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## Mitchell Brochero Receives 2018 Elias Education Fund award



Mitchell Brochero and Fran Elias

The Ellenville Regional Hospital Foundation is pleased to announce that the winner of the 2018 Elias Education Fund award is Mitchell Brochero, Patient Care Tech/Clerk. Mitch will be pursuing his LPN certification!

Hon. Ronald Elias was a long-term Ellenville Regional Hospital Board Member. His wife Fran and his family established the Elias Education Fund in his memory to aide in the hospital's mission of providing quality healthcare in Ellenville

and the surrounding communities. This was the seventh year that the awards were given to hospital employees.

## 4-H Sullivan County Explorers Club Bat House and Butterfly Feeder Project



The 4-H Sullivan County Explorers Club focused on recycling and up-cycling projects this year. The group of 15 children, ages 7-14, supported the St. Peters Church (Liberty) Sullivan Renaissance Garden Grant project. Last year, the group supported the same Sullivan County Renaissance project with a variety of items the group created to encourage pollinators, including butterfly feeders and bat houses.

## Fallsburg Summer Food Services Program Reaches Dozens of Kids

Since the first week in July, Fallsburg High School Food Services has been preparing and distributing breakfast five days a week at Fallsburg High School for the Benjamin Cosor Elementary School (BCES) summer program and to the Town of Fallsburg Boys & Girls Club Summer Camp at Morningside Park.



are left to right FCSD Food Services Staff Ms. Cindy Berger, Mrs. Rose Froehlich, Ms. Virginia Payne, Mrs Sharon Blake, and Ms. Karan Allan. Ms. Patty McKenzie was not available for the photo.

Lunches are served on the same days to FHS, Morningside Park, and the additional sites at Woodridge Housing Authority's Eagle Ridge Apartments, Main Street Houses in South Fallsburg, and Lakeview Apartments-Woodland Townhouses in Loch Sheldrake. A total of over 400 meals are served each day at all locations.(Contd. Pg. 4)

## Music on Market Street



**MUSIC ON MARKET** world music series at 7:30pm on Thursday, August 16, the eighth in the 13-concert series, is "Chai on Music" with a whirlwind summertime tour of Jewish music. That means songs in English, Yiddish and Hebrew, including Klezmer, folk songs, lullabies and freylachs, from the Yiddish theatre to the Broadway stage, including songs of love, warmth, loss and resiliency. (Contd. Pg. 6)

## Today's Students, Tomorrow's Teachers Update Fallsburg BOE

At the final Fallsburg Central School District (FCSD) Board of Education Meeting for School Year 2017-2018, Today's Students, Tomorrow's Teachers (TSTT) gave a

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TSTT Regional Program Manager for Sullivan County Ms. Laura Burrell and Fallsburg High School ninth grader Tamia Caston, who is enrolled in TSTT.

short presentation on their progress during the year. Regional Program Manager for Sullivan County Laura Burrell was very pleased with the large number of students from FCSD and how active they were in all the workshops that were offered by the organization. (Contd. Pg. 4)

## BCES Students Learning at Fallsburg High School This Summer

Fallsburg's Benjamin Cosor Elementary School (BCES) Students are busy this summer at Fallsburg High School because of construction at BCES. On Friday, July 20, 2018 a couple of classes were involved in special activities at the Computer Lab in the Library and in the Cafeteria.

On the computers were several fourth, fifth and sixth graders using Fast ForWord, a scientifically based language and reading intervention program to support struggling readers and English Language Learners. (Contd. Pg. 4)



Fourth grader Jordan Birto-Garcia on the left and fifth grader Isaac Delgado using the Fast ForWord program that teaches language arts.



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**ON THE FRONT BURNER:** He hath made the earth by his power, he hath established the world by his wisdom, and hath stretched out the heaven by his understanding. Jeremiah 51:15

**OBITUARY**

**Eugene A. Mears** passed away on Monday, July 23, 2018 at his summer home on Hunter Lake in Parksville, NY. Gene, the son of Eugene M. Mears and Christina Mears (Weber), was born in Livingston Manor, NY on December 7, 1930. He was known affectionately to many as "Bubby."

Gene graduated from Livingston Manor High School in 1950. He proudly joined the army in 1951 serving with the 12th AAA Group in Karlsruhe, Germany from 1951 to 1954. He took the opportunity to travel extensively through Europe and was selected to serve in the parade Color Guard honoring Dwight D Eisenhower in Paris, France in 1952.

After his return home he married his wife of 63 years, Mary Lou (Bowers). They moved to Long Island and started their family. Gene, a member of the IBEW, worked as a licensed electrician at various companies including Anheuser-Busch brewery. Gene and Mary Lou moved back to Sullivan County in 1970 and settled in Liberty. There, Gene started his own business, Mears Electrical Service. Following his retirement, Gene and Mary Lou enjoyed a fulfilling life pursuing boating, fishing and various hobbies on N Hutchinson Island, FL.

He was active in his community as a member of the Liberty Elks Lodge and also served as president of the Tri-Valley Central School Board. Gene was a recreational pilot and a member of the AOPA and the Young Eagles.

Gene enjoyed hunting and fishing, and was a member of the Black Hawk Hunting Camp. He was known to always have a home project in the works. Although an electrician by trade, he had the ability to do all the construction disciplines. With amazing patience, he was well known by his family as having the ability to figure anything out.

He was predeceased by his parents, his sister Jean Summerson, NJ and his brother John Mears, CA. He is survived by his wife Mary Lou Mears whom he married on May 15, 1955; and his daughters Elise Schulte (Fred) of Palm Beach Gardens, FL and Pamela Boyd (Jeff) of Naples, FL; his grandchildren Ryan Briggs of Port St Lucie, FL, Christopher Briggs (Samantha) of Fuquay-Varina, NC, Kaitlyn Briggs of Raleigh, NC, Matthew Arielly of Boston, MA, Katie Boyd of Beacon, NY, Alex Boyd of Jay, ME, John Schulte of Carlsbad, CA, Scott Schulte (Jessica) of New Paltz, NY and a great-granddaughter Sienna Grace of Fuquay Varina. He is also survived by his sister Dorothy Huff of Pawling, NY and a brother George Mears of Orange, CA. He is also survived by a loving grand extended family including the families of Bowers, Hartling, Knox, Magie, Summerson and Cummings.

Donations in Gene's name can be made to Wounded Veterans Relief Fund, [www.wvrf.org](http://www.wvrf.org), 1335 Old Dixie Highway, #3, Lake Park, FL 33403 or another veterans' organization of one's choice.

A funeral service was held on July 26th with Rev. Walter Haff officiating. Burial followed at Lew Beach Cemetery with full military honors.

Arrangements were under the care of Colonial-Bryant Funeral Home, for further information call 845-439-4333 or visit [www.colonialbryantfuneralhome.com](http://www.colonialbryantfuneralhome.com)

**Charles William Pomeroy**, of Ellenville, NY, formerly of Kerhonkson passed away Thursday, July 26, 2018 at Vassar Brothers Hospital. Fondly known as "Bill" to so many he was 74 years old. Bill was born on September 12, 1943 in Ellenville; the son of the late Edsel and Ruth (Potter) Pomeroy.

Bill had worked for many years as the foreman of the grinding room and later years as the shipping and receiving clerk for Imperial Schrade Cutlery. Bill was an avid Yankees fan. In his younger years he volunteered with the Indian Valley Little League, whether it was coaching, offering his guidance or watching from the stands. He was a loving father, grandfather and brother and will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved him.

In addition to his parents Bill was predeceased by his wife Patricia Pomeroy; his brother, Thomas Pomeroy and his sisters, Beverly Meade, Maryetta Cathcart and Janice Ryan.

He is survived by his children, Karen Donohue and her husband Paul, Darrell Pomeroy, Jess Pomeroy and his wife Melissa, Jenni Smith and her husband Keith and William Joseph Pomeroy; his brothers, Donald Pomeroy, Edsel Pomeroy Jr. and his wife Lois, Joseph Pomeroy and his wife Kathy, Jon Pomeroy and his wife Carol; his sister, Carol Shamro; nine grandchildren, Kassandra and her husband Brandon, Paul and his wife Tabettha, Ian, Dillan, Hayley, Cassandra, Faith, Guin and Charlotte; two great grandchildren, Darrin and Kelsi; a special friend of the family Barbara Waite as well as many nieces and nephews.

Cremation will be private.

In lieu of flowers contributions may be made in Bill's name to a charity of one's choice.

**THANK YOU :**

Our thank you note:

We would like to thank everyone who participated in the Matty R. Bertholf Seventh Annual Horseshoe Tournament held on Sunday, July 8, 2018 at the Neversink Pavilion. Many people participated as either a player, helper, cook or friend which made it another great success. Special thanks again to the Neversink Fire Department for providing the wonderful venue and Russ Turner for running the tournament.

It doesn't seem possible that it is almost 7 years since Matthew's untimely death. He continues to be sorely missed. The tournament is a day when everyone gets together, whether playing horseshoes or just relaxing, to reminisce about Matthew (and his wonderful smile).

All proceeds from this tournament go towards this scholarship. Our 2018 recipients were Brett Bagley and Cody Totten, TVCS Class of 2018. We wish them the very best in their future endeavors at college.

Again thank you for all of your continued support and we look forward to seeing you all again next year (mark your calendars as this is always held the second Sunday in July)!!!

Sincerely,

Debbie Bertholf & family

Mike Beiling & friends

A big Thank You from the Grahamsville Fire Dept. Ladies Auxiliary for all those who attended our Craft Fair on July 14thm especially the people from our community. We really appreciate your support.

