 1% increase of sales tax to the locally elected officials, where it belongs.

The loss of an estimated \$1.9 million every month from the additional 1% sales tax not being in place has dire consequences on counties that are also forced to remain below a 2% property tax cap. "The availability to access revenue has to be balanced with the County's ability to cut and save," noted Ways and Means Committee Chair Richard Gerentine. "We have redefined bare bones budgeting in Ulster County to a skeletal fiscal framework. The cuts and savings have been had and without the ability to access budget balancing revenue, services will now be impacted. It is time the State leaders understood this and give the locally elected officials the flexibility to make the local decisions.

Ulster County Resolution No. 114 passed unanimously by the Legislature at their April 15, 2014 It can be viewed at session. http://www.ulstercountyny.gov/sites/

default/files/114-14.pdf.

Enforcement from Picking up the Tab

Governor Andrew M. Cuomo today announced that the State Department of Taxation and Finance's wide array of tax enforcement programs collected \$3.9 billion in the past year, helping ensure that honest New York taxpayers are protected and tax evaders are held responsible for their fair share. The \$3.9 billion in evaded taxes collected is an increase of approximately \$200 million compared to the prior year, a five percent increase.

"The vast majority of New Yorkers file their taxes honestly, and they should not have to pick up the tab for tax scofflaws who attempt to cheat their way out of paying their fair share," Governor Cuomo said. "This administration has worked hard to crack down on tax evasion and put tools in place that enable the State Tax Department to better enforce the law. With nearly \$4 billion collected over the past year, these stepped up enforcement measures are working to help protect New York taxpayers.

Each year, 96% of the \$87 billion in state and local taxes collected by the New York State Tax Department is voluntarily. Department's enforcement programs criminal investigations, audit and collections - are responsible for collecting the additional 4%.

Of the \$3.9 billion in evaded taxes collected during the 2013-14 fiscal year, \$800 million was collected by the Tax Department on behalf of local governments. The remaining \$3.1 bilfion funds New York State programs.

Breaking down the \$3.9 billion

Criminal investigations and audits resulted in \$1.75 billion in increased tax collections. For each tax evasion case, the Department reviews the specific facts to determine whether to pursue it through criminal charges or civil audits. To prosecute cases, the Department's Criminal Investigations Division works closely with federal and local law enforcement agencies.

Collection activities resulted in \$1.65 billion in state and local funds. The Department works closely with taxpayers to resolve tax debt, and establishes payment arrangements where a debt can't be immediately resolved. When debts are outstanding for extended periods, the Department escalates its collection actions, including seizing financial assets and garnishing wages.

Enhancing this year's collections was the new Driver License Suspension Program. The continuing program raised more than \$46 million in state funds and nearly \$15 million in local monies, exceeding estimates by more than 33%. As a result, more than 7,000 debtors with tax debts greater than \$10,000 have paid their debt in full or begun making payment arrangements. More than 8,100 licens-

For the first time in the 15-year history of the STAR Program, taxpayers last year were required to confirm their eligibility for the Basic STAR exemption. As a result of the STAR Registration Program, more than 150,000 ineligible STAR recipients have been eliminated, saving New York taxpayers more than \$100 million annually.

es have been suspended to date.

The Tax Department also stopped 255,000 fraudulent or erroneous refunds for an additional \$413 million in savings to taxpayers.

Report fraud

The Tax Department investigates referrals of tax fraud from taxpayers and other law enforcement agencies. If you suspect an individual or business of tax fraud, call 518-457-0578

Programs Revisions To The Toxic Protect Honest New Yorkers Substances Control Act Would Eliminate Powers Of States To Protect Public Health And The Environment - NY Has Long Been A Leader In Addressing Chemical Hazards, Banning Them In Children's Products, Water-Drinking Schneiderman: Federal Reforms Must Not Eliminate New York's Right To Protect Our Citizens from Dangerous

> Leading a coalition of attorneys general from 13 states, New York State Attorney General Eric T. Schneiderman sent a letter today to the leaders of the U.S. House of Representative Subcommittee on Environment and the Economy objecting to proposed legislation that would amend the Toxic Substances Control Act of 1976 (TSCA) by stripping states of the power to protect their citizens' health and environment from dangerous chemicals.

