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## Welcome to our new Elementary Principal, Mr. Kevin Carbone



We are pleased to announce that Mr. Kevin Carbone has been appointed as the new Elementary School Principal for the Tri-Valley Central School District.

Mr. Carbone comes to Tri-Valley after serving as the Assistant Principal at Sullivan West for the last eight years. It was in this role that he shifted literacy instruction for grades K-3 and promoted the student voice by offering opportunities for students to engage in school building activities.

He currently resides in Bloomingburg with his wife and two sons. He enjoys hunting, fishing and coaching baseball.

There is so much he would like to accomplish this year and he can't wait for the school year to begin!

**Welcome to Bear Country, Mr. Carbone!**

## Local Officials Join Senator Oberackers Against Closure of Sullivan Correctional



*State Senator Peter Oberacker, along with town officials and law enforcement, gathered at the Woodbourne Firehouse to rally and protest against the closure of the Sullivan Correctional Facility on November 6, 2024.*

New York State Senator Peter Oberacker, representing the 51st District, was joined by local officials at a rally held at the Woodbourne Firehouse on Wednesday, July 24th, to oppose the planned closure of the Sullivan Correctional Facility on November 6. Opposition to the closing of the maximum security Sullivan Correctional Facility hoped to convince Governor Kathy Hochul to reverse her decision

The New York State Department of Corrections and Community Supervision announced the closure of two state correctional facilities later this year –the Sullivan Correctional Facility in Sullivan County and the maximum security Great Meadow Correctional Facility in Washington County in the Adirondacks.

Senator Oberacker, along with local officials expressed concerns about the short timeline of less than 90 days for the closure and pointed out that the closure will have a significant economic impact on the community. (Contd. Pg. 4)

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**ON THE FRONT BURNER:** And I say unto you, ask and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened for you.

St. Luke 11:9

## OBITUARY

### Barbara Rose Parete, a cher-



ished matriarch and pillar of her community, passed away peacefully on July 25, 2024, in Westchester. Born on August 9, 1943, in the Bronx, Barbara's life was a testament to her unwavering dedication to her family, her love for her community, and her entrepreneurial spirit.

Barbara, affectionately known by all as simply Barbara, was the proud daughter of the late Peter and Adele Troglio Tosi Sr. She grew up in a loving home that would set the foundation for the incredible life she would lead. A lifelong resident of Boiceville, she was a proud alumnae of Onteora Central Schools, graduating with the class of 1960. It was there that she formed lifelong friendships and a deep connection to her roots that she would carry with her throughout her life.

In a loving partnership that would span six decades, Barbara married her soulmate, John Parete. Together, they built a beautiful life filled with love, laughter, and the joy of raising a family. Barbara's legacy lives on through her devoted husband, John, and their children: Patricia (Boyd) Vaughn, John Parete, Richard (Colleen) Parete, and Robert (Nicole) Parete. A cousin Sondra Ostoyich of Saugerties. She was predeceased by her brother Pete Tosi. She was a beacon of light and guidance to her adoring grandchildren Kirstyn, Victoria, Andrew, Lauren, Erin, Isabella, Emilia, and Sophia, who lovingly referred to her as "Nanny."

Barbara's sister-in-law, Patricia Tosi, nephew Michael, and niece Allison, along with many other beloved family members, will fondly remember her nurturing presence. Her ability to make each person feel special and loved was one of her many gifts.

For over 50 years, Barbara and her husband John owned and operated the Boiceville Inn, a local estab-

lishment that became a cornerstone of the community. Barbara's warmth and hospitality made the inn more than just a business; it was a place where people came together, shared stories, and created memories. Her knack for making everyone feel at home was unmatched, and her presence at the inn will be deeply missed.

Barbara's love for her community was evident in everything she did. She was involved in and supported numerous community activities, always eager to lend a helping hand or a listening ear. Her dedication to others was a true reflection of her generous spirit.

A matriarch in every sense of the word, Barbara's home was the heart of family gatherings. She relished in hosting and ensuring that every occasion was filled with joy and abundance. Her ability to bring people together was one of her greatest talents, and the memories created during these times will be cherished forever.

Barbara's interests extended beyond her entrepreneurial and community endeavors. She enjoyed family trips to Cape Cod, where she could be found soaking up the sun, playing in the sand with her grandchildren, or simply enjoying the company of her loved ones. These moments were precious to her and will be held dear by those who shared them with her.

Barbara's life was one of selfless love and unwavering commitment to those she held dear. She cared deeply about her community and family, always putting others first. Her impact on the lives she touched is immeasurable, and her absence will be felt by many.

Barbara Rose Parete will be missed dearly and always remembered for her kindness, her strength, and the love she gave so freely. Her spirit will continue to live on in the hearts of those who were fortunate enough to know her. As we say goodbye to this extraordinary woman, we take comfort in knowing that her legacy will endure through the beautiful family she nurtured and the community she so passionately served.

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## Days of Yore... Today's History

### September 1, 1954

Many favorable comments have been made about the approved appearance of the Grahamsville Methodist Church. The beautiful landscaping is the gift of Mr. Richard T. Childs of Williston Park, L.I. who attended this church in his boyhood. Other gifts from Mr. Childs include the record player by means of which sacred music is being broadcast and a spotlight which when installed will light up the belfry and steeple of the church.

Mrs. Lillian Sheley died August 24th at the Veterans Memorial Hospital, Ellenville. Mrs. Sheley was born in Yaegerville on June 30, 1878, the daughter of Thomas and Emily Snyder. Her husband, James Sheley, died 41 years ago. Mrs. Sheley was a member of the Grahamsville W.C.T.U. Surviving are four sons: Richard and Howard of Dairyland, Harry of Woodbourne and Lloyd of Midvale, N.J.

### August 12, 1964

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Knox of Neversink announce the engagement of their daughter, Linda Knox to Thomas Paul Cypert, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Cypert of Frost Valley. Miss Knox is a graduate of Tri-Valley Central School, attended the State University at Cobleskill and is now employed by Applebaum and Eisenberg in Liberty. Mr. Cypert is a graduate of Tri-Valley Central School, served 4 years in the Air Force and is now employed by the Y.M.C.A. At Frost Valley. No date has been set for the wedding.

Congratulations to Mr. Riley Curry who will celebrate his 96th birthday on Thursday, August 13th.

Best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Donald Hill who will celebrate their 7th anniversary on the 17th of August.

### August 21, 1974

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Miklas attended the wedding of Mary Ann Murphy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Murphy of Big Hollow Road, to Tommy Boxburger at the Immaculate Conception Church in Woodbourne. A reception followed at the Holiday Inn in Liberty.

Miss Olga Kronmeyer of State Road, Grahamsville is now Assistant Professor of Comparative Literature at Ramapo College in Mahwah, New Jersey. She will teach Shakespeare, Romantic Literature and a Freshman and Sophomore Literature course.

### August 23, 1984

Mr. and Mrs. John Barnum are the happy parents of a son, Jeffrey Alan, born in Kingston Hospital on August 15, 1984. He weighed 8 lbs. 9 oz. Mrs. Flossie VanWagner also of Sundown, is the maternal grandmother; Mrs. Elizabeth Barnum of Kerhonkson is the paternal grandmother. Congratulations to all.

The Assembly of God Church in Hasbrouck was the scene of a pretty wedding on August 4, 1984 when Beatrice Mae Curry was united in marriage to Allen Hendrickson. A reception followed at the Neversink Fire House. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Curry of Neversink. The groom is the son of Mrs. L. Johnson of Neversink and Mr. Ted Hendrickson. The bride graduated from Tri-Valley Central School and Sullivan County Community College. She is employed by Eastern Correctional Facility in Ellenville as a secretary. Her husband graduated from Tri-Valley Central School and is a truck driver for Finkelstein and Schwartz in South Fallsburg.

## Household Hint:

### No More Onion Tears

Put an onion in the freezer for a few minutes before you start chopping away. Not only will you not start crying, but no need to wear that unattractive eye gear.

## Nature Column - L. Comando

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

## Silver and Jewels

The Jewelweed near the pond and along the stream is in full bloom. They're water-repellent, so they look like they're covered with tiny jewels (raindrops) after it rains. The underneath part of the leaves are very pale. When leaves are underwater, they look like silver. The trumpet-shaped flowers hanging from the plants resemble jewels from a necklace. Putting this all together, accounts for its common name, Jewelweed. This time of the year, the little seed pods are beginning to ripen. When they are fully ripe, the seed pods explode with a 'pop' when you touch them, thus his plant is also known as Touch-Me-Nots.



Jewelweed is an annual, so it only lives for one year. Jewelweed grows from 3 to 5 feet. It has leaves that are oval, round-toothed with lower leaves that are opposite and upper leaves that are alternate.

This herbaceous native plant has a distinctive succulent, translucent, hollow stem. There is a clear watery liquid inside the stems, especially in the nodes..

Jewelweed blooms from July to October. Generally the blossoms are orange with dark red dots.

Spotted Jewelweed is often visited by nectar-loving animals, such as hummingbirds, bees, and butterflies. These animals help pollinate the plant by accidentally taking pollen with them and dropping it off on another plant. Pollination allows jewelweed to grow fruits and seeds.

The seeds are often eaten by Northern Bobwhite and White-footed Mice.

Jewelweed grows in wetlands, especially in the shade. Often it grows in dense stands -many jewelweed plants together. Jewelweed often grows on the edge of creek beds. We can see it all along the Rondout Creek in Sundown. There is plenty of jewelweed in the wild, and it is not hard to find once you learn to identify it.

Some good things to know about Jewelweed are, that when you are out in the field and find you have been exposed to poison ivy, oak, or stinging nettle you can reach for the jewelweed plant and slice the stem, then rub its juicy inside on the exposed parts. This will promptly ease irritation. Poultices and salves from Jewelweed are a folk remedy for bruises, burns, cuts, eczema, insect bites, sores, sprains, warts, and ringworm.

Originally utilized by the Native Americans, the jewelweed plant has long been recognized as both an anti-inflammatory and general folk-medicine. Many tribes, including the Cherokee, Iroquois, Mohegans, and Ojibwas, used this plant to heal such illnesses as poison ivy rashes, nettle stings, hives, burns, and even the measles. Some also turned the plant into a yellow or orange dye.

Jewelweed may not really turn to silver, but it certainly is worth its weight gold if you ever run into a patch of Stinging Nettles, that is also thrives quite well in Sundown along the creek!!

# OBITUARY (From Pg. 2)

## Barbara Rose Parete

A Mass of Christian Burial was held on Wednesday, July 24 at the St. Francis de Sales Church, Main St. Phoenicia. Burial at the family plot in the St. Francis de Sales Cemetery Rt. 28 Shandaken. Friends were received on Tuesday at the E. B. Gormley Funeral Home 87 Main St. Phoenicia. The family suggests memorial contributions may be made to the Town of Olive Rescue Squad or the Town of Marbletown Rescue Squad. You may share a special memory, photo, or condolence on Barbara's Tribute Wall at <https://www.gormleyfuneralhome.com>

**Vera Viola Gorr**, a lifelong area resident passed away Sunday, July 21, 2024 at the Care Center at Sunset Lake, Liberty, NY. She was 87.

The daughter of the late Morris and Marie Robertson Hyzer, she was born August 6, 1936 in Liberty, NY.

Vera had worked as a waitress at Howard Johnson's and Ted's Restaurant. She was a CNA and also worked at Sullivan County Community College.

Vera absolutely loved to dance and listen to country music. She loved cooking and baking; her homemade cinnamon buns were like no other. She raised four children and spent the majority of her life surrounded by her kids, grandkids and great grandchildren. Her family absolutely adored her and are going to miss her very much. Her home was everyone's home; filled with love, laughter and great food; you never left with an empty stomach. To know Vera was to know love.

Survivors include one son, Ricky Gorr of Grahamsville, NY; one daughter Wanda Leight and her husband Doug of Neversink, NY; seven grandchildren Kathleen (Quintin), Heather, Krystle (Mitch), Christopher, Becca, Daniel, and Wyatt; Great grandchildren, Maddy, Quintin Jr., Callie, Hazel and Raegan. Two brothers, Kenneth Hyzer and Alfred Hyzer. One sister Marie Bassett; along with many nieces, nephews, and other grandchildren.

She was predeceased by her parents; her husband Philip Gorr; three children; Robin Gorr, Randy Gorr, and Alan Gorr; and companion Denny Gray.

Visitation was Wednesday, July 24, 2024 in the Harris Funeral Home West Street at Buckley, Liberty, NY.

Funeral Services were held Wednesday, July 24, in the funeral home. Pastor Joseph LeConey will officiate.

Burial will be in the Laurel Hill Cemetery Cox Road, White Sulphur Springs, NY.

Memorial contributions can be made in Vera's name to a charity of one's choice.

Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the Harris Funeral Home West Street at Buckley, Liberty, NY 845-292-0001 or 845-439-5200 or [www.Harris-FH.com](http://www.Harris-FH.com)

## LOOKING BACK

Beatrice Akerley

Published April 2, 1998

In the early 1930's we were living on the old Shiner farm which joined the Vasko farm. Mrs. Vasko and I became very close friends and we spent many happy hours together. She told me that she was born in Hungary and she and her husband had come over in "the boat." She used to make a kind of cake in a long roil like strudel which had nuts and raisins in it and she often served it when we had tea in her kitchen.

One day when we were drinking tea, she brought out the cake and I asked her for the recipe. She patted me on the cheek and said, "Sure, you come over tomorrow morning when I will be baking and I will give you the recipe". Early the next morning, after the kids left for school, I picked up our baby and went over to her house,

taking my notebook and pencil along.

My friend was just starting to stir up the cake and she said you are just in time, as she reached into a large bag and took out a handful of flour. "How much flour?" I asked, pencil poised. She stared at me a second then showed me the flour in her hand. "Take a pound of butter," she began as she placed butter in a large bowl and with her talented fingers, she threw in the flour, butter and a cup of sugar, mixing with vigor. "How much flour?", I asked, ready to write it down. "It shouldn't be dry", she said and felt the mixture. "Not enough", she shook her head and threw in a little more flour.

Next, a couple of eggs or maybe a little water instead if eggs cost too much for you", she continued, as she threw in raisins and spices. "Feel it" she invited me, and it felt "just right." She then flung the dough on a bread board and patted and pushed and rolled it, then she baked it until it was "done." How long? I guess she knew by the wonderful aroma or by the way the cake looked. It looked marvelous and tasted even better as two friends enjoyed warm cake with a cup of tea.

The few notes that I had written down I threw in the trash for I just knew I could never bake a cake that tasted just like her cake did.

## Permit Requirements and Special Regulations for Peekamoose Valley Riparian Corridor and Blue Hole in the Sundown Wild Forest

Special regulations are in effect for the Blue Hole and Peekamoose Valley because of the huge increase in visitors. The purpose of these regulations is to increase public safety and reduce impacts to the environmental resources. Permits are required to visit the Blue Hole, or to camp at the nearby campsites in the Peekamoose Valley. The Special regulations:

- o Require visitors to obtain a permit for a \$10 fee through Reserve America, consistent with fees for other recreation-oriented Day Use areas in the Forest Preserve.
- o Limit parking to designated parking areas only. Parking along the shoulder of the road is prohibited by the Town and is a Tow Away Zone.
- o Users are required to use portable restroom facilities for human waste disposal and the dumpster for all other waste.
- o Except for the nearby designated camping area, the Blue Hole is only open to the public from one half hour before sunrise to one half hour after sunset.
- o Parking is limited to designated parking areas only. Parking along the shoulder of the road is prohibited by the Town and is a Tow Away Zone.

\*\*\*The following are prohibited at the Blue Hole (limited use will be allowed at the nearby designated camping area only):

- o Camping
- o All fires (including charcoal fires, wood fires, gas grills, propane stoves or other portable stoves)
- o Use of portable generators
- o Alcohol
- o Glass containers
- o Coolers larger than 12" in any dimension
- o Radios and other audio devices

To obtain a permit to the Peekamoose Blue Hole, please visit DEC's website.

<https://dec.ny.gov/places/peekamoose-blue-hole>



## Local Officials Join Senator Oberackers Against Closure of Sullivan Correctional

(From Pg. 1) Sullivan County legislators and the Sheriff's Office were present at the rally, pledging to assist the displaced corrections officers to the best of their ability. They also vowed to continue urging Governor Kathy Hochul to reconsider her decision.

Fallsburg Supervisor Michael Bensimon, who attended the rally, stated that the impact of the closure will be deeply felt.

The closure will affect 371 jobs, including 292 correctional officers who will be allowed to fill positions in other facilities in the state correctional system.

Joining the state senator were members of the Sullivan County Legislature: Chair Nadia Rajsz, Vice Chair Joe Perrello, and Matt McPhillips, Legislator for District 1.

The crowd expressed concern about the impact on small business and restaurants in the area where staff members and their families frequented. Legislator Rajsz added that the closure of the prison is not only affecting Fallsburg but will affect the whole county.

Perrello said the legislators are working on a resolution together to send to Albany, demanding that they not shut down the prison due to the economic and social impact a closure might have on Fallsburg and Sullivan County.

Not in attendance at the rally, Sullivan County District Attorney Brian Conaty put forth the following statement:

"I am incensed at the recent announcement to permanently close the DOCCS Sullivan Correctional Facility and, particularly, the complete lack of notice to all the stakeholders so affected. This facility enjoys a long and proud history integral to the law enforcement community of Sullivan County. This abrupt decision raises more questions than it does answers and will undoubtedly upend the public safety, economy, and lives of those that bravely served this County."

Also joining Senator Oberacker, union President Chris Summers who stated, "The State of New York needs to take bold and creative action to fix the staffing issues that is creating low morale and pushing members to their limits. Closing prisons and expecting different results certainly is not bold and creative, it is shortsighted."

The legislator blamed bail reform and Gov. Kathy Hochul's "disturbing anti-law and order pro-criminal agenda" and called on the Governor to reverse her decision.

Senator Oberacker, along with local officials, expressed concerns about the short



timeline of less than 90 days for the closure and pointed out that the closure will have a significant economic impact on the community.

"90 days to close is totally inadequate. And it's not only unfair to the families who now face economic uncertainty, but from all the tentacles that come out from that," said Senator Oberacker.

