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Immense Statue *THE LION*, Carved from the Stone that Wrought Michelangelo's *DAVID*, Roars to Life in the Hudson Valley!



Sculptor Boutros Romhein's latest work, THE LION, will be unveiled Sunday, August 26th, in Napanoch NY, during event to benefit Shadowland Stages

Shadowland Stages - the premiere professional Equity theater in the Hudson Valley - is coordinating a reception surrounding the unveiling of a new, immense statue in Napanoch on Sunday, August 26th.

The work - *THE LION* - was carved by famed Syrian-Italian sculptor Boutros Romhein in the mountains of Tuscany, Italy, and is forty tons of pure white Carrara marble taken from the same quarry from which Michelangelo sourced the stone with which he carved his immortal *DAVID*.

THE LION was commissioned by Napanoch resident and Shadowland Stages board member Robert Osgood. The unveiling event will benefit Shadowland Stages' Acting Academy, with the proceeds targeted specifically to replace the roof on the Second Stage, the building that is home to the Academy classes. The Shadowland Acting Academy provides theater training to over 100 students from elementary to high school ages. (Contd. Pg. 6)

Inter-tribal Gathering Sheds their Light at the Neversink Farmers' Market



Returning for the second year, Inter-tribal Native Americans performed a cleansing ceremony before sharing their cultural drumming, singing, music and crafts with those attending the Neversink Farmers' Market this past Saturday.

Despite the downpour, the activities continued as planned.

Many of those who attended last year's event were getting anxious for Luis Sanakori Ramos to arrive. Not only were they looking forward to his music - that of his ancestors, the Tainos - but also, like last

year, they were hoping once Luis arrived, the rain would stop, and it did!

Luis played the flute accompanied by a drummer on the Taino drum, a hand-carved hollowed out log, his daughter used traditional turtle shells and a spirit drummer whose instrument looked like a large gourd, joined them to create a very rhythmic mystical soothing music.

Neversink Renaissance 1st Place, \$12,000 Community Grant Prize Winner

Congratulations to all! Once again, hard work pays off. What a great community we share!



It was a night of celebration at Bethel Woods Center for the Arts on Monday, August 6, as over \$400,000 in grants and scholarships were awarded to communities throughout Sullivan County at the 18th Annual Sullivan Renaissance Awards Ceremony. (Contd. Pg. 3)

Slam Allen on the Scene at Heartbeat

- Jane Harrison

Every seat was filled Friday night at Heartbeat. And if you weren't there, you missed one amazing show!

Dave Trestyn on guitar, Antonio on bass and Nicky Redd on drums kicked off the night with several rock covers: Springsteen's 'Pink Cadillac', The Beatles 'I Feel Fine' and The Rolling Stones (This Will Be) 'The Last Time'. (Contd. Pg. 11)



Catskill Waters Portraits and Stories Busy Saturday

The rain didn't keep people from coming to the Neversink Farmers' Market this past Saturday and



Diane Weiner (Story's Neversink Plant Company) us happy with her portrait

taking advantage of the opportunity to tell their stories to artist and producer, Keiko Sono while they had their portraits uniquely created by artist Lee Fowler.

Portraits and Stories is a community project about people in the NYC water-



Marylou Stapleton poses for her portrait as Jenny Lee delicately cuts out a perfect silhouette

sheds. Visit catskillwaters.org for more information.

Their next event will be on August 25, 2018 from 11 am to 4 pm at the Claryville Church Hall. *Portraits and Stories* is made possible in part by funds from Rondout Neversink Stream Program, a project of Sullivan County Soil & Water Conservation District funded by New York City Department of Environmental Protection.

It's Never too Late!

While Marion Rubenzahl may think that it was too late to put her photo in with the signs she painted for the Neversink Fire Department's Chicken BBQ this past weekend, it really is never too late to recognize someone who contributes so much to her community.

While painting the 4 signs a few weeks ago, Marion recalled painting signs like these decades ago when she was a new member of the ladies auxiliary. Now seasoned with wisdom and grace, Marion, who is now in her mid 80's, still can smile after completing a job well done!

You will probably see Marion at the Neversink General Store selling tickets for the Neversink Fireman's Raffle, or when the Neversink Farmers' Market is open, she is there helping sell fresh produce from her family's local farm in Neversink.



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ON THE FRONT BURNER: Now therefore, O our God, hear the prayer of thy servant, and his supplications, and cause the face to shine upon thy sanctuary that is desolate, for the Lord's sake. Daniel 9:17

OBITUARY

Helen DuBois, 93, of Kingston, NY, passed away on Thursday, August 2, 2018 at Golden Hill Nursing & Rehab Center. She was born April 13, 1925 in Ladleton, New York, the daughter of the late George and Mildred Erts.

Helen attended a one room school house and went to Liberty High School where she graduated in 1941. She then moved to Kingston where she graduated from the Moran Business School. Soon after she began working at Electrol in Kingston, where she met her late husband, Ward DuBois. Ward passed away on September 20, 2013.

After they wed, Helen became a homemaker, raising her two children. She later began her sewing alteration career based out of her home, and owned and operated Reis Liquor Store on Broadway in Kingston with her husband. Helen was an active member of the First Presbyterian Church in Kingston where she served as Clerk of Session.

She is survived by her children, Linda Diffley of Hurley, Lisa Richardson and her husband Duane of Fruquay Varina, NC, and her grandson, Jared Richardson. In addition to her husband and parents she is predeceased by her son in law, Barry Diffley.

Arrangements entrusted to the care of Keyser Funeral & Cremation Service, 326 Albany Ave., Kingston, NY 1240. A funeral service was held at Keyser Funeral Home on August 7th. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Ulster County SPCA at www.ucspca.org.

To leave an expression of sympathy, please visit www.KeyserFuneralService.com

COLLEGE NEWS

University at Albany Announces May 2018 Graduates

The University at Albany congratulates the more than 3,300 students who graduated at its 174th Commencement from May 18-20. Graduates from August 2017 and December 2017 were also recognized.

Rachael Guerette of Ellenville, NY, graduated Cum Laude with a Bachelor of Arts in Public Policy & Management.

Andrew Hersh of Liberty, NY, graduated with a Bachelor of Arts in Sociology.

Katarina Manzi of Liberty, NY, graduated Summa Cum Laude with a Bachelor of Science in Biology Honors.

Ashley Mulligan of Liberty, NY, graduated Magna Cum Laude with a Bachelor of Arts in Journalism.

Shane Martin of Woodbourne, NY, graduated Magna Cum Laude with a Bachelor of Science in Biology.

Gabriel Zenteno of Ellenville, NY, graduated Summa Cum Laude with a Bachelor of Science in Biology.

Taylor Chappel of Ellenville, NY, graduated Cum Laude with a Bachelor of Science in Human Biology.

David Lonstein of Ellenville, NY, graduated Cum Laude with a Bachelor of Science in Nanoscale Engineering.

Kassondra O'Brien-Ambrosi of Liberty, NY, graduated with a Master of Public Administration in Public Administration.

About the University at Albany

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Days of Yore... Today's History

August 22, 1948

The many friends of George Reynolds Gillette paid homage to this war hero at the funeral services held at the Harold B. Gillette residence on Tuesday afternoon of this week.

Private Gillette, who was well-known to many in the Tri-Valley area was killed in action near Eichelsbach, Germany on March 30, 1945, several days after having crossed the Rhine with the 45th Division, 7th US Army. His remains were brought to this country aboard the transport Lawrence Victory, which arrived at the Brooklyn Army Base on August 19th. Interment was at the Grahamsville Cemetery

August 20, 1958

The Annual Neversink Fair was held on the Joseph Hall fair grounds, on September 21, 1892 (note year and date). The society was organized in September of 1878 with Joseph Hall, ex-supervisor of that town, as President, and it has since had a most prosperous existence. This is owing largely to the very active management of the officers and directors, and especially to Mr. Hall, who has held the Presidency since its founding. Associated with him this year, as offices are Samuel N. Smith, Vice President Daniel Smith, Secretary, Reuben R. Carney, Assistant Secretary, and G. C. Grant, Treasurer. The crowd was estimated at 2,000 people.

August 21, 1968

Mr. Alex Klimaf, the set designer for the Boradway play, "Hello Dolly" was a weekend guest at the Blue Hill Lodge. Also guesting at the Lodge were 15 members of a mushroom picking society who were searching the fields and woods for new varieties.

August 24, 1978

A garbage dumpster is now located across the road from the Town Barn. Dumping hours are Wed., 11 am to 7 pm; Sat., 9 am to 5 pm. Anyone from the town of Neversink may dump there now buty by September 1, everyone using the dumpster must purchase a permit.

Discover SUNY Sullivan Day to be Held August 16th

President Jay Quaintance invites prospective students interested in beginning their college careers this fall to attend "Discover SUNY Sullivan Day" on Thursday, August 16th. The day begins 12 noon in the Kaplan Student Union.

Discover SUNY Sullivan Day is an opportunity for students who are interested in enrolling at the college to visit the campus, learn about financial aid and the application processes, explore housing options, meet faculty and staff members, and hear about all the fun stuff going on outside of the classroom, including sports, activities and clubs.

Students who bring an official transcript will receive instant acceptance to the college. They can also take any required academic placement tests, and will leave with their fall schedule of classes.

Discover SUNY Sullivan Day includes a Bar-B-Q lunch as well as games, blow up fun, give-aways and raffles. One lucky student who registers during Discover SUNY Sullivan Day will win free tuition for the upcoming year.

Reservations are required, and can be made by calling the Admissions Office at 845-434-5750, ext. 4287. Fall classes begin August 27th.

