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## After the Storm a Rainbow Appeared

“Teach them that rainbows appear after a storm to remind them that light begins and ends with all colors.” – *Maya Angelou*



If you were lucky enough to be at the Grahamsville Fair Saturday afternoon –even though it poured – we witnessed double luck! As the rain subsided we first noticed a beautiful rainbow and then an awesome double rainbow appeared. If anyone’s spirit was dampened by the deluge, it was quickly reignited by the beautiful sight. Not to mention how two of our younger family members recalled the golden coin in their Scavenger Hunt bags believing it had something to do with the lucky rainbow. They later exchanged the golden coin for ice cream with rainbow sprinkles!!! Thank you Neversink Parks and Rec Director Cher. Either that was so well planned or you must have direct connections with someone special. (Contd. Pg. 4)

## Monticello and Woodridge Kiwanis Clubs Reach Out to NAMI and ATI

The Kiwanis Clubs of Monticello and Woodridge joined together to bring some happiness to individuals serviced by NAMI Sullivan County (National Alliance on Mental Illness) and Action Toward Independence (ATI). They presented little gifts and Thinking of You Cards to NAMI Executive Director Lori Schneider and ATI Executive Director Deborah Worden. Aktion Club of Sullivan County, which is sponsored by both Kiwanis Clubs also made and contributed beautiful cards. The club is comprised of individuals with various degrees of disabilities affiliated with Arc The Greater Hudson Valley, The Center for Discovery and New Hope Community. Contd. Pg. 7)



From Left - NAMI Exec. Dir. Lori Schneider, ATI Exec. Dir. Deborah Worden, Monticello Kiwanians Kathy Garlick and Sheila Lashinsky and Woodridge Kiwanian Sue Kasofsky

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**ON THE FRONT BURNER:** Be careful then how you live, not as unwise people but as wise, making the most of the time because the days are evil.

Ephesians 5:15-16

**OBITUARY**

**Adele Vaccaro Scoles** entered into eternal rest on August 9, 2022. She was 98. Adele was the daughter of Virginia and Vincent Vaccaro and was born and raised in Yonkers, New York. She was predeceased by her three brothers Joe and Silvio who were WWII veterans and John joined the Navy when he was 19. During World War II, Adele met and married her beloved husband, Robert Scoles, who served his country for four years. He was the son of Lily and Alva Scoles of Bluffton, Ohio. He was the youngest of five children but sadly lost his battle with cancer at the age of 54. Adele was employed as Executive Secretary to the President of an Electronics Company for seventeen years and later chose banking as her second career.

In 1990, without any family or friends in Orange County, Adele moved to Goshen, NY, and started a new chapter in her life. She became a parishioner at St. John the Evangelist Church and was a member of the adult choir for the past 27 years.

Adele was blessed with many wonderful friends and neighbors who were very kind and caring. She is survived by her beloved daughter, Lillian Scoles, a retired Language Arts teacher at the Ellenville Central School System; as well as Lillian's loving companion and longtime family friend, Bill Greisbeck; and also leaves behind her faithful dog, Brandi.

A Mass of Christian burial will be celebrated at St. Joseph's Church, 34 South Chestnut Street, New Paltz, NY on Wednesday, August 24, 2022 at 12:00 pm. A private interment will take place at Mt. Hope Cemetery, Hastings-On-Hudson, NY. In lieu of flowers, donations in Adele's name can be made to Hudson Valley Hospice Foundation, 80 Washington Street, Suite 204, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601, or to Woodland Pond at New Paltz, Employee Fund Assisted Living Bldg. 100 Woodland Pond Circle, New Paltz, NY 12561.

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**Thank you...**

The Grahamsville Reformed Church would like to thank all those who donated and supported our chicken BBQ fundraiser for missions. Your generous donations are furthering God's kingdom. God bless you all!

**DAYS OF  
YORE...  
Today's History**

**August 27, 1952**

Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Dunn of Grahamsville announced the engagement of their daughter, Miss Shirley Schubert, to Mr. William Peabody, A.N., U.S.N., the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Peabody of Poughkeepsie. Miss Schubert is a student nurse at Vassar Bros. Hospital in Poughkeepsie. Mr. Peabody is stationed in Jacksonville, Florida. No date has been set for the wedding.

Two teen-age youths, Richard Chelsea and Jerry Colson, who escaped from the Institution farm at Woodbourne on Monday afternoon, were captured Tuesday at 6:15 after about 15 hours of liberty. The boys spent a chilly night in the woods.

Mrs. Malka Grossinger, 81, who with her husband, Selig Grossinger, founded the world famous Grossinger Hotel and Country Club in Liberty, died at her home on the hotel grounds Saturday, August 16th. Survivors are a daughter Jennie, another daughter, Lettie Grau of Queens, NYC; a son Harry, who was well known in basketball; and five grandchildren.

**August 15, 1962**

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dean are the parents of a daughter, Penny Lou, born at Hamilton Avenue Hospital on August 8th. She weighed 7 lbs.

Mr. Richard Irwin Coombe, son of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Coombe, Sr. has been placed on the Dean's List of the College of Agriculture, Cornell University for the spring 1962 semester, having attained a scholastic record placing him in the top five percent of his class. (Contd. Pg. 3)

**CORRECTION:**

In last week's issue, "THE CLARYVILLE QUILTERS" –the correct telephone number for Margaret Dice is 845-985-2815.

## DAYS OF YORE... Today's History

### August 15, 1962 (From Pg. 2)

The Tri Valley FFA chapter won the herdsman trophy awarded by the United Milk Producers, for the second time at the Middletown Fair. This award is given to the chapter that does the most outstanding job as a group. This year's herdsman were: John McGuire, Richard Carr, Brian Mitteer, Robert Edwards, David Van Valkenburg, Eugene Slater and the only girl showing cattle, Nancy Cross.

### August 30, 1972

Patricia Marie Osterhout and Robert Eaton Pohl, Jr. were united in marriage at the Immaculate Conception Church in Woodbourne on August 19th. Patricia is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Osterhout of Woodbourne. Robert is the son of Mrs. Earl Jones of Hailesboro, N.Y. and the late Robert Pohl. The bride graduated from Tri-Valley Central School and is a senior at Clarkson College of Technology. The groom is also a senior at Clarkson. The couple will make their home in Potsdam, N.Y.

Welcome to Mr. and Mrs. James Richardson and son, Kenneth, who have moved to Grahamsville this week. Mrs. Richardson is the former Terri Osterhoudt.

Congratulations to Sharon and George Houghtaling who are the proud parents of a son, Harold Earl, born August 20th.

### August 26, 1982

William W. Schulte, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Schulte of Grahamsville, has been promoted to the rank of Airman 1st Class. He is currently serving in the U.S. Air Force. Airman Schulte is an Avionics Systems Specialist at RAF Mildenhall, England with the 513th Avionics Maintenance Squadron.

## Household Hint:

### It's Flea Season!

It is natural and can't hurt. It may help give the dogs and cats effective flea and tick protection. Fill a spray bottle with equal parts water and vinegar and apply it directly to the dog's coat and rub it in well. You may have more trouble doing this with cats, because they don't like the smell of vinegar.

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

## A Tasty Treat for the Hummingbirds

Last week on one of those really hot days, we were taking the dogs for a walk around the yard. What ordinarily would have been just a short mundane walk, was rather a delightfully bright experience. The tall bee balm that are growing near our camper were still dripping wet from the rain the night before. They were bending over the pathway creating a beautiful arch of red vivacious flowers that attracted numerous hummingbirds who were darting around the flowers, stopping occasionally for a sip of the sweet nectar.

Bee Balm is a native plant in the Catskills and that it was used as a tea. In fact, I have heard that delicious Earl Grey tea secret taste ingredient is from Bee Balm! Bee Balm is also known as Bergamot, Oswego Tea or Monarda.

Nicolas Monardes, wrote a book in 1574 describing plants found in the New World, thus its scientific name, Monarda.

But long before Nicolas wrote the book, the Native Americans, including the Blackfoot, Menominee, Ojibwa and Winnebago knew the wonderful properties of this plant. The Blackfoot Indians recognized the strong antiseptic action of bee balm and used poultices of the plant for skin infections and minor wounds. Bee balm is the natural source of the antiseptic Thymol, the primary active ingredient in modern commercial mouthwash formulas. The Winnebago used a tisane made from bee balm as a general stimulant. Bee balm was also used as a carminative herb by Native Americans to treat excessive flatulence. An infusion of crushed Bee Balm was used to treat headaches and fevers.

Bee balm is easily recognized and grows quite well in full sun where the soil is moist, yet well drained. Bee balm will grow in shade, and will spread rapidly, but will not produce abundant flowers as it does in a sunny spot.

The individual flowers are narrowly tube-shaped, tightly clustered together in 2 in. heads and set atop a square stem. The stem is lined with large dark green oval leaves that have a minty aroma. Hummingbirds, butterflies, and bees are attracted to the blossoms.

The beautiful red Bee Balm that is common in our area, *Monarda didyma*, is not the only member of the Monarda family that grows in the Catskills. *Monarda fistulosa*, commonly known as wild bergamot, has lavender or smoky pink flowers. *Monarda citriodora* and *Monarda pectinata* have light lavender to lilac-colored blooms and have slightly decreased flower quantities. All are commonly called Bee Balm and are members of the mint family.

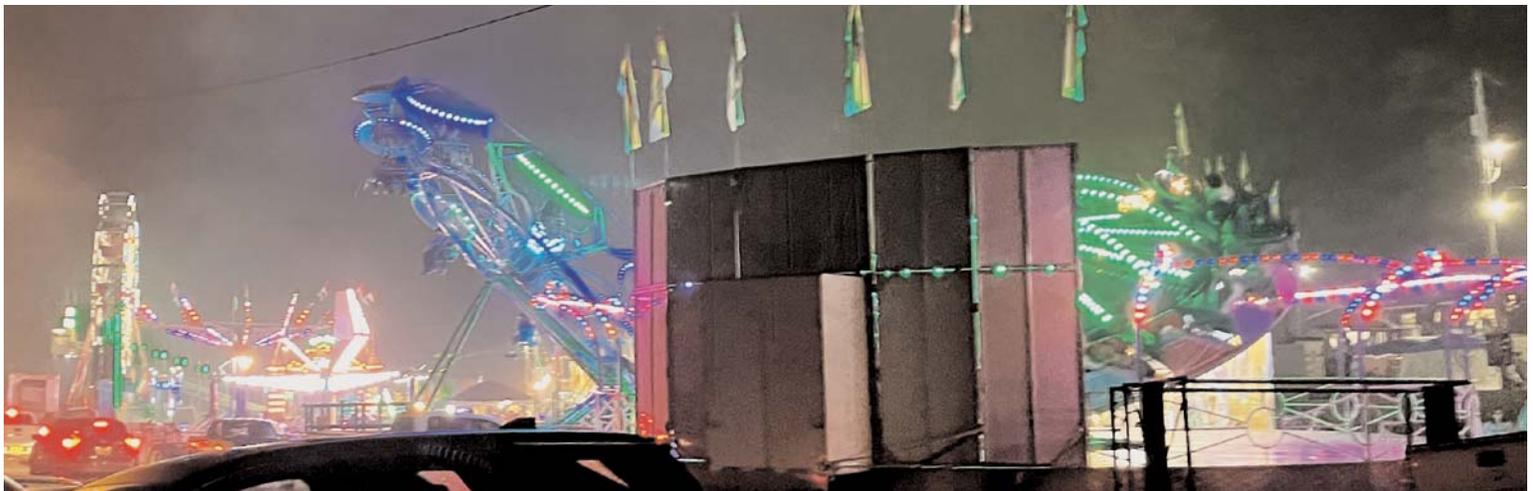
What did John Burroughs have to say about Bee Balm? Quoted from the book, *John Burroughs* states, "I shall long remember the enticing stream, the pretty cascades, the high shelving rocks sheltering the mossy nest of the phoebe, and the glowing masses of bee balm blooming beside the stream; yes, and the eagerness of one of the fisherman as he slipped along ahead of me, dropping his hook into the pools. Occasionally he would relinquish the rod, putting it into my hands with a rare self-denial as we came to a promising pools; but I was more deft at gathering bee balm than taking trout, and willingly spared the rod to the eager angler."