No plans have been announced for selling or redeveloping Sullivan Correctional and Great Meadow at this time. Once the two prisons close, DOCCS will work with two other state agencies - Empire State Development and the Office of General Services - to determine their future use.

Once they close in November, Sullivan Correctional and Great Meadow will join a growing inventory of empty prisons on the state's hands, many situated on sprawling tracts of vacant land. Two years ago, a special advisory commission empaneled by the state issued a report recommending ways to redevelop 12 of those properties.

Those redevelopment visions have since aligned with one of Hochul's top priorities: speeding housing construction across the state.

Hochul has vowed to use state-owned properties, including closed prisons, to aid that push. And in June, she announced plans to give the former Downstate Correction Facility in Dutchess County - one of six prisons to close in 2022 - to a developer to build a giant apartment complex with up to 1,300 units on 80 acres.

## SCDW Auditions

### Sullivan County Dramatic Workshop Announces Auditions for Its Upcoming 10-Minute Play Festival South Fallsburg, NY

The Sullivan County Dramatic Workshop is excited to announce auditions for its much-anticipated **10-Minute Play Festival**. The auditions will be held on August 3rd and 4th from 11 AM to 3 PM at the iconic Rivoli Theatre. Seeking passionate and talented actors of all ages to bring this exciting array of short plays to life.

Audition Dates:

August 3rd, 11 AM - 3 PM

August 4th, 11 AM - 3 PM

Location: Rivoli Theatre, 5243 Main St, South Fallsburg, NY 12779

Performance Dates:

September 13th, 14th, 15th

September 20th, 21st, 22nd

Actors will have the chance to showcase their versatility and talent by auditioning for multiple short plays. The 10-Minute Play Festival is an excellent opportunity to work with a diverse group of directors and writers, offering a unique platform to perform in a variety of genres and styles.

For more information: [amber.scdw@gmail.com](mailto:amber.scdw@gmail.com)

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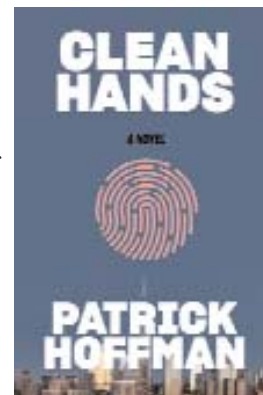
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by John Dwaine McKenna

### Mysterious Book Report No. 411

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High finance, billion dollar banks and a Wall Street law firm on the brink of disaster . . . combined with a talented fixer, a determined, urbane and experienced warrior woman known for her smooth style, velvet touch and iron fist . . . and you'll have just a few of the elements of a recent thriller entitled: *Clean Hands*, (Grove Atlantic, \$26.00, 277 pages, ISBN 978-0-8021-2953-6) by Patrick Hoffman.



Big mergers between mega corporations involve billions of dollars in cash, accounts receivable and debt. They're full of big risks, big paydays and big problems, that, once completed successfully, are cause for big celebrations as well as big congratulations. It's when things go wrong, right in the midst of negotiations however, that the crying starts and the heartache begins. It's when the recriminations, finger-pointing, denials and calls go out for "lawyers, guns and money." It's also where the pulse-pounding *Clean Hands* begins.

The mega-merger between two multi-billion dollar banks has collapsed and a lawsuit has been filed, followed by an even larger counter claim. It's the most high-stakes lawsuit the prominent Wall Street law firm has ever filed in its entire history and survival – as well as the personal wealth of the partners – hangs in the balance. A successful outcome is the only possible option. So, when a junior associate loses his cellphone with a significant number of the firms secret case files on it, panic sets in at the highest levels. Senior partner Elizabeth Carlyle, the lead lawyer, is under extreme duress to get the phone back . . . or else. The threat of ruination is imminent, should the pilfered Iphone fall into the wrong hands. Ms. Carlyle needs help, and deniability, as fast as she can get it. She calls an ex-CIA officer named Valencia Walker, a "high-priced fixer," whose clients include governments, corporations and millionaire tycoons, all handled with the utmost discretion. She retrieves the phone, but finds that it's been copied, and now the law firm is being blackmailed. Negative stories start to run in the press, a lawyer appears to have killed himself, and rumors begin to swirl about dark, and even darker deeds.

This fast-paced, electrifying thriller has it all: gangsters, hit men, shady lawyers, backstabbers, sneaky government agents, corruption in high places, super-patriots and enough bad-assery to fill up a ten-wheel dump truck. It'll keep you enthralled all afternoon during these hot August days of COVID-19 induced shut-in and strife. Be well. Stay well. Enjoy this awesome new author and remember . . .

### Bookmarks are for quitters!!

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John Dwaine McKenna



## The Olive Jar

by Carol Olsen LaMonda

Today, as I write this, I am feeling sad because a dear friend crossed over to the next life. I had no words to express my emptiness at the loss until I read this:

“You have to resurrect the deep pain within you and give it a place to live that's not within your body.

Let it live in art.  
 Let it live in writing.  
 Let it live in music.  
 Let it be devoured by building brighter connections. Your body is not a coffin for pain to be buried in.  
 Put it somewhere else ...

Ehime Ora

So where shall I put my sadness? Shall I use my art supplies? No, I really don't feel like painting today. Then I realize that art doesn't always require a frame. It just might be;

The way Gloria can accessorize an outfit to wear to church  
 How Allison arranges a charcuterie board.  
 How Heather can decorate a holiday table  
 The way Heidi and Sue can make a garden look like a Monet painting  
 How Linda can coordinate a dinner play  
 The amazing way Hoppy's chainsaw can reproduce a bear or eagle  
 The heavenly music that Carol and Iris can create  
 How Martha and Rivka can rearrange words to capture those deep emotions that we feel.

It is also how my friend Barbara could make even strangers feel like they were family.

So I borrowed some wise words:

"What you leave behind is not what is engraved in stone monuments, but what is woven into the lives of others"  
 Thucydides

### AN ADDENDUM:

In thinking about how we can express ourselves in ways other than traditional artists like Kate, Linda, Janette, Sue and Mira can,  
 I realized that I left out those who:  
 Quilt like Jane, Mary Ann, Donna, and Marie  
 Or Knit and crochet shawls, blankets and sweaters like Diane, Peggy and Janet  
 And those who can lead us in yoga like Kathy  
 Or do Reiki like Elise.

We each have a way to express ourselves to share with others.

My friend Barbara was herself the masterpiece. She was known by many names: Nanny, Boo, Barb, Mrs. Parete, and “the queen of the Silver Dollar.” Her art was herself- A masterpiece of genuine love for others. You felt it in her presence; it was real. She cared for others.

## Barefoot in the Park

Auditions for the radio play, “Barefoot in the Park” will be held at the Boiceville Inn on August 16 and 17 from 6 to 8 p.m. and on August 18 from 3 to 5 p.m.

“Barefoot in the Park” by Neil Simon will be a dinner theater planned for August 23, 24, and 25. The director will be Linda Burkhardt.

### The FamilyMemoir, PROSILIO...

... in Greek means "Toward the Sun," was written by Carol Olsen LaMonda. Carol writes the column "The Olive Jar" for *Ye Olde Tri-Valley Townsman*.

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## Calling All Volunteers: We Need You!

By Lisa Carroll

**Grahamsville** –While it’s always our busy season here at the DPL, with planning for the upcoming Little World’s Fair as well as the Giant Pumpkin Party in October, it has become abundantly clear that we are in need of volunteers.

We count on our volunteers for so many things; from helping with children’s programming to moving picnic tables for the GPP...and everything in between. Our mighty group of volunteers makes doing everything we do possible and we are so graciously appreciative of their time and efforts.

So, we’re putting out this all-call for anyone interested in joining our team. As far as volunteering goes, there are many opportunities. There’s helping at the circulation desk, pulling and/or shelving books, assisting patrons with technical issues—the day-to-day activities of a library clerk. Then, there’s assisting with our special programs and events; be that at the Little World’s Fair where there are multiple opportunities to assist; either with book sales, raffle sales or at our famous Strawberry Shortcake booth, or the GPP where volunteers have their pick of different areas to help: set-up, sales, events, clean-up, etc. There’s literally a spot for anyone who would like to assist in making the day as smooth sailing and amazing as it usually is. To inquire about volunteering, please reach out to DPL director, Beth Wolpert at (845) 985-7233 or through email at [bwolpert@rcls.org](mailto:bwolpert@rcls.org). Tri Valley CSD teens looking to fulfill their volunteer hours obligations, letters will be provided.

In other news, Over 100 patrons, family and friends came out to participate in our annual Entertainment Night on July 25 at the Grahamsville Fairgrounds. It was an amazing evening, watching as our families enjoyed the musical talents of upstate NY singer Jared Campbell in celebration of our 2024 “Adventure Begins at Your Library” Summer Reading Program. Every child who attended left the event with a smile on their face and a brand new book—marking the evening a huge success in our eyes. A huge thank you to all the volunteers who come back every year to lend a hand—we couldn’t do it without you!

With the summer reading program reaching its half way mark, I would be remiss to not remind those interested in completing the reading challenges to fill out their forms and return them to the library as soon as possible. Children 5 to 18 who participate in our summer reading program



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## Seeking Money for Youth Activities? Apply to the County's Youth Bureau

Monticello, NY - The Sullivan County Youth Bureau is now accepting grant applications from organizations which serve children and youth within Sullivan County.

The Youth Bureau receives monies annually from the County and the New York State Office of Children and Family Services (OCFS) to fund youth development programs. This year, OCFS, has made available 3 funding sources: Youth Development, Youth Sports and Education Opportunity Program and Youth Team Sports.

Applications and descriptions of requirements for each funding source - and information regarding which one will best meet the needs of your program - can be found at <http://Sullivanny.us/Departments/Youthbureau>.

Eligible applicants include private nonprofit organizations, schools and municipalities.

Organizations that would like to be considered for funding should submit completed applications by Thursday, August 22, 2024. All applications need to be submitted electronically to [Catherine.Paci2@sullivanny.us](mailto:Catherine.Paci2@sullivanny.us).

For more information, please call the Sullivan County Youth Bureau at 845-807-0394.





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## The Scene Too

By Jane Harrison

It was a beautiful day for a party, Saturday was! The gathering/fund raiser 1930 HOEDOWN was held on two levels: The dinner was served on the stunning 2nd floor patio with the music and square dancing down below. I appreciate museums, all, museums and this brought home to me that even though I have been to the Daniel Pierce Library many times, I had not yet been to the TIME AND VALLEYS MUSEUM, something I will have to remedy.

The party was a virtual who's who of prominent persons from this side of the County. It was heartening to see so many coming together for such a worthy cause. And I was surprised at how many people I knew and those who knew me! Chris Mathews, of course. The Muthigs. The Coombes. John and Diana of STORY'S NEVERSINK PLANT COMPANY. David and Theresa Trestyn of THE HEARTBEAT MUSIC HALL. Alan and Lori Fishman, who I haven't seen in quite a while and had a chance to catch up with. Even Mark McLewin of the NEVERSINK GENERAL STORE that provided the amazing spread and helped arranging some of the other donations of edibles and drinkables, popped in.

Then on to the dancing, square dancing that is. With music provided by THE COUNTRY TRAVELERS, I was surprised at how many younger people joined in and KNEW how to do this! Patty Legg's style is absolutely perfect for calling a square dance. Paul Lounsbury deep melodic voice and fiddle breathed new life into old country. When Bob Hunt brought out his banjo, I knew I had to stay a bit longer. Dave Trestyn's bass laid a strong base for the tunes. And Bill Engle and his autoharp brought in a true authentic sweetness. I've never been a big fan of old country, but this band just might change my mind.



It was still early when I tore myself away at 8:30 so off I went out to CABERNET FRANK'S and THE JOHNNY JULES BAND. As most of you already know, Johnny and this band are good friends in addition to being a terrific bluesy band, covering a range of (yes) old country, Dylan, The Band, The Grateful Dead etc, weaving it seamlessly into their sets. CABERNET FRANK'S is also a favorite place of mine and the two together is just great for me. This night was a bit dif-

ferent though. The audience at the tables and bar seemed to held rapt and it was a night where THE JOHNNY JULES BAND played a concert, not a gig. This is a rarity for Frank's and it was wonderful to see the people hanging on every lyric and note. The band's strength is performing what people want to hear, transporting them back to a time that makes them smile.

Next week, I'm off to Jersey for the celebration of INTERNATIONAL BLUES DAY; the day where all over the world, the best of the best come together to celebrate the Blues. For me, it's bittersweet. Several of the musicians who will be at this event were in bands at one time or another with my late husband.

Until next time....

### This is what's coming up this week:

#### Wednesday Night:

Open Mic at the HEARTBEAT MUSIC HALL, Grahamsville; 7pm

THE FRED ZEPPLIN BAND at the ROCK HILL SUMMER CONCERT SERIES; Rock Hill; 6:30pm (bring a chair!)

#### Thursday Night:

Open Mic at CABERNET FRANK'S, Parksville

YASGUR at the Gazebo Park, Kauneonga Lake (part of the Bethel Lakeside Music Series); 6:30pm (bring a chair!)

#### Friday Night:

TALKING MACHINE at the Pickled Owl, Hurleyville; 7pm

BROTALITY at Cabernet Frank's, Parksville; 8pm

#### Saturday Night:

MARC DELGADO at the Pickled Owl, Hurleyville; 7pm

THE MINETTES, TUFFY, FLYIN J & THE GHOSTROBBER at Cabernet Frank's, Parksville; 8p,

#### Sunday:

MUSIC WHERE YOU LEAST EXPECT IT Open Mic at DeFillipe's Bakery, Monticello; 11am-1ish

#### Monday Night:

THE JOHNNY JULES BAND at the Fat Lady Café, Kauneonga Lake; 6pm

#### Tuesday Night:

THE GREATER SEARCH AND RESCUE ORCHESTRA featuring Joanna Gass at BREW, Rock Hill; 6:30pm (This ain't your momma's orchestra!)

## Sullivan County Dramatic Workshop presents the musical "The Wizard of Oz"

Friday, August 9 - The Sullivan County Dramatic Workshop presents the musical "The Wizard of Oz" at the Rivoli Theatre, South Fallsburg, 8:00pm.

Tickets at box office \$20 general admission, \$17 students, seniors, military. Save \$2 per ticket if advance purchase on-line at [www.scdw.net](http://www.scdw.net).

Saturday, August 10 - The Sullivan County Dramatic Workshop presents the musical "The Wizard of Oz" at the Rivoli Theatre, South Fallsburg, 8:00pm.

Tickets at box office \$20 general admission, \$17 students, seniors, military. Save \$2 per ticket if advance purchase on-line at [www.scdw.net](http://www.scdw.net).

Sunday, August 11 - The Sullivan County Dramatic Workshop presents the musical "The Wizard of Oz" at the Rivoli Theatre, South Fallsburg, 2:00pm.

Tickets at box office \$20 general admission, \$17 students, seniors, military. Save \$2 per ticket if advance purchase on-line at [www.scdw.net](http://www.scdw.net).

Friday, August 16 - The Sullivan County Dramatic Workshop presents the musical "The Wizard of Oz" at the Rivoli Theatre, South Fallsburg, 8:00pm.

Tickets at box office \$20 general admission, \$17 students, seniors, military. Save \$2 per ticket if advance purchase on-line at [www.scdw.net](http://www.scdw.net).

Saturday, August 17 - The Sullivan County Dramatic Workshop presents the musical "The Wizard of Oz" at the Rivoli Theatre, South Fallsburg, 8:00pm.

Tickets at box office \$20 general admission, \$17 students, seniors, military. Save \$2 per ticket if advance purchase on-line at [www.scdw.net](http://www.scdw.net).

Sunday, August 18 - The Sullivan County Dramatic Workshop presents the musical "The Wizard of Oz" at the Rivoli Theatre, South Fallsburg, 2:00pm.

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# DEC Seeks Participants for 2024 Summer Turkey Survey

## Public Encouraged to Report Turkey Sightings During Month of August

New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) Interim Commissioner Sean Mahar is encouraging New Yorkers to participate in the State's annual survey for wild turkeys this summer.

“DEC's Summer Wild Turkey Sighting Survey is a great opportunity for people to participate in wildlife science,” Interim Commissioner Mahar said. “Anyone with internet access can participate, simply by reporting their observations while exploring the outdoors.”

Throughout August, participants can record observed dates, locations, sex, and ages of wild turkeys by using an online form as they enjoy the State's beautiful summer landscapes. The form can be filled out on a smartphone, tablet, or computer. The survey form and instructions are available on DEC's website.

DEC has conducted the annual Summer Wild Turkey Sighting Survey with the help of the public since 1996. Many factors, including weather and habitat changes, can impact turkey reproduction and populations. By collecting observations of turkeys in August, DEC estimates how productive the turkey population is each year and compare reproductive success between years. Annual measures of poult production (number of young-of-the-year birds) are important data that help biologists manage wild turkey populations.

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the Summer Wild Turkey Sighting Survey cultivate a collaborative partnership between the public and DEC while providing data that can be used to help manage wildlife species, including turkeys. Summary data from the survey is posted on the Fall Turkey Harvest and Productivity Dashboard on DEC's website.