A Round About Tri-Valley

Carol Furman

Sympathy to the family and many friends of Mary T. Dymond who passed away on August 2nd at the age of 69. Mary was active in the Tri-Valley community for many years and was always willing to lend a hand when needed. She is survived by her five children and many grandchildren. Hilda Tillson passed away on August 2nd at the age of 91. Hilda was raised in Hasbrouck by her parents Herm and Madeline Cypert. She is survived by a daughter, Naomi, and her sister, Laverne Black. Condolences to her family and friends. Good wishes for a speedy recovery are being sent to Jona Hamilton of Grahamsville and to Alice Elberth of Neversink.

Thank you to Dena Schulte for painting and replacing the barn quilt at the Grahamsville Reformed Church. The quilt that was removed hung there for many years and was definitely in need of replacement.

Congratulations to the Neversink Renaissance Committee and volunteers for earning the First Place Community Grant. The Renaissance Committee was presented with a check in the amount of \$12,000. Thank you to Cheyanne and to Dave Moore for the many, many hours they spent working and organizing the volunteers!

On August 18th the late James Marion will be inducted into the Frost Valley Hall of Fame. Jim was the second person ever to hold the position of Environmental Education Director at Frost Valley and was very involved in the creation of the composting and recycling programs. He had also served as Conference Director for several years. Jim and his family lived at Frost Valley for many years before moving to Grahamsville.

I recently shopped at the new Dollar Store in Grahamsville and was pleasantly surprised at how beautiful it is. There is practically nothing you could want, except for perhaps some food items, that they don't have. The new store will save me a lot of trips to Walmart in Napanoch or Monticello.

Was someone kidding me when they said that a Dunkin Donuts was going to be built next to the Dollar Store?

The annual Grahamsville Reformed Church picnic was held at Furman Farm on August 12th. I went to see "Fiddler On The Roof" at the Forestburgh Theatre on August 8th. It was lively and very well done. Theatre tickets for that day were sold out.

While walking in the field the other day, my daughter happened to see several Monarch Butterfly caterpillars. (They are stripped with yellow, black and white and are about 2 inches long.) She brought one home and placed it in an empty fish bowl with some milkweed leaves so the kids could watch it. Within two days the caterpillar had made a chrysalis - a shiny green, gold-speckled hanging cone-shaped chrysalis, which reminds me of a little Christmas tree ornament. It won't be long before a beautiful orange and black Monarch Butterfly will emerge. Then we will release it. Monarchs are noted for their migratory habits and in the fall some will travel southward to California and Mexico. Monarchs feed on milkweed and because of their disagreeable flavor caused by their diet, birds avoid them as a food source. There seems to be more Monarchs around this year than last. Perhaps that's because many people have let the milkweed plant grow in their gardens and along roadsides

WORDS OF WISDOM: Sign in an executive's office: "What I am about to say represents one four-billionth of the world's opinion." (Jack Williams)

Neversink Renaissance 1st Place, \$12,000 Community Grant Prize Winner

(From Pg. 1) The Awards Ceremony was the culmination of months of work on the part of volunteers, municipalities, and organizations to beautify communities, enhance gateways, public spaces and main streets.

The event kicked off with "The Soul of Sullivan" a film tribute to all of the volunteers; created by filmmaker Isaac Green Diebboll. The theme of celebration continued throughout the evening as speaker after speaker acknowledged the hard work and dedication of community volunteers.

Monetary prizes were awarded in several categories and scholarships and recognitions were presented to individuals and communities.

MUNICIPAL PARTNERSHIP

The Town of Liberty was recognized for the transformation it has accomplished in the areas of beautification, code enforcement and building healthy communities. They won the top prize of the evening, a \$250,000 grant secured by Assemblywoman Aileen Gunther. "The Town of Liberty is thrilled to receive the Golden Feather Award this year", said Town Supervisor Brian Rourke. "The outcome proves that Liberty has the vision, ambition and know-how to compete as a great place to live, work and play in the Sullivan Catskills."

The Village of Woodridge was awarded a \$50,000 grant made possible by a bequest from former judge and Liberty native Tim Stoddard; and the Town of Thompson was awarded a \$50,000 grant.

Both the Town of Fallsburg and the Town of Tusten were recognized with the Bronze Feather Award of \$25,000.

An additional Showing of Flowers Award was presented to the Village of Woodridge; and the Town of Tusten received special recognition for youth engagement.

COMMUNITY GRANTS: Multiple element beautification projects

First place (\$12,000) Neversink Renaissance
Second place (\$7000) Lumberland Parks and Recreation

Third place (\$5000) Livingston Manor Renaissance
Judges' Choice Awards were presented to Swan Lake Renaissance; Callicoon Business Association and the Liberty Central School District. The Overall Showing of Flowers award was presented to Jeffersonville JEMS.

GARDEN GRANTS: Single element beautification projects

First place (\$3000) Dynamite Youth Center
Second place (\$2000) United Methodist Church of Monticello

Third place (\$1000) Monticello Elks Club #1544
Judges' Choice Awards were presented to St Peter's Church of Liberty; Hudson River Healthcare and the Barryville Chamber of Commerce. The best overall showing of flowers went to the youth inspired project of the Kenoza Lake 4-H Hummingbirds.

In the MAINTENANCE SUPPORT PROGRAM for previously funded Renaissance projects the Forestburgh Playhouse received an award for Overall Showing of Flowers in the amount of \$3,000; additional Judges' Choice Awards were given to the E.B. Crawford Libery in Monticello; the Loomis Area Neighborhood Watch in Liberty and BATS for Veterans in Liberty.

THE COMMUNITY MITZVAH AWARD Program engaged seven seasonal colonies and camps from throughout Sullivan County in beautification and property enhancement efforts. There was a tie for first place between Ohel Boruch of Monticello for property enhancement and Pine Tree Bungalows of Monticello for beautification; Camp HASC of Liberty received a \$3,000 award and a Judges' Choice Award was given to Ahavas Isreal in Liberty.

The SUNY Sullivan Foundation awarded one full time scholarship to Amanda Werkmeister, a volunteer who assisted at Hope Farm at SUNY Sullivan; and also around campus. Vanessa is a student at SUNY Sullivan who is planning to continue her studies during the 2018-2019 academic year.

The Community Foundation of Orange and Sullivan Counties awarded eight Sullivan Renaissance scholarships to volunteers who made a significant contribution to a Sullivan Renaissance project. These scholarships are for the spring semester at the college of one's choice.

McKinley Bernitt; Nathaniel DePaul; Natalee Herling; Cheyanne Matulewich; Andrew Russell; and Cristian Serapio

Sullivan Renaissance is a beautification and community development program principally funded by the Gerry Foundation with support from Assemblywoman Aileen Gunther, Bold Gold Media Group, The River Reporter, The Sullivan County Democrat, The Times Herald Record, DVEight and Thompson Sanitation. For information, contact 845-295-2445 or SullivanRenaissance.org.

Nature Column - Linda Comando

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

The Tussock Moth Caterpillar

When I received a call from our daughter on Friday night explaining that our three-year old grandson had a reaction to a caterpillar – a Tussock Moth Caterpillar – I was on a mission to find out more about this cute fuzzy little creature that is not something you want to come in contact with as it is actually venomous!

The more I read, the more I was compelled to make this caterpillar the subject of this week's column.

The White Tussock Moth Caterpillar (*Orgyia leucostigma*) has been spotted in western and central Pennsylvania and in the Catskills.

They are among the cutest and most colorful caterpillars, but beware, the hairs on this caterpillar will inject their charge when the critter is roughly handled, falls down your shirt, or gets in your sleeping bag, or is pressed against your skin in some other way. Their stings cause a painful rash which may persist for a week or more.

The hairs on the caterpillar are long and bristle-like and spread out in tufts down the sides. Two long, sharp, black pencil-like hairs protrude near the front and rear of the caterpillar. These hairs are connected to poison glands, which excrete venom on contact. White Tussock Moth Caterpillar are mostly white, peppered with a smattering of longer black "whiskers."

Most of the stinging hairs are in the upper tussocks (long irritating hairs) of this caterpillars but a few are also found on the sides and intermingled with the black plume hairs of the hair pencils. Each of the bristlelike hairs has a venom gland at its base.

The chemical cocktail is species-specific, and often involves serotonin, histamine, formic acid and various amino acids.

The White Tussock Moth Caterpillar is the larval form of the Hickory Tussock Moth and appears between June and September while it feeds on the leaves of deciduous trees. They particularly like nut-bearing trees, but will settle for willow, ash, aspen, apple, oak, and even raspberry plants and corn stalks.

Fortunately they are not aggressive like a yellow jacket. They are strictly defensive - their defense is having hollow hairs connected to poison glands that secrete toxins.

The caterpillars may be contacted when they drop from the host trees or when they wander from the trees in search of a place to spin their cocoons. It has been reported that people have also developed dermatitis from contact with the cocoons. Hairs in the cocoons retain their urticating capability for up to a year or longer.

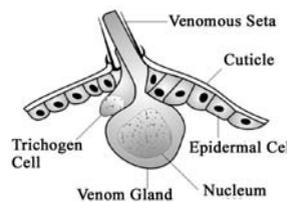
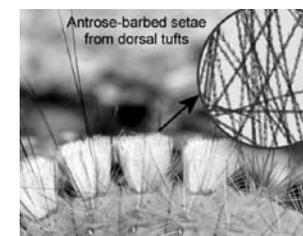
Contact with the venom may cause a nettle or poison ivy-type rash which can range from mild with slight reddening of the skin, to burning, swelling and pain. If you've touched one by mistake, or one should touch you, wash the area with soap and water, and apply ice and calamine lotion to ease the itch. Sometimes, though, their poison triggers a severe allergic reaction. People who do experience severe reactions should seek expert medical advice as soon as possible.