Today bee balm has even found its way into the florist's shop. Definitely a Catskill Mountain prize, this beautiful red blossomed flower certainly has a long history that surely goes back long before John Burroughs or Nicolas Monardes, to the days when the native's of this land had their own name for this outstanding plant that once upon a time was called Oswega tea!



## After the Storm a Rainbow Appeared

(From Pg. 1) There were so many other colorful things that became so much brighter after the storm –the food, the displays, the games, the music, the fireworks, the rides! The applause echoed through the valley after the final display of fireworks lit up the night sky.



The fun and color continued. The neon lights shown brightly through the entire weekend leaving an imprint in our minds —memories of fairs of the past and now this year's fair adding to the rich history of this annual event that has taken place for over 142 years. And now, we are once again, looking forward to next year's Little World's Fair!

# Armored

## Mysterious Book Report No. 502

by John Dwaine McKenna



If you're into reading about action-adventure, high-wire, death-defying and suicidal combat missions, *Armored* (Berkley, \$28.00, 512 pages, 978-0-593-43687-5), by Mark Greaney, is the perfect novel to wind up your summer reading season with. It features a nice guy named Josh Duffy, who's in a desperate situation. He's a kick-ass military contractor who lost his left leg on his last mission a few years ago. Now, he works as a rent-a-cop in a suburban Virginia shopping mall. Barely able to eke out a living and feed his family –he's un-

happy and unemployable as a hired gun because of his prosthesis –and he's getting more despondent by the day.

Then, by chance, Duffy runs into an old acquaintance, a fellow mercenary who tells him of an upcoming mission, body guarding UN dignitaries on a peace mission to recover sixty stolen shoulder-fired stinger missiles in the hands of one of the Mexican Drug Cartels.

Concealing his artificial left leg, Josh hires on with a notorious outfit, who, in spite of their poor reputation, has been contracted to protect the delegation tasked with retrieving the missiles and bringing peace to the beleaguered region. Then, high on a ridge called the Devil's Spine in the rugged Sierra Madre Mountains of western Mexico, the home of the infamous and deadly Black Knights Cartel, Duffy learns the real goal of the mission. He's been tricked. Now he's trapped, with three different Cartels closing in for the kill, as Duffy and the remnants of his team try to navigate their way back to safety against overwhelming odds. The gun fights never cease, the plot twists never stop and the treachery is world-class in this kinetic and electrifying yarn we can only hope is the start of a new series!!!

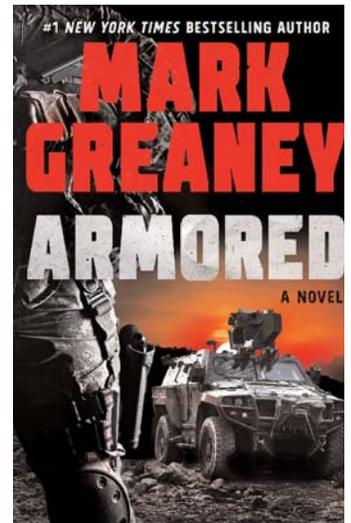
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## With Entire State Classified as a High Fire Risk, DEC Issues Campfire Safety Reminder *Hudson Valley Upgraded to Very High Risk*

New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) Commissioner Basil Seggos today urged New Yorkers to practice the utmost safety when building campfires, and consider going without a campfire unless absolutely necessary.

"If you're enjoying the backcountry these last few weeks of summer, please think about whether you really need that campfire." Commissioner Seggos said. "It's been a hot and dry summer, leading to a drought watch and high fire danger. If you build a campfire, keep an eye on it to make sure the wind doesn't spread it unexpectedly and when you're finished, make sure the fire is completely out and cold to the touch."

The entire state is now at a high risk for fires, and the Hudson Valley at very high risk, meaning that any outdoor fire can spread quickly, especially if the wind picks up. Fires may become serious and their control difficult unless they are attacked successfully while small. There are currently six active fires across the state, burning 47.1 acres of land. The majority of those were started by unattended campfires. Campfires are among the top five causes of wildfires (PDF). Forest Rangers are some of the most highly trained wildland firefighters in the country. But even Rangers can have a difficult time fighting a wildfire, depending on its size and location. Ranger Quinn explains the challenges faced on a fire earlier this month in the Pharaoh Lake Wilderness Area on DEC's Twitter page.

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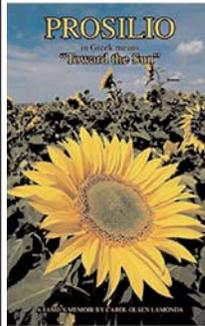
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## The FamilyMemoir, PROSILIO...

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# The Olive Jar by Carol Olsen LaMonda



**I like people:**  
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 who hang pictures on the fridge  
 who chew with their mouth closed  
 who tip generously at restaurants  
 who talk to dogs and cats  
 who apologize when they are wrong  
 who push their chairs in when they leave the table  
 who hang clothes out on the line  
 who hug  
 who can whistle  
 who wear aprons when they cook  
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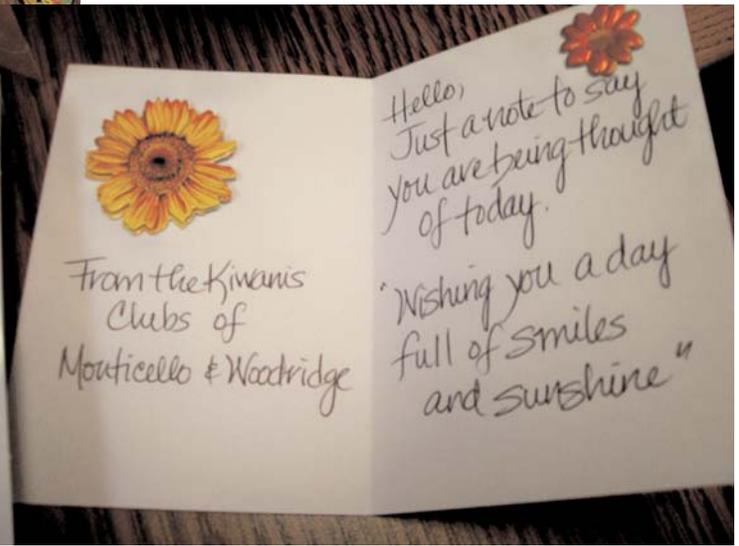
(From Pg. 1) The gifts included an assortment of dancing solar flowers, hats, artificial flowering plants, mugs, Find the Word and Crossword Puzzles, playing cards, stuffed animals, tootsie pops, hard candies as well as little toys and games for homeless families with children who are served by ATI.

Ms. Schneider stated “The people served by NAMI Sullivan County are going to love not only the gifts and cards but especially that someone took the time to think of them and do something special for them.” Ms. Worden conveyed her appreciation to the Kiwanis Clubs and stated that, “Individuals with disabilities face many challenges and someone taking the

time to convey a thoughtful message goes a long way in helping them through a difficult time.”

The Kiwanis Clubs have reached out to many agencies in the past year with the main mission of giving back to the community and to let them know that there are people who care for them.

For more information about Kiwanis Clubs, call Monticello President Marvin Rappaport at (845) 701-1655 or Woodridge



# With Entire State Classified as a High Fire Risk, DEC Issues Campfire Safety Reminder

## *Hudson Valley Upgraded to Very High Risk*

(From Pg. 5) DEC continues to encourage New Yorkers and visitors to follow the recommendations below to reduce the risk of wildfires.

**While camping in the backcountry, New Yorkers are advised to:**

- Use existing campfire rings where possible;
- Build campfires away from overhanging branches, steep slopes, rotten stumps, logs, dry grass, and leaves. Pile extra wood away from the fire;
- Clear the area around the ring of leaves, twigs, and other flammable materials;
- Never leave a campfire unattended. Even a small breeze could cause the fire to spread quickly.

For information on open burning and campfire safety in New York, go to DEC's Open Burning in New York and Fire Safety When Camping webpages.

For further questions about wildfires, call 1-833-NYS-RANGERS and call 911 to report a wildfire.

## DEC Forest Rangers

### *Week in Review*

### *Recent Statewide*

### *Forest Ranger Actions*

New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) Forest Rangers respond to search and rescue incidents statewide. Working with other state agencies, local emergency response organizations, and volunteer search and rescue groups, Forest Rangers locate and extract lost, injured, or distressed people from across New York State.

### Towns of Haverstraw and Highlands Orange and Rockland Counties

**Wildland Fires:** On Aug. 8, Forest Rangers responded to two wildland



*Forest Ranger dressed in yellow fire gear helps extinguish wildfire  
Harriman State Park fire in  
Haverstraw*

fire calls at Harriman State Park, the first at 4:25 p.m. in the town of Highlands, Orange County, and the second at 4:47 p.m. in the town of Haverstraw, Rockland County. Rangers Pries and Rusher worked with the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation to secure a perimeter around the 2.6-acre Rockland County fire. Thiells, Tallman, Hillcrest, Hillburn, Sloatsburg, Stony Point, Pearl River, Blauvelt, Congers, Munsey, and New County fire departments also assisted. Ranger Pries then responded to the

Highlands fire, where he assisted Ranger Jahn in constructing a fire line. State Parks, Stony Point Fire, West Point Fire, and Fort Montgomery Fire helped get the six-acre fire under control. On Aug. 10, both fires were put in patrol status. Video of the fire in Highlands can be found on DEC's website. (Contd. Pg. 17)



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*Smokey landscape with flames coming from the area  
beyond some rocks  
Harriman State Park fire in Highlands*