A big Thank You to our Grahamsville Firemen, Kenny Richardson and Dale Kufert whose help added to our success.

Grahamsville Fire Dept.

Ladies Auxiliary

**Days of Yore...**

**Today's History**

**August 18, 1948**

In an interview Mr. Edward Laskin, one of the three state trappers assigned to this are to trap foxes in the campaign to cut down the spread of rabies, state that over a period of three weeks, with fifty traps sent the three trappers caught thirty foxes; twenty six, red and four grey. The territory they covered extended from Grahamsville to Greenville and from Ulster Heights to Lackawack.

Work is under way converting a vacant apartment in the Child's house to classroom space to use this fall. Supervising principal W. Eugene Ross of the Tri Valley Schools left Sunday for Ithaca where he will be engaged for the next two weeks taking a course in school building programs as offered by the State Department of Education.

**August 13, 1958**

The attempted murder charge against Medwin S. Ackerley, 24 of Curry was reduced to assault 1st degree by the June grand jury which made a partial report to County Judge Lawrence H. Cooke.

All owners of 1950 model motor vehicles must have their vehicles safety checked during August. Motor Vehicle Commissioner Joseph P. Kelly reminded motorists today. Only the 1950 vehicles which have passed inspection in July need not be inspected in August.

Employees, county officials and officials of the New York City Board of Water Supply will be feted at an all-day outing and clambake on Saturday, August 9 at Roscoe by the MacLean-Grove-Brewster Company, contractors at Shaft 4 of the West Delaware tunnel. More than 800 persons are expected to attend. The celebration will be for the completion of the excavation portion of the contract. It is a five mile section of the 44 mile West Delaware tunnel connecting the proposed Cannonsville reservoir and the Rondout reservoir. The company employs more than 300 men per day working in the three shifts with a payroll of some \$40,000 per week. The project was started in November 1956.

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## A Round About Tri-Valley

Carol Furman

Sincere sympathy to the family and friends of Ann Powers of Grahamsville. Ann died on July 20th as the result of a traffic accident that closed a portion of Route 55 and the 100 A exit ramp from Route 17 in Liberty. Ann retired from her position as Town of Neversink Deputy Town Clerk several years ago and was enjoying her years of retirement. She was 73 years old. Condolences to the family and friends of Eugene Mears who passed away on July 23rd at the age of 88. Gene was always active in the community and at one time served as President of the Tri-Valley Central School Board of Education.

Belated congratulations to Eric and Nikki Horton of Neversink on the birth of their daughter, Jordyn Christine. Jordyn was born on June 18th and joins siblings Samuel, Sophia, Alexandra and Mia. Jordyn is the maternal granddaughter of George and Barbara Dean also of Neversink. Joe Poppo of Grahamsville has been playing golf since he was a kid. So, it was only natural that his daughter, Kaylee, wanted to also learn to play. Kaylee recently entered a Drive, Chip and Putt Competition and placed second in the individual Driving Competition! Now that Kaylee, an 8th grader, has been bitten by the golfing bug, she is eagerly looking forward to trying out for the Tri-Valley School Golf Team. Way to go, Kaylee!

Sixteen local boys spent the week at Goose Pond Boy Scout Camp in Pennsylvania last week. They worked on their badges and seemed to have a good time in spite of all of the rain. Thanks to all who continue to put redeemable bottle and cans in the box on the porch of the Grahamsville Reformed Church Memorial Hall. Scout Leader, Neil Terwilliger and the boys sort and redeem these items and apply the proceeds toward the cost of Scout Camp for those Scouts who wish to attend.

The Vacation Bible School sponsored jointly by the Grahamsville United Methodist Church and the Grahamsville Reformed Church was quite a success. Thirty-two children attended the program from July 22nd through July 26th. Thanks to all who volunteered their time for this worthy program. Everyone was so glad to see young William Richardson at Bible School. William was able to attend, despite the fact he is still confined to a wheel chair following his accident.

My daughter sent me an e-mail which I found quite interesting. The message stated that she had gone with friends to a restaurant for lunch and sat in the patio section. She happened to notice zip lock baggies pinned to a post and a wall. The bags were half-filled with water and each bag contained 4 or 5 pennies. The bags were zipped shut. Naturally she was curious. The owner told her that these baggies kept the flies away! She actually watched some flies come hi the open window, stand around on the window sill and then fly out again. And there were no flies in the eating area. After checking with some others via the internet, they also swear it works... not sure why, but it does! Some say the flies mistake the water filled bags for wasp nests or other insect nests and feel threatened. I'm going to give it a try. I have my husband and grandkids coming in and out the house at various times all day. I'm constantly telling them to close the door quickly before the flies come in. I'll see if this baggy solution really works!

**WORDS OF WISDOM:** A numeryn is a word for a phone number that spells a word. Example: 438-6455 (get milk)

## Days of Yore...Today's History (From Pg. 2)

### August 14, 1968

It is expected the foundation for the new building connecting the Lows Corners Baptist Church and Hall will be completed this week. Work on the hall is already started.

Pvt. Dwayne Smith left Monday night for Oakland, Calif. for processing and to await transfer to his new duty station in Viet Nam as a mortar man.

On Monday, August 12th at 7 am, the temperature along the Greenville Road was 36 degrees!

### August 17, 1978

The Town Board having received a petition to allow bingo to be played in the Town of Neversink set a public hearing to be held on September 13, 1978 at 7:00 pm. To hear all interested parties in regards to a local ordinance, which would allow the request. The local ordinance, if adopted, would not be effective until such time as it is approved by a majority of the electors in November.

Grahamsville Stage House (formerly Finch's) is the oldest Stage House in Sullivan County - 1840.

## Divine Corners Program August 8

Archivist/researcher Lynn Priebe is the guest speaker slated for the August meeting of the Friends of Local History group. The group will meet in the Daniel Pierce Library board room on August 8 at 10 am. If the weather allows, attendees will have the option of joining Lynn for a short guided tour of Divine Corners after the meeting. Lynn and her family have a long history of being connected to Divine Corners and she has been collecting historical information for a period of time.

Last month was the group's first meeting. They shared information about the Odd Fellows Hall now known as Heartbeat Music Hall and then made an on-site visit. They were welcomed by the owners and fed snacks by Kayce. Musicians were practicing as visitors inspected the hall and the history that the walls and ceiling reflected. It was discovered that the Odd Fellows symbol is clearly visible atop the concrete steps as you enter the building. The Odd Fellows Hall became a part of Grahamsville's early history and has passed through different phases of usage as the years went by. For historic information about the hall, contact Neversink Historian Carol Smythe

## Troop 97 Eagle Project Benefiting the Town of Neversink, Rte. 42 Community Park

My son Brant Gorton is working on his Eagle Project for Boy Scouts. I told him that I would help contact anyone who would be interested in helping.

He is doing a multi-phase project at the Rte. 42 Community Park. It consists of A flag pole, a wall dedicated to past and current service people. There will be tiles that can be purchased with the service member's name and branch of service that will be placed on the wall. There will also be two benches. The flagpole was donated by Tom Mitchell from the old Ballfields on Rte. 55A and had already been installed prior to the grand opening of the park with the help of Preston Kelly and the Hwy Dept., as well as Joe and Devin Bagley.

This link, <https://www.thatsmybrick.com/RTE42EP> was created for the project by the Brick Company as Brant is not allowed to handle any of the funds as per the Eagle Scout Board. So we had set it up to go through the Brick Company itself. Payments can be made in the form of credit & debit card sales only. There will be flyers with information coming soon for those who do not have the internet. Orders will be taken until September 30, 2018.

This Eagle Project will feature a wall that will honor those who have served, to tribute those who perished, and to show gratitude to those now serving. The wall will be located in front of the flag pole at the town park and will also offer two benches. All proceeds of the fundraiser will be used in the construction of the project.

How to Order: go to

: <https://www.thatsmybrick.com/RTE42EP>

Just follow the simple step-by-step process below to place your order. Be sure you are happy with your brick design as it will look very similar to the image on your computer when completed.

If you have any questions, please contact Geri Gorton (Brant's Mom) 845-985-2262 ext 319 or cell 845-798-8467 Email: [rte42eagleproject@gmail.com](mailto:rte42eagleproject@gmail.com)

## SC Public Health Services'

### Drug Take Back Day

Sullivan County Public Health Services' Drug Take Back Day was a success on Saturday, taking more than 160 pounds of unused, unwanted prescription



medication out of medicine cabinets and safely disposing of them. Public Health thanks everyone who participated!

Pictured at the Town of Bethel location in White Lake were, from the left, Sheriff's Lt. John Watson, Bethel Constable Darryl Yates and volunteer Lisa Clark.

Handling the Jeffersonville location at the Jefferson Pharmacy were, from the left, volunteer Julia Pisall, Sheriff's Lt. John Watson and Pharmacist Wendy Kirtack.



## 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.

### Controlling Grasshoppers

Have you ever heard a grasshopper sing?

Yes, grasshoppers do sing, but it is not like the lovely sound of the song birds, but more like a chirp. Different species make the noise in different ways. Some grasshoppers rub their wings together and others clatter their wings. Males sing, by rubbing their back legs against their wings, to attract females and to warn off other males. Grasshoppers are insects of the suborder Caelifera within the order Orthoptera, which includes crickets.

This time of the year you may find some grasshoppers eating clover in your yard or in grassy fields.