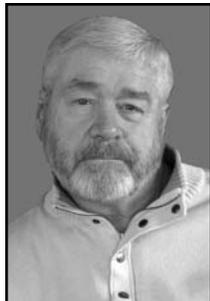
Remember, this white and black furry caterpillar looks kinda cuddly, but it's not as friendly as it appears!

Household Hints

Get the jump on athlete's foot

You can often quell the infection, and quickly ease the itching, by rinsing your feet three or four times a day for a few days with undiluted apple cider vinegar. As an added precaution, soak your socks or stockings in a mixture of 1 part vinegar and 4 parts water for 30 minutes before laundering them.





Mysterious Book Report No. 346

by John Dwaine McKenna

Bluff is a novel about the practice of sleight of hand, or magic, and magic is done by practicing the art of misdirection. The conjurer talks the audience into looking over there while at the exact same time doing something over here and presto . . . a deck of fifty-two cards thrown against the wall falls to the floor . . . except for one. That's the one a volunteer picked from the deck and showed the audience a few moments earlier then inserted back in the deck. That particular card is thumb tacked to the wall. Face out. The mind won't accept – can't believe – what the eyes have seen. That's magic. It's fun and entertaining. It takes tens of thousands of repetitions to become an adept . . . before the hand can fool the eye and the brain. But magic has a sinister side too, an evil twin called card manipulation. It's used to cheat at games of chance.

Bluff, (Mysterious Press/Grove Atlantic, \$26.00, 272 pages, ISBN 978-0-8021-2804-1) by Michael Kardos features a down on her luck, broke magician named Natalie Webb. She's twenty-seven years old, a card-trick prodigy, and a has-been who was used and thrown away by an unscrupulous older magician. He slept with her, stole her best trick and claimed it as his own . . . then revealed to her: "It's common knowledge that I'm married." Natalie was just eighteen at the time, attending her first World of Magic Convention . . . and she's been shunned by the community of professional magicians ever since. As she struggles to make a subsistence living at her craft, a card trick ends in disaster, injuring and possibly blinding an aggressive personal injury lawyer. He's described as a "Professional A--hole," nicknamed Lucifer by his peers because of his willingness to resort to any tactic, no matter how low or vile, in order to win his case. Faced with thousands of dollars in legal fees, and the potential of many more in settlement costs, the beleaguered young woman takes on a writing project for a national magazine in which she will reveal some magic tricks, (A serious infraction amongst the fraternity of magicians), and compare them to an adept card cheat at the poker table. First however, Natalie has to find a poker-playing cheater . . . which leads her to Atlantic City . . . which in turn introduces her . . . Sorry folks. You'll have to read this killer of a thriller to get the answer to that, and other questions, such as what is a classic pass, a Greek deal, or a Charlie Miller table pass. *Bluff* combines the elements of revenge, street justice, and gut-wrenching suspense to create a racy spellbinder of a novel that you can't put down, can't stop reading, and just can't figure out until the very twisted end. And hey! Don't forget that the art of magic is the practice of misdirection!

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Interview With The Author: Michael Kardos

by John Dwaine McKenna



Michael Kardos

With many thanks, our interview this week is with Michael Kardos, the Pushcart Prize-winning author of *Bluff*, who holds degrees from Princeton, Ohio State, and the University of Missouri. He lives in Mississippi, where he teaches creative writing at Mississippi State. Somehow, he's also found the time to write three other novels, a story collection and a text book. A world-class achiever if the MBR has ever seen one! Let's get right to it.

What makes a character compelling?

Often, it isn't that a character is innately compelling. Rather, the story takes place on the day that happens to be the most important-and stressful-of a character's life: the day the character has to make decisions that can never be unmade and do things he or she never thought possible. Another way of say this is that compelling characters aren't passive observers. They act! They make a scene, both figuratively and literally.

Agreed . . . but it brings to mind another question:

Do you use humor in your work?

Yes, finally, after three novels! I had been shy about using humor because, after all, I'm writing about serious crimes, and the last thing I want is for the humor to minimize the gravity of what I'm writing about. Yet the subject matter of *Bluff*-professional magic and high-stakes poker-allowed me to introduce characters who have a darkly comic edge. So the humor felt organic to the material.

Does your style make use of adjectives and adverbs?

Common writing advice is to edit out adjectives and adverbs to make room for better nouns and verbs. Leaner and meaner and all that. For the most part, I buy it. On the other hand, Denis Johnson wrote this sentence about a man dying at a car wreck: "He was still alive, still dreaming obscenely." That's from his story "Car Crash While Hitchhiking"-just seven words, and three are adverbs! So really it's a matter of knowing your tools and being able to use them.

A subject we could talk about for a long time, because it's complicated, as your example from Denis Johnson points out, the word "still" is also a noun, a verb, and an adjective, so let's go on to the next question:

Where do you get most, some, or any your story ideas from?

My fiction often draws on bits of experience-music with my first novel, magic with this latest one-but the material marinates a long, long time, usually a decade or more, before I can figure out how write about it.

Do you plot-outline or wing it?

With short stories, I often wing it. For a novel, which can take years, I want to be more confident I'm on firm footing. For me, that means trying to give the book a solid foundation: a beginning, middle, and end, plus a few moments along the way that spin the story in a new and unexpected direction. Still, I try not to outline too much, because I want to leave plenty of room for discovery.

Others we've interviewed choose to wing it because they never know where the story will end up. It's why we ask the question, and thanks for sharing your thoughts.

What type of scene is most difficult for you to write?

Crowd scenes. As it happens, they're the most difficult for me to live, too. Still, sometimes we just have to throw ourselves into large groups. I do my best.

What's your advice for aspiring writers?

Re-read some of your favorite stories and novels with obsessive attention to how they are made at every level: the sentence, the scene, the broader structure. Thanks again for your time today and please keep us informed of your next project. Hopefully in less than ten years! Just kidding. Last question:

Where could you be reached on the World Wide Web?

MichaelKardos.com

Bio:

Michael Kardos is the author of the novels *Bluff*, *Before He Finds Her*, and *The Three-Day Affair*, an Esquire best book of 2012, as well as the story collection *One Last Good Time*, which won the Mississippi Institute of Arts & Letters Award for fiction, and the textbook *The Art and Craft of Fiction: A Writer's Guide*. His short stories have appeared in *The Southern Review*, *Crazyhorse*, *Harvard Review*, and many other magazines and anthologies, and have won a Pushcart Prize. Michael grew up on the Jersey Shore, received a degree in music from Princeton University, and played the drums professionally for a number of years. He has an M.F.A. in fiction from The Ohio State University and a Ph.D. from the University of Missouri. He lives in Starkville, Mississippi, where he is an associate professor of English and co-director of the creative writing program at Mississippi State University.

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August is National Immunization Awareness Month

Liberty, NY - Back-to-school season is here. It's time for parents to gather school supplies and backpacks. It's also the perfect time to make sure your children are up to date on their vaccines.

To celebrate the importance of immunizations for people of all ages - and to make sure children are protected with all the vaccines they need as they go back to school - Sullivan County Public Health Services is joining with partners nationwide in recognizing August as National Immunization Awareness Month.

"Getting children all of the vaccines recommended by CDC's immunization schedule is one of the most important things parents can do to protect their children from serious diseases," said Nancy McGraw, Director of Sullivan County Public Health Services. "If you haven't done so already, now is the time to check with your child's doctor to find out what vaccines your child needs."

Vaccines protect children, preteens and teens from 16 serious and potentially life-threatening diseases.

"When children are not vaccinated, they are at increased risk for diseases and can also spread diseases to others in their classrooms and community - including babies who are too young to be fully vaccinated and people with weakened immune systems due to cancer or other health conditions," advised District 2 Legislator Nadia Rajsz, chair of the Legislature's Health & Family Services Committee. "Talk to your child's doctor to find out which vaccines are recommended for them before going back to school."

Parents can find more about recommended vaccines by visiting www.cdc.gov/vaccines/parents or <http://sullivan.us/Departments/PublicHealth/Fluandimmunizationclinics> or by calling Sullivan County Public Health Services at 845-292-5910, ext. 0.

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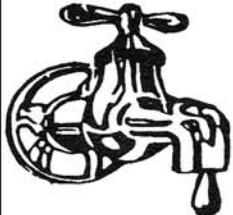
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Computer Frustration

Computers were supposed to make our life easier. Not! First of all, they are a dysfunctional family of computerized devices. My old Dell computer sits like a monument to a vault of priceless information that has not been accessed in five years. The Apple, which I use for writing, is my main vehicle of communication for anything requiring a fully constructed sentence. The two iPads get used all the time when I am not attached to this work station. Then there is my semi-smart phone. Add to that my husband's lap top and his very smart phone.

Multiply this by the number of households in the civilized, and uncivilized world. When we were in the Amazon, there was a cell tower in a River Community where the children had never seen a mirror. The world-wide web boggles my imagination. Where is this superhighway of misinformation? How does Facebook know I need a six-inch ecru lampshade? How do these cyber siblings talk to each other in secret?

I am getting paranoid with Russian hacking, Alexa listening, and my screen looking back at me as I type away. I actually have a band-aid over that little camera hole on the top of the screen.

Everything requires a password that requires a Capital letter, a non-letter, and some discreet, unguessable, word. Fine. Creating one is easy. Remembering it is another story. I now have a file book of no fewer than twenty-six passwords for individual accounts. I love typing something like "44morepurplerottingradishes!!!" and having the computer tell me the privacy strength is too weak.

The other downfall of computer living is computer shopping. It is just too darn easy, especially with Amazon Prime. Order with "One Click." Much too easy. Instead of the pensive planning time of a half-hour drive to Kingston and the contemplative moments fondling the item to buy, I now just look and click. Two days later a package, or packages, show up at the door. My dog Hudson no longer barks at the UPS Man or FedEx woman. He especially likes the boxes that say "Chewy.com."