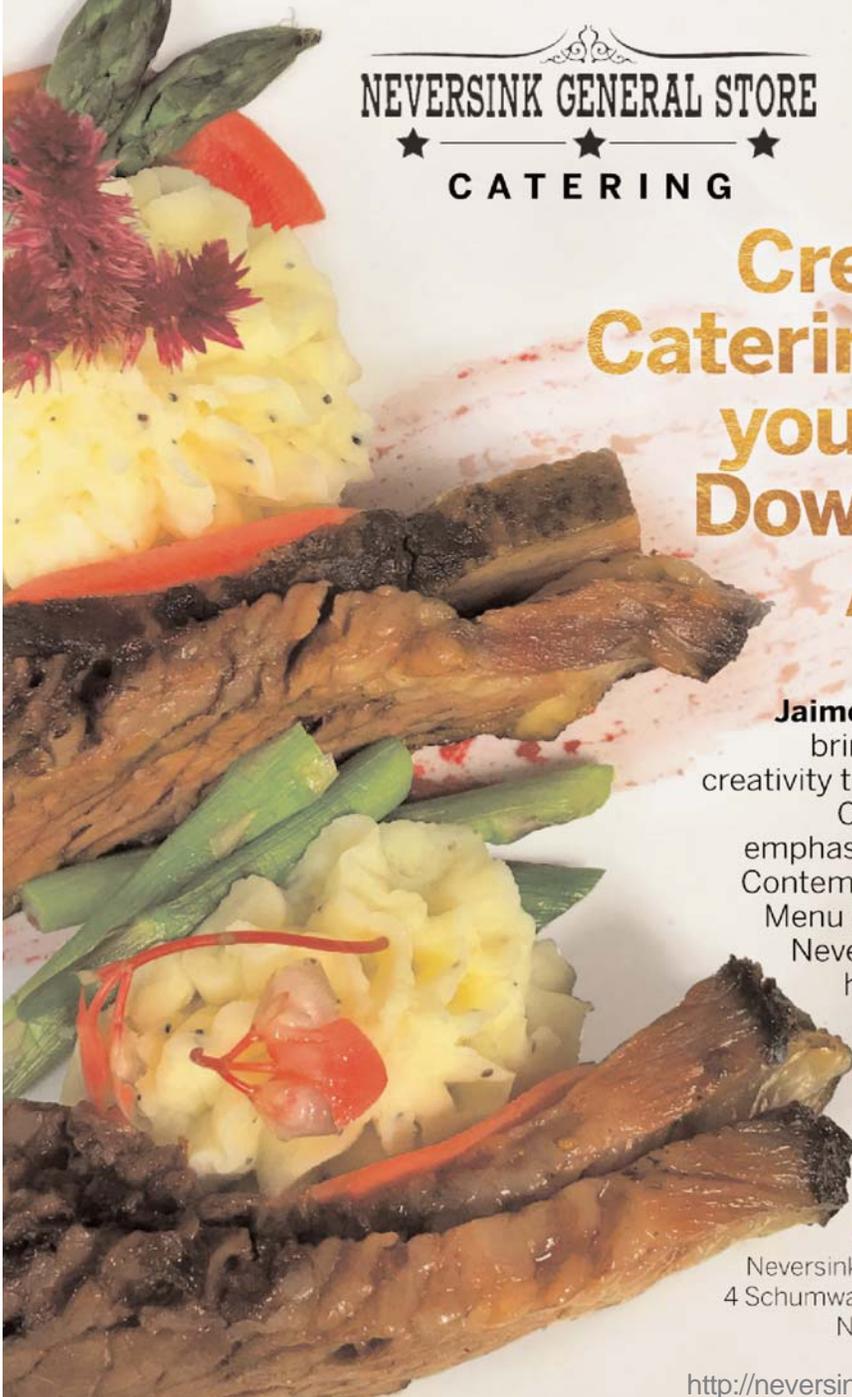
## Between Summer and Autumn

On the border between summer and autumn, August continues to remind us that in our legendary Sullivan Catskills - the living is easy, and good times are ongoing! So, stop what you're doing, and book a stay at a full-service resort, charming inn, B&B, vacation rental, hotel, motel, or campground.

Now through August 28 Forestburgh Playhouse presents *Kinky Boots*, a joyous Tony Award-winning musical that inspires you to dance in the aisles and discover why, sometimes, the best way to fit in... is to stand out! But wait... there's so much more happening this weekend, you'll need a vacation from your vacation:

There's a whole lot more music and fun to check out including: The Big Sticky Band in Rock Hill, the Bethel Lakeside Music Series, BYO Vinyl Night and A Dose of Los Trivia at Catskill Brewery, Third Thursday Trivia at Tango Café, Cab'raoke and Rich and the Jumpstarts at Cabernet Franks, Shandeleo Music Festival, Late Night Adult Comedy and Xtreme Queen at Villa Roma, Plein Air in Full Bloom at The Cutting Garden, Open Mic at Hector's Inn, Native American History at Fort Delaware Museum, Glitter Gutter at Hurleyville Performing Arts Centre, Summer Artisan Fair at the Mamakating Environmental Education Center, Farmers' Markets, and there's always a chance to win at Resorts World Catskills and every Thursday this month you can earn Entry Multipliers to the Ultimate Road Trip to NYC.

The forecast calls for sunshine and 80's for you outdoor lovers. Get on out there on our trails or explore everything else we have to offer including the Sullivan Catskills Dove Trail and the Good Taste Beverage Trail. Shopping is a must whether it's at an antique store, general store, farmers market, or home goods store. And when you get hungry after all that fun, have a seat and taste the fare of our inventive chefs and their Catskill-icious delights.



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## Blue Hole & Peekamoose Valley Camping 2022

### REMINDER: You need a permit for Blue Hole

The Peekamoose Valley (County Route 42 in the Town of Denning) is a popular rustic camping area. Camping permits are now required to reserve primitive tent sites in the Lower, Middle, and Upper fields from May 15- September 15 of each year. Camping is restricted to reserved, designated campsites marked with the yellow camping symbol. Visit Reserve America (leaves DEC website) make a reservation. Permits for the Peekamoose Trailer Field must be obtained from the local Forest Ranger (845-240-6790), and must be requested at least 2 weeks in advance.

Food, gas and other supplies can be found nearby at the **Neversink General Store** in Neversink, NY.

DEC has issued special regulations for the **Blue Hole** and **Peekamoose Valley** because of the huge increase in visitors. The purpose of these regulations is to increase public safety and reduce impacts to the environmental resources. Visit the DEC website for information:

[https://www.dec.ny.gov/lands/109922.html?mc\\_cid=217732e7fe&mc\\_eid=741885eb1c#Permit](https://www.dec.ny.gov/lands/109922.html?mc_cid=217732e7fe&mc_eid=741885eb1c#Permit)

<https://www.reserveamerica.com/explore/peekamoose-blue-hole/NY/5935/overview>



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## Welcome to the Catskills

The Welcome to the Catskills webpage is the place to go if you are interested in learning more about the Catskills. It provides information about the Forest Preserve and conservation easement lands, outdoor recreation opportunities, and Leave No Trace. Be sure to check out the links to additional information and tips for recreating safely and minimizing your impacts on natural resources, recreational infrastructure, and other backcountry users in the Catskill Mountains. Go to webpage for more information:

<https://www.dec.ny.gov/outdoor/120094.html>

For Sundown Wild Forest go to: <https://www.dec.ny.gov/lands/75346.html>

Hike Smart NY <https://www.dec.ny.gov/outdoor/28708.html>

National Weather Service <https://forecast.weather.gov/MapClick.php?lat=42.0842&lon=-74.3166#.YrXXCm4pAWq>

Summit Weather Conditions: <https://www.weather.gov/aly/mountain>

Tick Information: <https://www.dec.ny.gov/public/111538.html>

## The Scene Too -Jane Harrison

No column this week.

### Poets Wanted

The Liberty Museum & Arts Center invites poets to participate in its 13th Annual Poetry Festival to be held at 1 PM, Saturday, September 24th . Poets, published and unpublished, working in all styles, are welcome. We are planning this to be a hybrid event, to be held at the newly-renovated Liberty Public Library and via ZOOM; regardless of where you are, we welcome your poems. The festival is one of the Museum's most popular events.

The festival highlights the talents of the region's finest poets, as well as poets from across the country, and the readings range from light humorous pieces to free verse to intense Gothic and expressionistic work. Organized and moderated by poet Marilyn Laufer, the festival continues to attract more and more poets each year. Ms. Laufer was recently named the second Poet Laureate of the Village of Liberty.

Please submit poems for consideration to Marilyn Laufer, PO Box 87, White Sulphur Springs, NY 12787 or email them to mbfrumess@gmail.com. Include your full name, address, telephone and email contact information. The last date to submit poems is September 2 (no exceptions). For more information, contact Marilyn Laufer at (845) 292-6628.

## DVAA Presents an Immersive Dance-Theatre Performance at The Tusten

On Saturday, August 27th, something is HAPPENING in Narrowsburg.

The Delaware Valley Arts Alliance and HX Theatre invite audiences to experience "Night of The New Moon", a dance-theatre ritual celebration of female voices.

Walk along the corridors of the past and take a glimpse into the future. "Night of the New Moon" is an immersive, one-night-only performance Saturday, August 27th, 6:00 PM at the Tusten Theatre. Box office / concession opens at 5:30 PM.

Draped in a tapestry of light and shadow, sound and silence, dance and stillness, "Night of The New Moon" explores the fascinating and provocative voices of female figures from ancient history to the present. Experience the music of medieval composer Hildegard von Bingen and learn the Herstory of local legend Lucy Ann/Joseph Israel Lobdell.

"Night of the New Moon" features the artistic talents of performers formerly with "Sleep No More", Martha

Graham Company, Twyla Tharp Dance, The Rockettes, and other distinguished dance companies.

### EQUAL PAY DISCOUNTED TICKET

HX Theatre and DVAA wish to illustrate gender inequality in the workplace. We invite audience members adversely affected by the gender wage gap, including women, femme, non-binary, and trans-identifying individuals, to use the EQUAL PAY discounted ticket at 87% of the regular admission price.

A portion of the proceeds will be donated to a local women's shelter.

### ABOUT HX THEATRE

HX Theatre is an experimental multi-media dance-theatre collaborative founded by wife and husband duo, Mary Beth Hansohn and James Graber, working with select artists to produce transformational experiences exploring who and how we are.

HX Theater receives additional support from The Field, a multi-disciplinary non-profit organization working with artists and arts workers to help them thrive.

### ABOUT THE PERFORMERS

**Mary Beth Hansohn, HX Theatre Co-Founder/Director**

Mary Beth Hansohn has danced for Twyla Tharp Dance, The Metropolitan Opera, Cincinnati Ballet, Dayton Ballet, The Ohio Ballet, La la la Human Steps, and The Cleveland Opera. She has danced in works by Eduard Lock, Laura Dean, Lynn Taylor-Corbett, Septime Webre, Stephen Mills, and Donald Byrd. Her principal dancer roles include Lady Macbeth in "Macbeth", Mina Harker in "Dracula", Gertrude in "Hamlet", the Title role in "Giselle", and the Russian Girl in George Balanchine's "Serenade". Other featured roles include "Nine Sinatra Songs", "Eight Jelly Rolls", and "Preludes and Fugues" by Twyla Tharp, as well as "Agon" by George Balanchine. Mary Beth continues to dance in her community in Sullivan County, NY, and is a teacher at a non-profit school in Ridgefield, CT.

### James Graber, HX Theater Co-Founder/Director

James Graber trained at the Boston Ballet School and University of Oklahoma with famed ballerina Yvonne Chouteau. His performance credits include the Metropolitan Opera Ballet, Hartford Ballet and American Repertory Ballet Companies, Off-Broadway immersive theater sensation "Sleep No More," among others. His choreographic credits include American Repertory Ballet, Terra Firma Dance Theatre, Forward Motion Theatre, Atlantic Contemporary Ballet Theatre, P.S.122, The Joyce Soho, Synchronicity Space, Broome Corner Studio, Neglia Ballet, The Adam Miller Dance Project, Pegasus 51 Theatre Company, The Forestburgh Playhouse, Lone Wolf Tribe, George Street Playhouse and Philly Live Arts Fest. (Contd. Pg. 28 )



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Saturday, September 17, 2022  
at Morningside Park  
Hurleyville, NY

**Fallsburg Fall Festival**

hosted by the Kiwanis of Woodridge

Set up a booth, showcase what you're about and have fun doing it! This is a fun event for children and their families with vendors, games, contests, music, etc.  
Rain date is Sunday, September 18, 2022.