Grasshoppers are all herbivores but different

types of grasshoppers prefer different kinds of plants. They can cause a lot of trouble should swarms of grasshoppers start eating and damaging the farmer's crops. Some of the foods grasshoppers really love include corn, oats, rye, cotton, barley, wheat, alfalfa, and clover. Some species, called locusts, will gather by the billions and eat everything in their way. They will eat almost any type of leaves, but they prefer soft vegetation. Dandelion is a favorite!

Many gardeners buy pesticides every year to keep grasshoppers from eating their garden crops. Grasshoppers are hard to get rid of because they live almost anywhere. One way farmers control grasshoppers is by raising chickens. Chickens love grasshoppers! Other predators are lizards, snakes, toads, rodents, gophers, badgers, coyotes, skunks, and bobcats.

Grasshoppers are an important part of the ecosystem of the world. While it may seem that they can be destructive, overall they fulfill a function in nature. They even do some things that help farmers, such as eating poisonous weeds and leaving nutrients in the soil.

Grasshoppers are brown, green or gray insects that may be as long as 1-3/4 inches. They have large hind legs for jumping and prominent heads with large eyes. Adult grasshoppers have two pairs of wings. The front pair is characteristically narrow and leathery, whereas the hind wings are thinner and more triangular. All grasshoppers do have something in common. They don't have any ears but bear with an organ called tympanum. They all have five eyes. Three are called simple eyes and two, compound eyes. If you have ever tried to catch a grasshopper you have seen firsthand how very hard it is. That is because all of their eyes allow a grasshopper to see not only long distances, but also forwards, backwards and sideways.

Grasshoppers do not have a nose with which to breathe. Instead, they have holes all along the sides of their bodies for breathing. A grasshopper is made up of a head, abdomen, thorax, two pair of wings, six legs that have joints and two antennae. Grasshoppers typically hop when they move and they can jump 20 times the length of their body.

Grasshoppers usually lay eggs in uncultivated soil areas such as ditch banks, field margins and roadsides, as well as pastures, alfalfa and clover fields. One female grasshopper may deposit 8 to 25 egg pods. Young nymphs are quite susceptible to weather and natural enemies. Cool, wet conditions during egg hatch reduce grasshopper numbers.

There are more than 20,000 species of grasshoppers.

When a grasshopper is picked up, it may "spit" a brown liquid commonly called "tobacco juice." Scientists believe this liquid may protect them from attacks by predators.

The strangest grasshopper story I have heard was about a Pinot Noir vineyard that was infested with grasshoppers. The owners of the vineyard introduced a force fed delicacy, grasshoppers, to their cats! According to the farmer who owned the vineyard, it took 50 cats to clean up 20 acres! Hmmm, was that really worth it! Maybe they should have tried chickens!

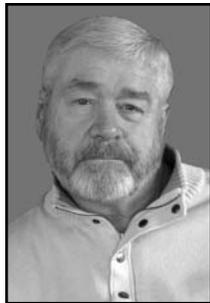
## Household Hints

### Make a Trap to Lure Flying Insects

Who wants to play host to a bunch of gnats, flies mosquitoes, or other six-legged pests when you're trying to have a cookout in your yard? Keep the flying gate-crashers at bay by giving them their own VIP section. Place a bowl filled with apple cider vinegar near some food, but away from you and guests. By the evening's end, most of your uninvited guests will be floating inside the bowl.



*Melanoplus bivittatus*, commonly called the two-striped grasshopper, is one of the most common hoppers in North America.



## Rip Crew

### Mysterious Book Report No. 345

by John Dwaine McKenna



With all the rama-lamadingdonging that's been going on over, under, through, around and about the southern border of our nation this MBR couldn't be more timely.

*Rip Crew*, (Mulholland Books/Little, Brown and Company, \$27.00, 322 pages, ISBN 978-0-316-50553-6) by Sebastian Rotella, begins in Guatemala where protagonist Valentine Pescatore, an undercover agent for a private security firm, is looking for a human smuggler named Chiclet. Chiclet, along with a group of tattooed, machete-wielding MS13-bangers, controls access to a rusty, ancient steam train called La Bestia: The Beast. Chiclet and his gang are there for the sole purpose of fleecing the illegal refugees and migrants headed north through Mexico, hoping to cling to the tops, sides and platforms of the wheezing old steamer long enough to cross into El Norte . . . the promised land . . . The United States of America. But in the first of many stunning plot

twists, that's where Chiclet just came from. He's a witness to the massacre of several women in San Diego, California, where he and a pair of young girls are the only survivors in a case that's drawn the entire world's attention. It's caught the eye of a high-ranking member of Homeland Security, and it's she who's hired Pescatore's firm to investigate, using back channels to avoid publicity.

At the same time, Leo Méndez, a Mexican journalist forced into exile by death threats from the drug cartels and the crooked cops and politicians in league with them, is hot on a story of corporate corruption and malfeasance that stretches across several countries and multiple governments.

The two cases coverage, and the volatile American investigator teams up with the wary Mexican journalist to track down a massacre survivor and witness with an explosive secret that conceals a conspiracy reaching around the world. The hunt leads from the barrio to the boardroom, where the intrepid pair find the lines between mobsters and moguls has blurred, as the unlikely partners fight forces that can easily crush them. *Rip Crew* is one of the most intense thrillers of the year. It's timely, it's fast-paced, it's propulsive . . . and it's going to keep you reading late late late into the night!

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See Page 12 for Interview with author Gray Basnight - author of last week's MBR 343 - *Flight of the Fox*

### Fallsburg Summer Food Services Program Reaches Dozens of Kids

(From Pg. 1) The program with continue through August 18 and is a partnership with the U.S. Department of Agriculture with local organizations like Fallsburg Central School District to provide free meals to children when school is out for the summer. Ms. Dara Smith, Sullivan County BOCES Food Services Manager for Fallsburg and Liberty School Districts, directs the program.

### Today's Students, Tomorrow's Teachers Update Fallsburg BOE

(From Pg. 1) At the May Brunch of Recognition, three Fallsburg graduates of the TSTT received awards for coming back to the school as teachers and aides in the high school. Ms. Burrell was particularly proud of the leadership roles taken by the youngest members of TSTT in ninth grade. She introduced one of these students, Tamia Caston, who spoke about how much she learned in the past year.

Tamia improved her interview skills to the point where she earned a summer job by answering some tough questions that she had prepared for. She felt like she had become more mature and responsible during the several TSTT classes and training opportunities. Her poise in front of the Board was evident, and everyone applauded her enthusiastically.

The Fallsburg TSTT Program begins its eleventh year in September. Superintendent Dr. Ivan Katz and Assistant Superintendent Dr. Matthew Evans have been instrumental in bringing the program to the District and for strongly supported it.

### BCES Students Learning at Fallsburg High School This Summer



Second grade teacher Ms. Dianne Martinez with 2nd and 3rd grade students doing writing assignments prior to filling up trail mix bags with goodies on ten different tables in the FHS cafeteria.

(From Pg. 1) . Teacher Ms. Brittany Davis and Aide Mrs. Helen Jordy were working with some of the students. Special Needs teacher Ms. Schuyler Rappo was working alongside Aides Ms. Cynthia Swinden and Mr. Lionel White.

In the Cafeteria, a combined second and third grade class taught by Ms. Dianne Martinez and Mrs. Ashley Hoag-Irwin were creating bags of trail mix that is part of the theme of the summer-CAMP COSOR. In groups of three or four, the children rotated between tables that had ten different ingredients for the trail mix, including chocolate bits, pretzel sticks, and marshmallows. On each table was a sheet of paper with a different language arts assignment, such as write a complete sentence with a subject and a predicate; write three adjectives to describe summer camp; and give two characteristics of fiction. Once they completed the writing requested, they were allowed to place some food into their plastic trail mix bag.

Once the learning was complete, everyone went on a hike around the outside of the building. The aides supporting the second and third grade group were Ms. Christine Blakesley and Ms. Tina Cosh.

### 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 (CCESC)'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 CCESC 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 CCESC at 845-292-6180, emailing [sullivan@cornell.edu](mailto:sullivan@cornell.edu), or visiting [www.sullivancc.org](http://www.sullivancc.org). Additional donations for CCESC 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.

### SC Brothers Arrested

On Thursday July 19th, 2018, the Sullivan County Sheriff's Office received a report of an assault and robbery that had occurred the night before around 9:00 PM in the Glen Wild section of the Town of Fallsburg.

It was reported that a subject was giving two men a ride home in his car when a dispute ensued. The two men beat the driver and stole \$20.00 dollars cash from him. The victim's was initially treated at Catskill Regional Medical Center and then transferred to Orange Regional Medical Center.

Sheriff's Detectives quickly identified the perpetrators as brothers Steven Schmitz, 24, and Sheldon Schmitz, age 19, both of Glen Wild, NY. Both brothers went into hiding shortly after the crime making it difficult for Deputies to apprehend them.

On Tuesday July 24th 2018, at approximately 12:30 PM, a Sheriff's Detective spotted Steven Schmitz coming out of a convenience store in Swan Lake. He was taken into custody without incident. He was arraigned before Judge Miller and sent to the Sullivan County Jail in lieu of \$50,000 bail.

On Wednesday July 25, 2018 at about 9:00 PM an officer with the Village of Liberty Police Department spotted Sheldon Schmitz walking down the sidewalk on Main Street. When ordered to stop, Sheldon Schmitz took off running.

He was eventually apprehended by the Liberty Police and turned over to the Sheriff's Office. The suspect was arraigned before Fallsburg Judge Amanda Ward and sent to the Sullivan County Jail on \$50,000 bail.

Both suspects are due back in Fallsburg town court on August 7, 2018 at 5:00 PM.