Immense Statue THE LION, Carved from the Stone that Wrought Michelangelo's DAVID, Roars to Life in the Hudson Valley!

(From Pg. 1) According to Shadowland Artistic Director Brendan Burke, "Bob Osgood's deft passion for art, his dedication to Shadowland, and his fantastic enthusiasm for 'the Kids' as he calls them, have combined to create an event which we think will be genuinely thrilling to all who attend. Imagine this grand statue, cloaked in red silk, being publicly unveiled for the first time after having travelled several thousand miles since its creation. We are all very excited and, at the same time, very grateful to Bob Osgood for sharing his many passions to benefit Shadowland's Acting Academy and 'the Kids'."



As Mr. Osgood recalls, "For 22 years in London I would pass by the huge bronze lions in Trafalgar Square on my way to my law office. I could not keep my eyes off those proud, magnificent beasts. And I have always been haunted by the last line of Hemingway's Old Man and the Sea, about Santiago after his monumental struggle with the marlin: 'The old man was dreaming about the lions.' So in 2015 I decided to ask my friend, the great sculptor Boutros Romhein, to make me a magnificent marble Lion. After two years of cutting and polishing, it was delivered this summer after a long journey from the mountains of Tuscany to the Italian port of Genoa, then loaded onto a ship for the 4,600 mile journey over the Atlantic Ocean to the port of Hoboken, New Jersey, and from there to the Catskill Mountains. With the help of a seventy

THE LION joins a previous statue carved for Mr. Osgood by Romhein, L'ANGELO (The Angel). Unveiling of THE LION at Mr. Osgood's property will be surrounded by an elegant reception, with local craft beers, fine wines, and a dazzling array of hors d'oeuvres prepared by Aroma Thyme Bistro, the Canal Street eatery that has gained worldwide fame for outstanding cuisine. Music for the event will be provided by a group of players including jazz pianist and former recording pioneer John Simon. Reception will be from 5:00pm to 8:00pm with the unveiling of THE LION taking place at 6:30pm. Donations begin at \$100 per person although larger donations are encouraged and will be most gratefully accepted. Attached are images of the previous work by Boutros Romhein as commissioned by Robert Osgood, L'ANGELO; and the rear foot of THE LION. The immensity of

these amazing statues are evident in both photos.

About Boutros Romhein

Born in 1949 in Syria, Boutros Romhein attained classical maturity as a boy in Damascus. He is a sculpture graduate of the Art Academy school in Carrara, Italy. For 16 years he worked in a studio in Damascus and developed sculptures in wood and stone. He has given private and collective exhibitions in Syria and abroad. In 1983 he settled in Carrara, Italy where, in 1991, he opened the studio "ARCO ARTE" where he now lives and runs sculpture courses - and has established a workshop and a permanent exhibition space. For more information, visit <http://www.sculpturacarrara.it/en/>

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The Ulster County Industrial Development Agency Honors Past Chair John Morrow and Approves Fee Investment for Ram's Valley at August Meeting

Kingston, NY - The Ulster County Industrial Development Agency's ("UCIDA" or "Agency") mission is to advance the job opportunities, general prosperity and long-term economic vitality of Ulster County residents by targeting tax incentives, bonding and other assistance to foster the creation and attraction of new business and the retention and expansion of existing business.

At its August meeting, the Agency recognized Past Chair John Morrow for his long-time services to the UCIDA and Ulster County Resource Corporation ("UCCRC").

The UCIDA/UCCRC members agreed today to utilize a portion of the fees it collects from assisting large businesses and non-profits to help a local startup food manufacturer. The board voted to enter into a contract for \$15,000 with Ram's Valley, which is located at the UGARC's Cornell Creative Business Center (<http://cornellcreativity.com/business-center/>), so that this business can make needed purchases and create jobs for residents with a disabilities.

The Board also agreed to increase its community outreach and communication efforts by creating an educational video and investigating videotaping of meet-

ings. Members also approved a contract with Ellenbogen Media; Ellenbogen Media will produce an informational video that outlines the UCIDA's policies and procedures and explains its role in business development, job creation and retention.

The next regular meeting of the UCIDA is scheduled for Wednesday, September 12, 2018, at 8:00 AM at the County Office Building, 244 Fair Street, 6th Floor, Legislative Chambers, Kingston, NY 12401.

UCIDA is an independent, public benefit corporation created by the State of New York to offer tax incentives to qualified businesses. The UCIDA receives its operating funds by collecting fees from businesses that enter into contracts with the Agency, from investments, and loan fees. For more information, visit www.ulstercountyyida.com.

Town of Deerpark Orange County Wilderness River Rescue

At about 3 p.m. on Aug. 4, Forest Ranger Richard Franke was on a joint patrol of the Delaware River with National Park Service Rangers in a jet boat when a group of rafters notified the patrol that two people were calling for help.

The group then found a 62-year-old woman from Lee Center in the water with her foot stuck in a river obstruction and her head just above water. The woman's 64-year-old friend was also struggling in a raft nearby. Due to recent heavy rains, the river level was high and the water was flowing fast. Ranger Franke entered the water wearing his personal floatation device with a line attached.

The Ranger freed the woman's foot and assisted her into the raft. A rope was attached to the raft and both subjects were brought on board the National Park Service boat.

Meanwhile, a second raft with seven individuals was caught in the same currents. Ranger Franke tied the raft to a tree and assisted each person, one by one, onto the National Park Service boat.

Later that day, a third party with two people also capsized their raft upstream and were swept into the water. The Rangers rescued the pair.

A total of 11 people were rescued and brought safely to shore.

Town of Gardiner Ulster County Wilderness Rescue

At 11:17 a.m. on Aug. 5, Mohonk Preserve rangers contacted DEC Forest Rangers David Meade and Kevin Slade to assist with the rescue of a climber who reportedly fell 40 feet. Under Lt. Gregory Tyrrell's authority, five Rangers assisted with the technical rope rescue.

The DEC Rangers were assisted by Mohonk Preserve Rangers, State Police, and the Gardiner Fire Department. The 22-year old Brooklyn man was climbing a 200-foot cliff face when he fell approximately 45 feet.

The man was secured to a rescue litter and lowered to the base of the cliff, where he was transported to the hospital by a local EMS provider.

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"SUNY Sullivan's second ranking in two years as a Top 10 community college reiterates the college's commitment to the personal success of our students, whether their goal is to graduate and move into a career, transfer to a four-year college or university, or study on a part-time basis," said President Jay Quaintance. "SUNY Sullivan has worked to increase our applied learning opportunities for students, we've aligned ourselves more closely with business and industry, and we continue to work to strengthen our academic and support programs. The changes we are making to move our library services into the digital age as well as the creation of a new One Stop Center continues to enhance our student-centered approach to higher education."

For more information about the rankings, visit www.bestcolleges.com/features/best-colleges-in-new-york/.

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SUNY Sullivan once again named Top 10 Best Community College in New York State

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Willow Wisp Organic Farm Hosts Lenape Nation Leaders

On Sunday, August 4th, 2018, farmers Greg Swartz, Tannis Kowalchuk and their 10 year old son Simon Kowalchuk-Swartz were honored to welcome members of The Lenape Nation of Pennsylvania to their farm, Willow Wisp Organic Farm, located in Damascus, Pennsylvania.



Led by Chief Gentle Moon, a group of 26 Lenape Nation members are currently on a two-week trip by canoe and kayaks on the Delaware River to Cape May. Along the journey they will meet with River-based communities and environmental groups to make friendships, exchange ideas, and collect signatures on a Friendship Treaty that they are carrying with them. The sojourn is organized by tribal member Adam DePaul who is a Lenape language researcher and organizer of the Rising Nation.

The Lenape Nation expedition launched from Hancock this weekend, and on Sunday at midday, the group of 26 travelers landed on the banks of the Delaware below Willow Wisp Organic Farm. The chief was greeted by the Willow Wisp farm family and invited for lunch. After eating Chief Gentle Moon told stories, shared his people's history, and the farmers showed him some Lenape artifacts that had been found on the farm.

Lenape musician, Jim Beer a member of the sojourn presented and read the Friendship Treaty to the family, and all three family members signed. Following the treaty signing, the farmers took the group on a long walk around the farm, explaining their organic practices and their commitment to land stewardship and to leaving the land better than it was when they got it.

The farm tour ended back down on the banks of the Delaware (in Lenape language --Lenape Sipu) with a water drum song and circle dance on the river's edge. The voyagers continued on to Narrowsburg, NY where they stopped to camp for the night.

Studio Monday Art Group

Studio Monday Art Group meets at the Daniel Pierce Library in Grahamsville every Monday morning from 9:30 - 12:30 in the lower level.

On Monday, August 6, potter and watercolor artist Chris Parrow conducted a watercolor workshop for us featuring bright florals. We all contributed flowers and vases and used those for inspiration for our varied finished works that day.



We welcome new members! Come bring whatever creation you are working on and share ideas with us. We have some supplies in case someone does not have what they need. Call Pat Wellington for more information at (941) 735-2067.

Dates and Locations
Claryville Church Hall, August 25, 11am-4pm
Sundown Church Hall, September 15, 11am-4pm



Join artist Jenny Lee Fowler for a portrait-cutting session and share your story!

Portraits and Stories

As part of Catskill Waters, a community art project about the people in the NYC watersheds, Jenny will cut a silhouette portrait of you while our staff records the conversation for our podcast. Contact keiko@catskillwaters.org to reserve your spot! Visit catskillwaters.org for more information.



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Neversink Invitational Road Race

Since 2011, Dave Trimble has presented the Neversink Invitational Road Race, a bicycle road race that takes place in the backroads near and through Neversink.