Chemicals

The coalition letter is in response to the proposed draft legislation, titled the 'Chemicals in Commerce Act," authored by Representative John Shimkus (R-IL), chairman of the subcommittee. The legislation, which seeks to reform TSCA, includes language that would eliminate much of the authority that states currently have to reduce risks posed by the production or use of toxic chemicals. Currently, federal law allows both the federal government and the states to address toxic chemicals, and states have often taken the lead in acting to reduce toxic risks to citizens and the environment.

"From banning a dangerous chemical formerly used in plastic baby bottles to restricting heavy metals in consumer packaging, New York has led the nation in taking necessary actions to reduce the risks posed by toxic chemicals," Attorney General Schneiderman said. "But now, some members of the U.S. House of Representatives are seeking to bar states from moving to restrict the use of these chemicals. While TSCA needs to be reformed, changes in the law must not eliminate the right of states to protect their citi-

The letter, which can be found in its entirety here, states that, "if enacted, the draft bill's broad preemption language would effectively eliminate the existing federal-state partnership on the regulation of toxic chemicals by preventing states from continuing their successful and ongoing legislative, regulatory and enforcement work that has historically reduced the risks to public health and the environment posed by toxic chemicals." The letter offers the coalition's assistance in crafting legislation that helps TSCA meet its goal of regulating dangerous substances, while preserving the traditional and critical role of states in protecting health and welfare within their boundaries.

The central goal of TSCA is to set federal restrictions on the manufacture and use of chemicals that present an unacceptable risk of injury to public health and the environment. In practice, the act has failed to accomplish this, as very few of the tens of thousands of industrial chemicals in commerce have ever been reviewed by the federal government for safety, let alone restricted.

For decades, New York has taken legal action to restrict the sale or use of products containing harmful chemicals in the state. For example, New York

Banned bisphenol A (BPA), an estrogen mimic, in baby bottles, pacifiers, and other child care products;

Banned the probable human car-

cinogen tris(2-chloroethyl) phosphate (TRIS) in children's toys, mattresses, pillows, and other products;

 Restricted the use of the toxic and flammable solvent n-propyl bromide by dry cleaners;

- Prohibited the import, sale, or distribution of gasoline containing methyl tertiary butyl either (MTBE), a highly toxic drinking water contaminant; and

- Restricted the levels of dangerous lead, cadmium, mercury, and chromium in inks, dyes, pigments, adhesives, and other additives that product packaging may contain.

Ulster County Legislature Expected To Support Bill Urging State Reimbursement To Counties for Holding Two **Mandatory Election Primaries**

Local Governments are once again being forced to bear the cost of two Primary Day elections, one for Congressional races and a second for State races. In 2012 a Federal judge ruled that New York's September Primary was not in compliance with the Military and Overseas Voter Empowerment (MOVE) Act, which ensures that military and overseas voter ballots are received in time to be counted. The judge ordered Congressional Primaries be moved from September to June to comply with the MOVE Act. But his decision did not impact State elections. The State Legislature would have to act in order to move the State Primary.

Despite plenty of notice and experiencing the cost of a second primary in 2012, the State leaders have been unable to agree on a single primary date. "It is critical that our military and overseas voters have the opportunity to exercise their right to vote and be counted", stated Ulster County Legislator and originating sponsor of the Ulster County resolution, Lynn Archer.

In 2012, Ulster County spent \$72,609.66 for the Federal primary in June and \$62,432.69 for the State and local primary in September. "It has been four years since the Federal Military and Overseas Voter Empowerment (MOVE) Act and two years since we felt the financial punch of these two primaries. That is long enough to debate and decide. It is now time for the State to pay for their inaction and not put the burden on the back of the taxpayers," commented Legislator Archer.

Legislator Archer sponsored an Ulster County resolution in support of New York Senate Bill 06417 and Assembly Bill 08740 which would amend the election law and reimburse the Counties and the City of New York for the costs associated with administering primary elections. The text of this resolution can be found

http://www.ulstercountyny.gov/sites/defa

ult/files/147-14 0.pdf.

As the sponsor of Senate Bill 06417, Ulster County's own New York Senator Cecilia Tkaczyk stated, ""I'm very proud that my proposal to reimburse cashstrapped local governments for the cost of a second, wasteful Primary Day Election has been supported by local governments, editorial boards and good government groups across the State. My bill would provide \$50 million of mandate relief to local governments and property tax relief to homeowners, two things everyone agrees are critical to the economic health of our state."