For additional information and resources, visit:



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o Summer Wild Turkey Sighting Survey  
<https://dec.ny.gov/nature/animals-fish-plants/biodiversity-species-conservation/citizen-science/summer-wild-turkey-sighting-survey>

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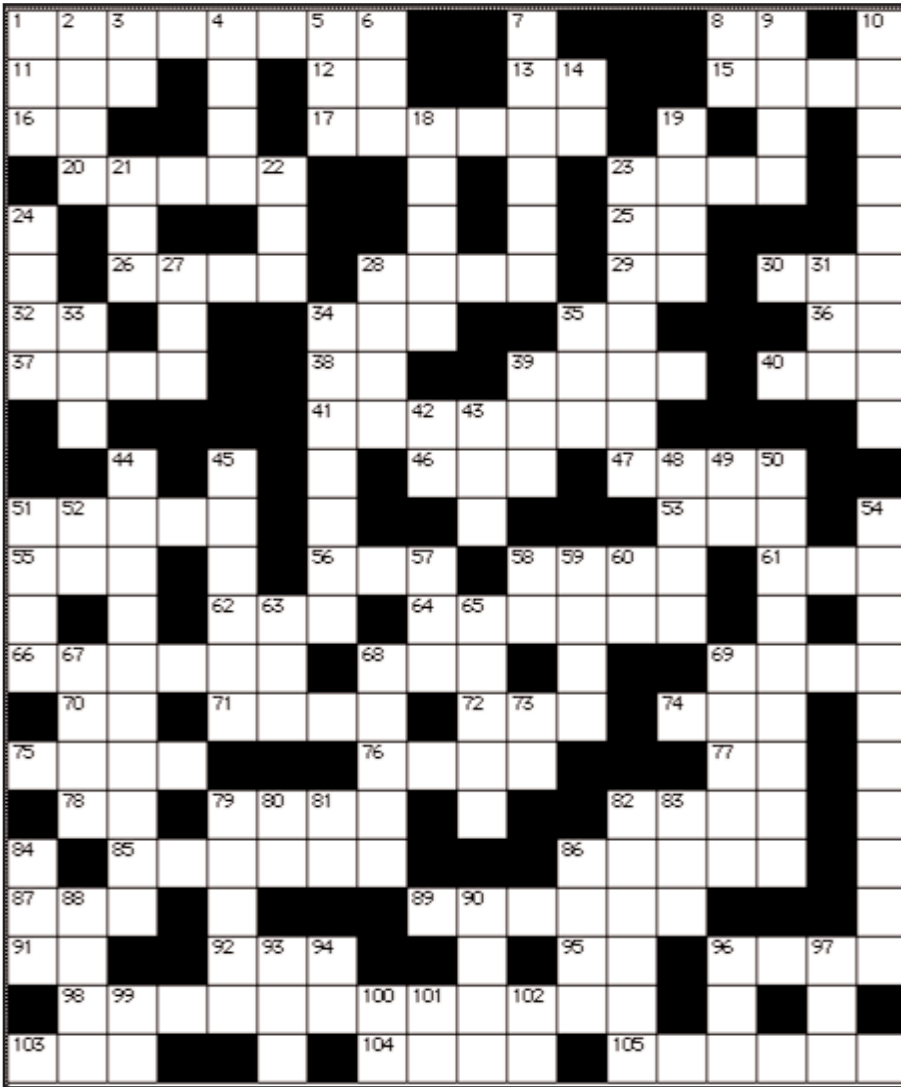
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 30 United Parcel Service  
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 36 Informal 'hello'  
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 39 Work fastener  
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 47 Obtains  
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 53 One of the Gabor sisters  
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 56 Kernel  
 58 Polynesian garlands  
 61 Nothing  
 62 Large coffee cup  
 64 Power of an event  
 66 Wine fruit  
 68 Hot brewed beverage  
 69 Luminous point in the sky  
 70 Mystical sound  
 71 Secure  
 72 Used to express disgust  
 74 Person I am talking to  
 75 Midday  
 76 Having the means  
 77 Fourth note of a major scale  
 78 Missouri  
 79 Tidy  
 82 Emperor of Russia before 1917  
 85 A number of events  
 86 Brand of air rifle  
 87 Single unit  
 89 Woods  
 91 Chemical element for sodium  
 92 Three  
 95 Expressing location of something  
 96 Painting on domestic objects  
 98 Home of TV Bears  
 103 Typical philosophy of an artistic movement  
 104 Attention (abbrev)  
 105 Dinner to a woman  
 7 A source of water  
 8 Advertisement  
 9 Aperture  
 10 TV reservoir where you can kayak  
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 23 Outdoor vacation recreation  
 24 Irritable person  
 27 Expression of human cre-

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 28 Restricted by social custom  
 31 21st letter of the Greek alphabet  
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 34 Angling  
 35 Cut grass  
 39 2000 lbs  
 42 Northeast  
 43 Female deer  
 44 Valley in Sundown that campers love  
 45 Small race of folklore people  
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 50 Place of refuge  
 51 Metal disk that gives a resonate note when struck  
 52 Rugby League  
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 1 cup milk  
 1/4 cup butter or margarine, softened  
 2 (1 ounce) squares unsweetened chocolate, melted and cooled  
 1 cup granulated sugar  
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 Sweetened Whipped Cream

Preheat oven to 350 degrees F. Grease a 9-inch pie plate.

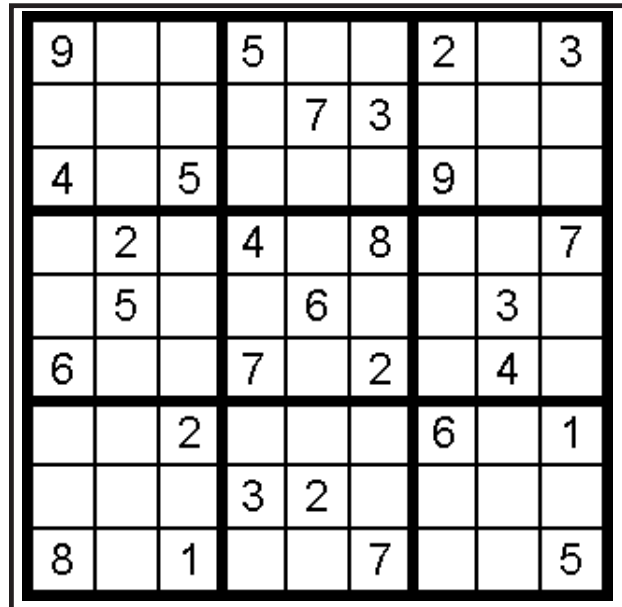
Place all ingredients except sweetened whipped cream in blender container. Cover and blend on high 1 minute. Pour into plate. Bake until no indentation remains when touched lightly in center, about 30 minutes. Cool completely.

Top with sweetened whipped cream.

**Sweetened Whipped Cream**

Pour a pint of whipping cream in a bowl. Beat vigorously. Once it has the right consistency of whipped cream, mix in a teaspoon of vanilla and 1/3 cup of sugar.

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## Pool Passes on Sale

2024 Pool passes for the Town of Neversink Pool located at the Fairgrounds in Grahamsville will go on sale at the **Town of Neversink Town Hall in Grahamsville on June 25, 2024**. The cost of a pass is \$15.00 per person ages 3 and up. Children 2 and under free. Forms are available in the Lobby and also on the Town of Neversink's web site under documents. The Town Hall is open daily from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm. Town of Neversink residency is required. **The Pool is projected to open on July 3rd**. For more information, please contact the Town Clerk's Office at 985-2262 x300 or 307.

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## Tri-Valley CSD Board Meeting

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## DISTRICT FISH STOCKING PROGRAM

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## State Debuts New Portal to Apply for Child Care Assistance

Liberty, NY - New York State's Child Care Application Assistance Portal launched earlier this month and is available through this link: <https://hs.ocfs.ny.gov/CCAPsignup/invite>.

Users will have to sign up for an invite to the portal by entering their e-mail address and county of residence (in this case, Sullivan). They will receive an e-mail invite within 10 minutes of signing up, which will require sign-in with a NY.Gov ID and password. If they do not have one, they can create one through the link.

After signup/sign-in, applicants will be provided information on the Child Care Assistance program, including an eligibility questionnaire, the new portal, and the application dashboard for returning users.

The State has determined maximum amounts a family can make and still qualify for this benefit. While this information can be a helpful tool, families should still submit an application to Sullivan County's Department of Social Services (via the above link) to find out if they qualify. Income is only one factor to qualify for child care assistance in New York State. Other families may also qualify, based on their specific needs.

# DEC Announces "Accessible Recreation" Theme for Latest Love Our New York Lands Photo Contest

## Contest Accepting Photo Submissions through Aug. 31 to Highlight Keeping State Lands Welcoming to All

On the 34th anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) Interim Commissioner Sean Mahar launched a new 'Love Our New York Lands' photo contest highlighting removing barriers to public lands for New Yorkers of all ages and abilities. The winning images will receive prizes and be featured in statewide digital and print campaigns to increase awareness of principles and guidelines that encourage safe, accessible, respectful, inclusive, and sustainable use of public lands.

"DEC is proud to support the Americans with Disabilities Act and is working every day to make more public lands accessible for visitors to enjoy and share with each other," Interim Commissioner Sean Mahar said. "I encourage everyone to check out the many DEC recreation features on the new Accessible Recreation Destinations Map and throughout the DEC website. Plan your next adventure or relaxing escape to nature and send us your pictures of welcoming all ages and abilities to share the outdoors."

Each of the Love Our New York Lands contests will have a different theme. August's theme is "Accessible Recreation" to highlight participation in camping, picnicking, fishing, boating, hiking, nature viewing, and other recreational opportunities for New Yorkers with disabilities, and people of all ages and abilities. Three winning pictures will be chosen that feature creative shots of the public enjoying these and other activities at accessible recreation sites across New York State.

Complementing many recent accessibility improvements and initiatives, DEC launched a new interactive Accessible Recreation Destinations Map designed to showcase wheelchair-accessible features at DEC education centers, campgrounds and day use areas, waterway access sites, and trails, among other features. DEC also created a new Mobility Device Reservation Pilot Program for qualified individuals with disabilities to reserve and use an electrically powered wheelchair device free of charge to access the Camp Santanoni Historic Area in Newcomb, Essex County. DEC's Office of Diversity, Inclusion, and Civil Rights helps ensure compliance with Americans with Disabilities Act, among other requirements, and can provide more information about accessible recreation opportunities statewide.

Prizes will be awarded to the winning photo entries. Photos will be judged on the following criteria: originality; artistic composition; technical quality; and whether the photograph showcases inclusivity in people enjoying New York's outdoor activities safely and responsibly.

Accessible Recreation photo submissions should be emailed to [social@dec.ny.gov](mailto:social@dec.ny.gov) by Aug. 31, 2024, with the subject line "Accessible Rec." The photographer's full name, the DEC land where the image was taken (reference land name, location, and UID code listed in the Accessible Recreation Destination Map pop-up, if applicable), and Instagram/social media handle should also be included. DEC may use photos of facilities featured in a variety of publications and outreach materials, including the Accessible Recreation Destinations Map.

### June Contest Winners

DEC received more than 200 entries from the June "Pride" theme highlighting the importance of sharing State lands with all New Yorkers, including the LGBTQIA+ community, and ensuring a safe and welcoming space. The seven winning color spectrum entries were submitted by:

Pink: Stephanie Buckley

Red: Joey Priola

Orange: Karyn Libretto

Yellow: Tony Colasurdo

Green: Jack Kearney

Blue: Jack Kearney

Indigo/Violet: Joey Priola

View the winning photos on DEC's Flickr page.

New York State has many wonderful opportunities to get outside and enjoy activities year-round, including birding and wildlife viewing; warm-weather adventures like swimming, biking, and horseback riding; cold-weather pursuits such as skiing, snowshoeing, and snowmobiling; and even more challenging adventures like geocaching or rock and ice climbing.

The Love Our New York Lands campaign, launched in 2020 by DEC and State Parks, encourages all users of state-owned lands to recognize that these lands are shared by ALL of us, our families, and our neighbors, and we all need to take care of them. The campaign includes guidance on Leave No Trace™ principles so that visitors can do their part to help ensure these special places are protected for future generations. Love Our New York Lands encourages visitors to be respectful of other visitors in these shared spaces. Visitors are asked to share trails, treat people with kindness, and leave things as they found for others to enjoy. Visitors are encouraged to think of themselves as responsible for helping protect these irreplaceable destinations for future generations. More information is available on DEC's website.

This contest further supports Governor Kathy Hochul's "Get Offline, Get Outside" initiative, which was launched earlier this month to encourage New York's kids and families to put down their phones and computers, take a break from social media, enjoy recreation and outdoor social gatherings by putting their mental and physical health first.

## "DEC Does What?!" Podcast Episode 9 Now Available: Talkin' Trash

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) today released the latest episode of "DEC Does What?!", the bi-weekly podcast that features conversations with DEC experts about the agency's wide-ranging efforts to protect New Yorkers and the environment. Episode Nine—"Talkin' Trash"—explores how DEC is working to promote reuse and recycling efforts statewide and how New Yorkers can help reduce waste in their communities.

New York State is leading the way to advance more sustainable solid waste management and educating people about how to prevent landfilling, protect glass and other recyclables from "wish-cycling," and directly support efforts to reduce climate-altering pollution. In this episode, Sean and Erica welcome Amy Bloomfield and Kayla Montanye, Environmental Program Specialists with DEC's Division of Materials Management, to discuss how New Yorkers can take steps at home to help the recycling process succeed and the policies in place to reduce waste and promote sustainability.

Episode Nine also spotlights the latest environmental news and DEC initiatives, including new proposed freshwater wetlands regulations to protect water quality, habitat, and community resiliency; statewide efforts to increase accessibility at DEC recreational facilities with the Mobility Device Reservation Pilot Program at Camp Santanoni and Accessible Destinations Online Map; and recent state record catches of longnose gar and largemouth bass.

All episodes of "DEC Does What?!" are available on Apple Podcasts, Spotify, YouTube, Amazon Music, and all major podcast platforms.

For more information on "DEC Does What?!", visit DEC's website. <https://dec.ny.gov/news/podcast>



# 'STUPENDOUS CAST' Leads LEND ME A SOPRANO

## Hear what critics are saying about LEND ME A SOPRANO

"We all know the old adage 'laughter is the best medicine' and have probably experienced that moment when something is so funny it takes all our worries away. You forget about the headache or heartbreak and anxiety and give in to the giggles and chortles that make an evening feel light. Well, if you're looking for a cure to what ails you, Shadowland Stages' production of "Lend Me A Soprano" is pretty good medicine."

"The thing that really drives this show is the truly stupendous cast. I walked away from the premiere Saturday night thinking "now that was a dream cast" filled with actors and actresses on the top of their game, with comedic chops and, necessary in a show about opera, vocal ranges to boot."

"Hilarity ensues in "Lend Me A Soprano" in the best ways, and I guarantee you will be laughing about the show long after the curtain call and telling all your friends that they need to make sure they get tickets before it closes."

-Margaret Bruetsch, Sullivan County Democrat

Read the full Sullivan County Democrat review by Margaret Bruetsch here!

[https://www.scdemocratonline.com/stories/shadowlands-lend-me-a-soprano-hits-all-the-right-notes,144545?mc\\_cid=1af73cb85a&mc\\_eid=138a9b9d06](https://www.scdemocratonline.com/stories/shadowlands-lend-me-a-soprano-hits-all-the-right-notes,144545?mc_cid=1af73cb85a&mc_eid=138a9b9d06)



TWO MORE WEEKENDS TO SEE  
LEND ME A SOPRANO!  
Ticket availability this weekend:

GET YOUR TICKETS TO  
LEND ME A SOPRANO

LEND ME A SOPRANO opened to full houses  
and standing ovations this past weekend!

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LEND ME A SOPRANO

Featuring: Katrina Ferguson, Sam Balzac,  
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The Cleveland Grand Opera Company is preparing to welcome world-class soprano Elena Firenzi for her one-night-only performance in the starring role of Carmen. When the great singer arrives late, her passionate husband explodes in a fit of jealousy. Despite the chaotic dance of slamming doors, mistaken identities, and epic egos, the show must go on!

LEND ME A SOPRANO is set to run Thursday through Sunday  
from July 18th to August 4th. Don't miss this hilarious  
production that will have you in stitches from start to finish!

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PRIOR TO CURTAIN

AT THE VENUE WHERE THE SHOW IS PLAYING



Photo by: Jonathan Villegas

# Personal Injury Powerhouse Firm Rutberg Breslow Raises \$50,000 for 2 New York State Law Enforcement Funds

*Golf Tournament Fundraiser Enables Firm's Generous Contribution to Dutchess County 10-13 Foundation and The New York Sheriff's Institute (NYSSI)*



*Pictured Left to Right: Dutchess County Undersheriff Jason Mark, Brian Tarpey (DC 10-13 Vice Chair), Marty Rutberg (Founding Partner Rutberg Breslow Injury Law), DC Sheriff Kirk Imperati, Mike DeRosa (DC 10-13 Treasurer), Larry Breslow (Managing Partner Rutberg Breslow Injury Law), Craig Winters (DC 10-13 member), Chuck Benfer (Pamal Radio)*

POUGHKEEPSIE, NEW YORK - July 25, 2023 - Local law firm, Rutberg Breslow Personal Injury Law raised \$50,000 at their recent golf and gamble overnight fundraiser to be shared between two charities selected by Sheriff Kirk Imperati of Dutchess County and Sheriff Mike Schiff of Sullivan County.

The morning of July 25th, Sheriff Kirk Imperati and Undersheriff Jason Mark of Dutchess County joined Marty Rutberg, Larry Breslow and Chuck Benfer at the Dutchess County Sheriff's office to present the official donation check in the amount of \$25,000 to the members of the Dutchess County 10-13 Foundation of the Hudson Valley. "Receiving this donation of \$25,000 is huge, it's our biggest donation yet. It's going to help continue our mission of helping officers in need," said Brian Tarpey, DC 10-13 Vice Chair.

"They did an outstanding job with this golf tournament raising money for a great foundation," Imperati said. When referencing Dutchess County's partnership with Rutberg Breslow, Sheriff Imperati stated, "We've been friends and had a relationship for over 32 years of my career in law enforcement. They're unbelievably dedicated to our community. They take care of injured people and their families, because that's what they do, and that's what we do too. It's a perfect bond and a great relationship. Because we're on the same page and we do the same thing."

In law enforcement, 10-13 is the code for "officer down, needs assistance." It is those four words that became the basis of the DC 10-13 Foundation. "The foundation helps officers that are in need of assistance. Developed as an organization focused on helping any member of Dutchess County law enforcement, or their families, who have suffered financial hardship due to illness, injury - whether suffered on the job or otherwise - or other unfortunate circumstances. Since its inception, the foundation has expanded to offer assistance throughout the Hudson Valley. No board member or trustee takes a single penny of salary instead, they give back to those who keep us safe every day. According to DC 10-13 board members, the foundation has become "more than a foundation put together by local leaders, citizens, and current and former police officers. This foundation is a community coming together. A community that understands and appreciates the sacrifices of law enforcement and respects what they do to keep us all safe."