After 77 miles of 'peddling', the bikers are ready to enjoy a BBQ at Cabernet Frank's

This year's Neversink Invitational was a 77 mile road race that began and ended at Cabernet Frank's in Parksville. A group of approximately 40 plus bikers were able to unwind after the race and enjoy a BBQ hosted by Cabernet Frank's, Wade and R.J. who provided great food and great entertainment.

The race took the group over hilly back roads from Parksville through Neversink and back. They have no sponsors, permits, or sanctioning. The reason for this they say is to capture pure cycling emotions in the most beautiful location possible.

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Frost Valley YMCA Announces Day Camp Openings



Claryville - Just because the school supplies have made their way onto the store shelves doesn't mean summer is over. In fact, there's still plenty of fun left to be had this summer at Frost Valley YMCA day camps.

Parents looking to give their child a positive, safe, and exciting summer camp experience are encouraged to register right away. Although they are filling up fast, there are still spaces available in the following Frost Valley day camps: Farm camp, Explorers, Pathfinders, Just Us Girls, Tweens, and Teen Summer Sampler.

Farm day camp is for children entering Kindergarten through 8th grade. Children build character and develop responsibility while learning and working on Frost Valley's 515-acre working farm, tending to the animals and planting in the garden. Explorers camp provides an introduction to day camp for children entering pre-K or Kindergarten. Their busy days are filled with small hikes, waterfront games, crafts, and ample rest opportunities.

Pathfinders day camp is for children entering 1st through 6th grade and gives them the opportunity to help create their daily schedule and offers sports, arts and crafts, healthy cooking classes, science, music, and more. Just Us Girls camp is for girls entering 5th and 6th grade. Girls explore means to explore positive self-expression, goal setting, and leadership styles while participating in exciting ropes and challenge activities, dance, yoga, arts and crafts, and more.

Tweens day camp is for children entering the 7th grade. In addition to many traditional camp activities, children will also have the opportunity to take an off-site trip, enjoy an overnight campout, and experience exciting ropes courses like the zipline. Teen Summer Sampler camp is for adventure loving teens entering grades 8-10. Teens will take a trip to SplashDown Beach Water Park, a late night zipline adventure, an overnight camping trip, and a special off-site adventure trip.

Frost Valley YMCA has been providing high-quality day and overnight camping programs for children for more than 100 years. Summer camp does more than keep kids busy; it develops their resilience, independence, and leadership in addition to giving them exciting new experiences. Camp also gives them the opportunity to form close friendships and make memories that will last a lifetime.

Bus transportation is available for an additional fee from select locations in Liberty, Claryville, Kiamesha Lake, Fallsburg, Woodbourne, Ellenville, Neversink, Fleischmanns, Margaretville, Big Indian, and Phoenicia. There is limited busing during Farm day camp. Financial assistance is also available. To register your child for day camp at Frost Valley, call 845-985-2291 or email registrar@frostvalley.org.

Senator Bonacic Attends the 2018 Sullivan Renaissance Awards Ceremony



Pictured at this week's Sullivan Renaissance Awards are (L-R), Senator Bonacic, Orange County Clerk Annie Rabbitt, Sandra Gerry, and Alan Gerry.

(Middletown, NY)- State Senator John J. Bonacic (R/C/I-Mt. Hope) was pleased to join community members, and local business leaders and officials earlier this week at the 2018 Sullivan Renaissance Awards Ceremony. The event was held at Bethel Woods Center for the Arts. At the awards ceremony, Sullivan Renaissance, a beautification and community development program, handed out over \$500,000 in grants to communities and individuals in Sullivan County. In addition to handing out the grants, Sullivan Renaissance, and its Chairwoman Sandra Gerry, honored Senator Bonacic for his years of service, and his commitment to Sullivan County.

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Shandelee Music Festival Outreach Program Visits the Care Center at Sunset Lake

LIBERTY, NY: During the time that the Shandelee Music Festival (SMF) has been conducting their Outreach program, over 75 concerts have been presented for those who do not have an opportunity to attend a live classical performance. Outreach venues have included Catskill Regional Medical Center, The Center for Discovery, The Recovery Center, Sullivan County Correctional Facility, Livingston Manor, Monticello, Sullivan West and Eldred Central Schools, and Sullivan County Community College.

This year's Outreach will take place at another familiar venue, the Care Center at Sunset Lake in Liberty (formerly the Sullivan County Adult Care Center).

On August 15 at 1:30 p.m., the SMF's Outreach Program will present a concert featuring bassoonist William Beecher and pianist John Bernstein.

William Beecher is a bassoonist from Long Island, who holds degrees from the Crane School of Music at SUNY Potsdam and Northwestern University. He is currently a doctoral candidate at the University of Hartford. Beecher frequently performs at venues in New York such as Alice Tully Hall, Carnegie Hall, The MET Museum, Symphony Space, the Richard B. Fisher Center and many others, and he's performed with the American Symphony Orchestra, The Orchestra Now, (Contd. Pg 11)



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(From Pg. 9) John Bernstein currently holds a position on the music faculty at Monticello High School, where he teaches classes in Piano Performance and Pedagogy, Performance Skills, Music Technology, and Brass Lessons. He also works as the Youth and Outreach Director for the SMF. Bernstein earned a Bachelor's of Music with a concentration in Piano from SUNY Potsdam, and is currently completing his Master's in Music Education at the Crane School of Music. He performs frequently across all genres and styles of music, and has had the pleasure of playing in some of the most prestigious venues in the New York area, including Weill Recital Hall at Carnegie Hall, Webster Hall, and the Event Gallery at Bethel Woods.

Back in 2008, Bernstein was one of the first local pianists to attend the SMF's "Day Camp" - a part of the organization's Educational Program that has contributed to the musical instruction of over 300 students. As part of the

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The Scene Too

By Jane Harrison

(From Pg. 1) It was perfect opening, getting people up on their feet and on the dance floor.

Then they were then joined on stage by Laura Garone and in her own inimitable style on Carole King's (You Make Me Feel Like A) 'Natural Woman' and 'Too Late Baby' before launching into some of my own personal favorites like Denise LaSalle's 'Real Sad Story'.

And as totally enjoyable as the warm ups were, we were all waiting for dessert...a very healthy slice of Mr Slam Allen. And no one was disappointed!

This was the first time I have had the privilege of seeing him in the context of a type of concert. Backing him on stage were two notable musicians in their own right. Jeff Anderson on bass toured with Ben E King for a decade and spent another decade with the house band at the Apollo Theatre. On drums, it was Vito Lizzie who toured with Johnny Winter for fifteen years. And there they were, on stage in Grahamsville.

For those who read this column, I've said before that I've been hearing the name Slam Allen for years in hushed, reverent whispers but only saw him for the first time a few months ago at his Monday night gig at the Casino, and it all made sense as to why he is held in such high esteem...not to mention getting my 'blues fix'. During his appearance at the Hurleyville Museum last Sunday, he made the statement that he always wanted to be an entertainer. And I'd say he's more than accomplished that.

He delighted the crowd by taking his beloved guitar 'Love' wireless into the packed house and his mix of covers and originals kept people on the dance floor. And his dedication of his cover of the Louis Armstrong classic 'A Wonderful World' to Dave Trestyn and the success of the Heartbeat Music Hall brought the crowd to their feet.

Slam received not one but two standing ovations, and well earned they were. If you weren't there, just know that you missed one helluva night!!

program, he performed with other piano students from all over the world.

The program for the Outreach concert will include Edward Elgar's "Romance for Bassoon," "Sicillien et Allegro Giocoso" by Gabriel Grovlez, and "Concerto for Bassoon" (movements I & II) by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart.

If you would like more information on the SMF's concerts, memberships, sponsorships or donations, or to join the mailing list, please visit www.shandee.org or call 845-439-3277.

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139 Years of Fair Fun!



The Grahamsville Little World's Fair is older than Bob Drown's Wayback Machine! Thank you to Bob for the great photo.

This year marks the 139th Annual Little Worlds Fair! The Grahamsville Little World's Fair is the longest running independent fair in New York, offering three days of old-fashioned family fun which will feature agricultural and livestock exhibits and contests, daily entertainment including live music and demonstrations, rides for all ages, an array of great food, games, vendors, and a whole lot more!

Join the fun at the 139th Annual Grahamsville Little World's Fair, hosted by the Neversink Agricultural Society! Friday 8/17 - 9am to 10pm; Saturday 8/18 - 9am to 11pm; and Sunday 8/19 - 9am to 6pm

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Craft artisans and mixe-media artists are invited to participate in the 2nd Annual Craft Show at the Liberty Museum & Arts Center in Liberty NY. The show will run from August 31st through October 13th. Last year's show was a critical and public success with a wide variety of works running from exquisite furniture, jewelry, pottery large and small, quirky and humorous panels, collages large and small, rustic wreaths, historical dolls, delicately painted metalware and much more.

If you work in any field of craft or work in a non-traditional, hard-to-categorize medium, this is the show for you. The exhibit space is large and well-lit and, it is expected to draw even larger crowds than last year. While items may be offered for sale throughout the display period, the show will culminate in an expansive open mart in which additional items may be brought in.

For additional information, contact the show curator, Naomi Frumess, at (845) 807-6656 or nfrumessfnp396@gmail.com. You may submit photos of your work at the email address above. As nearly all of last year's artists are returning, space is limited so reserve your spot soon.

Renewable Energy at Hanford Mills –
A behind the scenes look at the Restoration and
Operation of the Mill's renewable power Generation
 Saturday, August 18, Hanford Mills Museum Operations Manager, Robert Dianich will lead a behind the scenes look of the Mill's renewable hydropower generation and the operating Mill complex.

The tour will explore the restoration and operation of the Mill's renewable hydropower generation equipment (including the water wheel, water turbine and steam power plant) and the Mill's use of renewable power.