For more information:: Diane at 845-866-3204 or [dsenn10151@aol.com](mailto:dsenn10151@aol.com) or Jill at 845-798-6058 or [jweiner66@gmail.com](mailto:jweiner66@gmail.com)

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# Live Performance at the Fairgrounds with Arm-of-the-Sea-Theater

*Saturday, September 3rd, at the Grahamsville Fairgrounds,  
11am-1pm*



Offering a performance for all ages on the local rivers and creeks that flow through our Catskill community, Arm-of-the-Sea Theater combines live music with larger-than-life mask & puppet figures in a celebratory Catskill Forest Stream Pageant. Drawing on geology, biology, and hydrology, the pageant enacts elemental processes of the Catskill ecosystem and the impacts of human activity. With humor and visual charm, the performance highlights the critical "riparian" zone - where stream and forest meet. This performance will delight and enrich young and old alike.

Join us Saturday, September 3rd at the Grahamsville Fairgrounds (8230 State Rte 55, Grahamsville, NY 12740). The event is free to the public and will be held from 11am to 1pm. Stick around after the performance for a Q&A with the performers and a close up look at the puppets and scenery. Stop by the Rondout Neversink Stream Program table at the event for information on how you can support the health of your local rivers and streams.

Now in its 40th season, Arm-of-the-Sea channels the evocative power of the arts as a force for joy, insight, and community uplift. Their low-tech devices of theatrical enchantment illuminate relations between humans and the life-support networks of this blue-ocean planet.

This event is offered in collaboration with Neversink Parks and Recreation, Daniel Pierce Library, and the Time and the Valleys Museum.

Have questions? Contact us at [info@rondoutneversink.org](mailto:info@rondoutneversink.org).

## Happenings in our Gneighborhood

### –Gnorman the Roamin' Catskill Gnome



These adorable Teddy Bears will make a great “*thought*” present for no occasion (quoting Carol La Monda from her column this week! Whether it is just to cheer someone up or a special occasion they are irresistible huggable. See these cuties at the **Indoor Yard Sale at the Sundown UMC Church Hall Friday and Saturday from 9 to 12 noon**. You will also find a nice selection of Halloween and Christmas decorations. And check out their **FREE** table and the **HALF PRICE** table. There is something new every week! The last Friday and Saturday Sale will be held over the Labor Day weekend. It will be a fun day –hot dogs, chips and water will be available. Also, if you are planning on going to the **Sundown UMC Chicken BBQ on Sept. 24**, you can pick up your tickets during the Indoor Yard Sale. See Carol Newman. We always look forward to the **Sundown UMC Chicken BBQ**. It is the best for sure!



*These cute Teddy Bears will make a great gift and make someone smile*

If you still want to find a yard sale bargain you can always go to the monthly **Covered Dish Supper at the Sundown Church Hall the first Saturday of each month**. Tables with treasures and finds will be on display to browse and buy. The next **Covered Dish Dinner** will be held on **September 3rd at 5:30 pm at the Sundown Church Hall**.

Don't forget this Saturday, August 27 –the **Thrift Sale at the Grahamsville UMC**. The sale runs **from 9 am to 12 Noon**. The luncheon **will not be held this weekend** as planned. If you miss the great food and the desserts, mark your calendar for the luncheon on **September 24** from 11:00 am to 12:30 pm. In the meantime, after you get all your bargains at the Thrift Sale, head up to Claryville for the **Claryville Fire Department's Annual Craft Fair** from 10 am to 3 pm. There will be vendors, Crafts, Food, Raffles and Yard Sales. **Fun for the whole family!**

Top the day off at the beautiful **Russian Mule** in Claryville. Not only do they offer their special crafted beers, their menu serves to suit all of your taste buds. Delicious and served by the most friendly people in the Catskills! You may eat in, eat outside and enjoy the beautiful gardens or take your food to go. The **Russian Mule** will have live music every Saturday. **Russian Mule** summer hours are: Thursdays 3-8 PM; Fridays 3-8 PM; Saturdays 12-8 PM; and Sundays 12-6 PM.

Looking ahead, mark your calendars for **Sunday September 22 All you can Eat Pancake Breakfast served from 8am-Noon** at the **Claryville Firehouse**.

For all those weekend visitors, campers, and Blue Hole guests, don't forget before leaving back home to head up to the **Neversink General Store** to fill the tank up. Their price for gas is still the best bargain. Not only do they have gas for your car, lawn mowers and generators (when the power goes out), the Neversink General Store also can fill your BBQ tanks up so you don't run out for your backyard BBQs. And if you don't feel like cooking, **Neversink General Store** also has a great menu. You can eat inside or outside, or take it with you. The **BBQ Shed** is opened on weekends! If you are health conscious, this is the place for you. They have a great selection of wholesome home made food. Speaking of good food, if you are planning an event, call them at 845.985.2076 and ask them about catering your event.

Check out the **Pilates Classes on Wednesday at 5 pm**. If you can't make it during the week, **Pilates Classes** will be held on **Sundays at 10 am**. Interested? Register inside the **Neversink General Store**. The classes are held in the “pop up gallery” where you may get the opportunity see great masterpieces by local world-known artist, **Joerg Madelaner**. Speaking of artists, there are also creations of several local artisans on display and for sale at the **Neversink General Store**. They make great gifts!

While in the Grahamsville area, stop by the **Grahamsville Deli**. Enjoy their new bright and cheery makeover. Their homemade food (Chef Medi is in the kitchen) is always tasty. They also have the ‘staples’ and more. Remember to ask about their special –“**The Sundown**”!

For fun for the whole family –**Neversink Parks and Recreation Friday movie night** Bring the whole family this **Friday, August 26th**. The featured film will be **The Goonies (PG)**. Sit in your car like the ‘old days’, or bring your own blanket or chairs to watch the **movie** on the **big screen** at the Grahamsville Fairgrounds Friday evenings (weather permitting). See Page 26 for times, dates and movies.. Also, don't miss the **Arm-of-the-Sea-Theater** Saturday, **September 3rd**, at the Grahamsville Fairgrounds, from **11am-1pm**

You still have time to visit **Time in the Valleys Museum in Grahamsville**. Once you go, you will want to go back again and again! **Time and the Valleys Museum** is a **living and interactive resource** that preserves the past, educates the present and ensures the uniqueness of the Rondout and Neversink watersheds for all generations. Located behind the Museum, the new **1930s Lost Catskill Farm** tells the story of farmers who were forced to give up their land to build NYC's water system. Period buildings include a farm house, outhouse, milk house and workshop powered by a working waterwheel. An 1870's barn was painstakingly disassembled and reassembled on site, and visitors can also see an original 1930's power plant.

The Museum is located in Sullivan County, on State Rte. 55 in Grahamsville. It is easily reached by taking State Rte. 55 west from State Rte. 209 in Ellenville, from Liberty by State Rte. 55 east to Grahamsville and from Monticello by State Rte 42. Open: Saturdays & Sundays 12pm to 4pm. Other days and times by appointment. For **maps of local tours** provided by the Time in the Valleys Museum go to: <https://www.timeinthevalleymuseum.org/Driving-tours/> Keep watching **The Townsman** for upcoming events this summer.

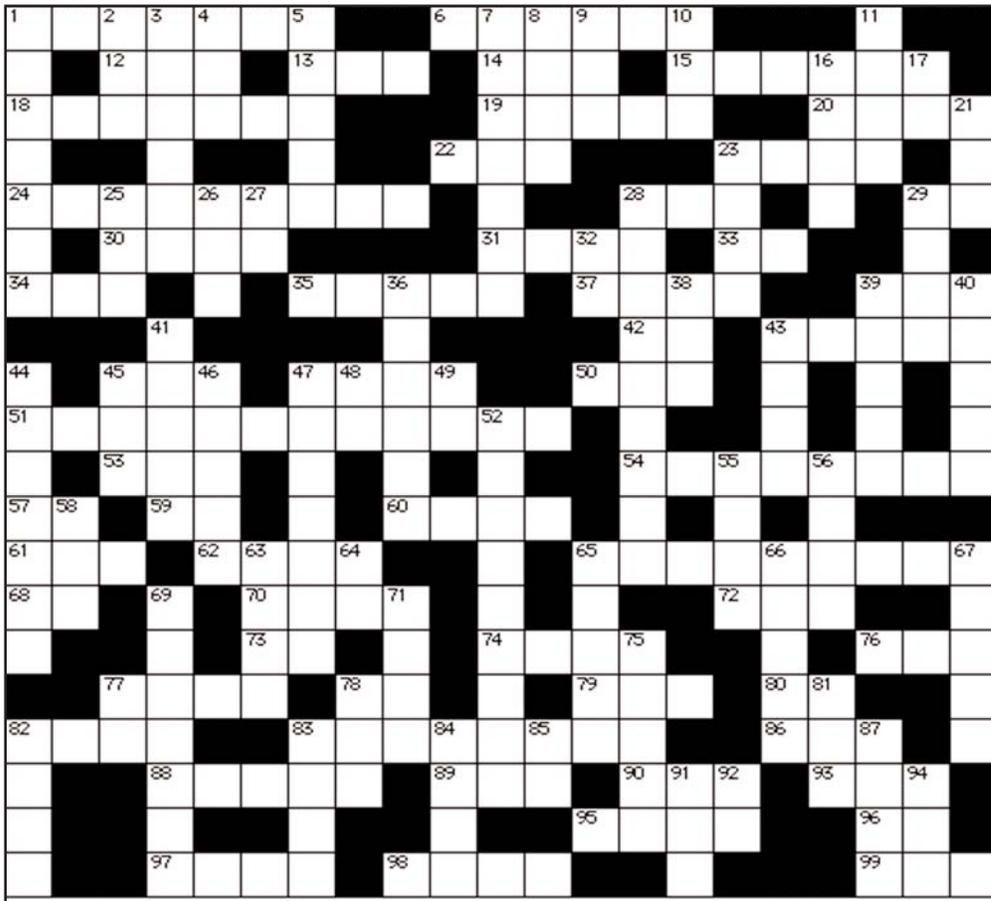
On a cool evening why not take the **Neversink Barn Quilt Tour**. You can download and print out your own copy of the Neversink Barn Quilt brochure at: [https://townofneversink.org/barn\\_quilts\\_brochure.pdf](https://townofneversink.org/barn_quilts_brochure.pdf) As you pass through Grahamsville, enjoy the beautiful flowers that are in full bloom

And don't forget one of the most enjoyable of all places in town, the **Daniel Pierce Library**. Gloss through the pages of **The Townsman** and you will see all the opportunities they are offering. For a little ‘rest and recreation’ browse the shelves for a good book or get some real bargain under the big tent, then find a quiet spot and read.

Remember, you don't have to burn a tank of gas –all this is in our in our own backyards!

**Enjoy all that you can and have a great week!**

The Last Lazy Days of Summer - L Comando



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**Yummy Impossible Chocolate Cream Pie**

- 2 eggs
- 1 cup milk
- 1/4 cup butter or margarine, softened
- 2 (1 ounce) squares unsweetened chocolate, melted and cooled
- 1 cup granulated sugar
- 1/2 cup Bisquick
- Sweetened Whipped Cream

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

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

Top with sweetened whipped cream.