POLITICAL SLANT

By Frank Comando -

UNIONS WORKING FOR YOU

SEIU Local 200 United Helps Secure 4% COLA Increase Thousands of direct care workers will see two 2% raises in 2015

Since 2006, direct care workers have been granted only one cost of living adjustment (COLA) wage increase. This has been catastrophic to the thousands of

workers across the state that aids the most vulnerable in our communities. This has resulted in high turnover, and has diminished the quality of care despite the best efforts of dedicated staff. The outset of the budget season this year threatened to be a replay of the same denial, with Governor Cuomo initially keeping COLA out again. However, concerned citizens and SEIU Local 200 United members had decided that enough was enough. By organizing through social media, attending a press conference, and contacting their elected representatives directly, the people of New York stood united in saying that direct care workers were deserving of a COLA. Both the Assembly and the Senate went on record in their budgets that direct care workers deserved a COLA.

With the backing of several key legislators, the issue of the COLA increase was brought to the forefront of the budget season debates. By keeping up the pressure to do the right thing, the Legislature and Governor included COLA language in the 2014-2015 New York State Budget. The language gives direct care workers an overall 4% wage increase (2% on January 1, 2015 and another 2% on April 1, 2015). By including a COLA in the budget, the state will improve the lives of both the workers and the individuals they serve.

One of the workplaces SEIU Local 200 United represents is Ulster-Greene ARC. Paul Schoenweiss has worked there for 27 years and is the Unit Chair. "It is good to see that the State realizes to honor its commitment that was made to the people we serve and provide the care they were promised," he said. "A living wage for the caregivers is a major part of that commitment." For more information contact: Molly English-Bowers, (315)

552-8317

CORPORATIONS ARE NOT PEOPLE

There are those of us that are fair of mind seeking to level the playing fields of the feudalistic corporate finance effect on our elections as they dump tons of cash into our elections to deprive the American worker of the "American Dream." After all, we know that COR-PORATIONS are not people as the Citizens United Case states, and that the US Supreme Court improperly decided that they were.

We The People know that if CORPO-RATIONS were people, the IRS would be hounding them, as they hound the American worker, taking their property away, garnishing their income, and destroying their families, with their actions of corruption of corporate greed.

The Supreme court has forgotten the basics learned by all lawyers in law school, and that is, that the "Spirit of the Law"; the reason why the law was created in the first place. This has been forgotten by our Justices, and only the letter of the law is used by them to legally fill their coffers, taking our rights away. Reform is

Activism scores our second major delay against Keystone XL. Yesterday, the Obama administration announced a major delay in its decision on the Keystone XL pipeline. The State Department will take more time to consider the impacts of the as-yet-undecided route through Nebraska, and other concerns raised in the more than 2.5 million public comments submitted earlier this year. This will likely push the final decision until after the 2014 midterm elections or later.

> ROSENDALE *MAY DAY CELEBRATION*

Thursday, May 1, 2014 5:30 PM - 7:30 PM on the new deck overlooking the Rondout Creek at the 1850 House Inn & Tavern, 435 Main Street Rosendale New York, light fare - Cash Bar Artists

This space is also for you:

To have your comments and/or questions published space allowing and following Townsman guidelines as listed in the masthead send an Email to: politicalslant@yahoo.com

LPN Program at Sullivan BOCES Holds Open Enrollment for Sept. 2014 Session

LIBERTY: Are you interested in pursuing a career in nursing? Do you want to advance your career or obtain a job in healthcare where the demand is great and the opportunities are abundant? Earn good money in a career you enjoy, helping people.

The Licensed Practical Nursing Program at Sullivan County BOCES is now accepting applications for the September 2014 class.

Set yourself on the fast track. Call (845) 295-4900 for an application and testing appointment. Entrance exams will be held on April 22nd, May 13th and June 3rd.

The Licensed Practical Nursing (LPN) Program prepares both high school and adult students for career opportunities in a variety of settings including: home health care agencies, hospitals, rehabilitation centers, outpatient clinics, nursing homes, dialysis centers, and doctor's offices. The New York State LPN to RN articulation provides students the opportunity to receive college credit towards a registered nursing degree upon successful completion of the LPN program and licensure.

The BOCES LPN Program provides students with both the theory and the clinical experience needed to pass the National Council Licensing Exam for Practical Nurses (NCLEX-PN). Students enrolled in the program must pass each content area of the program and all practical clinical requirements. In addition, students must complete a minimum of 1,188 hours of instruction and be recommended by the LPN faculty for

entrance to the licensing examination.