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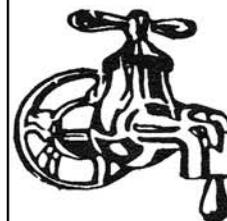
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## The Olive Jar- By Carol LaMonda Fireflies

I still can remember the child's feeling of summer where each day stretched forever from sun-up to fireflies and starry nights. Summer was two whole months of no school, no work, no responsibilities, and no schedule. There were no summer camps or play dates, no flying off to a resort, no expectations. Summer meant a week at Nana's house in Norseville or time at the family farm in New Paltz. It was playing stickball in the street or flashlight tag with friends. We explored empty lots and made forts with branches and stones. It was a time we played with our one, Un-American doll, in its one outfit, or cut out paper dolls from a McCall's Magazine. It was a time children were liberated from the adult world for most of the day.

Now summer is a season shortened by adult guidelines and schedules that interrupt the flow of childhood's summer fluidity. I anxiously count the days of spring, or late fall as we know it in the Catskills, until the temperature rises to the level of "no coats or sweaters" and the days stay light until Jeopardy is over on television.

Then the reverse countdown begins when stores are selling composition books and erasers for "back-to-school" sales. Summer vacation begins after the summer solstice reminds us, that on June 21, the days will begin to get shorter and the nights longer. Even though I do not go back to school, my years are permanently adjusted to the school calendar which shortens summer to a progression of summer chores and planned weekends and day trips. Too much to do in not enough time to do it.

I think I need to recapture the spirit of a child's endless August. I need to eat more watermelon, read more novels, and suspend the guilt of not having spring cleaned (spring of 2015) the basement. I need to take Hudson on longer walks and serve ice cream for supper and leftover pizza for breakfast. We are on the Wednesday of summer, the hump day. I must resolve to ignore the calendar and walk quickly past the stores already displaying Halloween costumes. I will no longer hate my FaceBook friend who bragged about having her Christmas shopping well under way.

Most of all, I will not shop for a two-piece bathing suit in a smaller size. That ship has sailed. I will proudly splash in my son's pool in the stretched out, not slimming, black tank suit I got at the mall when they still had department stores. Tonight I will venture outside to search for some fireflies and hope that the two-hundred pound bear that has been prowling about does not find me first. Don't count the days of summer; count fireflies instead.

### Platte Clove Preserve Is Officially Recognized as Inspiration For Hudson River School Painters



ARKVILLE, NY — Catskill Center's Platte Clove Preserve has become the 18th site on the Hudson River School Art Trail.

208 acres of pristine wilderness – Platte Clove Preserve is open to the public for quiet enjoyment – with beautiful waterfalls and trails at the head of the rugged and scenic Platte Clove in the Town of Hunter in Greene County.

The site reveals the same view depicted in 19th-Century Hudson River School paintings by renowned artist Asher B. Durand. The Hudson River School Art Trail was first launched in 2005 by the Thomas Cole National Historic Site with seven stops on the trail. This year's expansion was prepared for New York State Water Resources Institute and the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation Hudson River Estuary Program, with support from the NYS Environmental Protection Fund.

A ribbon-cutting ceremony formally unveiled the stunning site and magnificent view, the interpretive panel that accompanies it, and the bronze medallion by Catskill-based artist Patti Ferrara that officially designates the site. Participating in the ceremony on July 18 were the following:

- The Hon. Chris Tague, Member of the New York State Assembly;
- The Hon. Aidan O'Connor Jr., Member of the Greene County Legislature;
- The Hon. David Kukle, Member of the Hunter Town Board and Catskill Center Board Member;
- Fran Dunwell, Hudson River Estuary Coordinator for the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation;
- Patti Ferrara, the artist who has created the artwork for the bronze medallions on the Art Trail;
- Jeff Senterman, Executive Director, Catskill Center;
- \* • ctor, Thomas Cole National Historic Site.

The Hudson River School Art Trail makes accessible through free online maps and educational materials many of the views that inspired Thomas Cole – founder of the Hudson River School of painting, America's first major art movement – his legendary student Frederic Church, and other artists of the Hudson River School such as Asher B. Durand. The Art Trail is a collaborative project across multiple organizations that was established in 2005 to facilitate a connection between the landscapes that inspired Hudson

River School artists and contemporary audiences. The Art Trail is presented by the Thomas Cole National Historic Site in partnership with Olana State Historic Site, The Olana Partnership, the Hudson River Valley National Heritage Area, the National Park Service Rivers & Trails program, the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation and New York State Parks, and the Greene County Tourism & Planning Department.

For additional information on this new site and the Art Trail, visit [www.hudsonriverschool.org](http://www.hudsonriverschool.org).

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**THE THOMAS COLE NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE** is an international destination presenting the original home and studios of Thomas Cole, the founder of the Hudson River School of painting, the nation's first major art movement. Located on 6 acres in the Hudson Valley, the site includes the 1815 Main House; Cole's 1839 Old Studio; the recently reconstructed New Studio building; and panoramic views of the Catskill Mountains. It is a National Historic Landmark and an affiliated area of the National Park System. The Cole Site's activities include guided tours, special exhibitions of both 19th-century and contemporary art, printed publications, extensive online programs, activities for

school groups, free community events, lectures, and innovative public programs such as the Hudson River School Art Trail—a map and website that enables visitors to visit the places that Cole painted. The goal of all programs at the Cole Site is to enable visitors to find meaning and inspiration in Thomas Cole's life and work. The themes that Cole explored in his art and writings—such as landscape preservation and our conception of nature as a restorative power—are both historic and timely, providing the opportunity to connect to audiences with insights that are highly relevant to their own lives.

### Underwood Statement on Federal Court Decision Allowing Census Lawsuit to Move Forward

NEW YORK - New York Attorney General Barbara D. Underwood released the following statement, after a federal court decision allowing her Census lawsuit to move forward:

"Today's decision is a big win for New Yorkers and everyone across the country who cares about a fair and accurate Census. We are gratified that the court is allowing our lawsuit to move forward. This decision also follows a court order earlier this month that required the Trump administration to provide vital documents and information on how the decision to demand citizenship information was made.

As we've argued, the Trump administration's plan to demand citizenship status as part of the Census is unlawful - and it would potentially cause a huge undercount that would threaten billions in federal funds and New York's fair representation in Congress and the Electoral College.

I'm proud to lead the coalition of Attorneys General, cities and localities, and the bipartisan U.S. Conference of Mayors in this suit. We won't stop fighting to ensure that the federal government fulfills its responsibility of a full and fair Census."

The New York Attorney General's office filed suit earlier this year to block the Trump administration from demanding citizenship information in the 2020 Census. Earlier this month, the court granted the Attorney General's request for discovery, resulting in the federal government's document production earlier this week.

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**THURSDAY**



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**SUNDAY**



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**TUESDAY**



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### Argus Quartet performs An Evening of Chamber Music at Shandee Music Festival

SHANDELEE, NY: The Shandee Music Festival's (SMF) ever-popular Evening of Chamber Music returns to the mountains on Thursday, August 9 featuring the Argus Quartet.

Continuing the celebration of its 25th anniversary season, the SMF welcomes this dynamic and versatile ensemble, which won First Prize at both the 2017 Concert Artists Guild Victor Elmaleh Competition, and the 2017 M-Prize Chamber Arts Competition. The Argus Quartet has been praised for playing with "supreme melodic control and total authority" and "decided dramatic impact" (Calgary Herald); and David Harrington, founder and 1st violinist of the Kronos



*The Argus Quartet performs An Evening of Chamber Music on Thursday, August 9 at 8 p.m. at the Shandee Music Festival.*

Quartet said, "The Argus Quartet is finding fresh, thrillingly expressive possibilities and adding bold new colors to a canvas that has their clear signature on it."

Recent performances include appearances at Carnegie Hall's Weill Recital Hall, the Albany Symphony's American Music Festival, Providence College, University of Michigan, James Madison University's Contemporary Music Festival, and Princeton University. The quartet has worked with students through residencies and masterclasses at the Yale University, James Madison University, Rockport Music, the Milken School, the Young Musicians Foundation, California State University Long Beach, Los Angeles City College, and Princeton University.

With Clara Kim and Jason Issokson (violin), Dana Kelley (viola) and Joann Whang (cello), Argus is dedicated to reinvigorating the audience-performer relationship through innovative concerts and diverse programming, using master works of chamber music, as well as pieces by living composers.

In keeping with that mission, An Evening of Chamber Music will include music by Josquin dez Prez, Juri Seo, Joseph Haydn and Claude Debussy. All performances in the Sunset Concert Series begin at 8 p.m. and will be followed by a specialty dessert reception. The climate-controlled, Sunset Concert Pavilion is located at 442 J. Young Road, Livingston Manor. The grounds and Pavilion are completely accessible.

Concert tickets are \$35 for adults, \$30.00 for Shandee Music Festival members, and \$10.00 for students 17 and under. Advanced reservations are required by calling 845-439-3277, or buy your tickets online at [www.shandee.org](http://www.shandee.org).

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### Frost Valley YMCA Invites Families to Fall Community Days



Claryville - Though it remains a few months away, fall is a great time for families to enjoy fun, seasonal activities like going on hayrides, making apple cider, or painting pumpkins. Frost Valley YMCA invites the community to join us for free family events in September and October.

On September 30, 2018, Frost Valley will be hosting a free Fall Farm Day from 1-4 p.m. at Frost Valley's Educational Farm, which is located at 2875 Denning Road in Claryville. Bring the family for a fun-filled day of farm activities including making apple cider, picking vegetables, and feeding the animals. Pick out Halloween pumpkins, go on a hayride, meet the animals, and enjoy farm-fresh food.