An operating mill site since 1846, Hanford Mills harnessed the waters of Kortright Creek to provide the town of East Meredith with its first electricity in 1898. The mill closed in 1967, but with the aid of the Catskill Center, re-opened later that year as a museum. Its significance as one of the last nineteenth century mills to survive intact has earned it a place on the State and National Registers of Historic Places. Forty-five years later, the historic Hanford Mills Museum will honor this long history by welcoming members of the Catskill Center for a special behind-the-scenes tour.

Participants are encouraged to plan to spend time at the Museum after the special tour - enjoy the new exhibit, explore the Learning Lab, amble along the rail trail, and relax beside the Mill pond.

Pre-registration is required for this event. Please register by 4:00 PM on Friday August 17, by emailing ccd@catskillcenter.org or call 845-586-2611.

Hanford Mills Museum is located at 51 County Route 12, East Meredith, New York. (Contd. Pg. 12)



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Renewable Energy at Hanford Mills –

(From Pg. 11) The Museum operates an authentic water- and steam-powered historic site, inspiring audiences of all ages to explore connections among energy, technology, natural resources, and entrepreneurship in rural communities, with a focus on sustainable choices. It is open Wednesday-Sunday through October 14.

This tour of Hanford Mills Museum is the second of four education programs that are part of the Catskill Center's exclusive Member Program Series. For information on joining the Catskill Center, please call 845-586-2611, email jmogelever@catskillcenter.org or visit catskillcenter.org/support.

33rd Annual Competition Spotlights World-Class New York Wines and Ciders

Awards Governor's Cup to Keuka Spring Vineyards, 2017 Gewürztraminer and First Ever Governor's Cider Cup to Kite & String's "Pioneer Pippin," and Dr. Konstantin Frank Winery Named Winery of the Year

Finger Lakes Currently Leading USA Today Poll for Best Wine Region, Encourages New Yorkers to Vote Through August 30

Governor Andrew M. Cuomo announced the winners of the 33rd New York Wine Classic, a nationally recognized competition highlighting the best of New York's wine and ciders. This year, the Governor's Cup, the most esteemed award given at the Classic, was presented to Keuka Spring Vineyards, 2017 Gewürztraminer from the Finger Lakes region. The first ever Governor's Cider Cup was awarded to Kite & String's "Pioneer Pippin" cider. In addition, Dr. Konstantin Frank Winery from the Finger Lakes region was presented with the 'Winery of the Year' award. The Governor's announcement of the Governor's Cup coincides with a current USA Today poll that has the Finger Lakes leading as the best wine region in the country.

"New York's world-renowned wineries and cideries are second to none and help drive tourism, strengthen local economies and create jobs across the state," Governor Cuomo said. "The annual New York Wine Classic celebrates and recognizes the best of the best of our craft beverage industry, and I congratulate the winners and encourage those interested to try these world-class products for themselves."

"New York is home to some of the best wineries and cideries, and this competition highlights the many craft beverages our local producers have to offer," said Lieutenant Governor Kathy Hochul. "Through the state's investment in the craft beverage industry, we're ensuring that producers have the support to continue to grow and succeed."

Known as "The Oscars" of New York wine competitions, the Classic is organized by the New York Wine & Grape Foundation and is open to the more than 440 New York wineries across the state. This year's competition included 924 individual entries: 853 New York wines and 71 hard ciders from across the State. A total of 40 Double Gold, 49 Gold, 324 Silver, and 334 Bronze medals were awarded.

New this year, in addition to the highest award presented, the Governor's Cider Cup, there were three categories for cider judging this year: Best Modern Cider, Best Specialty Cider, and Best Heritage Cider. Angry Orchard's "Baldwin SVC 2015" won Best Modern Cider; Three Brothers Wineries & Estates "Cane Mutiny, Red Apple Bombshell" won Best Specialty Cider; and Kite & String's "Pioneer Pippin" was awarded Best Heritage Cider on the way to ultimately winning the 2018 Governor's Cider Cup.

The Governor also announced the "Best of Category" and "Best of Class" winners for wine.

New York State Liquor Authority Chairman Vincent Bradley said, "New York State wineries and cideries continue to gain national recognition by producing some of the best wines and ciders in the world. The annual New York Wine Classic is great way to celebrate how far this burgeoning industry has come and the enormous impact it's having on our state's economy."

In addition to receiving medals, the winners of the Governor's Cup, Winery of the Year, Concord Brandy, Best Red, Best White, Best Pink, Best Sparkling, and Best Dessert categories will be provided with a package of marketing collateral intended to help promote their wines throughout the year.

The New York Wine & Grape Foundation will also feature the winners of the Governor's Cup, Winery of the Year and Concord Grape Brandy wine category at a wide range of events throughout the year, including the Great New York State Fair's Tasting Seminars, a VIP dinner at the NY Kitchen, domestic and international tradeshows and other receptions.

Since taking office, Governor Cuomo has led the effort to modernize New York's craft beverage industry and pave the way for unprecedented growth through new legislation, regulatory reforms,

groundbreaking initiatives and promotional campaigns. Today, there are 440 licensed wineries and 66 licensed cideries across the State, including 350 farm wineries and 41 farm cideries. Additionally, 85 farm wineries and eight farm cideries have opened off-site tasting room throughout the state.

Governor Cuomo Announces Record \$1.5 Million Available to Support Growth of Farm-to-School Programs Across NYS Ahead of 2018-19 School Year Program Helps School Districts Serve More Local Food in Schools and Provides Economic Boost to New York Farmers Doubling of Funding for State's Farm-to-School Program is a Key Component of the Governor's No Student Goes Hungry Initiative

Governor Andrew M. Cuomo announced that \$1.5 million is available for eligible school districts to support the growth of Farm-to-School programs across New York State ahead of the upcoming school year. The program helps Kindergarten through Grade 12 schools to increase the volume and variety of locally grown and produced food on school menus, improve student health, and educate young people about agriculture. The program also assists the agricultural economy, providing additional business to New York's farmers. Funding for the Farm-to-School program was doubled in the State's 2018-19 Budget and is a key component of the Governor's No Student Goes Hungry initiative.

"The Farm-to-School program is a win-win that brings fresh, local produce to children in our schools and spurs growth for farmers across this great state," Governor Cuomo said. "By committing an additional \$1.5 million to this initiative, we can increase the number of schools serving locally-sourced meals to students and continue our support for New York's agricultural industry."

"The nutrition children receive at school is an important part of their overall health and growth," said Lieutenant Governor Kathy Hochul. "With this innovative program we are ensuring that children across New York have access to locally grown fruits and vegetables. New York is home to world-class farm products, and the Farm-to-School program delivers results for kids in school and farmers in every region of our state."

Applicants eligible for Round 4 of the Farm-to-School program include Kindergarten through Grade 12 school food authorities, public schools, charter schools, not-for-profit schools, and other entities participating in the National School Lunch Program, the School Breakfast Program, or the Summer Food Service Program. Entities working with school food authorities and eligible schools are also eligible to apply. The state is seeking proposals that will increase the capacity of schools to procure and serve locally produced food items in school meal programs.

Grant funding of up to \$100,000 per project will be awarded for projects such as:

- o Employing a local or regional farm to school coordinator;
- o Training programs for food service staff to increase knowledge of local procurement and preparation of locally produced food;
- o Purchase of equipment needed to increase capacity of school kitchen and food service staff to prepare and serve locally produced food; and
- o Capital improvements to support the transport and/or storage of locally produced food.

Since the Governor launched New York's Farm-to-School Program in 2015, \$1,825,000 has been invested to support 25 Farm-to-School projects benefiting 164 school districts across the state.

All applicants to the Farm-to-School Program must register and apply through Grants Gateway. Proposals must be received by October 1, 2018 by 4 p.m. For more information, contact: William Shattuck at William.McMullen@agriculture.ny.gov.

For more information on the Farm-to-School Grant Program, click here.

Governor's No Student Goes Hungry Initiative

The Farm-to-School Program is a major component of the state's ongoing efforts to increase the amount of fresh, local foods served in schools and to connect New York's farmers to new markets. It is a key component of the Governor's No Student Goes Hungry initiative, first introduced in his 2018 State of the State Address. The initiative is a comprehensive program developed to provide students of all ages, backgrounds, and financial situations access to healthy, locally-sourced meals from kindergarten through college. In addition to expanding the Farm-to-School program, the No Student Goes Hungry program also includes legislation to expand access to free breakfast and put an end to lunch shaming, and policy changes to ensure students in kindergarten through college receive access to farm-fresh foods in a quality-learning environment.

To incentivize school districts to use more local farm-fresh products, the initiative also includes a groundbreaking program: an increase in the reimbursement schools receive for lunches from the current 5.9 cents per meal to 25 cents per meal for any district that purchases at least 30 percent ingredients from New York farms.

The New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets has also been a partner in the NY Thursdays program that brings locally grown or produced foods directly to students in New York City schools on Thursdays. In September 2017, the Governor announced that five school districts in Broome and Tioga Counties were the first to launch a NY Thursdays program in Upstate New York. In May 2018, Oneida-Herkimer-Madison (OHM) BOCES and Oneida County Cornell Cooperative Extension hosted a NY Thursdays with "New York Food Day," a celebration of the Mohawk Valley Farm-to-School initiative across 18 school districts in the region. Students were served a 100 percent New York lunch, which featured foods and beverages grown or produced in the State.

The New York State Office of General Services has also been a partner in the expansion of the Farms-to-School programs through the USDA Unprocessed Fruit and Vegetable Pilot Project. The number of schools participating in the 2017-18 school year has grown to 261 schools serving over 51.3 million lunches annually.