**Sweetened Whipped Cream**

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

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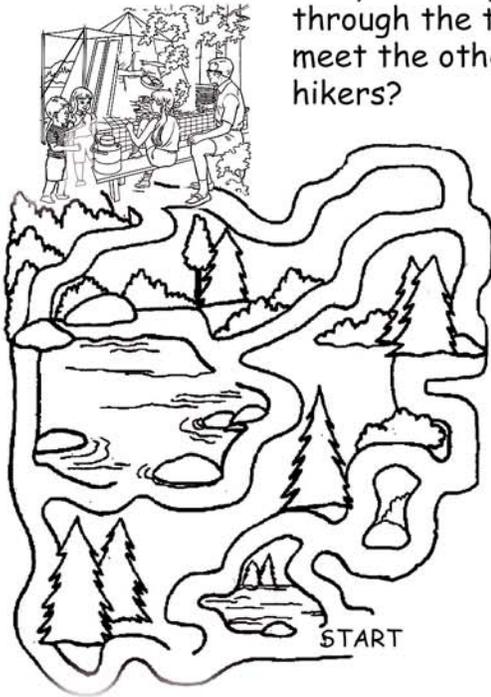
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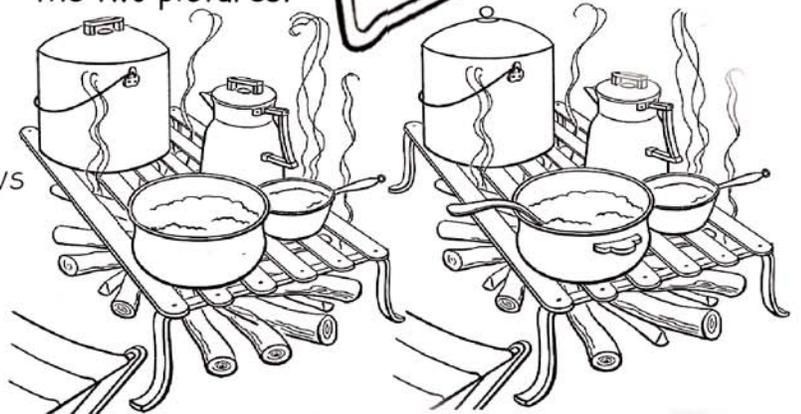
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# DEC Forest Rangers

## Week in Review

### Recent Statewide Forest Ranger Actions

(From Pg. 8)

**Town of Brookhaven Suffolk County Wildland Fire:** On Aug. 9 at 3 p.m., Forest Ranger Gagne responded to a fire at the Yaphank Landfill. By 9 p.m., the 1.9-acre fire was put in patrol status. The next day, Rangers Gagne and Scott assisted the Pine Barrens Commission to extinguish



*Yaphank Landfill fire*



*Yaphank Landfill fire*

hot spots. Responders also bulldozed a fire line to prevent the fire from spreading. On Aug. 14, the fire was declared out.

**Town of North Hudson Essex County Wildland Fire Update:** The Pharaoh Lake Wilderness Area wildland fire that began Aug. 7, is currently in patrol status. Twelve Forest Rangers and four DEC-trained firefighters continued with suppression efforts throughout the week. The fire is suspected to have started as an unattended campfire before spreading to at least five acres. When weather permitted, Rangers worked with New York State Police Aviation to fly to a safe landing zone approximately one-quarter mile from the fire. Rangers also arrived by boat and hiked approximately three miles in to the fire, which was on a cliff, approximately 300 feet in elevation.

DEC continues to urge New Yorkers to practice the utmost safety when building campfires this summer. Dry weather throughout June and July increased the risk of fires. More information about how to reduce the risk of wildfires can be found at DEC's website.

**Town of Putnam Valley Putnam County Wildland Fire:** On Aug. 10 at 4 p.m., Forest Ranger Pries responded to a wildland fire at Fahnestock State Park. The fire began as an unextinguished campfire that burned into the ground. Ranger Pries,



*Forest Ranger on steep incline helping extinguish wildfire at Pharaoh Lake Wilderness Area fire*

State Parks staff, and Putnam Valley Fire brought the fire under control. DEC reminds campers to never leave a campfire unattended; even a small breeze could cause the fire to spread quickly. When finished, campers are advised to drown the fire with water. Make sure all embers, coals, and sticks are wet. Move rocks as there may be burning embers underneath.



*Scorched land where fire burned leaves on forest floor  
Fahnestock State Park fire*

Wilderness Rescues:

**Town of North Hudson** On Aug. 13 at 1:30 p.m., Forest Rangers Quinn, Sabo, and Savarie responded with Assistant Forest Rangers to a call for a hiker with a knee injury on the Lillian Brook trail. When Rangers reached the 51-year-old from Warrensburg, the hiker advised she had dislocated her knee, but as a nurse, knew how to get it back into place. Rangers packaged the subject into a wheeled litter and brought her one-and-a-half miles back to the trailhead. The subject sought further medical attention on her own. Resources were clear at 7:10 p.m.

**Town of North Hudson** On Aug. 14 at 1:50 p.m., Forest Rangers Evans and Lee responded to a call for a subject injured by a horse. The 72-year-old from Owego was at the South Creek Horse Trails in the Independence River Wild Forest. Ranger Evans reached the subject at 2:15 p.m. Her party stated she was walking next to the horse when it reared up and came down on top of her. The subject complained of neck, chest, back, shoulder, and arm pain. Rangers called for aviation assistance and packaged the subject into a litter to carry her one-half mile to Moose Pines Road where Lewis County Search and Rescue EMS met the group with an ambulance. The subject was driven to a landing zone and flown to Upstate University Hospital in Syracuse for treatment. Resources were clear at 5 p.m.

**Town of North Hudson** On Aug. 14, at 7:45 p.m., Forest Rangers Allwine and Gullen responded to a call from a distressed hiker near the Hunter Mountain Fire Tower. Two adults and seven children had planned a trip from Notch Lake trailhead to the fire tower, but didn't leave until approximately 3:30 p.m. When the group reached the fire tower, they realized they were running out of daylight and didn't have the necessary headlamps, warm clothes, or water. Rangers reached the group by 9:45 p.m., and helped the hikers back to the trailhead.

Even in the summer months, temperatures get cold at night in the mountains, putting people at risk for hypothermia. Rangers remind everyone to know their limits, check the forecast, and plan ahead. Be sure to properly prepare and plan before entering the backcountry. Visit DEC's Hike Smart NY, Adirondack Backcountry Information, and Catskill Backcountry Information webpages for more information.

If a person needs a Forest Ranger, whether it's for a search and rescue, to report a wildfire, or to report illegal activity on state lands and easements, they should call 833-NYS-RANGERS. If a person needs urgent assistance, they can call 911. To contact a Forest Ranger for information about a specific location, the DEC website has phone numbers for every Ranger listed by region.

**LEGALS/PUBLIC NOTICES****Specification & Instructions to Bidders****Plowing 2022-2024 Season - Neversink Fire District**

The Neversink Fire District Board of Commissioners require the following stipulations to be included in any bid submitted for plowing of the district parking lots.

1. Two year contract - Season November 1st 2022 through April 31st 2023

Season November 1st 2023 through April 31st 2024

2. Hourly rate per each snowfall event
3. On demand salt and sand mix
4. No sub-contractors unless approved by the board of fire commissioners
5. Must submit proof of insurance with bid
6. Plow every two (2) inches.

Please include the above stipulations in your bid and pricing. Bids are due and will be opened on October 10th 2022 and awarded on October 20th 2022 at 7:30 p.m.

If you have any questions or concerns, please call 845-866-2525 and leave a message or email [nfdtreasurer@gmail.com](mailto:nfdtreasurer@gmail.com).

Sincerely,  
Eileen Delaney, Treasurer  
Neversink Fire District

8/18; 8/25; 9/2; 9/9; 9/16; 9/23; 9/30 & 10/6

## **Tri-Valley Central School District Board Meeting**

**Thursday, August 25, 2022**

Regular Meeting #3

Meeting Opening Call to Order - 7:00 p.m.

Secondary School Library Lower Level

Board Meetings are live-streamed on  
YouTube Live.

## **Please Take Notice: Covid-19 Home Test Kits**

are available at

**Town of Denning Town Hall  
1567 Denning Road  
Claryville, NY**

**Mondays through Thursdays  
8:30 AM - 3:00 PM  
until they are gone.**

**Call (845) 985-2411 for more  
information.**

**Full Time Residents Only  
Proof of Denning  
residency required  
ONE kit per household  
(2 tests)  
Signature required**

**Ulster County  
is tracking distribution**

## **Immediate Opening Tri-Valley Central School**

### **Teacher Aide**

High School Diploma or Equivalent Required

### **Cleaner**

Please forward resumes & Tri-Valley's application  
(located at [www.trivalleycsd.org](http://www.trivalleycsd.org)) by **Aug 31st**  
To: [tri-valley-recruitment@scbooces.org](mailto:tri-valley-recruitment@scbooces.org)  
Attn: Teacher Aide or Cleaner Search EOE

NOTICE OF SCHOOL TAX COLLECTION  
 TRI-VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL  
 GRAHAMSVILLE, NY 12740

I. Angela Mueller, School Tax Collector for the Tri-Valley Central School District, have received the School Tax Roll and Tax Warrant, dated September 1, 2022. Tax payments can be made at the location and on the dates listed below:

**Catskill Hudson Bank (Grahamsville Location ONLY)**  
**279 Main Street, Grahamsville, NY 12740**  
**Starting Thursday, September 1, 2022.**

Tax collecting hours will be:

**Mon. thru Fri. from 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM**

Payments may also be mailed to the address given below:

**Tax Collector**  
**P.O. Box 419**  
**Grahamsville, NY 12740**

**\*Credit card payments are no longer accepted.**

Taxes will be received in accordance with the following penalty schedule:

**Sept. 1 - Sept. 30 No penalty**  
**Payment in full or 50% of total bill**  
**Oct. 1 - Oct. 31 2% penalty**  
**Total Balance due or 25% of total bill**  
**Nov. 1 - Nov. 4 3% penalty**  
**Total Due**

**The School Tax Collector may not accept payments after November 4, 2022.**

Sullivan County Residents (ONLY): Sullivan County is no longer accepting School Tax Payments.

Ulster County Residents (ONLY): Contact Ulster County Treasurer's Office to make arrangements for any payments after Nov. 4, 2022.

All unpaid School Taxes will be re-levied at an additional 7% on your 2023 Town and County Tax Bill.

Tax bills will be mailed as soon as possible.

PATRIOT PLAN: Under the provisions of Section 925-d of the Real Property Tax Law, known as the "Patriot Plan" you may be eligible for a deadline extension on your tax payment. Contact the Tax Collector for details.

Angela Mueller, School Tax Collector  
 Dated: September 1, 2022

8/25 & 9/1/2022

## RUPCO 2021 ANNUAL REPORT I

Through the past year we were reminded every day that, for every person and family, HOME MATTERS. Check out how RUPCO dealt with challenges and the impact that our dedicated staff carried out in 2021!

<https://rupco.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/07/RUPCO-2021AnnualReport-V6-1.pdf?eType=EmailBlastContent&eId=a90ee97e-dbe9-40ca-9fbd-22fbf68de4eb>

## First Time Homebuyers Funding Available in UC

RUPCO has funding available to assist low-income first-time homebuyers in purchasing a home in Ulster County! There are two separate grants that can assist with down payment and closing costs and renovations. A RUPCO counselor will assist homebuyer in navigating homebuying process. Some exclusions apply. Questions? Give us a call (845) 331-9860. To learn more go to: <https://rupco.org/first-time-home-buyers/?eType=EmailBlastContent&eId=4a48eeef-7b12-4294-b25d-87f4a6ae1de#grants>



**Daniel Pierce Library**  
 328 Main Street  
 Grahamsville, NY  
**Wednesday, August 31, 2022**  
 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.