On October 6, 2018, Frost Valley will be taking part in The Daniel Pierce

Library's Giant Pumpkin Party at the fairgrounds on Route 55 in Grahamsville. There will be a parade, games, pumpkin decorating, crafts, bounce houses, a haunted house, and plenty of great food. Stop by the pavilion to participate in Frost Valley's kid-friendly obstacle course.

Frost Valley's Halloween Community Day takes place on October 27, 2018 between 9 a.m.-10 p.m. Fall activities like painting pumpkins and making apple cider will be going on between 9 a.m.-4:45 p.m. and Halloween-themed games and haunted trails will take place between 7-10 p.m. While this is a free event, advanced registration is required. Please register by calling 845-985-2291 ext. 450.



Even though fall is right around the corner, there is still plenty of summer left to enjoy. Frost Valley has one- and two-week Day Camp sessions available now through August 31st for parents who would like to enroll their child. However, sessions are filling quickly and parents are strongly encouraged to sign up right away to secure their child's spot. For more information about Day Camp at Frost Valley or to register, please visit FrostValley.org or call 845-985-2291 ext. 306.

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### Ranger Outreach



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The young campers received hands-on experience with Ranger tools used when responding to woodland search and rescues and other missions.



Campers treated a simulated ankle injury and packaged the patient for a short carry in a Stokes basket. Campers then raised Ranger Slade using a mechanical advantage system using rope equipment. Young campers also enjoyed using a portable pump to extinguish a make-believe fire.

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### Rabbit Hole is Amerian Dramatic Theatre at Its Finest

The Sullivan County Dramatic Workshop presented "Rabbit Hole," by David Lindsay-Abaire, the winner of the 2007 Pulitzer Prize for drama, characterized as an "intensely emotional examination of grief laced with wit, insightfulness, compassion and searing honesty," at the Rivoli Theatre in South Fallsburg fthis past July.

"Rabbit Hole" deals with a family whose four year old son accidentally dies when he runs into the street chasing his puppy. The topic of an intimate family death, along with a close adult relative who dies from an overdose, is an unpopular subject which is so prevalent, and so relevant, and so intensely emotional with no solution or resolution in sight. Only persons touched know about the endless, bottomless pit of grief, guilt and search for answers.

"Rabbit Hole" was American Dramatic Theatre at its finest. Selected by the members of the Sullivan County Dramatic Workshop and under the tight direction of Lori Schneider, chosen for the 2018 season to deviate from the summerfare of the comedy, mystery and the musical. At the same time, on the west end of Sullivan County, the Forestburgh Playhouse was performing "Annie", about a happy young orphan girl adopted by a crusty war profiteer, Daddy Warbucks.

Unfortunately, "Rabbit Hole" was difficult to publicize. But its excellent five member cast, in a two hour production, intimately and emotionally emoted, spoken and unspoken every innuendo of coping with inexplicable tragedy.

Terry Mateer, who plays "Becca" the mother, John Neails as "Howie" the father, Carol MacAdam as "Nat" the grandmother, and Taylor Lamerand as "Izzy" the mother's sister, all ran the gamut of emotions and condolences.

Special mention goes to Cole Phillips as "Jason", the young driver of the car, seeking absolution, who may have been going a bit fast.

Special recognition must once again be credited to the Production Team: Heather Strauss, Producer, Lori Schneider, Director, Jim Schmidt, Technical Director, Emily Klucinec, Stage Manager, and the multiple, revolving set designer Harold Tighe, among many others in the production team.

July was "Bereaved Parents Month", a time for supporting those who have experienced the loss of a child.

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### The Scene Too

By Jane Harrison

Oh my heavens, I needed a clone this last weekend!  
 My first stop Friday night was the Pickled Owl in Hurleyville to see THE ACQUAINTANCES. This trio is one of the busiest groups I know, performing continuously around the Hurleyville/Rock Hill area, the Rosendale area and the Boston area. In fact, I found out they were performing just outside of Boston when I was there! I can't keep up with them!!! The trio, Larry Balestra on drums, Bob Blum on bass and vocals and singer/songwriter Jeff Entin on guitar and vocals, present music that intertwines cover songs with a slightly different twist with original songs in an incredibly pleasurable mix. Even if two of the trio were not good friends, even if I didn't know them personally at all, I would still make it a point of seeing them whenever I could. They are that good.

My second stop Friday was Cabernet Franks in Parksville to see SOUTHERN FRIED SOUL. Grahamsville's own Laura Garone always delivers a fine show whether she covers classics of country and pop or the jazzy blues of a long bygone era. What I particularly like about this group is revival of the old blues/jazz dealing with the male/female relationships with the music also expertly revived by Steve Schwartz, Antoine Miglione, Kenny Windheim. Many are funny, many you find yourself nodding as the lyrics from say, the 1930s is still prevalent today. Some are a little rough or, as Laura has warned from the stage, "raunchy" but they are all classics that without this group and Laura's performance of them, would only be available on brittle shellac 78s if you wanted a true sound.

Saturday saw me heading up to Kingston to have belated birthday lunch and to talk with two of my very dearest friend about their limited sanctuary for kitties and doggies with physical and medical conditions that deem them unadoptable by standard practices. Under their roof, these babies get the chance to live out their lives with love and the medical care they need as opposed to being "put down". I will be doing a whole story on them soon.

As I will on a young singer song writer by the name of Sara Hulse. I made a mental note a while back that I hadn't seen her in quite a while and when I was out at Cabernet Frank's, who should I run into but Sara! Hers is an amazing story that I can't wait to share! Until next time...

Arthur Miller's "Death of a Salesman," the story of the downward spiral of a successful salesman being overcome by technology and age. The play brought back memories of the victims of the tragedy of 9/11, the senseless school shootings, and the Mandalay Bay Country Music Festival shooting.

The Sullivan County Dramatic Workshop should be commended for undertaking such difficult and controversial projects as "Rabbit Hole".

Written By:  
 William A. Brenner

### 'Art in Bloom and Verse' Annual Pop Up Exhibit of Flowers, Poetry, and Art at Delaware Valley Arts Alliance

The beauty of flowers, art, and poetry will come together in Narrowsburg this August. "Art in Bloom and Verse," DVAA's annual pop up exhibit, features live floral arrangements and original poetry inspired by the paintings or sculptures of local artists. The exhibit and will be on display from Friday, August 3 through Sunday, August 5 in the DVAA's Krause Recital Hall, 37 Main Street, Narrowsburg, NY. It is truly a unique show, and is on view for one weekend only due to the perishable nature of the plant life.

"Art in Bloom and Verse" is all about being inclusive," says curator Jane Luchsinger, who has curated the exhibit for seven years. "And this year we wanted to expand that conversation by bringing in a group of poets, curated by Mary Greene."

"This is a great opportunity for poets to interpret and be inspired by the artwork of the region," says Mary Greene. "With all three elements-visual art, floral design, and poetry-it will be a lot of fun to view."

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Artists include Kevin Gref, Bozena Janiszewski, Ula Nero, Nancy Wells, Alan Wood, Jane Biron, Ellen Cibula, Jane Morris, Joan Polishook, and Tom Biron.

Floral designers include Carole Linkiewicz, Sharon Chopping, Alison Peck, Mia and Joe Koerner, Juliet Dunn, Jane Morris, Katie Casteel, Kristin Porter, Brandi Merolla, and Donna Marchesin.

Poets include Cass Collins, Patricia Markert, Paul Cooper, Dawn Leas, Mary Greene, Matthew Carpenter, Karen Morris, Nancy Wells, Dorothy Hartz, and Nancy Dymond.

The public is invited to an opening reception on Friday, August 3 from 7 - 9 pm, or to visit the exhibition on Saturday, August 4 between 10 am and 5 pm, or Sunday, August 5 between 11 am and 3 pm. A poetry reading will take place at 7:30 pm on Friday.

This exhibit is sponsored by the DVAA and is made possible in part by a grant from the New York State Council on the Arts with the support of Governor Andrew Cuomo and the New York State Legislature.

For more information call 845-252-7576 or visit [delawarevalleyartsalliance.org](http://delawarevalleyartsalliance.org).

### Forestburgh Play presents Fiddler on the Roof

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**Ellenville Million Funds SUNY Ulster Training Program to Prepare Patient Care Technicians/Assistants for Certification**  
*Ulster County Economic Development Alliance Provided \$20,000 to Locally Based Training Program to Boost Career Advancement and Job Readiness*

Ellenville, NY - Ulster County Executive Mike Hein and The Ulster County Economic Development Alliance (UCEDA) announce the successful completion of an innovative training program held in conjunction with SUNY Ulster. The County Executive's Ellenville Million initiative, created in 2015, provided the funding for this 120-hour training for Patient Care Technicians/Assistants. The UCEDA is responsible for administering disbursement of the Ellenville Million funds, all of which are designed to offset the negative economic impact on the area due to its high unemployment rate and to encourage private sector investment and job creation. This crucial new Vocational Training & Workforce Transportation Component expended \$20,000 to certify a pool of Ellenville and Wawarsing residents as Patient Care Technicians/Assistants.

"Thirteen students, five of whom are employed at Ellenville Regional Hospital (ERH), successfully completed the training program, which prepared them to take the National Health Career Association (NHA) Certified Patient Care Technician, Certified Nurse Technician and/or Certified Patient Care Associate national certification exams," said Ulster County Executive Mike Hein. "This workforce training component is the result of new ideas that emerged during UCEDA's first 18 months of administration of the Ellenville Million. It directly assisted Ellenville and Wawarsing residents to become job ready and to advance in their career in the healthcare field."