"The DC 10-13 foundation helps law enforcement families when bad things happen to them. We consider ourselves lucky to be able to do a little bit of work by getting people to donate and support our golf outing that generated the money that now goes to this agency. We in the firm believe that part of being an attorney is being a positive force in the community. This is part of what we hope we can do every day, a little bit, one day at a time to help others," expressed Marty Rutberg.

The first annual Golf & Gamble tournament was hosted by Rutberg Breslow Injury Law at the Monster Golf Course in Monticello last month and included an overnight stay at Resorts World Catskills. Partnered with the Sullivan County Sheriff and Dutchess County Sheriff, and with the support of Chuck Benfer of Pamal Broadcasting, they garnered substantial support from the community and participants, and raised a considerable sum towards two great causes surrounding law enforcement.

Over the span of the legal lion's more than 100 combined years of service, Rutberg Breslow Personal Injury Law has remained committed to making a positive impact on our community beyond just providing legal representation for personal injuries. While the firm is dedicated to delivering exceptional legal representation, it consistently prioritizes community philanthropy and engagement as part of its mission.



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5:30 pm  
Aug 3, 2024**

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*Sundown United Methodist Church Hall*

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**Mass Times**  
**SUNDAY EUCHARIST**  
5:00 PM Saturday Evening  
7:30 AM Sunday Morning  
10:00 AM Sunday Morning  
(Latin) 11:30 AM Sunday Morning\*  
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**Daily Mass Schedule:** Monday, Tuesday, Friday, and Saturday  
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**Grahamsville United Methodist Church**

**Thrift Sale  
Aug 3  
9 am to 12 noon**

**Grahamsville & Sundown United Methodist Churches  
House Worship Plan  
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Ans to last week's Crossword



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**Grahamsville United Methodist Church**

356 Main St. P.O. Box 86  
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**Thrift Sale Schedule 2024**

August - 3rd and 17th  
Sept - 7th and 21st  
Oct - 12th and 28th  
Nov - 2nd and 18th

**Dec 7th - Holiday Craft Sale**

All sales are from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon

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**Sundown United Methodist Church Covered Dish Supper**

Saturday,

Aug 3, 2024 5:30 pm at the Church Hall

Check out the tables with Yard Sale items available for sale

(Covered Dish Suppers are held the First Saturday of each month at 5:30 pm at the Church Hall)

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7	5	4	1	6	9	8	3	2
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## LOCAL CALENDAR OF EVENTS

8/15/24	Neversink Fire District Commissioner Meeting 7:00pm
8/3/24	<b>Sundown UMC Covered Dish Supper</b> 5:30 Church Hall
8/6/24	Claryville Fire District Monthly Meeting 6:30 pm
8/7/24	Town of Neversink Planning Board Meeting
8/13/24	Denning Town Board & Business Meeting 6:00 pm Denning Town Hall
8/14/24	Town of Neversink Board Meeting 7:00 pm
8/15/24	Denning Town Planning Board Meeting 6:00 pm Denning Town Hall
8/15/24	Neversink Fire District Commissioner Meeting 7:00pm
8/24/24	<b>Claryville Craft and Vendor Fair and Community Yard Sale</b> - 10 am to 3:00 pm

**Save the Date!****144th Little World's Fair - Grahamsville Fairgrounds Aug 16 - 18, 2024****TOWN OF OLIVE MEETINGS ARE AS FOLLOWS:**

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

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

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

## Ulster County Legislature Weekly Calendar Update for the Week Of July 29 - August 2, 2024

Legislative Committee Meetings are  
 Livestreamed at

<https://www.youtube.com/@UlsterCountyLegislature/streams>

**Monday, July 29**

o No Meetings

**Tuesday, July 30**

o No Meetings

**Wednesday, July 31**

o CANCELLED: Fleet Management Review Committee

o 4:00 PM - Ulster County Resource Recovery Agency Reform Committee, in the KL Binder Library, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston & 4204 Six Forks Road Raleigh, North Carolina 27609

**Thursday, August 1**

o 4:00 PM - Ulster County Resource Recovery Agency Reform Committee, in the KL Binder Library, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston

**Friday, August 2**

o No Meetings



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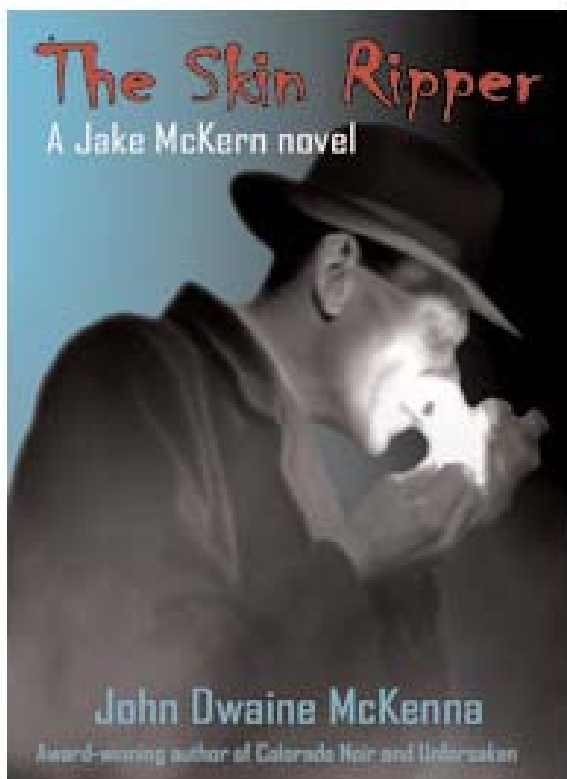


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# *Bittersweet Memories*

## Lost Towns of the Catskill Watersheds

### ARTISTS

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Kate Hyden

Marcia Fink  
Margaret McLaughlin

Caroline Harrow  
Valerie Taggart

Ann Higgins  
Jennifer Weiss

Maureen Winter

# Closing Reception & ART AUCTION!

Sunday, October 6, 2024 2 p.m.

Bids can be placed NOW through October 6th  
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## Time and the Valleys Museum

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## Senator Peter Oberacker Honors Life and Legacy of Senator Jim Seward

ONEONTA, 7/24/24 - New York State Senator Peter Oberacker (R/C-Schenevus) has issued the following statement on the passing of Senator Jim Seward.

"This morning, I was deeply saddened to learn of the passing of Senator Jim Seward, a true icon in New York State politics. As we mourn his loss and extend our heartfelt condolences to Cindy and the entire Seward family, we also pause to celebrate a life well-lived. Jim's legacy, respected by both sides of the aisle, will be remembered with great admiration. I will forever cherish the time I spent with Jim, his invaluable counsel, insightful perspectives, and profound wisdom."



His Lord said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant; you were faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things. Enter into the joy of your Lord.' (Matthew 25:21)

## UC Executive Jen Metzger has released the following statement in response to the NYS Comptroller's Bridge Report:

"Improving our infrastructure is a major priority of my administration, and it is especially critical to make our infrastructure more resilient to the impacts of climate change. That is why in my first County budget, for 2024, I increased bridge crew staffing, and we are actively replacing or rehabilitating eight bridges this season. We have \$38 million in the capital program for bridges, and we will continue to focus on bridge improvements and infrastructure investments as we develop the 2025 budget. It is important th

## Hike for the Catskills!

Help us reach our \$20,000 goal during the 4th Annual Hike for the Catskills (HFTC) from August 1 to August 31!

Celebrate the launch of the event with us at West Kill Brewing on August 3 at 2:30pm and enjoy a complimentary beverage while connecting with fellow HFTC hikers. You can also join one of two guided hikes, Diamond Notch Falls or Platte Clove to Echo Lake, both scheduled to end by 2:00pm so you'll have plenty of time to join the celebration at West Kill Brewing.

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## Sundown United Methodist Church Hall

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seventh annual summer group show  
juried by Melinda Stickney-Gibson

July 20 – September 7, 2024  
Opening: Saturday, July 20, 3 – 5 pm

Robin Adler, Carol Altaneson, Harriet Forman Barrett, Samantha Brinker,  
Jill Carmolko, Heather Caulfield, Linda Champankar, Maxine Dawidowicz,  
Carol Davis, Das Likin, Eric Linn, Danice Bordone, Claudia German,  
Patrizia Grigolo, Martha Hill, Ursula Hirth-Strauss, Danielle Holke,  
Stephen Horowitz, Sue Horowitz, Pat Hough, Jeanne Timblit Kozminski,

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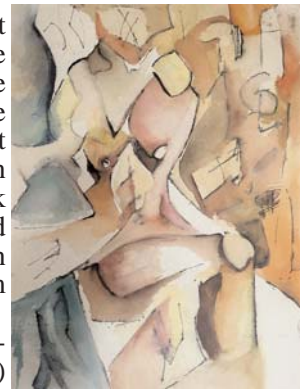
The Old Stone House of Hasbrouck  
August 1 - 18, 2024

Opening Reception: Saturday, August 3rd, 4-7 PM

Andrea Schewkes presents a multimedia exposition of an inspired artist through many stages of creating. This includes collage, photography, drawings and paintings in various mediums. She



was personally taught by Ad Reinhardt and Philip Pearlstein who were her mentors. Her career as an antiques dealer and collector over the years is highlighted in her choice of frames that complement the artworks that consolidate her creative journey. She attended Pratt Graphics, in New York City, and received an



MFA, and awarded 'Best in Class,' from Brooklyn College.

The show is on view Saturdays from 3-6 PM, or by appointment by calling (845) 798-5456.

The Old Stone House of Hasbrouck is located at 282 Hasbrouck Road, Woodbourne, New York, 12788. For more information visit: [www.oldstonehouse.org](http://www.oldstonehouse.org)

## International Overdose Awareness Day Vigil

A Time to Remember. A Time to Act.

Join us as we raise awareness about overdoses and reduce the stigma surrounding drug-related deaths.

How do you and your loved ones talk about what is being done to family members? Share your thoughts. Families share their stories of loved ones who lost their battle with substance use. Remember those with those passed and celebrate those in recovery. Meet organizations and learn about resources available to face this crisis head-on.

Local first responders, medical and dental staff and caregivers will join us in front of the Sullivan County Courthouse, which will be illuminated in purple to symbolize overdose awareness.

Thursday - August 29, 2024  
6 PM at the Sullivan County Courthouse Lawn,  
414 Broadway, Monticello  
Reserve: Friday, Aug 30  
For more information, contact  
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This event is brought to you by a community of organizations working together to end the opioid epidemic in Sullivan County.

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FRIDAY - 9:00 am - 5:00 pm



# DEC Announces "Accessible Recreation" Theme for Latest Love Our New York Lands Photo Contest

## Contest Accepting Photo Submissions through Aug. 31 to Highlight Keeping State Lands Welcoming to All

On the 34th anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) Interim Commissioner Sean Mahar launched a new 'Love Our New York Lands' photo contest highlighting removing barriers to public lands for New Yorkers of all ages and abilities. The winning images will receive prizes and be featured in statewide digital and print campaigns to increase awareness of principles and guidelines that encourage safe, accessible, respectful, inclusive, and sustainable use of public lands.

"DEC is proud to support the Americans with Disabilities Act and is working every day to make more public lands accessible for visitors to enjoy and share with each other," Interim Commissioner Sean Mahar said. "I encourage everyone to check out the many DEC recreation features on the new Accessible Recreation Destinations Map and throughout the DEC website. Plan your next adventure or relaxing escape to nature and send us your pictures of welcoming all ages and abilities to share the outdoors."

Each of the Love Our New York Lands contests will have a different theme. August's theme is "Accessible Recreation" to highlight participation in camping, picnicking, fishing, boating, hiking, nature viewing, and other recreational opportunities for New Yorkers with disabilities, and people of all ages and abilities. Three winning pictures will be chosen that feature creative shots of the public enjoying these and other activities at accessible recreation sites across New York State.

Complementing many recent accessibility improvements and initiatives, DEC launched a new interactive Accessible Recreation Destinations Map designed to showcase wheelchair-accessible features at DEC education centers, campgrounds and day use areas, waterway access sites, and trails, among other features. DEC also created a new Mobility Device Reservation Pilot Program for qualified individuals with disabilities to reserve and use an electrically powered wheelchair device free of charge to access the Camp Santanoni Historic Area in Newcomb, Essex County. DEC's Office of Diversity, Inclusion, and Civil Rights helps ensure compliance with Americans with Disabilities Act, among other requirements, and can provide more information about accessible recreation opportunities statewide.

Prizes will be awarded to the winning photo entries. Photos will be judged on the following criteria: originali-

ty; artistic composition; technical quality; and whether the photograph showcases inclusivity in people enjoying New York's outdoor activities safely and responsibly.

Accessible Recreation photo submissions should be emailed to [social@dec.ny.gov](mailto:social@dec.ny.gov) by Aug. 31, 2024, with the subject line "Accessible Rec." The photographer's full name, the DEC land where the image was taken (reference land name, location, and UID code listed in the Accessible Recreation Destination Map pop-up, if applicable), and Instagram/social media handle should also be included. DEC may use photos of facilities featured in a variety of publications and outreach materials, including the Accessible Recreation Destinations Map.

### June Contest Winners

DEC received more than 200 entries from the June "Pride" theme highlighting the importance of sharing State lands with all New Yorkers, including the LGBTQIA+ community, and ensuring a safe and welcoming space. The seven winning color spectrum entries were submitted by:

Pink: Stephanie Buckley  
 Red: Joey Priola  
 Orange: Karyn Libretto  
 Yellow: Tony Colasurdo  
 Green: Jack Kearney  
 Blue: Jack Kearney  
 Indigo/Violet: Joey Priola

View the winning photos on DEC's Flickr page.

New York State has many wonderful opportunities to get outside and enjoy activities year-round, including birding and wildlife viewing; warm-weather adventures like swimming, biking, and horseback riding; cold-weather pursuits such as skiing, snowshoeing, and snowmobiling; and even more challenging adventures like geocaching or rock and ice climbing.

The Love Our New York Lands campaign, launched in 2020 by DEC and State Parks, encourages all users of state-owned lands to recognize that these lands are shared by ALL of us, our families, and our neighbors, and we all need to take care of them. The campaign includes guidance on Leave No Trace™ principles so that visitors can do their part to help ensure these special places are protected for future generations. Love Our New York Lands encourages visitors to be respectful of other visitors in these shared spaces. Visitors are asked to share trails, treat people with kindness, and leave things as they found for others to enjoy. Visitors are encouraged to think of themselves as responsible for helping protect these irreplaceable destinations for future generations. More information is available on DEC's website.

This contest further supports Governor Kathy Hochul's "Get Offline, Get Outside" initiative, which was launched earlier this month to encourage New York's kids and families to put down their phones and computers, take a break from social media, enjoy recreation and outdoor social gatherings by putting their mental and physical health first.

# LETTER TO THE EDITOR:

## Weapons Proving Gound In Ukraine

As a former Navy enlisted and officer, and in a family that had a close relative serve in every war from the Civil War to the War On Terror, I closely follow the impact of world affairs on our military posture.

Ukraine is supported in its war with Russia with vast amounts of military equipment from the U.S. and European countries. This is necessary to prevent Russia from overrunning Ukraine and then threatening NATO countries. A side, but vitally important benefit, is the utilization of our military equipment in Ukraine enables us to evaluate its performance under battlefield conditions against a potential enemy.

The Ukraine War has revealed that tanks, other vehicles, artillery and troops can be exposed to destruction by inexpensive and readily available drones. This has necessitated revamping some of our forces to incorporate the use of drones in offensive operations and develop defenses against drone attacks. We have learned a lot about the effectiveness of our missile firing systems. Developing systems to counter GPS jamming by the Russians has become a priority for Ukraine and the U.S.

The war has enabled us to evaluate and improve command and control systems, communications, and weapon systems under battlefield conditions, which should prove valuable in any future encounters with a potential enemy. Also, the war is depleting and weakening the Russian military.

Donald Moskowitz  
Londonderry NH



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# Governor Hochul, Amtrak and New York State Department of Transportation Announce Tickets now Available for Direct Train Service to Great New York State Fair

*Daily Train Service Ensures Fairgoers Can Experience a Safe, Convenient, Cost-Effective and Environmentally Friendly Way To Travel*

Governor Kathy Hochul, in conjunction with Amtrak and the New York State Department of Transportation, announced that tickets are now on sale for direct train service this summer to and from the Empire state's largest annual event - the Great New York State Fair. The daily train service allows Amtrak customers and Fair visitors to combine the benefits of a safe, convenient and environmentally sustainable travel option, with the experience of one of New York State's premier summer events complete with top musical performances, agricultural exhibits, family fun and delicious food. Four trains will make daily stops at the Fair throughout its 13-day duration, starting Wednesday, August 21 and continuing through Monday, September 2. Tickets are available now at Amtrak.com, via the Amtrak mobile app, at the station ticket counters, or by calling 1-800-USA-RAIL.

"There is something for everyone at the Great New York State Fair - delicious food, live music, rides and games, and exhibits highlighting the best in New York agriculture - and getting there on the train makes it easier than ever to enjoy one of the largest events in Upstate New York," Governor Hochul said. "Direct train service allows fairgoers to safely arrive and explore the Fair."

By taking the train, Fair visitors will skip tolls, traffic, and parking fees, and save on gas by arriving steps from the fairgrounds via select Empire Service (Trains 281, 283 and 284) and Maple Leaf (Train 64) trains, which will make daily stops at the State Fair (in between stops at Rochester and Syracuse stations). The Amtrak stop at The Fair is in the rear of the fairgrounds, adjacent to the Suburban Park concert area. Train service to the Fair includes:

- o Maple Leaf Train 64 - Departs Toronto at 8:20 a.m. and arrives at the Fair at 2:28 p.m.
- o Empire Service Train 281 - Departs New York at 10:21 a.m. and arrives at the Fair at 4:19 p.m.
- o Empire Service Train 283 - Departs New York at 1:21 p.m. and arrives at the Fair at 7:11 p.m.
- o Empire Service Train 284 - Departs Niagara Falls at 6:27 a.m. and arrives at the Fair at 9:23 a.m.