For more information on the programs available at Sullivan BOCES, visit our website at schoces.org or call 295-4000. For program updates, like us on Facebook and follow us on Twitter.



Open House - Sunday, April 27th

from noon to 3 p.m Time and the Valleys Museum has copies of every Townsman printed since the beginning (1947) classi-

fied by year for anyone to research. 985-7700 timeandthevalleysmuseum.org

CrossWay Assembly of God

Service Times

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Children's Church 10:30 am Monday Night Home

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Bible Study 7 pm Friday Youth Night 7 pm Ismael Berrios Lead Pastor

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Dates:

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Sat., May 3 Bag Day!!!!

Grahamsville Reformed Church

Roast Turkey Dinner May 3, 2014

Saturday, 4 pm to 7 pm Menu: Roast Turkey, Stuffing, Mashed Potatoes, Corn, Lettuce Salad, Cranberry Sauce, Bread, Ice Cream, & Drinks

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

Grahamsville Reformed Church Hall For more information please call: 845 985 7480

Thank you for your support and God Bless You All!

The Hurleyville and Woodridge United Methodist Churches

invite you to weekly worship:

9 am in Hurlyeville, 10:30 am in Woodridge.

For more information, call Pastor Susan Woodworth 845-794-6325



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

Holy days of obligation: as announced in church bulletin.

Daily Mass schedule:

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

Saturday afternoon confessions: 4 to 4:45.

Rev. John J. Lynch, Ph.D., Pastor. 434-7643.

Hay & Forage Education Pasture Walk with CCE Orange, Sullivan, & Ulster

PINE BUSH, NY- Seasoned farmers or beginners

can gain valuable knowledge at a hands-on Hay and Forage Education Pasture Walk offered on Saturday, May 3, 2014 from 11:00 am to 2:00

This partnered program with Cornell Cooperative Extension (CCE) Orange, Sullivan, and Ulster Counties will be held at Richard Blazeski Farm on Sinsbaugh Road in Pine Bush.

Dave Roberts, New York State grazing land specialist from US Department of Agriculture -Natural Resources Conservation Service (USDA-NRCS) will be presenting on how to correctly identify the weeds and plants that inhabit crop and forage fields. Other topics to be covered are finding good species for hay production, weed control, hay harvesting, storage, and forage nutrition.

Cost of this program will be \$20.00 per person and includes lunch. Space is limited so preregistration with non-refundable payment is required in advance.

Registration and more information can be obtained by contacting Cathy Hughes at CCE Orange County by calling 845-344-1234 or emailing cah94@cornell.edu

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Thrift Sale & Luncheon May 6, 2014 Thrift Sale 9 - 1 Luncheon 11 - 1 Fellowship Hall Rt. 55, Grahamsville, NY

St . Augustine's Chapel

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

Penance 9:00 am, 2nd Sunday of the month

Rev. George W. Hommel, Pastor

Grahamsville Reformed Church

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

845-985-7480

Rev. Paul Z. Ruter, Pastor

PUBLIC NOTICES/LEGALS:

NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING, OF THE QUALIFIED VOTERS OF TRI-VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a special meeting of the qualified voters of the Tri-Valley Central School District shall be held at the Daniel Pierce Library, 328 Main Street, Grahamsville, Sullivan County, New York, 12740, on Tuesday, June 10, 2014, between the hours of 12:00 noon and 8:00 p.m. daylight savings time. The following proposition will be submitted for voter approval at said meeting:

PROPOSITION

Shall the following resolution be adopted, to wit:

BE IT RESOLVED that pursuant to Section 259 of the Education Law of the State of New York, the Board of Education of the Tri-Valley Central School District, Sullivan County, New York be authorized and directed to raise annually by taxes the sum of \$387,610 (which sum consists of \$381,480 previously authorized plus an additional \$6,130) for library purposes for free library services for the benefit and free use on equal terms of all residents of the School District. Said appropriation shall be for the annual support of the DANIEL PIERCE LIBRARY, Grahamsville, New York beginning in the 2014-2015 fiscal year and the funds collected thereby shall be paid over to the Treasurer of the Daniel Pierce Library, upon written demand of its Trustees.

NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that the text of the foresaid proposition may appear on the ballot labels in the following abbreviated form:

PROPOSITION

Shall the Tri-Valley Central School District, Sullivan County, New York, be authorized to levy taxes in the amount of \$387,610 for the annual support of the Daniel Pierce Library, Grahamsville, New York, for library services for the benefit of residents of the School District beginning in the 2014-2015 fiscal year?

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that pursuant to a prior resolution of the District, personal voter registration is in effect. A date for personal voter registration has been set for Wednesday, June 4, 2014 in the Main Entrance Area of the High School, 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, June 5, 2014 between the hours of 9:00 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 June 10, 2014. If a voter is eligible to vote under Article 5 of the Election Law and is registered with the Sullivan or Ulster County Board of Elections, he/she is also eligible to vote at this election. The register of voters prepared pursuant to Section 2014 of the Education Law shall be available in the office of the Clerk, to any qualified voter, on each of the five (5) days prior to the annual meeting, except Sunday, and at the polling place on the day of the vote.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that in accordance with Section 2018a of the Education Law, applications for ABSENTEE BALLOTS may be applied for at the office of the District Clerk. Absentee ballots must be applied for unless the voter's registration is marked "permanently disabled" by the County Board of Elections. Such applications must be received by the District Clerk at least seven (7) days before the election if the absentee ballot is to be mailed to the voter (Tuesday, June 3, 2014) OR the day before the election (Monday, June 9, 2014, if the ballot is to be picked up personally by the voter. Absentee ballots must be received in the Office of the District Clerk not later than 5:00 P.M. on the day of the annual meeting. A list of all persons to whom absentee ballots have been issued shall be available for public inspection during regular office hours (9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.) until the day of the election. Any qualified voter may file a written challenge of the qualifications of a voter whose name appears on such list, stating the reasons for the challenge.

By order of the Board of Education Dated: April 25, 2014
Tri-Valley Central School District
Grahamsville, New York
Martha Lee Ter Bush, District Clerk

4/24/; 5/22; 5/29; 6/5/2014.

Tips To Help Consumers
Avoid Deceptive And
Fraudulent Practices This
Wedding SeasonSchneiderman: Couples
Planning A Wedding Should
Be Armed With Information
That Will Help Them Avoid
Potential Consumer Scams

NEW YORK - With wedding season rapidly approaching, Attorney General Eric T. Schneiderman issued tips to protect New Yorkers from dishonest wedding vendors looking to take advantage of couples planning their weddings.

"Planning a wedding should be an enjoyable and exciting experience," Attorney General Schneiderman said. "Unfortunately, there are unscrupulous vendors out there eager to prey upon couples who may already be under a great deal of emotional and financial pressure. Couples planning a wedding should be armed with information that will help them recognize and avoid potential consumer scams."

Attorney General Schneiderman issued the following tips for consumers who are hiring wedding vendors, such as photographers, videographers and caterers:

- Avoid paying cash for products and services. Credit cards offer a dispute process that may help protect consumers.
- Check a company's record with the Better Business Bureau and review any complaint records.
- Insist that the company identify the individual who will be photographing your wedding. It is common for photographers to book more than one wedding on a date and send someone else to shoot the wedding. Make the identity of the photographer part of the contract.
- Check at least three references for weddings that took place within the past three months. Up-to-date references can offer critical insight into a vendor's recent job performance.
- Always review any contract carefully before you sign it. Do not make rushed decisions.
- Get multiple quotes from different vendors before you sign a contract. Talking to multiple businesses will give you more options and a better understanding of the services available.
- Do not pre-pay in full. Hold back 25
 percent of the total cost until you have
 the products in hand. This will create a
 powerful incentive for service providers
 like photographers and videographers to
 complete the contract. In some
 instances, a photographer who has been
 paid in full will shoot the wedding and
 take months to deliver the products.
- Make sure the contract contains due dates for each task. For example, the pre-bridal photograph should be taken by a specified date, the proof should be ready by a specified date and the photograph should be ready within seven days after the consumer makes a selection.

Those who suspect they may have been victimized by an unscrupulous wedding vendor are strongly encouraged to file a complaint with Attorney General Schneiderman's office. Call 1-800-771-7755.