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Rev. George W. Hommel, Pastor

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 Sunday Worship Service - 8:30 a.m.
 Wednesday Bible Study - 6:45 p.m.
 Pastor: Rev. Seung Jin Hong.
 845-985-2283
 e-mail: Sundownumc@gmail.com

Grahamsville United Methodist Church
 Rte. 55, Grahamsville
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 Sunday School for grades k-7 - 10:30a.m.
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 For information contact Rev. Seung Jin Hong. 845-985-2283
 e-mail: Grahamsvilleumc@gmail.com

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- (B) Possession of a license to practice as a Licensed Practical Nurse in New York State and one (1) year of the experience listed in (A) above; or
- (C) An equivalent combination of training and experience as defined by the limits of (A) and (B) above.

NOTE: Study in a nursing program approved by the State Education Department may be substituted for the above experience on a year-for-year basis.

Interested Applicants Contact (by 8/17/18):
Robert Martinelli, Director of PPS
845-985-2296 ext. 5516
robertmartinelli@trivalleycsd.org

8/9; 8/16

Free Workshops Empower Stressed
Caregivers to Begin in August

LIBERTY, NY- Powerful Tools for Caregivers is a free educational series designed to provide informal family caregivers with the tools needed to take care of themselves. Cornell Cooperative Extension Sullivan County (CCEESC)'s Caregiver Resource Center is offering this free six session program on Mondays, beginning August 20, 2018 from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm at the Town of Mamakating Public Library, 128 Sullivan St., Wurtsboro. Refreshments will be provided.

Two experienced class leaders, Bonnie Lewis, RN, Dependent Care Educator at CCEESC and Lily Stettner, Clinical Social Worker will conduct the series. The six dates are August 20 and 27, followed by September 10, 17, 24 and October 1. Participants are highly encouraged to attend the entire series; the content of each workshop leads into the next.

Caregivers develop a wealth of self-care tools that: reduce stress, improve self-confidence, enhance communication during challenging situations, manage their emotions, and help make tough decisions.

"Interactive lessons, community resources, group discussions, and class brainstorming help the caregiver transfer these new 'tools' into action within the home care setting," said Bonnie Lewis.

Caregivers will be encouraged to borrow The Caregiver Helpbook, developed specifically for the class through the Ramapo Catskill Library System. These classes are free, supported by the NY State Caregiver Resource Program.

Space is limited for this free program and registration is required in advance. Registration can be completed by calling CCEESC at 845-292-6180, emailing sullivan@cornell.edu, or visiting www.sullivanvance.org. Additional donations for CCEESC programs are appreciated.

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

ted to taking taxpayer-funded Medicaid transportation from Sullivan County to Newburgh to buy drugs," noted Sheriff Michael Schiff. "We are cracking down on this type of fraud and abuse and encourage anyone with information to call our 24-hour fraud hotline: 845-513-2392."

Public Comment Invited About Draft Work
Plan to Investigate and Complete Expedited
Cleanup of Contamination at Brownfield Site
on Clements and Grossingers Roads, Liberty

The following link opens a fact sheet that invites public comment about a draft plan to investigate and complete an expedited cleanup of contamination related to the Former Grossingers Resort Site #C353015 (Liberty, Sullivan County), within New York's Brownfield Cleanup Program:

<http://www.dec.ny.gov/data/der/factsheet/c353015irmprop.pdf>
NYSDEC is accepting public comments about the proposal through September 7, 2018. Please see fact sheet for details.

The fact sheet is in PDF format. You can save, open, and read the fact sheet by using Adobe Acrobat Reader. If you do not have Adobe Acrobat Reader, you can go to the following web page on the NYSDEC web site to download the program: <http://www.dec.ny.gov/about/590.html>

DEC Announces 2018-19 Hunting and Trapping
Licenses Now On Sale- DEC Call Center Hours
Extended to Provide Assistance on
Evenings and Weekends

New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) Commissioner Basil Seggos announced that sporting licenses and Deer Management Permits for the 2018-19 season are now on sale. Licenses and permits can be purchased at any one of DEC's license-issuing agents, by telephone (866-933-2257), or online at the DECALS website. The hunting and trapping licenses are valid from Sept. 1, 2018, through Aug. 31, 2019.

"New York's vast landscape offers dozens of opportunities to enjoy the outdoors and participate in the proud traditions of hunting and trapping," Commissioner Seggos said. "Governor Cuomo continues to prioritize investing in new lands and improving access for outdoor recreation. There are hundreds of thousands of acres of public land open to hunting and trapping across the state. Long seasons, liberal bag limits, and healthy wildlife populations make for great hunting and trapping experiences."

Through the purchase of sporting licenses, arms and ammunition, and trip-related expenditures, New York's nearly 600,000 licensed hunters contribute an estimated \$1.5 billion to the state's economy each year.

Expanded Call Center Hours

Through Oct. 1, the DEC Call Center is accessible from 8:30 a.m. to 7 p.m., Monday through Friday, and from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturdays. Regular call center weekday hours (8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.) will resume on Oct. 2.

Individuals should have the following items ready when buying a license:

- o Complete contact information (e.g. name, address, email address, telephone number);
 - o DEC customer ID number (if applicable);
 - o Proof of residency (e.g., driver's license or non-driver's ID with a valid NYS address)
- and;
- o If purchasing by phone or internet, a valid credit card.

If not already entered in DEC's automated licensing system, individuals are required to provide proof of hunter or trapper education certification or a copy of a previous license for all hunting and trapping license purchases. For additional information, visit the General Sporting License Information webpage on DEC's website.

Habitat & Access Stamps

New York's habitat serves a vital role in maintaining healthy and sustainable fish and wildlife resources for all to enjoy. DEC encourages all outdoor enthusiasts to consider purchasing a voluntary Habitat & Access Stamp each year. Funds from the \$5 Habitat & Access Stamp help fund projects aimed at conserving habitat and improving public access for fish and wildlife-related activities. This year's promotion features a barred owl.

"Habitat & Access Stamps support important projects around the state, so we are ramping up efforts to promote their purchase and have set a target to sell 25,000 stamps for the 2018 and 2019 seasons," Commissioner Seggos said. "Please consider being a 'Habitat Hero' through the purchase of a Habitat & Access stamp."

Deer Management Permits

In addition, Deer Management Permits (DMPs) are now available at all license-issuing outlets, by phone, or online through Oct. 1. DMPs, which are used to ensure proper management of the deer herd, are issued through an instant random selection process at the point of sale. The chances of obtaining a DMP remain the same throughout the entire application period; hunters do not need to rush to apply. (Contd. Pg. 15)

Medicaid Transportation Fraud Is a Serious Felony Offense

Liberty, NY - There are more than 10,000 individuals in Sullivan County with some form of medical coverage through the Medicaid Program. Medicaid has built-in medical transportation services that are readily available to pick up clients at their homes and transport them to and from legitimate medical appointments. Many local taxi companies have contracts with the New York State Medicaid program to perform this medical transportation function.

During the past nine months, however, the Sullivan County Welfare Fraud Task Force has investigated hundreds of medical transportation services that were provided to Medicaid clients but were not for medical purposes. Many arrests have resulted from these investigations.

"I believe that Medicaid transportation is an important component to assure access to health care," said Health & Family Services Commissioner Joe Todora. "Thus this is not just a misuse and abuse of the Medicaid program; it is a fraudulent activity, and even one medical transportation trip taken for a non-medical reason can result in a felony charge and arrest of the client."

Medical trips have been used to do grocery shopping, visit friends, attend non-medical meetings, go to liquor stores and even apply for other services at the Department of Family Services. "Abuse of the Medicaid transportation system will not be tolerated," stated District Attorney James Farrell. "Taxpayers should not be funding trips to the store or trips to visit friends under the guise of a doctor's visit. It is fraud, plain and simple, and it will be treated as such. Medicaid recipients and vendors are on notice that such abuses will be investigated by our fraud team and the offenders prosecuted."

Research by the Task Force gives credence to the supposition that this abuse of medical transportation may be widespread. A Medicaid transportation fraud case in excess of \$1 million was turned over to the NYS Attorney General's Office by the Task Force several months ago for State prosecution. There is also strong indication that the nature and extent of this type of abuse extends beyond Sullivan County.

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Town of Neversink Parks & Recreation

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

www.townofneversink.org

2018 Upcoming Events

Saturday, September 15 from 9 am to 5 pm there will be **something for everyone at the Grahamsville Fairgrounds**. The day will include:

- 1) Neversink Rondout Antique Machinery Association Tractor Show & Swap Meet
 - 2) Grahamsville Rod & Gun Club Sportsman Flea Market in the Fair Building
 - 3) **Neversink Parks & Rec Community Yard Sale, Craft & Vendor Fair**
 - 4) Any Make Any Model Car Club Cruise In meet 9:30 am at Tri Valley School to cruise to the Fairgrounds at 10 am.
- 9/29 **Garlic Festival**
 10/13 **Jack O Lantern Blaze**
 10/27 Look for our Trunk at the **PTO Trunk or Treat**
 11/3-11/4 **Kalahari Indoor Water Park Sleepover**
 12/1 **Transportation to NYC**
 12/2 **Elf Workshop & Tree Lighting**
 12/15 **Disney on Ice**