New York State Department of Transportation Commissioner Marie Therese Dominguez said, "The Great New York State Fair is one of the premier attractions in the Northeast, and one that I look forward to every year. Whether it's your first time attending the Fair, or like me, it's a yearly tradition, there is no better way to travel there, than by train - it's easy, cool and convenient! Thanks to our partners at Amtrak for once again providing this great travel alternative."

New York State Agriculture Commissioner Richard A. Ball said, "Our Great New York State Fair is, first and foremost, an incredible annual showcase of New York agriculture's rich traditions and new innovations. Not to mention, it's just great fun! We are grateful for our partnership with Amtrak and NYSDOT that helps to bring more fairgoers - from across New York State and beyond - right to our doorstep so they can learn more about New York ag and experience all the magic that this 13-day experience

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Amtrak Vice President, State Supported Services Ray Lang said, "Providing Amtrak service to the Great New York State Fair is an annual tradition we are proud to continue. Thanks to Governor Hochul and our partners at NYSDOT, New Yorkers can experience all the benefits of taking the train before and after the fun, food, and games they'll enjoy at the Fair."

Amtrak has been offering train service to the New York State Fair since 2002. The Amtrak station code for the New York State Fair is NYF. Customers can also spend less on their trip with Amtrak's See NY and Save discount when booking online at least five days in advance of travel or via everyday discounts for kids, seniors, military groups and more. Customers will enjoy free Wi-Fi, Business Class seats, the freedom to use phones and electronic devices at all times (no "airplane mode"), a café car, ample leg room and large spacious seats.

The Great New York State Fair opens Wednesday, August 21 and continues through Labor Day, September 2. Admission is \$8 plus fees for adults, and children 12 and under and those aged 65 and older are free. Tickets include access to all grounds entertainment, agricultural competitions and exhibits, and admission to concerts in Chevy Court and Suburban Park.

Founded in 1841, the Great New York State Fair showcases the best of New York agriculture, provides top-quality entertainment and is a key piece of the state's CNY Rising strategy of growing the Central New York economy through tourism. It is consistently recognized as one of the top five state fairs in the United States.

The New York State Fairgrounds is a 375-acre exhibit and entertainment complex that operates all year. Audiences are encouraged to learn more about the Great New York State Fair online, and follow the fun through photos on Flickr, as well as by engaging with the Fair on social media via Facebook, X and Instagram.



## Governor Hochul Expands Access to Lifesaving Overdose Emergency Kits in Domestic Violence Programs Across New York

- *Assistance for Survivors of Domestic and Intimate Partner Violence, Who Are at Increased Risk of Overdose*
- *Continues New York's Efforts to Address Opioid and Overdose Epidemic Including Providing Nearly 700,000 Naloxone Kits Statewide, Making More than \$335 Million in Opioid Settlement Funds Available, and Deploying Mobile Units and Other New Strategies*

Governor Kathy Hochul today announced that domestic violence shelters and service providers across New York State will now have access to free Overdose Emergency Kits following a partnership between the New York State Office for the Prevention of Domestic Violence (OPDV), the Office of Addiction Services and Supports (OASAS), and the Office of Children and Family Services (OCFS). The kits are made possible by Project COPE (Community Overdose Prevention Education), a Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) grant-funded initiative.

“The opioid and overdose epidemic has impacted far too many New Yorkers,” Governor Hochul said. “Alongside harm reduction, preventive, and treatment support programs, the expanded access to lifesaving overdose emergency kits in domestic violence programs will save lives, and we will continue to focus State resources towards addressing the overdose epidemic effectively and compassionately.”

This initiative continues Governor Hochul's aggressive, ongoing efforts to address the opioid and overdose epidemic. Over the past 18 months, New York has distributed nearly 700,000 Overdose Emergency Kits statewide, including many through New York's first-in-the-nation online ordering portal. <https://forms.ny.gov/s3/Harm-Reduction-Order-Form>

An Overdose Emergency Kit is a wall-mounted metal box that contains naloxone, the medicine that rapidly reverses an opioid overdose. As part of this new initiative, residential domestic violence providers can place a kit in their shelters so that residents and staff have access to this life saving medication. Also included in the boxes are training resources for administering naloxone. Additionally, Project COPE is offering free training for domestic violence program staff on harm reduction and overdose prevention.

Research has repeatedly shown a strong correlation between domestic violence and substance use. One example is through substance use coercion, a prevalent but underrecognized form of abuse that poses a significant danger to survivors. Additionally, studies show people who are abused are more likely to use substances as a way to cope with abuse related trauma and physical harm. Survivors experience unique risk factors that put them at increased risk of overdose, including pervasive social stigmas towards both survivors and substance use that can cause major barriers to accessing care. This means many survivors are unable to obtain lifesaving overdose prevention tools like naloxone. Domestic violence programs are uniquely poised to bridge this gap through offering naloxone onsite to survivors.

Through this partnership, OPDV, OASAS and OCFS hope to reach survivors of domestic and intimate partner violence who may otherwise never have access to lifesaving resources like



naloxone due to the numerous barriers they face.

In addition to this effort, New York is continuing to address the opioid and overdose epidemic by:

- o Leading the nation by making more than \$335 million in opioid settlement funding available to support a full continuum of prevention, treatment, harm reduction, and recovery initiatives in New York State. This funding is being distributed in accordance with the priorities of the Opioid Settlement Fund Advisory Board. More information on the initiatives this funding is supporting is available here. <https://oasas.ny.gov/fy-2023-opioid-settlement-fund-initiatives>
- o Creating mobile units that bring services directly to people in their communities, offering admission assessments and medication induction for all types of MAT, medication administration and observation, toxicology tests, and other medical services. They are designed to reach people who face barriers accessing traditional brick-and-mortar locations.
- o Deploying outreach and engagement services support teams that connect high-risk individuals and populations to harm reduction and treatment services and provide health education.
- o Establishing Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinics (CCBHCs) to provide an array of coordinated services to address substance use and/or mental health, including crisis intervention, screening and assessments, and treatment planning.
- o Opening crisis stabilization centers to provide support, assistance, and urgent access to care for individuals experiencing a crisis situation related to substance use and/or a mental health condition. These programs assist individuals experiencing a mental health or substance use crisis 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

# Governor Hochul Announces More than \$7.1 Million in Urban and Community Forestry Grants to 23 Projects Statewide Inflation Reduction Act-Funded Projects Plant Trees and Increase Community Forest Resiliency in Disadvantaged Communities

*Planting Projects Will Contribute to Governor's '25 Million Trees by 2033' Goal*

Governor Kathy Hochul announced the recipients of the Urban and Community Forestry Grants funded by the U.S. Forest Service through the historic Inflation Reduction Act. Grants totaling more than \$7.1 million will support 23 urban forestry projects, particularly in disadvantaged communities most burdened by environmental pollution and the effects of climate change. The awards directly complement Governor Hochul's 2024 State of the State commitment to plant 25 million trees by 2033 and recent commitments through the Clean Water, Clean Air and Green Jobs Environmental Bond Act and other New York State investments to cultivate greener, healthier communities.

"President Biden's Inflation Reduction Act is delivering for New Yorkers by providing equitable access to trees, improving air quality, reducing extreme heat, and providing many other benefits for New Yorkers," Governor Hochul said. "New York State is grateful to partner on these projects as part of \$87 million in total federal grants that will help grow state and local efforts to plant and care for public trees, foster healthier environments, and enhance quality of life."

The selected projects represent a collaborative effort between local governments, nonprofit organizations, and community groups to create more equitable and resilient urban forests in the face of increased storms and extreme heat driven by climate change. Among the funded projects are initiatives to engage with the public in tree planting and stewardship efforts, increase tree canopy in public open space, and increase or expand planting along roadways in disadvantaged communities. These efforts align with Governor Hochul's broader conservation and environmental agenda, including enhancing existing open spaces that count towards New York State's goal to preserve 30 percent of land and water by 2030, supporting the State's climate goals, and advancing environmental justice statewide.

The grants are administered through DEC's Urban

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and Community Forestry Program, which works to increase public awareness of the importance of trees and helps communities to create healthy forests while enriching quality of life for residents.

Funding for this grant is made available through the state allocation from the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Forest Service through the Inflation Reduction Act (IRA). The USDA Forest Service is allocating this funding to support projects in disadvantaged communities to increase and maintain a healthy urban canopy and equitable access to trees and the benefits they provide. The Forest Service's Urban and Community Forestry Program authorizes funding for a broad range of activities, such as urban wood utilization, urban food forests, extreme heat mitigation, and workforce development.

Senate Majority Leader Chuck Schumer said, "New York, get your shovels out and get ready to dig for countless new trees! This \$7+ million in federal funding from the Inflation Reduction Act I championed will help urban forests blossom from Binghamton to Batavia and Rochester to New Rochelle. (Contd. Pg. 39)



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(From Pg. 38) I fought hard to plant funding for trees in the Inflation Reduction Act so our communities can address the effects of pollution and brutal heat from climate change by planting urban forests. More trees mean a greener and cleaner environment and a better community for all. I'm grateful for Governor Hochul's partnership ensuring that these federal dollars are put to good use building a cooler and greener future for New York."

Senator Kirsten Gillibrand said, "Expanding access to trees and green spaces gives our communities a higher quality of life. I'm so proud to deliver this \$7.1 million in Inflation Reduction Act funding that will help combat extreme heat and improve New Yorkers' air quality. This money will help bring new life to communities across New York State and provide families with a greener, healthier environment."

Representative Pat Ryan said, "Tree coverage is an absolute necessity for a thriving city, especially as the Hudson Valley swelters under one historic heat wave after another this summer. I'm proud that these investments will increase canopy cover, improve climate resilience, and create good-paying jobs along the way. I'll keep fighting to bring home more federal dollars from the landmark Inflation Reduction Act to make the Hudson Valley a sustainable and vibrant home for generations to come."

The following is a list of awarded projects in the Mid-Hudson region:

Orange County

o Orange County Parks and Recreation - \$63,154; Ash Tree Management in Disadvantaged Communities

Ulster County

o City of Kingston - \$491,550; Community Forest Management Plan Implementation

Westchester

o City of New Rochelle - \$35,000; Ash Tree Management in Disadvantaged Communities

To further achieve New York's climate goals, Governor Hochul's 2024 State of the State Address and the 2024-25 enacted State Budget included \$47 million through the Clean Water, Clean Air and Green Jobs Environmental Bond Act to support the goal of planting 25 million trees statewide by 2033. This goal will invigorate the State's tree planting efforts through multi-year annual grants to municipalities to plant trees in support of resilient reforestation and urban forests, modernize DEC's Colonel William F. Fox Memorial Saratoga Tree Nursery, and engage the next generation of environmental stewards.



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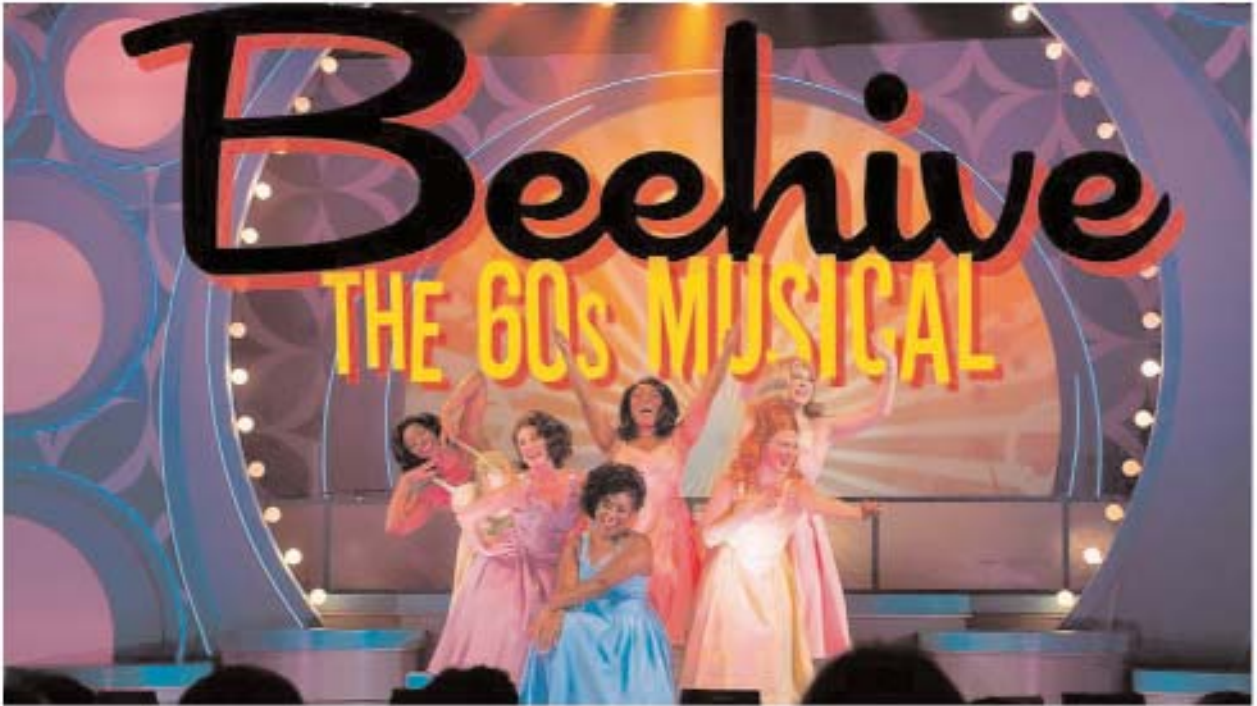
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From **10-6**

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## Freddie Jacobs, Henry Simon, Van Manakas and Ellen Iovino to Perform at SC Museum Concert this Sunday



For Sunday August 4th's concert at the Sullivan County Museum, featuring legendary trumpeter Freddie Jacobs, we have now added Rounder Recording artist Van Manakas (guitar), and Ellen Iovino (vocalist) to the show. Van and Ellen will open the concert and perform a short set of Jazz standards with Freddie on trumpet. This promises to be an extraordinary event!

For the second set Little Sparrow will perform songs from their repertoire of Neil Young, John Prine, Grateful Dead, Bob Dylan, etc., and Van, Freddie and Ellen will join them. This concert will also be one of the last chances to hear 18 year old guitarist and recent Sullivan West graduate Henry Simon performing with the band. Henry leaves for college at the end of August.

The show begins at 2:00pm.

Don't miss this free summer concert!

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Want more info? **Contact: Paul Kelly @ 845-985-0081 or Cher Woehl @ 845-985-2401**  
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Check out our NRAMA Facebook Page for additional info on the show and the raffle.

# Gillibrand, Schumer, Garbarino, Goldman, D'Esposito Introduce Bipartisan, Bicameral Legislation to Fix World Trade Center Health Program Funding Shortfall

WASHINGTON, D.C. - Today, U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand (D-NY), Senate Majority Leader Chuck Schumer (D-NY), and U.S. Representatives Andrew Garbarino (R-NY), Anthony D'Esposito (R-NY), and Dan Goldman (D-NY) held a press conference with advocates and survivors to introduce the 9/11 Responder and Survivor Health Funding Correction Act of 2024. The bill provides permanent and mandatory funding for the World Trade Center Health Program (WTCHP) and updates an outdated funding formula to prevent a future funding shortfall and ensure that survivors and first responders don't lose access to care. The senators and representatives were also joined by 9/11 advocate John Feal, President of the Uniformed Firefighters Association of Greater New York Andrew Ansbrosi, President of the NYPD Sergeants Benevolent Association Vincent Vallengo, and 9/11 advocate Phil Alvarez.

## Summary of the 9/11 Responder and Survivor Health Funding Correction Act of 2024:

1. Provides funding to prevent cuts in services and deal with program deficit over the next ten years.
2. Fixes funding formula after FY2034 to ensure adequate funding in the future for life of program till it expires in 2090.
3. Increases funding for research and data collection on 9/11 conditions.

4. Makes certain technical corrections to the current statute
- Read the fact sheet here.

<https://www.gillibrand.senate.gov/wp-content/uploads/2024/07/24.07.18-911-Responder-and-Survivor-Health-Funding-Correction-Act-of-2024-FACT-SHEET-2.pdf>

"Yet again, we are introducing a bill to fix a projected funding shortfall in the World Trade Center Health Program," said Senator Gillibrand. "It's time to fix this issue once and for all. 9/11 first responders and survivors need guaranteed health care, period. Our bill provides permanent and mandatory funding for the WTCHP so that no 9/11 hero has to worry about losing coverage year after year. This is bipartisan, bicameral legislation and I am confident we will get it passed."

Senator Schumer said, "From the moment of the attack, brave first responders and everyday folks made a sacrifice on that day - and in the months that followed - that honored their country. As time passed, we learned that service and sacrifice had a cost. I am proud to have secured nearly \$1.7 billion for the 9/11 health program in the past two years, but these heroes should not live in fear that one day the care they need might not be there. I am proud to introduce this new bill to permanently fund the 9/11 health program. It will ensure that no first responder or survivor ever goes without the care they deserve, and I will work tirelessly with members on both sides of the aisle until it becomes law."

"There are more than 132,000 Americans enrolled in the World Trade Center Health Program. That includes responders and survivors of all ages and from every state in the nation. They are suffering from more than 60 different types of cancers and a series of other chronic conditions. They are dealing with these illnesses because they were there that horrible day, or in the days that followed. It's because they helped pull survivors from the wreckage, clear debris, and put our city back together. For that, we owe them a debt and we mean to deliver on it," said Congressman Garbarino. "Over the last several years, we have successfully chipped away at the program's funding shortfall - first securing \$1 billion, and then an additional \$676 million to keep the program afloat. With the introduction of this bill, we hope to move past the piecemeal funding solutions and fully fund 9/11

health care for all those who need it. This is not a Republican or Democrat issue. This is not a New York issue. This is an American issue, and I urge every one of my House and Senate colleagues to remember that and support this legislation."

"During my career as an NYPD Detective, I was proud to serve alongside scores of heroic law enforcement professionals who charged into danger on September 11th to defend the city they swore to protect, and it is vital now that this country does everything possible to support those facing healthcare complications stemming from that fateful day. I am proud to co-lead the bipartisan 9/11 Responder and Survivor Health Funding Correction Act of 2024 in order to ensure eligible Americans are able to continue receiving important healthcare via the World Trade Center Health Program and that this program remains fully funded for years to come," said Congressman D'Esposito.