Town of Neversink Parks & Recreation Department

www.townofneversink.org (845) 985-2262 extension 312

May 10 CABS Child & Babysitting Safety Class Meet at the Town Hall 9 am to 2 pm for this interactive class for those boys and girls 11 to 15 who plan on babysitting in our community. \$45 per person must be paid by May 5. Call Class Rooms to You at 845-866-6329

Friday, May 16 - Roller Skating - Tri-Valley Students grades 5 - 8. Must come on bus & leave on bus. 6:30 pm pickup at Tri-Valley School - \$3 per person must be paid by Tuesday, April 1 - Transportation, admission, skate rental, a slice of pizzs & drink

June 7 - Botonical Gardens & Lunch - Leave Town Hall 8 am. Must be 21 yrs old to attend. Includes garden buffet. \$40/Never-sink Residents-\$80 non-residents.

Must be paid by Tuesday, March 25

July 12 - Community Yard Sale, Craft & Vendor Fair. Reserve you spot now. \$15. Grahamsville Fairgrounds

July 26 - Saratoga Casino & Raceway. Leave Town Hall 8 am return 8:30 pm. 20 Free Play, voucher for Garden Buffett and motor coach transportation. Must be 21 years old. \$28 Neversink resident/non-residents. Must be paid by June 3.

FREE FUN every FRIDAY afternoon 1- 4 pm in the upstairs meeting room in the Neversink Town Hall.



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

Wednesday: 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Thursday: 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Friday: 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Saturday: 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Sunday and Monday: Closed

If you have any questions, please call the library at 985-7233.

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

V E T E R A N S always Free of search the Archives for family or history of Sullivan County at Sullivan the County Museum, 265 Main St., Hurleyville, NY. For information call 845-434-8044.

AL-ANON MEETINGShttp://www.al-anon.ala-

teen.org Mon- 7:00 p.m. United Methodist Church, 170 N. Main Street, Liberty Thurs- 7:00 p.m. Immaculate Conception Church Annex, 6317 Rt 42, Woodbourne Sat- 8:00 p.m. United Methodist Church, 170 N. Main Street, Liberty

American Cancer Society Fundraising Event Dedicate and Decorate a Luminaria for ACS Relay For Life

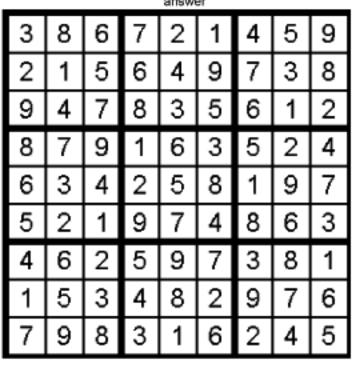
April 26th, 2014 • 1-6 pm at the Neversink Fire Hall

UC DA; NYS Police & UC Sheriff's Office Investigate Officer-Involved Shooting

The Ulster County District Attorney's Office in conjunction with the New York State Police and the Ulster County Sheriff's Office are investigating an officer-involved shooting that occurred on Rte. 28 in the Town of Hurley.

On April 15, 2014 at approximately 10:40 p.m. Ulster County 911 was contacted by a Marbletown resident regard-

SUUJI WA TANSU NI KAGIRU answer



4/27/14 Introduction to the Time and the Valleys Museum -Noon-3 pm Free admission

5/3/14 Sundown Methodist Church Covered Dish Supper - 5:30 pm Church Hall

5/3/14 Grahamsville Reformed Church Roast Turkey Dinner 4-7 pm

5/6/14 Grahamsville United Methodist Church Thrift Sale 9am-1pm & Luncheon 11 am - 1 pm

5/6/14 Town of Denning Board Meeting - 7:00 pm - Denning Town Hall

5/7/14 Town of Neversink Planning Board Meeting- 7:00 pm

5/8/14 Town of Denning Planning Board Meeting - 7 pm Denning Town Hall

5/8/14 Claryville Fire District Meetings 6:30 pm -Regular Meeting - Claryville Firehouse

5/13/14 Town of Denning Town Board Business Meeting 7:00 pm Town of Denning Town Hall

Town of Neversink Town Board Meeting 5/14/14

Dept. of Motor Vehicles Neversink Town Hall 10:00 am - 2:30 p.m. 5/15/14

5/15/14 Neversink Fire District Meeting at 7 p.m.; Public Meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Grahamsville United Methodist Church Thrift Sale 9am-1pm 5/17/14 5/18/14 Time and the Valleys Museum The Battle for Water: One Big City and Many Little Towns 2:30 p.m.