- 8/18/18 **Third Saturday Thrift Sale** - Grahamsville UMC - 9 - 12 noon
- 8/20/18 Tri-Valley Booster Club- C.A.S.T meeting 6:30 pm TVCS Secondary School Library
- 8/21/18 Grahamsville Fire District Meeting 7 pm Grahamsville Firehouse
- 8/21/18 Town of Neversink Zoning Board of Appeals 7:30 pm
- 8/25/18 **Neversink Farmers' Market** 11am -3 pm - Rt 55 & Shumway Rd/Parking Lot of Neversink General Store
- 8/25/28 **Claryville FD Craft Fair and Community Yard Sale** 10 am - 4 pm- 1500 Denning Rd., Claryville, NY 12725
- 8/26/18 Neversink Fire District Board of Fire Commissioners Meeting 7:30 pm
- 8/27/18 Neversink Chamber of Commerce Meeting - 7 pm Community Room (lower level) Daniel Pierce Library
- 8/28/18 **Thrift Sale and Luncheon** - Grahamsville UMC: Thrift Sale 9:00am-12 noon; Luncheon 10:45am-12:30pm
- 9/1/18 **Grahamsville Reformed Church Ladies Bake Sale** - 9 am until sold out
- 9/1/18 **Covered Dish Supper** - Sundown Methodist Church Hall 5:30 pm
- 9/2/18 Annual Meeting of the Neversink Association Noon Wellington property in Claryville
- 9/5/18 Town of Neversink Planning Board Meeting -7 pm
- 9/8/18 **Sundown United Methodist Church Annual Chicken BBQ** - 4 pm
- 9/11/18 Town of Denning Board Business Meeting 7 pm Denning Town Hall
- 9/12/18 Town of Neversink Board Meeting -
- 9/13/18 Claryville Fire District Meeting 6:30 pm
- 9/14//18 Town of Denning Planning Board Meeting 7 pm
- 9/16//18 Claryville Fire Department **All You Can Eat Pancake Breakfast** - 7 am to Noon
- 9/19/18 Neversink-Rondout Antique Machinery Association Meeting - 7:30 pm

SAVE THE DATE!

Aug 17 - 19, 2018 Grahamsville Little World's Fair
September 8 - Sundown Annual Chicken BB!
September 15 - Neversink Rondout Antique Machinery Association Tractor Show & Swap Meet • Grahamsville Rod & Gun Club Sportsman Flea Market in the Fair Building • Neversink Parks & Rec Community Yard Sale, Craft & Vendor Fair
September 29th Boy Scout Troop 97 Fish Fry from 4:30 pm to 6:30 pm Serving chicken and fish

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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.



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hours of operation

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

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

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

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

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4	5	9	2	8	7	3	1	6
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Craft Fair and Community Yard Sale
Saturday August 25th
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 Claryville, NY 12725

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 Food for sale

DEC Announces 2018-19 Hunting and Trapping Licenses Now On Sale-
 (From Pg. 14) The 2018 chances of selection for a permit in each Wildlife Management Unit are available online, through License Issuing Agents, or by calling the DMP Hotline at 1-866-472-4332. Detailed information on Deer Management Permits is available on DEC's website.

The new Hunting & Trapping Regulations Guide provides an easy-to-read compendium of all pertinent rules and regulations and is available at all license issuing outlets and on the DEC Hunting Regulations webpage. For a list of license-issuing agents, visit DEC's online License Center or contact the DEC Call Center at 1-866-933-2257.

Venison Donation Program
 Anyone-not just hunters and anglers-can help feed the hungry by making a monetary contribution to the Venison Donation Program at any license-issuing outlet. Individuals should inform the license sales agent if interested in making a donation of \$1 or more to support the program. Since 1999, these funds have been used by the Venison Donation Coalition to process more than 330 tons of highly nutritious venison, the equivalent of 2.8 million meals

Annual Meeting of the Neversink Association
Sunday, September 2, 2018
12:00 NOON
Wellington property in Claryville
 BYO picnic is followed by the Annual Meeting
 Bring blankets or chairs
Speaker Diane Galusha
 will speak on Edward Ringwood Hewitt (1866-1957); author, inventor, master fisherman

served. For more information about the Venison Donation Coalition program, visit DEC's website. New York State Fair Aug. 22 - Sept. 3
 Family Fishing Days: Thursday, Aug. 23 and Sunday, Aug. 26

Admission to the New York State Fair in Syracuse is free for anyone presenting a valid New York State hunting or fishing license at the gate on Family Fishing Days. On Thursday, Aug. 23 and Sunday, Aug. 26, DEC will operate free fishing clinics in the pond in the New York Experience festival grounds. Fairgoers that don't already have a license are encouraged to stop by the Aquarium building, check out the fish, and purchase a license or apply for a deer management permit.

Golden Celebration

Rabbi Fredric Pomerantz of Congregation Agudas Achim of Livingston Manor was celebrated at a luncheon held on August 8th at BHR in Rock Hill by family, friends, former and current congregants. 90 people were present to honor Rabbi Pomerantz on the occasion of his 50th year as a Rabbi and 13 years at Congregation Agudas Achim.

Many spoke about his positive impact on their life and community. He has been a leader in making worship more relevant through music and innovation. Rabbi Pomerantz is one of the most respected Rabbis in Reform Judaism received recognition from the Central Conference of American Rabbis, the NY State Assembly as well as a unique artistic Megillah scroll from the congregation in appreciation of his leadership. The highlight was a candle lighting ceremony recognizing significant people in his life led by his wife Sandy, followed by his comments.

2018 Dept. of Motor Vehicles Schedule - Neversink Town Hall

10:00 am - 2:30 pm	
July 12th	October 11th
August 16th	November 15th
September 13th	December 13th
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Penny Social
 Aug. 25th
 Napanoch Firehouse
 Doors open 6pm
 Drawing at 730
 Hosted by
 Ulster Heights Rod & Gun Club

The celebration was enlivened by the music of Ira and Julia Levin who serve as a cantorial couple at services. The celebration was organized by a committee headed by Don Simkin, Mike Uretsky, Karen Blocker and Michelle Hemmer. A special thanks to Kristt Kelly Office Systems Corp. for their donation.
 For more information about Congregation Agudas Achim please call (845) 439-5708.

Sullivan County Women's Softball League Regular Season WINNERS

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Peekamoose Blue Hole Information - How to Get a Permit & Special Regulations

A permit is required to visit the Blue Hole on Weekends and Holidays between May 15th and October 15th. Permits can be acquired from the Reserve America website:

(<https://newyorkstateparks.reserveamerica.com/>)

Permits are free of charge, but must be acquired at least 24 hours in advance and cannot be acquired more than a week in advance. Only advance registrations will be accepted, no walk-in registrations are available. Visitors will not be permitted to book consecutive days, there must be 7 days between reservations. Each permit is limited to 6 individuals. Visitors will be required to list the names of all members of their party when making the reservation but will have the ability to change the names up to one day in advance. Visitors must have a permit with them at all times. Photo ID is required for each visitor over the age 18.

For general information, go to DEC's website for the Peekamoose Blue Hole.

HELP WANTED

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 ON TCM Starting at; 6:00 AM Monday August 20, 2018



6:00 AM ON TCM *Captain Boycott* (Boycott, Film, 1947) Irish peasants revolt against a cruel British landlord.

6:00 PM ON TCM *Bhowani Junction* (Romance, 1956) Ava Gardner was never more alluring than as the half-caste heroine of Bhowani Junction. A British officer falls for Indian beauty as her country fights for independence.

8:00 PM ON TCM *The Prisoner of Zenda* (Adventure, 1952) An Englishman who resembles the king of what is rumored to be the story of the Hapsburgs in the late 1800's Austrian nation. This inter-plotter gets mixed up in palace intrigue when his look-alike is kidnapped. Starring *Stewart Granger, Deborah Kerr, Jane Greer, Louis Calhern, Lewis Stone, James Mason, Robert Douglas, Robert Coote.* Granger, a dead ringer for a small European country's king. We like both – however, the Ronald Colman version is the best. Local comments... aren't Elise Greenrose Hornbeck and Linda Greenrose Comando Hapsburg girls? Ask, about it, a great story...

Next 12:00 AM On TCM *Scaramouche* (Adventure, 1952) In 18th-century France, a young man masquerades as an actor to avenge his friend's murder. Dir: George Sidney, Stewart Granger, Eleanor Parker, and Janet Leigh. Mel Ferrer, Henry Wilcoxon, Lewis Stone, Nina Foch, Richard Anderson, Robert Coote. Excellent cast in rousing adaptation of Sabatini novel of illustrious ne'er-do-well who sets out to avenge friend's death, set in 18th-century France. Impeccably done, Highlight is climactic sword duel--the longest in swashbuckling history. Screenplay by Ronald Millar, and George Froeschel, Original filmed in 1923 also as *Scaramouche*.

- Quiz:** 1. In "Scaramouche." Who played Noel, The Marquis de Maynes?
 2. Who played Lenore?
 3. Who played Aline de Gavrillac?
 4. Who played Georges de Valmorin?

What's Going on in The Gnome Neighborhood™

SUNDOWN

- Sept. 1- 5:30 pm **Covered Dish Supper** - Sundown Methodist Church Hall
 Sept. 8 - 4:00 pm - **Annual Chicken BBQ** - Sundown Methodist Church Hall - Tickets now on sale - 985-7065 or 693-1034
 Sept. 15 11 am - 3 pm **Portraits and Stories** Claryville Church Hall
 Come have Jenny cut a silhouette portrait of your while you talk to a staff member who will record your conversation for the Catskill Waters Podcast. Reserve your spot - Contact: keiko@catskillwaters.org. Visit catskillwaters.org for more information.

GRAHAMSVILLE

- Aug 18th **Third Saturday Thrift Sale** 9:00 a.m. - 12 noon
 Aug 28th - **Grahamsville United Methodist Church Thrift Sale** 9-12 & Luncheon 10:45-12:30.
 Sept. 1 - **Grahamsville Reformed Church Ladies Bake Sale** - 9 am until sold out

CLARYVILLE

- August 25 - 11 am - 4 pm **Portraits and Stories** Claryville Church Hall
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 August 25 - **Claryville FD Craft Fair and Community Yard Sale** 10 am - 4 pm- 1500 Denning Rd., Claryville, NY 12725

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