"While over twenty years have passed since the 9/11 attacks, so many of our heroic responders and survivors continue to carry with them the burden of that terrible day as they have fallen sick from the air surrounding Ground Zero," said Congressman Nadler. "Congress must uphold the promise made to our first responders and survivors by fully funding the WTCHP to provide the injured and their families the aid they need and deserve. I'm proud to join my colleagues in introducing the 9/11 Responder and Survivor Health Funding Correction Act of 2024, which will address the funding shortfall to keep the program available for those who need it for years to come."

"In 2019 I told my team of warriors to put down their swords and pick up their rakes go home and plant something with a loved one. You are all farmers now. I should have listened to my own words. I implore my Senators from NY and Congressman from Long Island to get this piece of legislation done ASAP so I can go home and grab my rake. The WTCHP is a lifeline, a heartbeat, a pulse for tens of thousands. Not taking this serious is reckless and an insult to Yesterdays heroes and survivors," said 9/11 Advocate John Feal.

"Our City and our Nation paid a heavy price on September 11, 2001, one which my members and first responders across the U.S. continue to pay for willingly and selflessly answering the call to duty," said NYPD Sergeants Benevolent Association President Vincent Vallengo. "The courage displayed by these men and women in the response to 9/11 lifted up our nation in its hour of greatest need, and now Congress must do its duty and keep the faith with these heroes by passing the '9/11 Responder and Survivor Health Funding Correction Act.' The SBA is grateful for the leadership of Sen. Gillibrand, Sen. Braun, Leader Schumer, Rep. Garbarino, and the New York Delegation on this important legislation and ensuring that 9/11 responders and survivors will continue to get the care that they deserve."

"Five years ago last month, my brother NYPD Det. Luis (Lou) Alvarez, in his last few days on this earth, sick from a 9/11 related Cancer, traveled to Washington D.C., like FDNY Firefighter Ray Pfeifer and so many before him, forced to come and plea for legislation that would take care of those suffering from exposures on that dreaded day in our history. Approximately two weeks later, on June 29th, 2019, we lost my brother. Today, I applaud Congressman Garbarino and Senator Gillibrand and others that are working together and trying to make sure those that those that are sick and dying from 9/11 exposures never have to make that trip again. On behalf of the Alvarez family, I offer our gratitude, never forget Lou Alvarez and our 9/11 heroes," said 9/11 Advocate Phil Alvarez.

After years of efforts and calls on the federal government, Congress established the WTCHP on a bipartisan basis in 2011 with a five-year authorization to provide medical treatment and monitoring for 9/11 responders and survivors suffering from the effects of the toxins at Ground Zero. The program covers the lifespans of all exposed, including responders and survivors of the attack on the World Trade Center, the Pentagon, the Shanksville crash site, children who were in schools in downtown Manhattan on 9/11 and during clean-up, and those who have since experienced, or are expected to experience, adverse health effects that are linked to the attacks in the coming years. The program was reauthorized in 2015 and extended through 2090 with bipartisan support. In 2022, lawmakers delivered \$1 billion for the WTCHP in the end-of-year spending bill, and in 2023, they secured an additional \$676 million for the program.

Unfortunately, this funding is not enough to keep pace with the anticipated costs of providing the program's services for over 120,000 9/11 responders and survivors, who span all fifty states and 434 of the 435 congressional districts. Without additional funding, the WTCHP will have to start making cuts to services for 9/11 responders and survivors and start turning away new responders and survivors who become sick from 9/11-related conditions.





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An Evening of Cello Music

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### More about our warrior Nick....

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

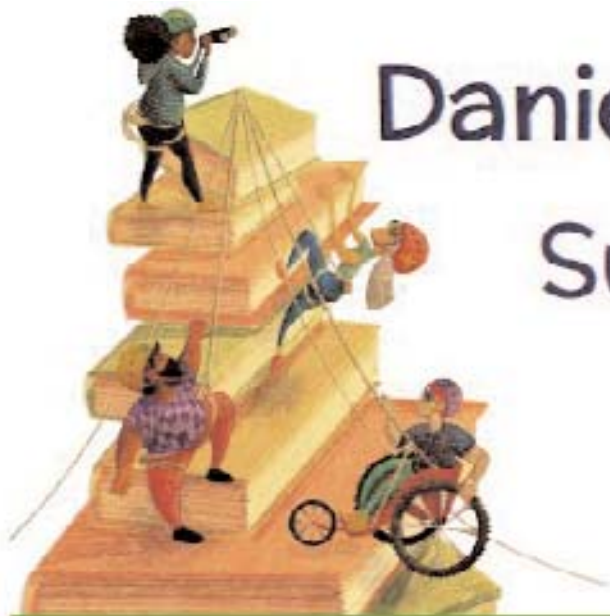
Nick has such a big heart and is loved by so many in our community. We all want Nick to have the best quality of life and going through dialysis does not provide that quality. We hope and pray a kidney comes to us and that Nick will be able to live a happy and healthy life doing what he loves and that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

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

*For any other questions  
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## 2024 SHOW DATES

### THURSDAY 7/4/24: LIBERTY RISING STREET FAIR

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SHOW TIME 9:00 AM TILL 4:00 PM JUDGING 1:00 PM TROPHIES GIVEN OUT AT 3:00 PM  
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PRICE \$15.00 PER VEHICLE TROPHIES WILL BE TOP 25; KIDS CHOICE; JUST BECAUSE;  
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### SATURDAY 7/13/24 WURTSBORO FOUNDERS DAY

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SHOW TIME 10:00 AM TILL 5:00 PM JUDGING 1:00 PM TROPHIES GIVEN OUT AT 3:30 PM

PRICE \$15.00 PER VEHICLE TROPHIES WILL BE TOP 30; KIDS CHOICE; JUST BECAUSE;  
BOARD OF TRADE CHOICE; CLUB PICK AND BEST OF SHOW.

### SUNDAY 8/11/24 MONTICELLO BAGEL FEST

ANY MAKE ANY MODEL CAR CLUB SHOW, BROADWAY MONTICELLO, NY 12701

SHOW TIME 10:00 AM TILL 5:00 PM JUDGING 1:00 PM TROPHIES GIVEN OUT 3:30 PM

PRICE \$15.00 PER VEHICLE TROPHIES WILL BE: TOP 40; KIDS CHOICE; JUST BECAUSE;  
CLUB PICK; CHAMBER CHOICE AND BEST OF SHOW

### SATURDAY 9/21/24 OUTPOST BBQ SHOW

ANY MAKE ANY MODEL CAR CLUB SHOW, 6611 ROUTE 209 KERHONKSON, NY 12446

SHOW TIME 10:00 AM UNTIL 5:00 PM JUDGING 1:00 PM TROPHIES GIVEN OUT 4:00 PM

PRICE PER VEHICLE \$15.00 TROPHIES WILL BE: TOP 25; KIDS CHOICE; JUST BECAUSE;  
CLUB PICK; OUTPOST BBQ CHOICE AND BEST OF SHOW.



## UC Launches AED Grant Program for Camps and Youth Sports Programs

KINGSTON, NY - Ulster County has launched a new grant program with \$250,000 of American Rescue Plan Act funding to support the purchase of Automatic External Defibrillators (AEDs) for youth sports programs and summer camps.

An amendment to New York State Public Health Law that was signed into law in January requires that all summer camps and youth sports programs make at least one AED available and ensure that at least one individual present in activities is certified in its use. To support this public safety initiative and help local camps and youth programs meet these new costs, the County will provide up to \$5,000 per organization for equipment and training, upon submission of a Cardiac Emergency Implementation Plan.

This grant is available for non-profit (501c3) camps as well as youth games and sports programs that are not municipally operated. Grant applications are due by October 15, 2024. A copy of the application can be found at [bit.ly/3SvNcTf](https://bit.ly/3SvNcTf). For more information, email [AEDGrant@co.ulster.ny.us](mailto:AEDGrant@co.ulster.ny.us).

"An AED can save a life in the event of sudden cardiac arrest, and it makes good sense for every summer camp and sports program to have this equipment at the ready and to have an individual trained in its use," said Ulster County Executive Jen Metzger. "I want to thank the Ulster County Legislature for creating this ARPA-funded program, which will help ensure that camps and sports programs can afford to make this essential public health and safety investment."

"The use of Automatic External Defibrillators in youth sports is crucial," said Legislator Tom Corcoran, ARPA Committee Chair. "Young athletes are 3.5 times more likely to experience sudden cardiac arrest than non-athletes. This grant is instrumental in helping to protect thousands of kids in Ulster County, and takes a significant step toward saving these precious young lives."

"With growing concern and focus on health and safety in youth sports, this program could have a life-changing impact," said Legislator Abe Uchitelle, Chair of Health, Human Services and Housing Committee. "Even if one child's life is saved, it will all be worth it."

"As both the Director of Emergency Services and a coach in the Highland Youth Football and Cheer Program, I wholeheartedly support this initiative," said Everett Erichsen, Ulster County Department of Emergency Services Director. "AEDs can mean the difference between life and death in cardiac emergencies, and making them more accessible at youth sports events and camps is a game-changer for our community's safety. This \$250,000 grant program demonstrates Ulster County's commitment to protecting our young athletes and ensuring peace of mind for parents and coaches alike. By investing in these life-saving devices, we're not just enhancing safety, we're also educating our community about the importance of emergency preparedness. It's a proactive step that could save young lives and set an example for others to follow."

"As of May 21st, 2024, New York State Public Health Law, Section 3000-F required all permitted Children's Camps in New York State to have Automated External Defibrillators (AED) prior to the 2024 operating season. This law also requires camps to have an implementation plan and staff that possess acceptable certifications and training in the use and operation of the

facilities AED," said Laura Bell, Ulster County Department of Health Environmental Health Manager. "As a parent of two young campers myself, knowing that these life saving devices are now available helps to ease my mind when sending my girls off to camp each morning."

## Governor Hochul Announces \$350 Million in Direct Financial Assistance to Low- and Moderate-Income Families Across New York

- *More Than 1 Million Families Will Get a Supplemental Payment of up to \$330 per Child Through the Empire State Child Credit*
- *\$2.6 Billion Delivered to New Yorkers in Supplemental Payments Since 2022*
- *Governor Hochul Recently Made it Easier To Apply for State Program That Covers 90% of Market Rate Child Care Costs*
- *Continues Governor's Focus on Addressing the Cost of Living*

Governor Kathy Hochul today announced New York State is delivering approximately \$350 million in supplemental payments to low- and moderate-income families statewide through the Empire State Child Credit program. More than 1 million families will receive this financial assistance without any need to apply, as each eligible family will receive a direct payment of up to \$330 per child. This continues Governor Hochul's efforts to address the cost of living for working New Yorkers, including \$2.6 billion in supplemental payments and savings delivered to taxpayers since 2022, as well as the Governor's recent announcement of a digital portal to help more New Yorkers get financial assistance to cover child care costs.

"We're putting money back in the pockets of more than a million New Yorkers because this administration delivers for working families," Governor Hochul said. "Our work is far from over. From expanding tax credits to increasing access to child care assistance, I'll never stop fighting to address the cost of living for working parents and help them create a brighter future for their kids."

The Empire State Child Credit is a refundable tax credit for income-qualified New Yorkers with children. In 2023, Governor Hochul and the State Legislature expanded the Empire State Child Credit to include children under four, benefitting an estimated 600,000 additional children per year. Earlier this year, the more than 1 million families eligible for the Empire State Child Credit began to receive hundreds of millions of dollars in tax credits based on their 2023 tax filings.

Today's announcement will deliver a supplemental payment to those eligible families, in addition to the 2023 tax credit they have already received. Supplemental payments range from 25 percent to 100 percent of the amount of a taxpayer's Empire State Child Credit received for tax year 2023. The percentage depends on income. More information is available here

<https://www.tax.ny.gov/pit/empire-child-credit-payments.htm>

Eligible taxpayers do not need to do anything to receive this one-time additional payment. Taxpayers who received an Empire State Child Credit of at least \$100 on their 2023 state tax returns will receive a check in the mail. The Tax Department will begin mailing checks in the first week of August and continue for several weeks.

The Empire State Child Credit supplemental payments are the result of an agreement reached earlier this year between Governor Hochul, Senate Majority Leader Andrea Stewart-Cousins and Assembly Speaker Carl Heastie and passed by the State Legislature.

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After a non-stop week of fighting for Hudson Valley priorities in Washington, D.C., it's great to be back home in NY-18 for the next month. Here's how I worked to deliver for our community this past week:

### **PROTECTING ACCESS TO SOCIAL SECURITY**

Newburgh seniors have depended on the city's Social Security office for decades.

That's why I joined with State Senator Rob Rolison to demand answers on its abrupt closure and that the Social Security Administration take action to ensure that Newburgh seniors have easy access to their hard-earned benefits. With seniors already facing high economic pressure, closing this office now is a slap in the face. Watch here

<https://spectrumlocalnews.com/nys/central-ny/news/2024/07/25/newburgh-social-security-office-closes>

I'm going to keep fighting with everything I have to make sure Newburgh seniors can continue to access these much-needed services.

### **DELIVERING FOR OUR FIREFIGHTERS**

Every day, I'm working to deliver the resources our brave first responders need to keep our families safe.

I'm proud to have secured the Arlington Fire District over \$200,000 in federal funds for critical firehouse safety upgrades and technical rescue training.

### **HEARING DIRECTLY FROM YOU**

Hearing directly from you is how I can best fight for your priorities in Congress and I want to hear from each and every voice in the Hudson Valley.

That's why on Wednesday, July 31, from 7:30PM to 8:30PM, I'm hosting a telephone town hall. This means that everyone from NY-18 can have the opportunity to join, ask me questions, and make their voices heard by calling 866-767-0662 at 7:30PM on Wednesday, July 31. If you can't join by phone, the town hall will also be streamed at [patryan.house.gov/live](http://patryan.house.gov/live).

### **BRINGING MY OFFICE TO YOU**

Thanks to everyone who joined my team at this week's C.A.R.E.S. Van visit to the Dutchess County Senior Picnic at Robinson Lane Park and a special shout out to County Legislator Rob Faust for stopping by!

If you need assistance with anything from VA benefits to IRS returns, or just want to meet my team and enjoy the summer, join us Tuesday at the last C.A.R.E.S. Van event of July!

If you can't join us then, stay tuned for the August schedule and more exciting C.A.R.E.S. Van updates coming soon.

### **FIGHTING FOR REPRODUCTIVE FREEDOM**

This past Thursday was World IVF Day - we must continue the fight to protect reproductive freedom.

That's why I proudly cosponsor the Right to IVF Act, which would codify the right to access infertility treatments like IVF, and will keep pushing relentlessly alongside my colleagues on the Congressional Pro-Choice Caucus to get it passed.

### **COMBATING CLIMATE CHANGE**

With the Hudson Valley experiencing yet another historic heat wave, the health of our families and climate can't wait any longer. We have to act now to reduce greenhouse gas pollution.

I'm proud to deliver over \$3 million in funding from the landmark Inflation Reduction Act to help the Hudson Valley Regional Council fight methane pollution - among the most potent greenhouse gasses - right here at home. Read more about it here . <https://patch.com/new-york/newcity/epa-gives-3m-cut-pollution-closed-hv-landfills>

That's cleaner air for our families now and cooler air for future generations. I'll keep fighting for the clean air, water, and soil that every American deserves.

### **HOLDING THE SECRET SERVICE DIRECTOR ACCOUNTABLE**

Last week, I called on Secret Service Director Kimberly Cheatle to resign. The Secret Service's failures on July 13th led to the death of a brave first responder, Corey Comperatore, serious injuries to at least two others, and the near assassination of former President Trump - tragedies that shook our nation to its very core.

Director Cheatle's inability to answer even basic questions on what went wrong that day was simply unacceptable. Amidst such uncertainty and rightful outrage, her resignation was needed and will allow new leadership to both quickly address these failures and begin the long road of rebuilding trust with the American people.

### **GROWING COMMUNITY GARDENS**

The Green Teen Program has uplifted and enriched the lives of youths across the Hudson Valley while providing healthy, affordable produce to communities.

Grateful that Brandon from my team could join in the ribbon cutting of its newest community garden at Dutchess Community College. Read more here.

<https://midhudsonnews.com/2024/07/23/the-green-teen-program-of-cornell-cooperative-extension-dutchess-county-cuts-ribbon-on-community-garden/>

### **CELEBRATING THE ARTS**

Unison Arts' contributions to the New Paltz Arts scene are invaluable.

Congratulations to the Center for being awarded a \$61,000 grant from National Endowment for the Arts to create a public art project about the Wallkill River and combating climate change.

Can't wait to see it!

### **WORKING TOWARD A MORE INCLUSIVE WORLD**

On Friday, we marked 34 years since the Americans with Disabilities Act was signed into law.

On the 34th anniversary and every day, we celebrate the progress made, the work left to do, and reaffirm our commitment to ensuring equal rights and opportunities for all.

### **ROOTING FOR THE NEWEST PRO BASEBALL PLAYER**

A huge congratulations to Wallkill High School alum Kyle DeGroat for signing with the Kansas City Royals !

[https://www.dailyfreeman.com/2024/07/17/mlb-wallkill-high-grad-kyle-degroat-decides-to-sign-with-royals/?utm\\_content=tw-dailyfreeman&utm\\_medium=social&utm\\_source=twitter.com&utm\\_campaign=socialflow](https://www.dailyfreeman.com/2024/07/17/mlb-wallkill-high-grad-kyle-degroat-decides-to-sign-with-royals/?utm_content=tw-dailyfreeman&utm_medium=social&utm_source=twitter.com&utm_campaign=socialflow)

Way to go, Kyle - NY-18 is proud of you!



### President Biden Must Immediately Resign

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=z0xKZWVpymo>

You don't get to have your cake and eat it too.

If President Biden is unfit to run for President, he is unfit to serve as President. Earlier this year, I demanded Attorney General Merrick Garland and the Cabinet invoke the 25th Amendment following Special Counsel Hur's Report. Yet Vice President Harris, the Biden Crime Family, the far-left media, and an unprecedented number of members of the Democratic party lied to the American people, covering up the President's severe cognitive decline.