5/19/14 Grahamsville Fire Dist. Board of Fire Commissioners - 7:00 pm

5/20/14 Town of Neversink Zoning Board of Appeals - 7:30 pm

5/21/14 Neversink Rondout Antique Machinery Assoc. Monthly meeting - 7:30 pm

5/26/14 Town of Neversink Holiday - MEMORIAL DAY

Save the Date!

May 3, 2014 Tri-Valley Lions Journey For Sight Walk in memory of Gene Ganz, Don Hill, Helen Kwasinowicz; & Horace Sheeley. It will be a 3 mile walk in the Fairgrounds. Registration is at 8:30am in the Grahamsville First Aid Building.

Wednesday, June 4, 2014.-Tri-Valley Lions' Rabies Clinic from 6-8pm under the Pavilion at the Grahamsville Fairgounds. A \$5 donation would be most welcome, but not mandatory. Bring prévious rabies certificate for each animal, and your pet can receive a 3 year rabies vaccination.

> July 12, 2014- 10 am- 3 pm Community Yard Sale Craft & Vendor Fair - Grahamsville Fairgrounds. Spots \$15 a piece. Rain or Shine. Free Admission & Parking. All welcome!

July 20, 2014 Matty Bertholf's Annual Horshoe Tournament Neversink Firehouse - Info: dberth53@hotmail.com

Ye Olde Tri-Valley Townsman is available at the following retail stores and restaurants:

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TOWN OF OLIVE MEETINGS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

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

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

ing a vehicle stolen from her driveway. Responding NYS Troopers observed the vehicle on State Rte. 213 and attempted to stop it. The operator failed to comply and Troopers pursued it into the City of Kingston where they lost contact with the vehicle.

A short time later an Ulster County Sheriff's Deputy located the vehicle, and it was pursued through several additional jurisdictions. While on Rte. 28 in West Hurley the vehicle swerved into an Ulster County Sheriff's vehicle, and both vehicles left the roadway. The subject was shot while being taken into custody and is being treated at Albany Medical Center .

Sheriff Paul J. Van Blarcum states "I have asked the NYSP BCI, Forensic Investigations Unit and the Ulster County District Attorney's Office to conduct the investigation into this incident. The Sheriff's Office will participate and cooperate fully."

The investigation into this incident is ongoing and anyone with information is being asked to contact the Ulster County District Attorney's Office at 845-340-3280 or the New York State Police Kingston BCI at 845-338-1702.

Jewish Federation of UC Announces April 30h Deadlines for Call for Entry Fall for Art Fundraiser & Scholarship Applications

Kingston, NY: The Jewish Federation of Ulster County announces two April 30th

 Call for Entry for area artists to participate in the annual Fall for Art September 4th fundraiser at the Wiltwyck Golf Club. Area artists are invited to submit on-line. Applications and guidelines are available at: www.fallforart.org. Proceeds from Fall for Art go toward scholarships to three winners selected from the Emerging Artists of the Hudson Valley Competition - High School Junior art students who will be chosen from 12 area high schools that have submitted. The winners will be announced by late May.

A special summer exhibit is being planned to showcase all of the students' works and will be announced soon.

 Applications for scholarships to attend Summer Camp Programs and Programs in Israel for teens, as well as for Volunteers for Israel and Jewish Student Programs as well as a camp scholarship for children with special needs are accepted through April 30th. On-line applications and information are available at: www.ucjf.org.

For further information, please email: info@ucjf.org or call 845-338-8131.

AYSO Tri-Valley Registration Spring Now Open

Parents and volunteers... Online soccer registration for the fall season is now open through June 23rd. Boys and girls ages 4 to 19 are eligible Sign up today at to play. www.eayso.org! Print two copies of each form, sign, and drop off payment at one of our registration events or the Daniel Pierce Library drop box.

New Players must present a

birth certificate at the time of registration (no photocopy is The registration necessary). fee is \$50 / player. Early registration discount is \$40.00! New uniforms are \$40.00 which includes shirts, shorts, and socks.

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Fall season practices start in August. Games are played on Sundays from September through the end of October.

Further information regarding this league contact Bill Richardson at 985-2137 (trivalleyAYSORC@gmail.com or Rachel Countryman at 985-(KPcountrykid@yahoo.com).