"Our goal with the Ellenville Million has been to help the people and the economy prosper in the communities of Ellenville and Wawarsing and look towards the future. In addition to our focus on vocational training and workforce transportation, the UCEDA is making investments in several other economic development efforts, including a business plan competition, a pilot project to expand broadband access, a year-round tourism marketing campaign, façade improvements for local businesses, the creation of a Joint Village/Town Parks Commission, and major improvements to key Town and Village parks," said Julie Cohen Lonstein, Chairperson of the Ulster County Economic Development Alliance, Inc. "We believe all of our initiatives are bearing fruit and we will continue our focus on new economic development opportunities to enhance the revitalization efforts in Ellenville and Wawarsing."

"We are grateful to the UCEDA for allocating this funding for us to train our hospital employees as well as other community members working in healthcare," said Debbie Briggs, MS, Vice President, Human Resources and Community Relations, Ellenville Regional Hospital. "Bringing this course to the southern end of Ulster County made it possible for local residents to complete their training without driving to the SUNY Ulster campus in Stone Ridge. Many did not have the ability to regularly travel a distance of 30-45 minutes to complete their training given other pressing responsibilities or their lack of transportation options. Our Patient Care Technicians play a very important caregiver role," Briggs continued, "and the students who completed this training program found the course of study to be very constructive. This invaluable training program allowed us to train current employees and a potential pool of community members we can now bring on board."

The 13-week training session held at Ellenville High School was conducted by Evan Hampel, RN, BSN, Emergency Department Assistant Manager at Ellenville Regional Hospital. Students ranged in age from 20 to their mid-50s, and although several students had experience working at a hospital, lab or other healthcare facility, some had no previous medical background at all.

The course covered a full range of topics, from basic patient care (bathing, dressing, toileting, monitoring cardiac function and other vital signs) to how to perform EKGs, how to draw blood, and addressed special needs in elder care, obstetrics/gynecology, death and dying, mental health and more. "Even those students with previous experience became more knowledgeable, and the training is appropriate for many levels of healthcare, from working in doctor's offices to home healthcare and group home settings too," said Hampel. "I would hire every last one of the students who completed this course. Every one of them was eager to learn and put in a lot of hard work, while juggling families, jobs and other commitments. This training program benefits local residents as well as our community as a whole, and I look forward to more of these offerings."

Bridgit Franza, Certified Patient Care Technician (CPCT), Ellenville Regional Hospital, was previously working as a Patient Care Technician at the hospital and received a salary increase upon successful completion of the certifying examination given at the end of the training. She appreciated that the mix of students in the class gave each of them exposure to healthcare practices in hospital settings, private homes and community care facilities.

"A lot of people around the area don't have a great income and the course was offered free of charge. This training was awesome as it allowed me to advance my tech career before nursing school, giving me a leg up on my career goals," Franza said. "The best thing about the class was that the curriculum

was fantastic and Evan made it so interesting by bringing his own experience as an Emergency Department nurse and now a manager, which gave us great perspective. I got so much out of this course-especially related to phlebotomy, policies, laws, HIPAA violations, and other topics I didn't know enough about before."

Similar training programs, including one focused on pulmonary healthcare, are anticipated for the future.

**SC Legislature Chairman Alvarez Appointed to Leadership Position for Justice and Public Safety**

WASHINGTON, DC - National Association of Counties (NACo) President Greg Cox appointed Sullivan County Legislature Chairman Luis Alvarez to a one-year term as a subcommittee vice chair focusing on homeland security on NACo's Justice and Public Safety Policy Steering Committee.

Cox, a San Diego County, Calif. supervisor, made his leadership appointments shortly after being sworn in as NACo's president on July 16, the final day of NACo's 83rd Annual Conference and Exposition in Nashville/Davidson County, Tenn.

"I am honored to serve in this leadership role at NACo, as counties are major owners and operators of the nation's justice and public safety systems," Hall said. "We are looking forward to advancing the mission of keeping America's counties healthy, vibrant and safe."

The Justice and Public Safety Policy Steering Committee is responsible for NACo policy on all matters pertaining to criminal justice and public safety systems, including criminal justice planning, law enforcement, courts, corrections, homeland security, community crime prevention, juvenile justice and delinquency prevention, emergency management, fire prevention and control and civil disturbances.

"I thank President Cox for his decision to appoint me to this important subcommittee," Chairman Alvarez stated. "As a retired police officer, our Nation's security is of utmost concern to me, and I look forward to adding my voice to these critical discussions."

Active in NACo since 2016, Alvarez currently serves on the NACo Board of Directors and is an alumnus of NACo's County Leadership Institute. He also serves as a member of NACo's Immigration Reform Task Force.

**Statement from Governor Cuomo Offering State Help to Avert New York Daily News Layoffs**

"The Daily News, now owned by Tronc, Inc., is apparently firing a major portion of their reporting staff. This will undoubtedly devastate many households and hurt an important New York institution and one of our nation's journalism giants.

"These layoffs were made without notifying the State or asking for assistance. My father, as Governor, came to the aid of the New York Post when it was facing difficult financial times. Even though the Post represented an opposing active partisan interest, my father understood the value of a robust free press. So do I.

"I urge Tronc to reconsider this drastic move and stand ready to work with them to avert this disaster. I understand that large corporations often only see profit and dividends as a bottom line. But in New York, we also calculate loss of an important institution, loss of jobs, and the impact on the families affected. I hope Tronc does the same and recalculates its decision. New York State stands ready to help."

**Round 2 of the NYS Companion Animal Capital Fund Continues Support of Critical Construction, Renovation and Expansion Projects at New York Shelters**

**Total of \$10 Million Dedicated to the Program Since 2017 • Round 2 Applications Are Due By November 7, 2018 at 4 p.m.**

Governor Andrew M. Cuomo announced an additional \$5 million is available to continue the support of critical improvement projects at New York's animal shelters. This is the second round of funding for the New York State Companion Animal Capital Fund, which will allow eligible organizations to make significant updates to their facilities to enhance animal care and health. A total of \$10 million has been dedicated to the program since 2017.

"We are proud to provide animal shelters with additional funding to ensure pets across New York receive the care they need," Governor Cuomo said. "This funding will build on the \$5 million awarded last year to shelters across the state, giving them the resources and tools they need to continue their important work of finding these pets a loving home in the

Empire State."

"Animal shelters across the state provide critical resources and services to ensure that pets are healthy and safe," said Lieutenant Governor Kathy Hochul. "This additional funding as part of the NYS Companion Animal Capital Fund continues to build on our commitment to help improve shelters and enhance animal care. The program also works to ensure that organizations can provide animals with the opportunity to be paired with a loving family and good home."

Administered by the New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets, the Companion Animal Capital Fund is available to non-profit and municipal animal shelters, humane societies, and societies for the prevention of cruelty to animals. The goal of the program is to help these organizations continue to provide sheltering services to local communities and promote better care for the animals.

**Work Week with Congressman Faso:**

**Bill to Name Post Office in Saugerties after Rep. Maurice Hinchey Signed into Law**

This week, a bill to rename the post office at 111 Market St in Saugerties, New York after late United States Representative Maurice Hinchey was signed into law. Naming Congressman Hinchey's hometown post office after him is an enduring recognition of his lifelong commitment to public service and the people of Upstate New York.

Months of work from New York delegation members in both chambers of Congress and on both sides of the aisle led to this day. Senators Chuck Schumer and Kirsten Gillibrand were partners in getting this bill across the finish line.

**Repealing the Medical Device Tax to Incentivize Innovation of Life-Saving Equipment**

The House voted to repeal the Medical Device Tax, which stifles innovation and development of life-saving medical technology. The tax had been delayed, but an increase is due to kick-in in the near future.

The tax is a 2.3 percent excise on importers and manufacturers of medical devices. 71% of device companies surveyed said they would reinstate previously foregone hiring if the tax was repealed. 85% of companies survey said they would reinstate previously foregone research & development projects if the tax was repealed.

The bipartisan legislation easily cleared the House of Representatives, and I hope that the Senate will similarly act to ensure that the federal tax code is not responsible for slowing down the development of life-saving medical devices.

**Making Healthcare More Affordable by Empowering Patients**

This week, I voted on two pieces of legislation – H.R. 6199 and H.R. 6311 – that will make healthcare more affordable by empowering patients to make choices that take into account their needs, wants, and budget.

By increasing choices and giving patients more flexibility and control, we can begin to lower healthcare costs for consumers. These two bills, along with repealing the Medical Device Tax, will help reduce costs passed onto patients to make care more affordable, accessible, and tailored for each unique situation. Additionally, I am glad to see language I've co-sponsored to allow health savings accounts to help families and parents cover physical activity and exercise expenses included in the legislation passed.

**Change in Chinese Recycling Purchase Policy Causes Uptick in Upstate Collection Rates**

As a result of changes in China's purchase of recyclables, county waste agencies have been forced to raise service charges. Recently, the Ulster Co. Resource Recovery Agency was forced to sharply increase fees to adjust to the new reality.

I spoke with officials in Ulster County and then sent a letter to the U.S. Trade Representative to urge him to address the issue with China. This shift in policy has dramatically altered the international waste-reclamation process due to the major role China has played in this global operation since the 1980s. While there are other markets for U.S. recyclables, nearly 40 percent of U.S. scrap exports go to China, and there is no way for other countries to simply absorb this large influx of materials.

*Excerpt from the letter:*

"I have heard from various recycling officials across my district and they have repeatedly expressed concern with the impact that this shift in Chinese policy will have on their local operations. Municipal and private recyclers are having difficulty in moving these materials to processing facilities and are having to pay haulers to get these materials into the waste stream.