If President Biden can't stand trial, if he can't run for office, he can't be Commander-in-Chief of the United States of America. He should immediately resign.

Investigating the Assassination Attempt of President Trump

There are still many questions surrounding the assassination attempt on President Donald Trump, and this week, Congress took the first steps toward getting those answers by creating a bipartisan House Task Force. This Task Force aims to provide transparency, accountability, and solutions to thoroughly investigate this security failure and ensure it never happens again.

Earlier in the week, Secret Service Director Kimberly Cheatle testified before Congress, and days later, she announced her resignation. Cheatle's failure led to the assassination attempt on President Trump, the murder of an innocent victim, and harm to others in the crowd. We must continue to investigate to prevent such a tragedy from happening again. The Secret Service and local law enforcement officers bravely risked their lives to protect President Trump in a time of great peril. I am thankful for their dedication to their country. These patriots deserve a leader who will not fail them again.

My prayers remain with President Trump, his family, and the innocent victims, including Corey Comperatore. Corey died a true hero when he bravely shielded his wife and daughter from incoming gunfire during the assassination attempt on July 13th. This week, I co-sponsored a resolution to recognize his courageous sacrifice and honor his life.

We must immediately address the security failures of this event to prevent the unthinkable from ever happening.

### The United States will always Stand with Israel

It was an honor to welcome Israeli Prime Minister Netanyahu to the U.S. Capitol this week to address a Joint Session of Congress and provide an update on Israel's war for its survival.

Prime Minister Netanyahu delivered a powerful and critically important speech on preserving freedom in the U.S., Israel, and around the world. He emphasized Israel's mission to free the hostages and combat the Iranian-backed terrorist group, Hamas. His address projected strength and reinforced Israel's commitment to securing the return of both American and Israeli hostages.

The United States must reiterate its commitment and continue to support Israel, our greatest ally. I will always stand with Israel. Is Vice President Kamala Harris an Effective Border Czar?

On March 24, 2021, President Biden appointed Vice President Kamala Harris to serve as the Administration's border czar to address the "root causes" of illegal immigration into the United States. Yet since this Administration took over in January 2021, there have been 9.9 million illegal immigrant encounters nationwide. This May was the 39th straight month when monthly illegal immigrant encounters were higher than even the highest month seen under President Trump.

Thanks to Kamala Harris' FAILED attempt to secure our borders and uphold our rule of law, every community is now a border community.

As a representative in Congress, my top priority is championing legislative initiatives that benefit you and your families. Each week, I review numerous bills and letters, engaging in thorough discussions with members of our community to determine which actions to support and address your needs. Below are some of the bills I recently cosponsored.

The Dismantle DEI Act: would ban any Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion programs and rescind any executive orders regarding DEI. This bill would also end DEI training and programming, DEI pledges, and prohibit taxpayer funding for entities that use DEI hiring practices.

The CUTS Act: rescinds unobligated COVID-19 relief funds and certain infrastructure funds to offset the cost of supplemental foreign assistance totaling \$95 billion made available for fiscal year 2024.

Providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Environmental Protection Agency relating to "Reconsideration of the National Ambient Air Quality Standards for Particulate Matter." Nullifies the EPA's rule for fine particulate matter, otherwise known as PM 2.5. This rule sets strict air quality standards for particulate matter and will have disastrous effects on the economy and manufacturing nationwide.

Transparency in Congress and a well-informed electorate are vital to preserving our self-governing Constitutional Republic. My constituents deserve to know how their members of Congress vote, which is why I have explained every vote I have cast in Congress since I was first elected.

I voted "Yes" on H.Res. 1371, Strongly condemning the Biden Administration and its Border Czar, Kamala Harris's, failure to secure the United States border. In 2021, as illegal aliens began pouring over our Southern Border leading to the border crisis, Vice President Kamala Harris was designated as the "border czar." During her time as the border czar, Harris only visited the Southern Border once and has never spoken with the Chief of the U.S. Border Patrol. During Harris' time as border czar, over 9.9 million illegal aliens have entered the United States, including individuals with ties to terrorist organizations and individuals on the terror watchlist. I am disappointed that only six of my Democratic colleagues had the courage to vote for this simple resolution that highlights the ongoing crisis on our border that has turned every community into a border community. H.Res. 1371 passed the House by a vote of 220-196.

I voted "Yes" on H.R. 8998, Department of the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act of 2025. This bill authorizes appropriations for the Department of the Interior (DOI), the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), and several related agencies. By passing this legislation, House Republicans are upholding our duty to cut spending, authorizing appropriations for these agencies at \$4.4 billion below President Biden's request (a reduction of 10%). This bill also cuts funding for the EPA by 20%, which under this administration has been weaponized to enforce the Green New Deal, Diversity Equity and Inclusion Programs, and burdensome regulations on land use, hunting and fishing, mineral production, (Contd. Pg. 57)



## This Week with Claudia

(From Pg. 56) and oil and gas leasing. This bill refocuses the EPA and DOI on their core responsibilities- responsibly managing our federal land and keeping our farms and rivers clean. This bill passed by a vote of 210-205.

I voted "Yes" on H.Res. 1367, Establishing the Task Force on the Attempted Assassination of Donald J. Trump. This resolution establishes a bipartisan Task Force to investigate the attempted assassination of President Donald J. Trump and the actions of the Secret Service and other government agencies that allowed this horrific event to occur. The Task Force will be comprised of seven Republicans and six Democrats, and importantly, the Task Force will have subpoena power. I look forward to carefully reviewing the Task Force's final report and implementing their recommendations to ensure that nothing like this every occurs again. H.Res. 1367 passed the House by a vote of 416-0.

I voted "Yes" on S. 227, Improving Access to Our Courts Act. This legislation formally allows federal court proceedings to occur in Brewster County, Texas. Currently, both parties must sign a waiver to allow court proceedings to occur in Brewster County, otherwise they occur in Pecos, TX several hours away. S. 227 passed the House by a vote of 404-3.

I voted "Yes" on H.R. 7887, the ACCESS Act. This legislation would eliminate mandatory experience or educational requirements for government contractors, unless contracting offices provide a written explanation of why the requirements are essential. Too many government jobs have unnecessary requirements that prevent the most qualified individuals from being hired. The government must prioritize skills and expertise, not just diplomas and formalized education. This vote required a 2/3 majority to pass and failed by a vote of 178-234.

I voted "Yes" on S. 3706, the Victims' VOICES Act. This legislation will ensure that victim advocates, such as family members, legal guardians, or court appointed advocates, receive restitution for expenses occurred as a result of the trial, such as transportation, lost income, and childcare. Victim advocates should not have to sacrifice to advocate for justice for their loved ones. S. 3706 passed the House by a vote of 408-2.

I voted "Yes" on H.R. 1631, the Pro Codes Act. This legislation would provide a fix for copyright protections for private standards that are incorporated into law by reference. Currently, if a copyrighted privately set standard is incorporated into law by reference, the standard setting organization loses their copyright protections. However, this legislation would have allowed companies to retain their copyrights if they provide access to the incorporated standard without charge. This vote required a 2/3 majority to pass and failed by a vote of 248-127.

I voted "Yes" on S. 3249, To designate the outpatient clinic of the Department of Veterans Affairs in Wyandotte County, Kansas City, Kansas, as the "Captain Elwin Shopteese VA Clinic". Elwin Shopteese was a member of the Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation and fought in World War II, including in the Normandy invasion and the Battle of the Bulge. He received a Bronze Star and Purple Heart for his service. After serving, he was a Tribal Council member and helped found the Indian Community Alcoholism Resources Expeditors Recovery Home, a tribal center for treating alcoholism. S. 3249 passed the House by a vote of 363-0, with one member voting present.

I voted "Yes" on H.R. 8812, the Water Resources Development Act of 2024. This bill authorizes the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers projects and feasibility studies, deauthorizes inactive projects, and establishes pilot programs. This bill makes critical investments into our nation's shipping ports, waterways, flood management programs, and water resource infrastructure. This will ensure that Americans continue to have clean drinking water, as well as high-functioning logistical hubs that keep our economy running. This bill passed by a vote of 359-13.



## Welcome to Kirsten's New York Minute!

Here's what she's been up to this week:

### 1. Lowering prescription drug costs

High drug prices can force New Yorkers who rely on life-saving medications to cut pills in half or skip doses. Kirsten is fighting to make sure working families can afford their prescriptions.

This week, Kirsten announced the Capping Prescription Costs Act, legislation that would cap the annual out-of-pocket costs of prescription drugs at \$2,000 for individuals and \$4,000 for families with private insurance.

Learn more. <https://www.weny.com/story/51082645/sen-gillibrand-introducing-bill-to-cap-prescription-drug-costs-for-private-healthcare-users>

### 2. Fighting for 9/11 responders and survivors

Kirsten is committed to providing care for all those suffering from 9/11-related illnesses.

This week, she joined Senator Schumer and Representatives Garbarino, D'Esposito, and Goldman to announce her 9/11 Responder and Survivor Health Funding Correction Act of 2024, a bill that would provide permanent and mandatory funding for the World Trade Center Health Program (WTCHP). The WTCHP provides medical treatment and monitoring for 9/11 responders and survivors, and Kirsten's bill would prevent a future funding shortfall and ensure that survivors and first responders don't lose access to care.

Read more.

<https://www.gillibrand.senate.gov/news/press/release/gillibrand-schumer-garbarino-goldman-desposito-introduce-bipartisan-bicameral-legislation-to-fix-world-trade-center-health-program-funding-shortfall/>

### 3. Preventing e-bike fires

Poorly manufactured lithium-ion batteries used in e-bikes, e-scooters, and other devices are a leading cause of fires in New York City and are responsible for dozens of deaths.

Kirsten is fighting to stop these preventable fires. This week, she stood alongside State Senator Iwen Chu in Brooklyn to announce her push to include her bipartisan Setting Consumer Standards for Lithium-Ion Batteries Act in the annual defense bill. Kirsten's bill would create new safety standards for these batteries and protect against the risk of fires caused by them.

Read more. <https://www.thecity.nyc/2024/07/22/gillibrand-adams-push-to-accelerate-e-bike-battery-safety-measures-after-tragedies/>

### 4. Bringing it home for New York

Kirsten is committed to bringing federal dollars home to New York.

Just this week, she secured:

Nearly \$140 million to reimburse Kaleida Health and Catholic Health System in Western New York for costs associated with the life-saving emergency protective measures taken during the COVID-19 pandemic. Read more.

[https://buffalonews.com/news/local/business/health-care/kaleida-health-catholic-health-federal-relief-140-million-fema/article\\_6322b6ea-452f-11ef-936d-8b2ab3cbe1cb.html](https://buffalonews.com/news/local/business/health-care/kaleida-health-catholic-health-federal-relief-140-million-fema/article_6322b6ea-452f-11ef-936d-8b2ab3cbe1cb.html)

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\$3 million to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and protect Hudson Valley communities from pollution. Read more. <https://www.epa.gov/newsreleases/epa-announces-3-million-community-driven-solutions-cut-climate-pollution-across-hudson#:~:text=NEW%20YORK%20%2D%20Today%2C%20the%20U.S.,that%20tackle%20the%20climate%20crisis>

### 5. Expanding child care access

Every family deserves to have easy access to reliable, free or low-cost child care.

Last week, Kirsten joined Governor Hochul in Albany to celebrate the launch of the new online portal for New York's Child Care Assistance Program, which will make it easier to apply for child care assistance and expand child care for families in need.

Learn more about the program here . <https://www.governor.ny.gov/news/governor-hochul-launches-digital-portal-help-new-york-state-deliver-free-or-low-cost-child>

### 6. Interested in military service academies?

The application for Kirsten's service academy nomination is now open, and the deadline to submit all materials is October 13, 2024. Selected New York residents can be nominated for the U.S. Air Force Academy, the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy, the U.S. Military Academy, and the U.S. Naval Academy.

To be considered for Kirsten's service academy nomination, students are required to submit short essay answers, an official transcript, and three letters of recommendation (one must be from a mathematics or science teacher). Copies of SAT/ACT scores will be accepted but are not required. Apply for Kirsten's nomination and learn more here . <https://www.gillibrand.senate.gov/help/academy-nominations/>

Contact [nominations@gillibrand.senate.gov](mailto:nominations@gillibrand.senate.gov) for additional questions.

### 7. Helping constituents with Medicare

When an Albany County constituent discovered her Medicare coverage was terminated due to an error with her taxes, she reached out to Kirsten for help. Kirsten's office contacted the Social Security Administration, and within two weeks, the constituent was able to attend her regularly scheduled doctors' visits, fully covered under Medicare.

Individual casework is Kirsten's top priority. If you need help with a federal agency, contact her here. <https://www.gillibrand.senate.gov/help/help-for-new-yorkers/>



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

## Secured \$32.2 Million For Community Projects Across NY In the House Appropriations Bills

After bringing \$27.6 million in federal funds back to Upstate New York through the 2024 appropriations bills, I'm

proud to have successfully fought for another \$32.2 million in the FY25 appropriations bills. These funds will address water quality issues, support our first responders, improve infrastructure, and make our communities more accessible for individuals with disabilities.

## Calling Out Hochul's Reckless Decision To Abruptly Close Sullivan County Prison

Governor Hochul has decided to shut down the Sullivan Correctional Facility in Woodbourne. This reckless decision not only jeopardizes the livelihoods and safety of corrections officers and staff, but also threatens the economic stability of our community. This will uproot staff, strain remaining facilities, and increase safety risk to workers and inmates due to overcrowding. Not to mention it rarely results in savings. Our community deserves far better than this irresponsible and dangerous policy from the Governor.

## Invited Rabbi Slonim From Binghamton As Guest Chaplain For Congress

I was honored to have Rabbi Levi Slonim, Co-Director of the Chabad Downtown in Binghamton and Director of Development at the Rohr Chabad Center for Jewish Student Life at Binghamton University, as my guest chaplain to offer the opening prayer for the U.S. House of Representatives. Every legislative session, dating back to the First Continental Congress in 1774, has opened up with a prayer and I was proud to have Rabbi Slonim on behalf of Upstate New York. Rabbi Slonim's dedication to faith, education, and community service is an inspiration to us all.

## Gov. Hochul Owes NY Families An Apology

Governor Hochul called the Consumer Directed Personal Assistance Program (CDPAP) program a 'racket.' These comments were as insulting as they were ignorant, and she needs to apologize. This was a program that gave seniors and those with disabilities the freedom to choose their own caregiver. She ripped this program up and now is forcing vulnerable New Yorkers to navigate a broken and bloated state bureaucracy. She owes New Yorkers an apology.

## Israeli Prime Minister Netanyahu Addresses Congress

It was a great honor to hear Israeli Prime Minister Netanyahu address the nation last week in DC. America must stand united, across party lines, and support our strongest ally, Israel. We will stand against terrorism, against those who don't value human life, and just like we did in World War II, we will stand resolute in support of Israel and the Jewish people.

## Director Of Secret Service Resigned Following Congressional Hearing

I withheld judgment until Congress could hear directly from Secret Service Direct Kimberly Cheatle. In her testimony, she provided the American people with no answers and no explanation for their mission failure during her hearing. After calling for her resignation, she stepped down. We can't underestimate the gravity of what happened. There was a near assassination of Donald Trump. It's in America's best interest to have new leadership at the Secret Service.



## Molinaro Introduces Bipartisan Bill to Support Rural Business in Upstate NY

U.S. Rep. Marc Molinaro (R-NY-19) today introduced the Rural Innovation and Small Business Expansion (RISE) Act to expand opportunities for rural entrepreneurship across Upstate New York. The bill was introduced alongside Bennie Thompson (D-MS-2).

Reports show a significant number of rural businesses face a lack of capital access that limits growth, ongoing labor shortages, and difficulty accessing new markets and customers. Rep. Molinaro's bipartisan bill addresses these issues by creating a partnership between the Small Business Administration, the Appalachian Regional Commission, and the Delta Regional Authority. The partnership will be directed to promote and expand critical rural entrepreneurship opportunities and provide tailored solutions to support our rural small business owners. [https://www.score.org/sites/default/files/d7\\_migration/04/Megaphone-Main-Street-Fall2022-Report-Small-Business-Rural-Urban-Divide.pdf](https://www.score.org/sites/default/files/d7_migration/04/Megaphone-Main-Street-Fall2022-Report-Small-Business-Rural-Urban-Divide.pdf)

Rep. Molinaro said, "Small businesses are the backbone of our economy. But with today's economic conditions, they're in trouble. As a member on the House Small Business Committee, I've worked to raise the voices of Upstate New York small businesses in Washington and now I'm introducing legislation that directly responds to issues they're facing. Rural small business owners need tailored solutions, and my bipartisan bill delivers the specialized assistance they need to thrive."

## Molinaro Statement on the Passing of Former Senator James Seward

It is with a heavy heart that we mourn the passing of former New York Senator James Seward, a public servant whose leadership and dedication have left a lasting impact on his community and his state. As we honor his unwavering commitment to improving the lives of New Yorkers, his legacy of integrity, passion, and profound decency will never be forgotten. Corinne and I extend our deepest condolences to his wife Cynthia, their children Ryan and Lauren, and their entire family.

## Watch: Rep. Molinaro Welcome Rabbi Slonim of Binghamton as He Serves as Guest Chaplain for Congress

Washington, DC - U.S. Rep. Marc Molinaro (NY-19) today welcomed Rabbi Levi Slonim from Binghamton as he offered the opening prayer for the U.S. House of Representatives.

Rabbi Slonim's opening prayer can be viewed here.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QW9zbCDAAvC>

*Rep. Molinaro's remarks, as prepared for delivery, can be found below and viewed here.*

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XljHjeZtvY8>

It's truly a high honor to have Rabbi Levi Slonim as our guest chaplain today.

Rabbi Slonim co-directs Chabad Downtown in Binghamton, NY alongside his wife, Hadasa, and is also the Director of Development at the Rohr Chabad Center for Jewish Student Life at Binghamton University.