Come donate in August and get a \$10 e-gift card from your choice of merchants.

PLUS, you'll automatically be entered in two contests:

**All presenting donors in August are eligible to win a \$250 gas card through the Mirabito Fuel Group. Two winners!**



**AND, all donors in August will be registered for a chance to win gas for a year, a \$6,000 value! You could be one of three lucky winners. Terms apply, see [rcblood.org/fuel](http://rcblood.org/fuel)**

**Please call 1-800-Red-Cross or visit [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) to schedule your life-saving appointment. Enter keyword: danielpierce**  
 1-800-RED CROSS | [RedCrossBlood.org](http://RedCrossBlood.org) | Download the Blood Donor App

# The House of Prayer

## Open to the Community

At the Grahamsville United Methodist Church

*Every Friday Night*

*6:30 - 7:00 PM*

*(Start on June 3<sup>rd</sup>)*

### Simple Rules

1. Do no Harm.
2. Do good.
3. Stay in love with God.

The Grahamsville United Methodist Church will open their Sanctuary every Friday evening from 6:30-7:30 PM to offer our community a quiet place for personal meditation and prayer. No expectations. Just relaxation.

### - Contact Information -

350 Main St. (Po Box 86)  
Grahamsville, NY, 12740  
Phone : 845-985-2283  
E-mail : [grahamsvilleumc@gmail.com](mailto:grahamsvilleumc@gmail.com)



**ST. MARK'S UMC**  
68 Clinton St  
Napanoch NY

**INDOOR YARD and CLOTHING SALE**

Will be opened every Friday from 10 - 3

**Something for Everyone!**



# COLONIAL FAMILY of FUNERAL HOMES

**PRE-PLANNING, FUNERAL & CREMATION SERVICES  
VETERAN'S CARE, MONUMENTS & ENGRAVING**

LOCATIONS IN WOODBOURNE, LIBERTY,  
MONTICELLO, LIVINGSTON MANOR & KAUNEONGA LAKE

434-7363 292-7160 794-2700 583-5445 439-4333  
<http://www.colonialfamilyfuneralhomes.com>

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MONUMENTS INSTALLED IN ALL CEMETERIES  
CREMATION MEMORIALS & BENCHES, MONUMENT LETTERING & CLEANING

**Sundown United Methodist Church**  
**Covered Dish Supper**  
5:30 pm  
Sept. 3, 2022  
**Indoor Yard Sale**  
Fridays  
9-12 Noon  
Saturdays  
9-12 Noon  
*Sundown United Methodist Church Hall*



**ST. ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL MISSION**  
The Little Church with the Big Heart  
**ALL ARE WELCOME!**  
**Sunday, 8:00am Service of Holy Communion**  
Music by Fred VanWagner  
5277 State Rt. 42 • South Fallsburg  
845-436-7539  
For information contact:  
**The Reverend Diana Southwick Scheide**  
Canon Missioner of the Delaware Catskill  
Episcopal Ministry  
PO Box 296 Callicoon, NY  
vicardcem@gmail.com  
845-887-3201 • 717-870-7874 cell

**CATHOLIC PARISH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION**  
(Embraces Fallsburg, Neversink, Sundown and Ulster Heights)  
6317 Rte. 42, Woodbourne, NY  
**Weekend Mass schedule:**  
Saturday afternoon: 4:30 pm  
Sunday morning: 9:00 am and 11:30 am  
**Daily Mass Schedule:** Monday, Tuesday, Friday, and Saturday  
Mass at 8:30AM.  
**Saturday afternoon confessions:** 3:45 to 4:15 pm  
Rev. Ignas Dhas MMI, Administrator  
(845) 434-7643

**Grahamsville United Methodist Church**  
  
**Aug 27 Thrift Sale**  
9am- 12 noon



**Grahamsville & Sundown United Methodist Churches**  
**House Worship Plan**  
**Worship Service & Tuesday Evening Bible Study Zoom Link**  
Join Zoom Meeting - Worship Service & Tuesday Evening Bible Study Zoom Link  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2029912673?pwd=R2lJYUhyTVdsQWdMUXZvTEtCeGdLZz09>  
Meeting ID: 202 991 2673 Passcode: 012740  
Dial by your location  
+1 646 558 8656 US (New York)  
+1 312 626 6799 US (Chicago)  
**The Bible Study continues every Tuesday at 7 pm.**  
If you are interested in joining the Bible Study, please feel free to contact the  
Pastor, Seung Jin Hong. 845-985-2283

*Grahamsville Reformed Church*

*The Church with a friendly welcome*  
**Pastor Kenneth Ronk**  
Sunday School 9:30 am  
Worship Service 9:30 am  
P O Box 238 - Route 55  
Grahamsville, NY 12740  
845-985-7480

**Claryville Reformed Church**

Claryville Road  
Claryville, NY 12725  
845-985-2041

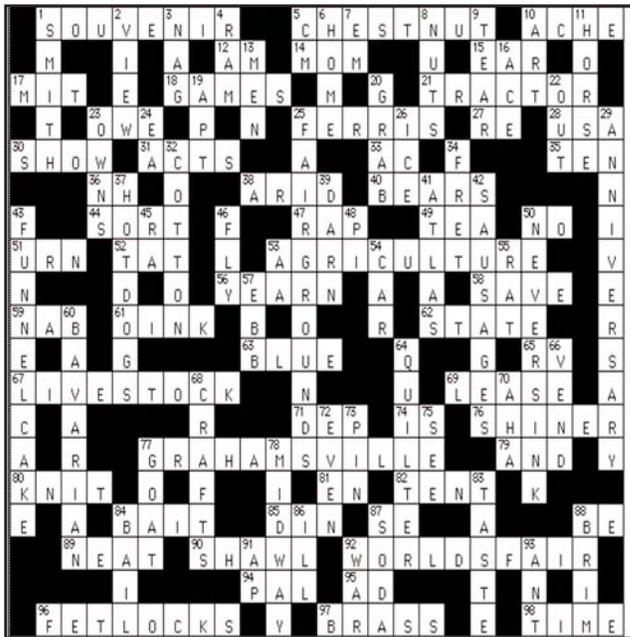


Worship Services @ 10:00 am  
Rev. Ken Tenckinck, Pastor  
Church Hall available for rent  
Call - 845-985-2041 for information

**Loucks Funeral Home**  
**Geoff and Heather Hazzard**  
**"Celebrating Life, One Family at a Time"**  
79 North Main Street  
Ellenville, New York  
(845) 647-4343

**St. Augustine's Chapel**  
*Watson Hollow Rd. • West Shokan, NY*  
Sunday Mass - 9:30 am  
Holy Days 5:30 pm  
Penance 9:00 am, 2nd Sunday of the month  
Rev. Thomas P. Kiely, **Pastor**

Ans to last week's Crossword



## Grahamsville United Methodist Church

356 Main St. P.O. Box 86  
Grahamsville, NY 12740

### Thrift Sale Schedule 2022

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

August - 27th                      Sept - 10th and 24th  
October - 8th and 22nd        Nov - 5th and 19th

**Luncheon** Sept 24th- 11:00am to 12:30pm

Donations accepted in the thrift building on Tuesdays  
from 9:30 to 11:30 or by appointment.

Call Lee (985-3128) or Ruth (985-7222).

<http://grahamsvilleumc.org> • [grahamsvilleumc@gmail.com](mailto:grahamsvilleumc@gmail.com)

Seung Jin Hong, Pastor

**All Aboard!**  
Join the Fun!  
**Play Mexican Train**  
FREE FUN every FRIDAY 1- 4 pm  
in the upstairs meeting room at the Neversink Town Hall

Also  
**WANTED**  
People to play cards

## Sundown United Methodist Church

WSCS Ladies of Sundown UMC  
**Covered Sept. 3rd Dish Supper**  
Saturday, Sept. 3rd, 2022 5:30 pm  
at the Church Hall  
*(Covered Dish Suppers will be held the First Saturday of each month at 5:30 pm at the Church Hall)*

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## Sundown UMC Annual CHICKEN BARBEQUE

Saturday, Sept. 24  
4-7 pm

Tickets are available for sale at the Sundown Ladies Indoor Yard Sale-Fridays and Saturdays, from 9am - 12 noon at the Sundown Church Hall

See Carol Newman

*See Page 41 for details*

**ARTISTS • CRAFTERS**  
Need a place to show and sell your crafts?  
Call us at 845-985-0501  
email: [tvtownsman@yahoo.com](mailto:tvtownsman@yahoo.com)  
or visit our Virtual Mail  
<http://gnomehomeinc.com>

**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.

**LOCAL CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

- 8/26/22 Sundown UMC **Indoor Yard Sale** 9am - 12 noon  
 8/27/22 Sundown UMC **Indoor Yard Sale** 9am - 12 noon  
 8/27/22 Grahamsville UMC **Thrift Sale** 9 am - 12 noon **The Luncheon has been cancelled**  
 9/3/22 **Sundown UMC Covered Dish Supper** 5:30 Church Hall  
 9/5/22 Town of Neversink Holiday - **LABOR DAY**  
 9/3/22 **Arm of the Sea** 11am-1pm at the Grahamsville Fairgrounds  
 9/5/22 Claryville Fire District Meeting 6:30 pm  
 9/7/22 Town of Neversink Planning Board Meeting 7:00 pm  
 9/13/22 Denning Town Board Meetings 6:00 pm Denning Town Hall  
 9/14//22 Neversink Town Board Meeting - 7:30 pm  
 9/15/22 Town of Denning Planning Board 6:00 pm Denning Town Hall  
 9/15/22 Neversink Fire District Monthly meeting 7:30 PM  
 9/20//22 Town of Neversink Zoning Board Appeals Meeting 7:30 pm  
 9/22/22 Claryville Fire Department **All You Can Eat Pancake Breakfast** 8 am - 12 noon

**Save the Date!****Sat., Oct 1 - Daniel Pierce 36th Annual Giant Pumpkin Party and Children's Parade****TOWN OF OLIVE MEETINGS ARE AS FOLLOWS:**

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

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

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

## Ulster County Legislature Weekly Calendar August 22 - August 26, 2022

**Monday, August 22**

- o No Meetings

**Tuesday, August 23**

- o No Meetings

**Wednesday, August 24**

- o 3:00 PM - Electrical Licensing Board, in the Town of Rosendale Town Hall, 1915 Lucas Tpke, Cottekill

**Thursday, August 25**

- o 4:00 PM - Ulster County Resource Recovery Agency Board of Directors, at 999 Flatbush Rd, Kingston

**Friday, August 26**

- o 12 Noon - Resolution Deadline

## DON'T FORGET TO VOTE TODAY -TUESDAY, AUG 23

**Sullivan County - A Special Election** - open to ALL voters in Sullivan County - will determine whether Democrat Pat Ryan or Republican Marcus Molinaro replace former Congressman (now Lt. Governor) Antonio Delgado as our representative in the 19th Congressional District.

**A Primary Election** - open just to Democratic

voters in Sullivan County - will determine whether Jamie Cheney or Josh Riley will be the Democratic candidate in the November election for the 19th Congressional District against Republican Marcus Molinaro, since Democrat Pat Ryan will run in November for the 18th Congressional District.

**A Primary Election** - open just to **Republican voters in Sullivan County** - will determine whether Terry Bernardo or Peter K. Oberacker will be the Republican candidate in the November election for the 51st NYS Senatorial District.