"I encourage the Administration to address this issue in ongoing trade conversations with the Chinese government because it is imperative that the United States remains a leader in the reutilization of waste materials while also proving municipalities with an efficient means of removing recyclable goods."

Read the entire letter I sent to the U.S. Trade Representative by visiting:

<https://faso.house.gov/news/documentsingle.aspx?DocumentID=1160>

**Community Yard Sale, Craft and Vendor Fair**

It is not too early to sign up for the Neversink Parks and Recreation Community Yard Sale, Craft and Vendor Fair on Saturday, September 15. The event will be held at the Grahamsville Fairgrounds at 8230 State Route 55 in Grahamsville from 10 am to 3 pm.

If you wish to reserve a space, you may do so by sending a check for \$15 payable to the Town of Neversink Parks and Recreation, P O Box 307, Grahamsville, NY 12740 or stop by the Town Hall on Tuesdays between 3 pm and 6 pm.

Each space is 10' x 10'. You must supply your own tables and tents if needed.

The day at the Fairgrounds will be filled with exciting things for all with plenty to see and do!

The Neversink Rondout Antique Machinery Association will hold its *Annual Tractor Show & Swap Meet*; The Grahamsville Rod & Gun Club Sportsman will hold its *Annual Flea Market* in the Fair Building; and the *Neversink Parks & Rec Community Yard Sale, Craft & Vendor Fair* will have a huge variety of vendors, crafters and yard sale tables that will include new and used items.

Mark your calendars now for this action-packed day, and don't forget, if you are planning on reserving a spot to show and sell your products or wares, it is not too early, September will be here before you know it!

**Claryville Fire Dept.  
All You Can Eat  
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**Sundown  
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*Sundown  
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**Aug. 14  
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**Aug 18, 2018  
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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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**LEGALS/PUBLIC NOTICES:**

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:**

I, Bryan Delaney, Sole Assessor for the Town of Neversink, do (severally) depose and swear, to the best of my knowledge and belief, that the foregoing FINAL assessment roll conforms in all respects to the tentative assessment roll with the exception of changes made by the Board of Assessment Review and assessments made by the State Board of Equalization and Assessment.

Signed:  
Bryan Delaney, Assessor

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**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:**

The Town of Denning will hold a Public Hearing for Proposed Local Law No. 2 of 2018, Titled: Tax Levy Limits Override on Tuesday, August 14th, 2018 at the Denning Town Hall, 1567 Denning Road, Claryville, NY 12725 set to begin at 7 pm prior to the start of the regularly scheduled business meeting. At SAID meeting any and all interested person(s) will be heard either for or against.

A copy of the proposed law is available in the Town Clerks Office during normal business hours.

BY THE ORDER OF THE DENNING TOWN BOARD  
Joy Monforte, RMC  
Town Clerk  
July 17th, 2018

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**Governor Cuomo Announces First-in-Nation Strategy to Eliminate Hepatitis C Establishes an Elimination Task Force That Will Advise the State on its Plan to End this 'Silent Epidemic' Allocates an Initial \$5 Million to Advance Plan to Eliminate Hepatitis C, Significantly Expands Treatment Capacity and Removes Insurance Barriers to Treatment**

Governor Andrew M. Cuomo today announced the nation's first strategy to eliminate hepatitis C, including the establishment of a Hepatitis C Elimination Task Force that will advise the state as it implements its plan going forward. The elimination effort aims to stop the spread of the virus by increasing access to medications that can cure hepatitis C and expanding programs to connect New Yorkers with prevention, screening and treatment services. Hepatitis C, or HCV, is a liver disease caused by the hepatitis C virus affecting more than 200,000 New Yorkers.

"This holistic, first-in-the-nation approach to eradicating hepatitis C is modeled on our ongoing efforts to end the AIDS epidemic, and will improve the health of many of the most vulnerable among us including people battling drug addiction," Governor Cuomo said. "We are going to end hepatitis C in New York State."

Hepatitis C-related deaths have exceeded HIV-related deaths in the state outside of New York City since 2007, and with injecting drug use as the most common risk factor, the opioid epidemic has fueled a rise in new hepatitis C cases. The state will deploy "harm reduction" strategies that incorporate a spectrum of tools including safer use, managed use, and abstinence to help people who use drugs gradually improve their situations in a realistic way.

"This first-in-the-nation plan to combat Hepatitis C will provide funding to expand treatment options and increase access to medications," said Lieutenant Governor Kathy Hochul. "More than 200,000 New Yorkers are living with the disease despite having the treatments available to cure it. New York is committed to investing in services to ensure that all New Yorkers have the access they need to treatment in order to live healthier lives." Hepatitis C Elimination Task Force

In 2017, state and national leaders gathered in Albany for the nation's first hepatitis C Elimination Summit, where public health experts, advocates, and community stakeholders came together to develop a consensus statement on eliminating hepatitis C in New York State. The new Hepatitis C Elimination Task Force Governor Cuomo announced today will build upon that consensus statement and will provide expert advice to the State as it implements its plan to eliminate hepatitis C moving forward.

The new Task Force will be comprised of a Steering Committee and five subcommittees that will focus on priority areas, including prevention; care and treatment access; testing and linkage to care; surveillance, data and metrics; and social determinants. Subcommittee members will include consumers, community members, providers, researchers, harm reduction and social service providers, payers and public health staff.

**Increasing Funding for Hepatitis C Programs**  
To increase access to hepatitis C medications, the Governor is announcing \$5 million in new funding for hepatitis C services, such as education, patient navigation, and care and treatment programs in harm reduction settings. One in four people with HIV is co-infected with hepatitis C, and studies show that over 90 percent of people who are treated can be cured of the disease. New direct-acting antiviral drugs have minimal side effects and can

prevent the need for a liver transplant, cirrhosis, liver failure, liver cancer or death.

Over the past decade, there has been a shift in the distribution of hepatitis C cases. In 2006, most reported cases of chronic hepatitis C were among the "baby boomer" cohort. By 2016, the age distribution had shifted, with a distinct peak emerging among a younger cohort of people aged 20 to 40.

The funding allocated for New York State's hepatitis C elimination strategy addresses the needs of disproportionately impacted populations, specifically people who inject drugs and people who are incarcerated. The state will:

- o Establish a patient navigation program within Syringe Exchange Programs to link persons with hepatitis C to care and treatment.
- o Develop innovative hepatitis C treatment models targeting people who inject drugs that include co-located medication-assisted treatment along with hepatitis C treatment.
- o Expand services to criminal justice populations to link inmates with hepatitis C to care, treatment and supportive services upon release from incarceration.
- o Enhance hepatitis C surveillance to track the epidemic, inform program development, and establish and monitor hepatitis C elimination targets.

**Expanding the State's Hepatitis C Treatment Capacity**

Governor Cuomo also directed the New York State Department of Health to implement new policies setting out specific requirements for approval of primary care licenses in harm reduction settings. This will expand the network of hepatitis C treatment providers and ensure availability of onsite hepatitis C treatment and medically assisted treatment for opioid use disorders. The Department will also issue regulations allowing OASAS and OMH licensed treatment providers to offer primary care, including hepatitis C treatment, to the people they serve.

**First-in-Nation Authorization of Medicaid Reimbursement for Harm Reduction Services**

Medicaid fee-for-service and Medicaid managed care plans began covering harm reduction services, effective July 1, 2018, making New York the first state in the nation to do so. This change applies to mainstream Medicaid managed care plans, HIV Special Needs Plans and Health and Recovery Plans. Harm reduction services will be delivered by syringe exchange programs authorized by the NYS Department of Health. Billable services include: Development of a Plan of Care; Individual and Group Supportive Counseling; Medication Management and Treatment Adherence Counseling; and Psychoeducation-Support Groups. These actions will provide sustainable revenue and build provider capacity to deliver harm reduction services and hepatitis C treatment.

**Expanding Syringe Exchange Access**

Recognizing the significant impact syringe services have had in curtailing both HIV and HCV, increased access to syringes is essential to eliminate HCV. The Department of Health will issue regulations that will allow non-profit, religious, and local government entities throughout the state to distribute and collect syringes. Regulations for second-tier syringe services will increase access to syringes, education and support, allowing organizations such as homeless shelters, LGBTQ centers, STD clinics, county health departments, and community-based organizations to help eliminate hepatitis C.

To further expand statewide syringe access, regulations will be issued allowing pharmacies registered in the Expanded Syringe Access Program to promote the availability of hypodermic syringes and needles without a prescription.

**Removing Insurance Barriers to Care**

The State has identified preauthorization requirements that have made it difficult for people to access care and the medication they need to treat hepatitis C. To address that problem, the state will require managed care organizations to remove such barriers to hepatitis C treatment.

First, the state will

require managed care organizations to extend the duration of the prior authorization period to six months in order to give patients the ability to access care more easily. Prior authorization should never result in a disruption of treatment.

Second, the state will ensure that managed care organizations eliminate requirements that patients undergo viral load testing in order to continue receiving their hepatitis C medication. No test should impede continuity of hepatitis C treatment.

Finally, the state will require all managed care organizations to reimburse healthcare providers that use telehealth - or videoconferencing - services in treating hepatitis C patients.

**Multimedia Awareness Campaign**

The Department of Health will launch a HCV Public Awareness campaign composed of a general campaign to reach all New Yorkers and a targeted message that is aimed at populations with the highest prevalence or risk to contract Hepatitis C.