Spring Registration Dates:

Saturday, April 5th @ Daniel Pierce Library 10 am - 2 pm Saturday, May 3rd Neversink Fireman's Park (SOCCER FEST) 10 am - 1 pm Tuesday, May 20th @ Daniel Pierce Library 3 pm - 8 pm Saturday, June 21st @ TVCS Media Center 9 am - 2 pm

Find us on Facebook at Tri-Valley AYSO.

Hard Chargers International Law Enforcement Motorcycle Club

Is a Correctional Officer based motorcycle club for all current & retired law enforcement professionals.

The local Chapter: Southern New York

is currently accepting enrollment applications. Contact Ken Haag for local information at

hardchargerssouthernny@gmail.com or 845-796-8175. The national web site is *hardchargersmotorcycleclub.com*

> Many rides are planned for 2014. Call for information and membership.

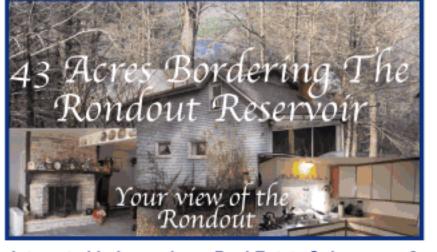


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"Wanted: Gardner one day a week for planting and maintaining flowers. Call 845 210 1061 and leave message." 4/24:5/1

Memorial Day Weekend Yard Sales

From the past we know that Memorial Day Weekend is a great time for people to visit or have Yard Sales. If you are planning a Yard Sale for Memorial Day Weekend we will be offering a listing that will be posted each of the three weeks prior to Memorial Day (5/8; 5/15 and 5/22) for \$6.00.

Include in your listing: Address of Sale, dates and time (Optional telephone # if you wish). Send your information along with a check for \$6 to:

The Townsman, P O Box 232, Grahamsville, NY 12740

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The Gnome Home

@ gnomehome.net

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> Gnome Home Virtual On-line Mall tvtownsman@yahoo.com



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Knarf's "Classic Movie Trivia GUNGA DIN

(Adventure, 1939) Three British soldiers seek treasure during an uprising in India. Directed by George Stevens and starring, Cary Grant, Victor McLaglen, Douglas Fairbanks, Jr., Joan Fontaine, Sam Jaffe, Eduardo Ciannelli, Montagu Love, Abner Biberman, Robert Coote,

Lumsden Hare, Cecil Kellaway. The Hollywood action-adventure yarn, vaguely based on Rudyard Kipling's famous poem, about three soldier-comrades in 19th-century India battling the savage thuggee cult when they aren't busy carousing and getting into trouble. Water boy Jaffe saves the day in rousing climax. Splendid comic adventure whose story is credited to Ben Hecht and Charles MacArthur (who based the relationships of the central characters on the same relationships of the central characters on the same marriage/rivalry device used in The Front Page); scripted by Joel Sayre and Fred Guiol. For years most prints ran 96m., until film was archivally restored. Shot on location in Lone Pine, California. Also shown computer-colored version. Remade SERGEANTS THREE

See this film on TCM. 5:45 PM, Saturday April 26, 2014, B/W- 117 min, Rated TV-G,

Quiz: 1. Who played Colonel Weed? 2. Who played Mr. Stebbins?

What's Going On In The Gnome Gneighborhoodim This Week?

GRAHAMSVILLE

Grahamsville Reformed Church Roast Turkey Dinner on May 3rd from 4-7 pm (See Pg. 13 for details)

Grahamsville UMC Thrift Sale & Luncheon May 6 (See Pg. 13 for details)

SUNDOWN

Covered Dish Supper May 3rd 5:30 pm Church Hall

MONTICELLO

Sullivan County Philatelic Society will have its next meeting on Sunday afternnon at 1:00 pm on May 4th. It will be held at the Ted Stroebele REcreation Center, 2 Jefferson St., Monticello, NY. Featured will be well known stamp dealer from Callicoon, NY, Richard Ried who will speak on "The Future of Stamp Collecting." There will be a question and answer session following this presentation.

Also a dicussion on upcoming Annual Stamp Show of July 13, 2014 will follow the talk. We will have a cacheted envelope and a special cancel date of show honoring the 100th Anniversary of Woarld War

Mor on this as available.

ELLENVILLE

Christ Lutheran Church, Corner Ann & Center St., Ellenville, NY will hold a Rummage & Yard Sale on May 1, 2 from 9 - 2; May 3 from 10 - 3 and on Sat., May 3 there will be a Bag Day!!

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