His faith journey began as a child in Binghamton when his parents, guided by the Rebbe, Rabbi Menachem Schneerson, established a Chabad presence there in 1985. What started in a

modest one-bedroom apartment has grown into a thriving hub that welcomes over 1500 students each semester



Rabbi Slonim's work has also taken him across the globe, providing programming in the United States and communities across Europe. Since returning to Binghamton in 2008, he has initiated impactful programs like the Binghamton JGC, the 'Listen Up' mental health fellowship, and has led over 800 students on Birthright trips to Israel.

Rabbi Levi Slonim, welcome and thank you for being here. Your dedication to faith, education, and community service is an inspiration to us all.

Background:

Every legislative session, dating back to the First Continental Congress in 1774, has opened up with a prayer. A permanent chaplain position was officially established in 1789, but at the request of members of Congress, a local minister may offer the opening prayer.

Rabbi Levi Slonim is a Binghamton native. He attended the Rabbinical College of Canada and earned his Rabbinic ordination from the Central Rabbinic Court of Chabad of Israel in 2006. His work has taken him across the globe, providing programming in the United States and communities across Europe. He returned to Binghamton in 2008 to join the team at the Chabad Center - established by his parents Rabbi Aaron and Rivkah Slonim in 1985 - serving the large demographic of Jewish students at Binghamton University and the local Broome County community as Director of Development

## Molinaro Reacts to Netanyahu Speech

Washington, DC -- U.S. Rep. Marc Molinaro (NY-19) released the following statement on Israeli Prime Minister Netanyahu's speech:

"It was a great honor to hear Israeli Prime Minister Netanyahu speak today. America will stand for what is right. We will stand against terrorism, against those who don't value human life, and just like we did in World War II, we will stand resolute in support of Israel and the Jewish people.

"This is a time for moral clarity. And although it wasn't surprising, the theatrics of some on the far-left were nevertheless distributing. Some members of Congress boycotted the speech or disrespected the Prime Minister within the chamber. Others outside burned American flags and effigies. But maybe the most shocking - Kamala Harris, who's running to be the next commander-in-chief, chose to visit a sorority instead of meeting with a top world leader. These are dangerous messages to send at a time in which we need to unify against growing global threats. There is no question - America has always been and must always be a light in the world."





# DUCK RACE

Thursday, August 8th, 6 PM  
Veterans' Park • Wurtsboro, NY

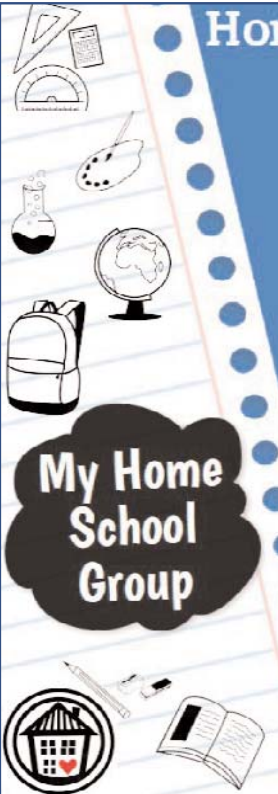
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- 1st Place \$200
- 2nd Place \$100
- 3rd Place \$50
- Unlucky Duck \$10

All Proceeds go to the WBOT Scholarship Fund!

Ducks are Available for Purchase at Music in the Park, Founders' Day Street Fair & On our Website [www.Wurtsboro.org](http://www.Wurtsboro.org)

## Homeschooling Group

4th Tuesday of each month  
1:00 - 3:00 p.m.  
at the Daniel Pierce Library

We invite all Tri-Valley resident homeschooling families to join a self-guided group that meets monthly at the Daniel Pierce Library.


Together this group will share lessons, network, set up future field trips, have various guest speakers and programs. You can also... borrow books, check out DVD's, access the internet, research online databases and utilize library space! (If you have a RCLS library card).

Please join in, the possibilities are endless!

Contact Dana Wright for more information:  
[myhomeschool101@yahoo.com](mailto:myhomeschool101@yahoo.com)

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### Catholic Charities 2024 Golf for Charity Outing



**Monday, September 16**  
West Hills Country Club Middletown, NY

For foursomes, sponsorships, and tee signs,  
contact: [Kristin.Jensen@cccsos.org](mailto:Kristin.Jensen@cccsos.org)

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## Join our team!

Daniel Pierce Library

### Part Time Buildings & Grounds Crew Member

Candidate will be is responsible for day-to-day general maintenance of the library.

Applicants may drop off or email an application and resume to Beth Wolpert at [bwolpert@rcls.org](mailto:bwolpert@rcls.org).



# 144<sup>th</sup> Grahamsville Little World's Fair 2024 Youth & Entertainment Schedule

## Thursday, August 15th, 2024

- 2:00 PM 4-H Fun Horse Show - *Main Ring*
- 2:00 PM Youth Rabbit and Cavy Showmanship & Judging - *Livestock Building*
- 4:00 PM Youth Poultry Show - *Livestock Building*

## Friday, August 16th, 2024

- 9:00 AM Open Horse Show - *Main Ring*
- 9:30 AM Youth Swine Show - *Upper Ring*
- 11:00 AM Youth and Open Sheep Show - *Upper Ring*
- 12:00 PM Rides Open (General Admission)
- 1:00 PM Youth Alpaca Show - *Upper Ring*
- 3:00 PM Live Music with Albi Beluli - *Beer Garden*
- 6:00 PM
- 3:30 PM Wee Wee Wee Racing Pigs - *Pig Race Ring*
- 4:00 PM Youth and Open Goat Show - *Upper Ring*
- 4:00 PM BubbleDad! - *Main Stage*
- 5:00 PM Wee-Wee-Wee Racing Pigs - *Pig Race Ring*
- 5:30 PM BubbleDad! - *Main Stage*
- 6:00 PM Power Wheels Derby - *Main Ring*
- 7:00 PM Opening Ceremony for the 144th Grahamsville Little World's Fair - *Secretary's Booth*
- 7:00 PM Wee-Wee-Wee Racing Pigs - *Pig Race Ring*
- 7:30 PM BubbleDad! Wandering Bubbles
- 8:00 PM Live Music With Far Beyond Gone - *Main Stage*
- 11:00 PM

## Saturday, August 17th, 2024

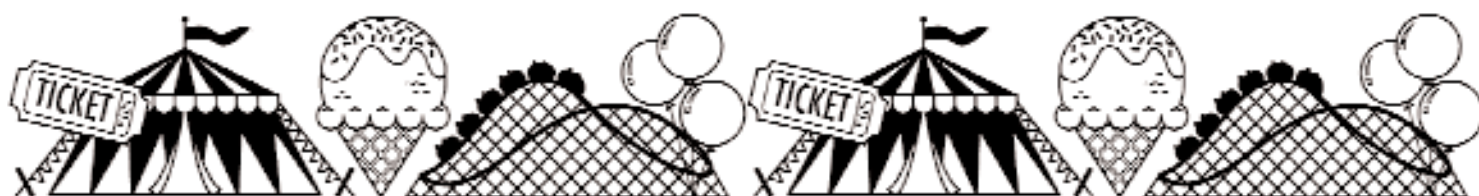
- 10:00 AM Youth and Open Dairy Show - *Upper Ring*
- 10:00 AM Rides Open for Sensory Friendly Hours - *Noon*
- 10:00 AM Children's Scavenger Hunt - *5:00 PM*
- hosted by the Neversink Parks & Rec - *Backside of Fire Department Building*
- 11:00 AM Watermelon Eating Contest - *Main Stage*
- 11:00 AM Live Music with Old King Code - *Beer Garden*
- 2:00 PM
- 12:00 PM Rides Open (General Admission)
- 12:00 PM Lumberjack Show - *Main Ring*
- 5:00 PM

- 12:00 PM BubbleDad! - *Main Stage*
- 1:00 PM Wee-Wee-Wee Racing Pigs - *Pig Race Ring*
- 2:00 PM BubbleDad! Wandering Bubbles
- 2:00 PM Live Music With Shades - *Main Stage*
- 5:00 PM
- 3:00 PM 4 H Chicken Races - *Upper Ring*
- 4:00 PM Wee-Wee-Wee Racing Pigs - *Pig Race Ring*
- 5:00 PM Live Music with Jesse Noren - *Beer Garden*
- 8:00 PM
- 5:30 PM BubbleDad! - *Main Stage*
- 6:00 PM Bessie Bingo - *Upper Ring*
- 7:00 PM Wee-Wee-Wee Racing Pigs - *Pig Race Ring*
- 8:00 PM Live Music With The Other Band - *Main Stage*
- 11:00 PM
- 9:30 PM Spectacular Fireworks Display

## Sunday, August 18th, 2024

- 9:30 AM Youth and Open Beef Show & Animal Costume Class - *Upper Ring*
- 10:00 AM Youth Horse Exhibition "A Day With Horses" - *Horse Barn*
- 5:00 PM
- 10:00 AM Horseshoe Tournament (all day) - *Horseshoe Pits*
- 11:30 AM BubbleDad! - *Main Stage*
- 12:00 PM Draft Horse Pull - *Main Ring*
- 4:00 PM
- 12:00 PM Rides Open (General Admission)
- 12:00 PM Cruizin' the Grahamsville Fair Classic Car Show - *Lower Parking Lot*
- 4:00 PM
- 12:00 PM Wee-Wee-Wee Racing Pigs - *Pig Race Ring*
- 12:00 PM Live Music with Shane Rennison - *Beer Garden*
- 3:00 PM
- 12:30 PM BubbleDad! - *Main Stage*
- 1:00 PM 4-H Ag Auction - *Upper Ring*
- 1:30 PM Wee-Wee-Wee Racing Pigs - *Pig Race Ring*
- 2:30 PM BubbleDad! Wandering Bubbles
- 3:00 PM Live Music With The Deadbeats - *Main Stage*
- 6:00 PM
- 3:30 PM Wee-Wee-Wee Racing Pigs - *Pig Race Ring*

*Program times and events are subject to change without notice*



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- Hygiene
- Emotions

Social skills classes will be held in person at ATI Main Office at 309 E Broadway in Monticello, NY. Parents may be required to attend some sessions with their child to offer guidance and support.

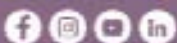
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**THE KERHONKSON SYNAGOGUE's  
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ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT Chicken BBQ!!!**

**DATE:** SUNDAY, August 18, 2024

**TIME:** 1:00 - 4:00 PM

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# Ulster County Celebrates 73 New Firefighters at Graduation Ceremony



KINGSTON, NY - On Monday evening, July 29, Ulster County Fire Services held a graduation ceremony at SUNY Ulster for 73 men and women who completed their basic training. The graduates represent departments from Ulster, Dutchess, Orange, and Sullivan Counties, and had either attended one of the Basic Exterior Firefighter Operations and Interior Firefighter Operations Courses, collectively known as Firefighter I, or the Ulster County Summer Program.

This comprehensive firefighter training program, totaling 129 hours, combines exterior and interior firefighting skills. The course begins by preparing new firefighters for exterior operations, covering topics such as personal protective equipment (PPE), self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) inspection, fire department communications, building construction, fire behavior, and modern fire control research. It then progresses to interior structural firefighting, focusing on SCBA use and air management, firefighter survival techniques, building fire search and victim removal, tactical ventilation, forcible entry, hoseline advancement, and coordinated fire attack strategies.

Throughout the program, students learn essential skills including fire prevention, hazardous materials response, vehicle and wildland firefighting theory, and initial company operations, providing a well-rounded education for aspiring firefighters to operate safely and effectively.

“Our volunteer firefighters are the backbone of our community's safety and well-being, and I want to congratulate the 73 men and women for successfully completing this rigorous professional training program,” said Ulster County Executive Jen Metzger. “They stand ready to serve, and we are grateful for their dedication, courage, and commitment to keeping us safe. I'd like to thank our Ulster County Department of Emergency Services, which manages the training program for all the fire services in the County, and to our dedicated and talented team of County and State Instructors who conduct these training sessions.”

“These 73 graduates have completed a demanding firefighter training program that prepares them for the diverse challenges of firefighting,” said Everett Erichsen, Ulster County Department of Emergency Services Director. “We've taught to their potential, not their limitations, equipping them with essential skills for the challenges that lie ahead. Their dedication proves their commitment to public safety. As they step back into their firehouses, they carry with them not just the tools we've placed in their hands, but the unyielding spirit of service that defines true firefighters.”

“Over the past year, Ulster County has completed three Firefighter 1 training programs. The programs have led to 73 firefighters being trained. These firefighters are members of departments from across Ulster County, as well as departments from Dutchess, Orange & Sullivan County,” said Mike Gaffney, Ulster County Department of Emergency Services Deputy Director/Fire Coordinator. “Last evening, we had the distinct pleasure of hosting a graduation ceremony to recognize their dedication to their communities, and accomplishments of completing the Firefighter 1 Course.”

For more information on the Ulster County Emergency Services Volunteer Program, and becoming a volunteer, visit: <https://codev.ulstercountyny.gov/emergency-volunteer/>

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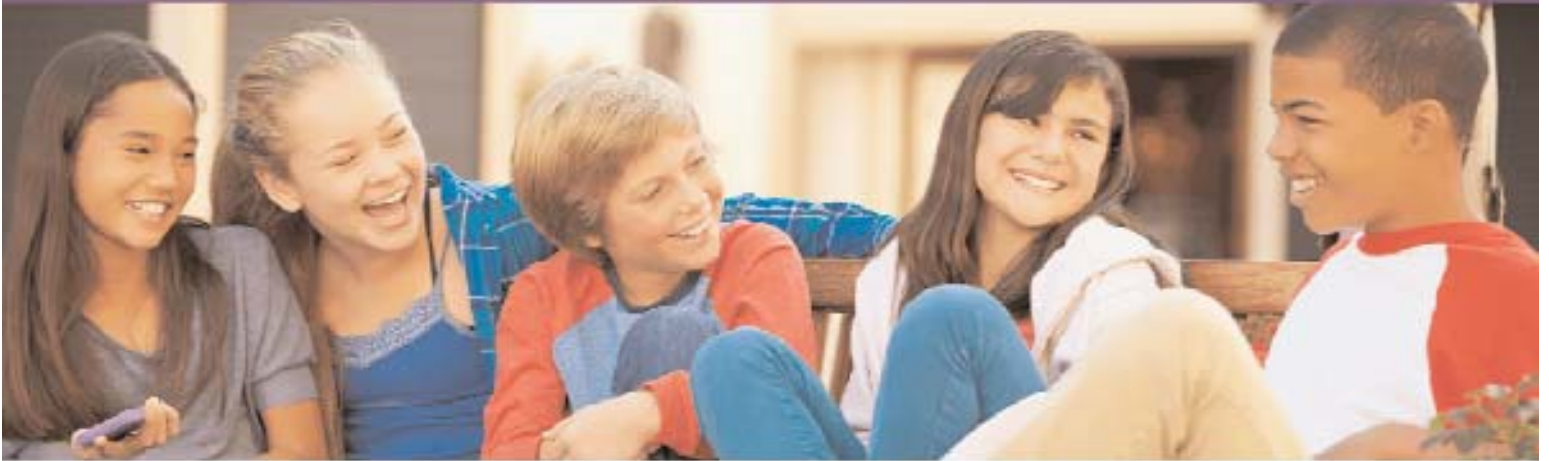
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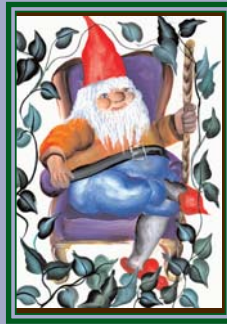
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*Dances with Wolves* is a 1990 American epic Western film starring, directed, and produced by Kevin Costner in his feature directorial debut.



*Dances with Wolves* tells the story of Union Army Lieutenant John J. Dunbar (Costner), who travels to the American frontier to find a military post, and who meets a group of Lakota. Ordered to hold an abandoned army post, John Dunbar found himself alone, beyond the edge of civilization. Thievery and survival soon force him into the Indian camp, where he began a dangerous adventure that changed his life forever.

In 2007, *Dances with Wolves* was selected for preservation in the United States National Film Registry by the Library of Congress as being "culturally, historically, or aesthetically significant".  
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Answer to last week's Trivia Question: My Big Fat Greek Wedding

**This weeks' Trivia question:**

What Dracula movie features George Hamilton as *The Count*?

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### Black Robe

This is a compelling that unfolds in 1634 in New France during the period of conflicts known as the Beaver Wars. The film begins in the settlement that will one day become Quebec City. Jesuit missionaries are trying to encourage the local Algonquin people to embrace Christianity but have thus far had only limited results. Samuel de Champlain, the founder of the settlement, sends Father LaForgue, a young Jesuit priest, to found a Catholic mission in a distant Huron village. With winter approaching, the journey will be difficult and cover as much as 1500 miles.



*Black Robe* was shot mostly in the Canadian province of Quebec. It stars Lothaire Bluteau in the title role, with other cast members including Aden Young, Sandrine Holt, Tantoo Cardinal, August Schellenberg, Gordon Tootoosis and Raoul Trujillo.

The film premiered at the 1991 Toronto International Film Festival and was given a wide release on October 6, becoming the highest-grossing Canadian film of 1991.

## KNARF'S CLASSIC MOVIE III

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### Apocalypto

*Apocalypto* is a 2006 American epic historical adventure film produced, co-written, and directed by Mel Gibson. The film features a cast of Native American and Indigenous Mexican actors consisting of Rudy Youngblood, Raoul Trujillo, Mayra Sérbulo, Dalia Hernández, Ian Uriel, Gerardo Taracena, Rodolfo Palacios, Bernardo Ruiz Juarez, Ammel Rodrigo Mendoza.



While hunting in the Mesoamerican rainforest, Jaguar Paw, his father, Flint Sky, and their fellow tribesmen encounter a procession of refugees fleeing warfare. After the devastation of their village, they were brought on a perilous journey to a Maya city for human sacrifice at a time when the Maya civilization was in decline. The group's leader explains that their lands were ravaged and they seek a new beginning. He asks for permission to pass through the jungle. Flint Sky comments to his son that the visitors were sick with fear and urged him to be ready –something fearful is coming.

*Apocalypto* takes you through a roller coaster of emotions such as anger, sadness, tears, joy, empathy, disgust. The end is spine chilling. The true enemy was aboard the ships –European invaders. A must see!

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