Commissioner of Health Dr. Howard Zucker said, "As a physician, I have seen firsthand the harmful effects Hepatitis C can have, and as the number of cases continues to increase across the state, it is clear we need to address this problem head on. Governor Cuomo's commitment to ending the AIDS epidemic is well documented, and I look forward to working to end the Hepatitis C epidemic as well."

**Building on Ongoing Ending the Epidemic Efforts**

The announcements follow the release of the Ending the Epidemic 2018 Progress Report, which highlights New York's nation-leading blueprint to tackle the AIDS epidemic which is on track to bend the curve and reduce the number of new HIV infections below the number of HIV-related deaths by the end of 2020, even while achieving zero AIDS mortality. As part of the Governor's groundbreaking blueprint, the state has aggressively worked to identify persons with HIV who remain undiagnosed and link them to care; link and retain New Yorkers diagnosed with HIV in treatment to maximize HIV virus suppression so they remain healthy and prevent further transmission; and ensure access to Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis.

Under this aggressive approach, New York is making rapid progress. This Ending the Epidemic report details the remarkable advancements the state has made since the blueprint's launch, including 75 percent of newly diagnosed New Yorkers demonstrating evidence of entry to care within 30 days of HIV-positive diagnosis. In fact, 80 percent of New Yorkers living with HIV showed evidence of receiving some care over the course of the year. Additionally, in 2016, approximately 70 percent of New Yorkers living with diagnosed HIV appeared to be virally suppressed.

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**ENTRY DEADLINE: August 3, 2018**



**Town of Neversink Parks & Recreation**

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

[www.townofneversink.org](http://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**

- 8/1/18 Town of Neversink Planning Board Meeting -7 pm
- 8/4/18 **Neversink Farmers' Market** 11am -3 pm (Rt 55 & Shumway Rd/Parking Lot of Neversink General Store)
- 8/4/18 **Covered Dish Supper** - Sundown Methodist Church Hall 5:30 pm
- 8/7/18 Town of Denning Board Meeting 7:00 pm - Sundown Church Hall
- 8/8/18 Town of Neversink Board Meeting -
- 8/9/18 Town of Denning Planning Board Meeting 7 pm
- 8/9/18 Claryville Fire District Meeting 6:30 pm
- 8/12/18 Claryville Fire Department **All You Can Eat Pancake Breakfast** - 7 am to Noon
- 8/14/18 **Thrift Sale and Luncheon** - Grahamsville UMC: Thrift Sale 9:00am-12 noon; Luncheon 10:45am-12:30pm
- 8/14/18 Town of Denning Board Business Meeting 7 pm Denning Town Hall
- 8/15/18 Neversink-Rondout Antique Machinery Association Meeting - 7:30 pm
- 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
- 8/26/18 Neversink Fire District Board of Fire Commissioners Meeting 7:30 pm
- 8/18/18 **Third Saturday Thrift Sale** - Grahamsville UMC - 9 - 12 noon
- 8/27/18 Neversink Chamber of Commerce Meeting - 7 pm Community Room (lower level) Daniel Pierce Library

**SAVE THE DATE!**

**Aug 17 - 19, 2018 Grahamsville Little World's Fair**  
**September 8 - Sundown Annual Chicken BBQ!**

**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**  
**Boy Scout Troop 97 Fish Fry** **September 29th** from 4:30 pm to 6:30 pm Serving chicken and fish

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- Saturday: 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
- Sunday and Monday: Closed

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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.

**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.

**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

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

**Craft/Vendor Fair and Community Yard Sale**  
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**\*\*Last Call For Vendors\*\***

All Payments and Registrations need to be submitted by August 3rd. For more information call: Jennifer 845-807-6563. Regulations for Sellers: • FEE \$10 per table. Tables are 8ft long (If you require the use of an outlet \$15 per table)- tables are provided

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**GROUP EXHIBITION 5 Catskill Artists**

Ann Higgins, Caroline Harrow, Elise Hornbeck, Kate Hyden and Valerie Taggart are all artists in Sullivan County, NY. Although all are members of the North East Watercolor Society, they have pooled their talents to show a variety of skills and styles, featuring not only watercolor, but oils and photography. An exciting blend of nature study and local scenery will grace the office of ReMax Wayne Realty (416 Main Street, Honesdale, PA 18431)

The exhibition already in progress goes through August 31, with a reception (including refreshments) on August 5th from 2-4pm. Don't Miss it!

**Visit the State Fair and Try Fishing for Free!**

The Great New York State Fair will take place August 22nd - September 3rd 2018 in Syracuse.

This year, the Fair is hosting Family Fishing Days on Thursday, August 23 and Sunday, August 26. Admission is free for anyone presenting a valid New York State sporting license at the gate.

Family Fishing Days is presented in cooperation with DEC, who will operate free fishing clinics in the pond from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the New York Experience festival grounds. Everything you need is provided, including equipment and bait.

Advance ticket sales are going on now! Don't forget to visit the popular DEC aquarium where visitors can see fish, talk to a Ranger or Environmental

**Audubon Society Field Trip**

**Thursday, August 2 Sullivan County Audubon Society Field Trip**

Come explore the new paved walking trail "The Hurleyville Milk Train Rail Trail" 9am to 11am. (Rain date: Monday, Aug.6)

Bring binoculars and cameras as we look for birds and wildlife on the revitalized and fully paved rail trail made accessible for hikers, bikers and birders!

Call Valerie Freer at (845) 647-5496 to sign up for the trip. Trail parking lot is in downtown Hurleyville. To see more about the trail go to SCAS website: <http://www.sullivanaudubon.org/GreenColumn/GreenColumn.htm>

**DEC Seeks Participants for 2018 Summer Wild Turkey Survey**

New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) Commissioner Basil Seggos encourages New Yorkers to participate in a survey for wild turkeys.

"Citizen science efforts like the Summer Turkey Sighting Survey provide DEC's wildlife managers with invaluable data while giving New Yorkers the opportunity to partner with us and help monitor New York's wildlife resources," Commissioner Seggos said. "I encourage residents to take the time to record any observations of turkeys while exploring the forests and fields around their homes or driving through the state's beautiful landscapes this summer."

Since 1996, DEC has conducted the Summer Wild Turkey Sighting Survey to track wild turkey populations and estimate the number of wild turkey poults (young of the year) per hen statewide. Weather, predation, and habitat conditions during the breeding and brood-rearing seasons can all significantly impact nest success, hen survival, and poult survival. This index allows DEC to gauge reproductive success and predict fall harvest potential.

During August, survey participants record the sex and age composition of all flocks of wild turkeys observed during

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normal travel. Those interested in participating can download a Summer Wild Turkey Sighting Survey form along with instructions and the data sheet from DEC's website. In addition, survey cards can be obtained by contacting a regional DEC office, calling (518) 402-8883, or e-mailing [wildlife@dec.ny.gov](mailto:wildlife@dec.ny.gov) (type "Turkey Survey" in the subject line). Participants can also submit observations on-line. Visit the DEC website link above and click "Summer Wild Turkey Sighting On-line Report."

**Tobey Pomerantz Memorial All-You-Can-Eat Chicken BBQ**

The Kerhonkson Synagogue has scheduled its annual "Tobey Pomerantz Memorial All-You-Can-Eat Chicken BBQ" on Sunday, August 12th, 1pm to 4pm, at its Jewish Center at 24 Minnewaska Trail in Kerhonkson. Tickets are \$12 in advance or \$15 at the door for adults. Reduced prices for Seniors and children.

Contact [Glenn Pomerantz at kerhonkson-synagogue@gmail.com](mailto:Glenn.Pomerantz@kerhonkson-synagogue@gmail.com) or 845-656-1284 for reservations, take out or for more information.

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(<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.

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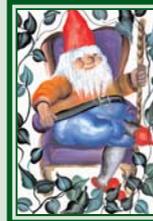
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Illicit lovers plot to kill the woman's older husband. Directed by Tay Garnett. *Starring; Lana Turner, John Garfield, Cecil Kellaway, Hume Cronyn, Audrey Totter, Leon Ames, Alan Reed, Wally Cassell.* Garfield and Turner ignite the screen in this bristling drama of lovers whose problems just

begin when they do away with her husband (Kellaway). Despite complaints of changes in James M. Cain's original story (mostly for censorship purposes), the film, packs a real punch, and outshines the more explicit 1981 remake. Harry Ruskin, and Niven Busch scripted (from Cain's novel). Filmed twice before, in France, and Italy. B/W - 113 min. TV-PG. Closed Captions

- QUIZ: 1. Who played Cora Smith?  
 2. Who played Frank Chambers?

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**SUNDOWN**

August 4th -Covered Dish Supper - Sundown Methodist Church Hall 5:30 pm

**GRAHAMSVILLE**

Aug 18th **Third Saturday Thrift Sale** 9:00 a.m. - 12 noon

Aug 14th - **Grahamsville United Methodist Church Thrift Sale** 9-12 & Luncheon 10:45-12:30.

**CLARYVILLE**

**August 12th - 1:00 pm - O&W Railroad Talk & Display.** Presented by Time & the Valleys Museum. Members: FREE, non-members: \$3 Location: Claryville Church - Talk by Jeffrey Otto, President of the O&W Railway Historical Society covering the O&W from Young's Gap (just north of Liberty) to Cadosia, concentrating on the many bridges in that section, plus the industries served by the railroad. Attendees can visit Charles Breiner's O&W model railroad display in Claryville immediately following the presentation. Light refreshments are included.

**NEVERSINK**

August 11 - *Portraits and Stories* at Neversink Farmers' Market and **Big Indian Native American Drummers** will be returning for their second year (11am-3pm) - corner of Rt. 55 and Shumway Road, Neversink, NY

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