**Ulster County** - There are **four elections** on August 23 for Ulster County voters to be concerned with, three for congressional seats and one for a State Senate seat. Two of those congressional seat elections include the current Ulster County Executive Pat Ryan. One is a primary election and one is a special election to fill a vacant seat.

There will be a **Special Election** in what was the **old 19th District** vacated earlier this year by Antonio Delgado. (Contd. Pg. 25)

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

Classified ads - \$5.00  
for the first 20 words/  
20 cents each additional word

1" Boxed ad (1" x 3")- \$6.00 per week

Business card ad ( 2" x 3")  
- \$12.00 per week

(3" x 4") - \$24.00 per week

(3" x 6") - \$36.00 per week

1/4 pg (4" x 5") - \$40.00 per week

1/2 pg (4"x8") - \$64.00 per week

(6" x 8") - \$96.00 per week

Full Page - 8" x10" -  
\$100.00 per week

Digital Flyer Insert - 8"x10 -  
\$100.00/week

.. Full Page Flyer for Local  
Municipalities  
and Organizations - one time fee-  
\$20.00

(once the flyer is inserted we will publish it each week through the week of the event)

As in the past, there is no fee for advertising for our local churches

**Low Rates  
High Visibility!**

## DON'T FORGET TO VOTE TODAY -TUESDAY, AUG 23

(From Pg. 24)

The winner of this election will serve in the seat only until January 1, 2023, when newly formed district winners take their seats.

**Note, the new districts** will cover different territories than their old districts.

Candidates for this special election are Democrat and Working Families Pat Ryan versus Republican-Conservative Dutchess exec Marcus Molinaro.

**Next is a primary election.** It is a **Democratic Primary** for a line on the November ballot to run for a congressional seat in the **newly formed 18th District.**

The candidates in this primary election include Pat Ryan, Aisha Mills and Moses R. Mugulusi.

The new 18th District includes the entire City of Kingston, Marbletown; Rosendale; Esopus; Rochester; New Paltz; Lloyd; Gardiner; Shawangunk; Plattekill; Marlborough; part of Wawarsing; all of Orange County and all of Dutchess County.

**If you are a registered Democrat** you may vote in this election. If you live in any of the above locations and are a registered Democrat, you are eligible to cast a ballot in this primary.

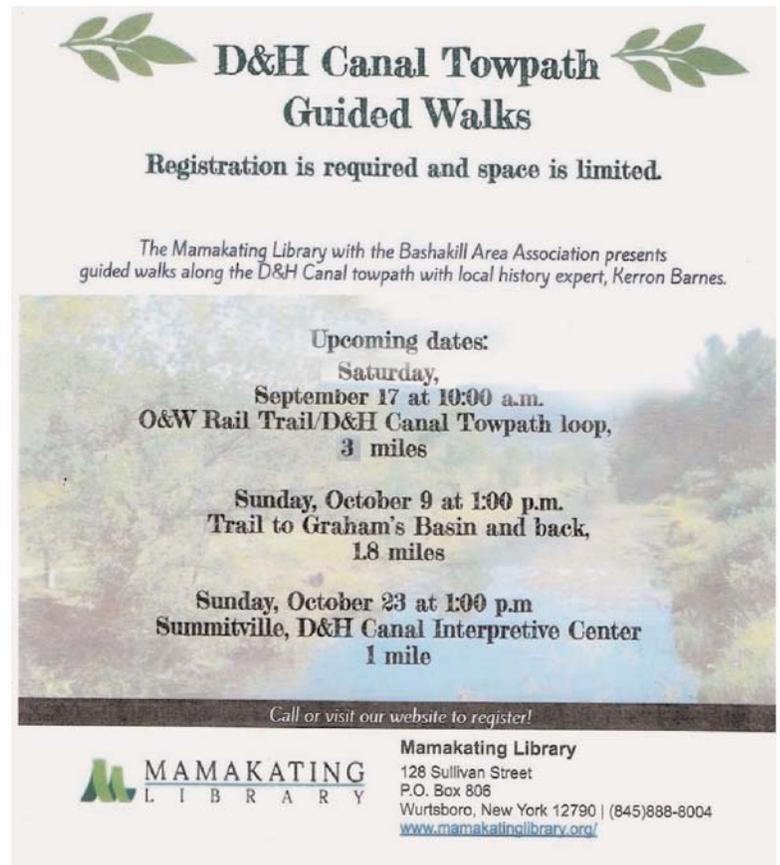
**The third election, another Democratic Primary,** is for the ***newly formed 19th district*** for the congressional seat that has been created there. Candidates are Jamie Cheney versus Josh Riley. The winner of this Democratic primary will then run in November against Republican Marcus Molinaro.

The new 19th congressional district includes Denning; Hardenburgh; Shandaken; Olive; Woodstock; Saugerties; Town of Kingston; Hurley; Town of Ulster; Part of Wawarsing; and the counties of Columbia; Greene; Delaware; Sullivan; Part of Otsego; Chenango; Broome; Cortland; Tioga and Tompkins.

**If you are a registered Democrat** living in those areas may vote in this primary.

**And the 4th, a Republican primary** for the 51st State Senate. Candidates are Terry Bernardo and Senator Peter Oberacker. The 51st State Senate District in Ulster County consists of Hardenburgh; Denning; Olive; Marbletown; Rochester; Wawarsing; Gardiner and Shawangunk. It also includes Delaware, Broome, Schoharie, Otsego, and parts of Chenango. If you live in any of those areas and are a **registered Republican,** you may vote in this primary election.

If are unsure of your district, please call your board of elections. In Ulster County, that's 845-334-5470. All polling sites in Ulster County will be open 6 a.m.-9 p.m. on Tuesday, August 23.



**D&H Canal Towpath  
Guided Walks**

Registration is required and space is limited.

*The Mamakating Library with the Bashakill Area Association presents  
guided walks along the D&H Canal towpath with local history expert, Kerron Barnes.*

**Upcoming dates:**  
Saturday,  
September 17 at 10:00 a.m.  
O&W Rail Trail/D&H Canal Towpath loop,  
3 miles

Sunday, October 9 at 1:00 p.m.  
Trail to Graham's Basin and back,  
1.8 miles

Sunday, October 23 at 1:00 p.m.  
Summitville, D&H Canal Interpretive Center  
1 mile

*Call or visit our website to register!*

**MAMAKATING  
LIBRARY**

Mamakating Library  
128 Sullivan Street  
P.O. Box 806  
Wurtsboro, New York 12790 | (845)888-8004  
[www.mamakatinglibrary.org/](http://www.mamakatinglibrary.org/)

## 37th Annual Jumble Sale

at

## Muthig Farm

681 Muthig Road

Rt 55 to Aden Road follow signs

August 26-27-28  
10 to 4

845-2927838  
845-798-3593



YOUR TOWN OF NEVERSINK PARKS & REC PRESENTS:  
"MOVIE NIGHT AT THE GRAHAMSVILLE FAIRGROUNDS"

*Revised Schedule for remainder of season*

**WHEN:** *Changed to **FRIDAY NIGHTS** starting August 5*

**WHAT TIME:** *Movies will start between **8:30 pm and 9 pm** based on sunlight!*

**WHERE:** *On the Fairgrounds grassy area by the Pavilion. Space will be available for watching from your vehicle AND for watching from your lawn chairs, blankets, etc. And don't forget your popcorn and other munchies!*

**GUIDELINES:** *We will adhere to ALL park rules set by the Town of Neversink. Disorderly conduct will result in removal from the Fairgrounds.*

**COST:** *Its FREE!!!!*

**WHAT WILL BE SHOWING FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE SEASON**

*AUGUST 26 - The Goonies - PG*

*SEPT. 2 - The Lost City - PG 13*

*If no conflicts at the Fairgrounds the following movies will be scheduled:*

*Sept. 9 - Guardians of the Galaxy - PG 13*

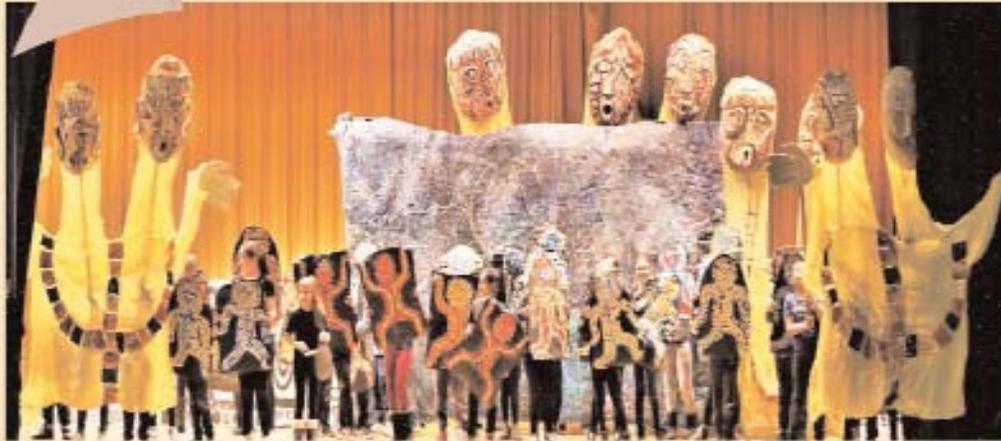
*Sept. 23 - Jurassic Park - PG 13*

*A special Halloween Showing of HOCUS POCUS will be on Sunday, October 30th weather permitting*

# THEATER AT THE FAIRGROUNDS

WITH ARM OF THE SEA THEATER

**CALL FOR STUDENT ACTOR VOLUNTEERS!**



**WE'RE LOOKING FOR STUDENT VOLUNTEERS TO PERFORM WITH THE AWARD-WINNING ARM OF THE SEA THEATER**

**REHEARSAL & PERFORMANCE**

**SATURDAY, SEPT 3**

**11AM-3PM**

**@ THE GRAHAMSVILLE FAIRGROUNDS**



- LUNCH AND SNACKS PROVIDED!**
- NO EXPERIENCE NEEDED**
- NO LINES TO MEMORIZE**
- PROPS & COSTUMES PROVIDED!**
- MUST BE 11 & OLDER TO PARTICIPATE**
- 10 VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

**INTERESTED? WANT TO LEARN MORE? READY TO SIGN UP?**

**CONTACT NEVERSINK PARKS AND RECREATION AT : [CWPARKSANDREC@GMAIL.COM](mailto:CWPARKSANDREC@GMAIL.COM)**

**THIS EVENT MADE POSSIBLE BY:**

**NEVERSINK PARKS AND RECREATION DEPT. -DANIEL PIERCE LIBRARY-TIME AND THE VALLEYS MUSEUM-RONDOUT NEVERSINK STREAM PROGRAM-NYC DEPT. OF ENVIORNMENTAL PROTECTION-& ARM OF THE SEA THEATER**

## DVAA Presents an Immersive Dance-Theatre Performance at The Tusten

(From Pg. 11)

### Amanda McCormick

Amanda McCormick has had a long and varied performance career in dance, most notably performing nine years as a Rockette. Other credits include collaborating on and performing pieces by Debbie Allen, Ann Reinking, Twyla Tharp, the Moscow Ballet, Capital City Opera, Gerald Arpino/Maia Wilkins of Joffrey Ballet, Dwight Rhoden and Desmond Richardson of Complexions Contemporary Ballet, Erin Halloran of Pittsburgh Ballet Theater, Francesca Harper of FH Project.

### Ramona Kelley

California native, Ramona Kelley earned her BFA in dance from NYU's Tisch School of the Arts. Ramona danced the principal role of Betsy in Twyla Tharp's "Come Fly Away" and continued with the Tharp company creating new roles and performing repertory works. She is a principal guest artist with Oakland Ballet and has also performed with Christopher Wheeldon's "An American in Paris," Dance Lab New York, Minnesota Dance Theatre, Claudia Schreier and Co, Post:Ballet, Sidra Bell, Cherylyn Lavagnino Dance and Phantom of the Opera (25th Anniversary Tour) among others. She is an adjunct ballet faculty at NYU's Tisch Dance.

### Amy Piantaggini

Amy Piantaggini is a former member of the Martha Graham Dance Company and the Martha Graham Dance Ensemble, in which she danced many soloist roles including "Satyric Festival Song" and "Conversation of Lovers". Amy has danced for the companies of Javier Dzul, Richard Move, and James Robey, and currently dances for Edgar Cortes Dance Theater. Amy taught at the Hartt School/University of Hartford, and as a guest for Central Michigan State University, Webster University, Endicott College, Barnard College, and Dean College.

### Kristin Fayne-Mulroy

Kristin is a newspaper editor, musician, herbalist, tarot reader, and native New Yorker. She has been reading tarot for almost 20 years, and draws on her knowledge of astrology, mythology, and Western herbalism to enrich her readings for her clients, helping them to see both the practical and magical aspects of any situation.

### TICKETS & LOCATION

Performance takes place at the Tusten Theatre, located at 210 Bridge Street in Narrowsburg, NY.

Tickets are \$25 (\$20 DVAA Members)\* in advance and \$30/\$25 at the door. Kids twelve and under are free.

Show starts at 6 PM. Box office / concession opens at 5:30 PM.

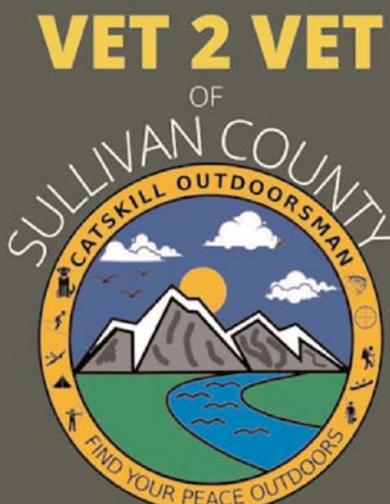
Tickets may be purchased by calling (845) 252-7576 or online at [www.delawarevalleyartsalliance.org](http://www.delawarevalleyartsalliance.org).

### COVID SAFETY PROTOCOLS

COVID Safety protocols apply to attending DVAA's events. For a complete list of current safety protocols and attendee requirements, visit [delawarevalleyartsalliance.org/covid-safety-policy/](http://delawarevalleyartsalliance.org/covid-safety-policy/).

### SUPPORT

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## SC Farmers' Market

### Sullivan Fresh Farmers' Market at Monticello

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The Monticello Farmers' Market has a variety of vendors selling local fruits, vegetables, honey, maple syrup, and more! Market shoppers will be treated to special, fun events and activities throughout the summer. There is ample free parking adjacent to the farmers' market, which is just steps from downtown Monticello.

Sell with Sullivan Fresh

CCE Sullivan is currently accepting applications from new local vendors, farmers, and non-profit organizations to join the market. There is a 1-page application which can be obtained by downloading the application on the right-hand side of this page or by contacting our local office.

Contact Clarisse Owens Sullivan Fresh Program Manager cao78@cornell.edu (845) 292-6180, Ext. 130

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From June 17th through September 16th, the Liberty Farmers' Market will be open every Friday from 3pm to 6pm, with vendors offering fresh produce, baked goods, and so much more. This lively outdoor market will be located at Creekside Park at 119 N. Main Street, Liberty, NY. Visit our website here to learn how to apply, and access information on important rules and regulations: [https://www.catskillmountainkeeper.org/mountainkeeper\\_markets?utm\\_campaign=newsletter\\_05\\_14&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_source=catskillmountainkeeper](https://www.catskillmountainkeeper.org/mountainkeeper_markets?utm_campaign=newsletter_05_14&utm_medium=email&utm_source=catskillmountainkeeper)

### Callicoon Farmers' Market

Sundays, 11 am - 2 pm Callicoon Farmers' Market, you will find many farms in addition to food producers and artisans offering wine, hard cider, pasta, condiments, prepared foods, baked goods, ice cream, jam, honey, maple syrup, herbal tea blends, skin care products, pottery, woodwork and much more.

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## Sculpture Garden-A Work of Art and Technology at FCSD

Under the guidance and direction of the Fallsburg JSHS Art and Technology Departments, a sculpture garden beautifies the space behind the area the building that houses each of these departments. In the words of art teacher Tobi Magnetico, "It is located in a space that was desperately in need of purpose." The design and planning for the project was a joint effort of Ms. Magnetico and Technology teachers Mr. Don Thomas and Ms. Megan Kappes.

Since the beginning of the second semester of school last winter, Ms. Magnetico, Ms. Megan Kappes, Mr. Don Thomas, dozens of eager student volunteers, and Grounds Crew and Custodial Staff worked hard, in all kinds of weather to make the garden a reality.

The garden will provide a wonderful setting for display of student and community sculpture in different media and serve as an outdoor classroom. The open area is inviting to visitors to the indoor pool and to sports events at the gymnasium and outdoor playing fields. Also, the space provides a needed exterior learning area to engage in positive social and emotional learning activities.



*Teachers Don Thomas and Megan Kappes setting stones in center area of Sculpture Gardens and students leveling and caulking stones on the perimeter wall.*

The funding for this project comes from a \$3000 Healthier Generation Grant provided by Sullivan 180 and a contribution from the FCSD Elementary & Secondary School Emergency Relief Funds (ESSER). The entire oversight team of Superintendent and Assistant Superintendent Dr. Ivan Katz and Dr. Sally Sharkey, Business Official Dan Grecco, Nicholas Tranchina of Facilities Department, Athletic Director Suzanne Lenzian, and the Principal and Assistant Principal of FJSHS Kyle Roddey and Shana Bruestle deserve much credit for their support. A ribbon-cutting ceremony for the Sculpture Garden is planned for September of 2022



*three student volunteers setting, leveling and caulking foundation paving stones that will hold the weight of stones above in finished sculpture garden.*

## Funding To Help Providers Cover COVID-Related Expenses Incurred Since March 2021

*Strong Demand for Addiction Services Continues Amid Opioid and Overdose Epidemic*

Governor Kathy Hochul announced up to \$20 million is available to support addiction services providers in New York State that have been impacted by the ongoing effects of the COVID-19 pandemic. Administered by the New York State Office of Addiction Services and Supports, the federal funding will assist providers with fiscal recovery and enable them to continue offering COVID-safest substance use disorder prevention, treatment, harm reduction, and recovery services.

"New Yorkers continue to feel the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic in all aspects of daily life, including addiction treatment," Governor Hochul said. "Like far too many New Yorkers, my family has lost a loved one battling with addiction, and this funding will be integral in helping treatment providers continue their crucial work. My administration will continue our work to support providers to help New Yorkers who need it most."

New York State Office of Addiction Services and Supports Commissioner Chinazo Cunningham said, "Our providers have done heroic work, remaining open and operational, despite the numerous obstacles created by COVID-19. This funding will help to stabilize our system and allow our providers to continue to provide life-saving care and services for some of the most vulnerable New Yorkers."

Many addiction services providers faced significant financial stress during the pandemic as they met the challenges imposed by the public health crisis. These added expenses included an increase in telehealth services, meeting COVID-19 safety protocols, and other workforce challenges related to the pandemic.

In addition, the ongoing opioid and overdose epidemic continues to impact individuals, families, and communities across New York State. The result has been a dual health crisis that is straining resources in addiction services.

Funded through the Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Block Grant award authorized by the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriation Act of 2021, the initiative will offer addiction services providers an opportunity to resume programs interrupted by the pandemic and sustain or enhance existing programs and services. The goal is to allow these providers to continue offering a nation-leading level of care to those seeking treatment.

Under Governor Hochul's leadership, New York State has instituted an aggressive, multi-pronged approach to addressing the overdose epidemic, and created a nation-leading continuum of addiction care with full prevention, treatment, recovery, and harm reduction services. The state has worked to expand access to traditional services, including crisis services, inpatient, outpatient, and residential treatment programs, as well as medication to treat addiction, and mobile treatment and transportation services.

Governor Hochul was a member of the New York State Heroin and Opioid Task Force, which in 2016, recommended new, non-traditional services,

including recovery centers, youth clubhouses, expanded peer services, and open access centers, which provide immediate assessments and referrals to care. These services have since been established in numerous communities around the state and have helped people in need access care closer to where they live.

New Yorkers struggling with an addiction, or whose loved ones are struggling, can find help and hope by calling the state's toll-free, 24-hour, 7-day-a-week HOPEline at 1-877-8-HOPE-NY (1-877-846-7369) or by texting HOPENY (Short Code 467369).

Available addiction treatment including crisis/detox, inpatient, residential, or outpatient care can be found using the NYS OASAS Treatment Availability Dashboard at FindAddictionTreatment.ny.gov or through the NYS OASAS website.

If you, or a loved one, have experienced insurance obstacles related to treatment or need help filing an appeal for a denied claim, contact the CHAMP helpline by phone at 888-614-5400 or email at [ombuds@oasas.ny.gov](mailto:ombuds@oasas.ny.gov).



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## Supporting Artistic Expression as a Democratic Principle

DOMESTICITIES in YOUNGSVILLE, NY is pleased to present works in painting, drawing, eco printing, and photography which celebrate freedom of expression. Art Lovers and Democracy Lovers will join together at Domesticities' Opening Reception on Saturday, September 3rd from 4-7 pm for an exhibit featuring works by artists Miriam Hernandez, Marjorie Morrow, Alexis Siroc, and Gail Tuchman - two painters, an eco printer, and a photographer, respectively - who have been inspired to express their love of freedom and the need to preserve and protect our democracy.

All exhibit regularly in the area and beyond. The exhibit will run until the end of September. A portion of the proceeds from all sales will benefit the Sullivan County Democratic Committee. For more information, contact [shop@thecutting-garden.org](mailto:shop@thecutting-garden.org) or call 845 482 3333.

### ABOUT THE ARTISTS:

**MIRIAM HERNANDEZ** At age 14 i started training as an artist in a NYC art high school and continued my training and education in college and graduate school.

Putting hands and tools to a receptive surface, i employ the creative process as a way to mark time and events, in order to confirm my own impermanence.

The goals and methodologies of my life, as an individual and as an artist, merge and blossom as I continue to draw on influences from political events, environmental concerns, and Buddhist symbology.

My work continues to change as i let go of the work already created, not wanting to repeat myself, aware of its fragility, and of our own fragile existence. <https://miriamhernandez.com>

**MARJORIE MORROW** is an abstract painter now located in NY's Upper Delaware region where she maintains her studio and Art Barn. After 50 years in the West Village and Chelsea sections of Manhattan, she relocated permanently in 2018. A graduate of Miami University, Oxford, OH with a BFA in painting and

printmaking, she participated under Richard Anuskiewicz at the first Blossom-Kent Art Program in Cleveland, OH.

Marjorie's paintings and prints have exhibited nationally and internationally since 1968. She focuses on developing special projects and collaborations, including a multi-part 9/11 collaboration with Drew University and the John Street Church, NYC. Her ArtOrbit® is an online presentation she created featuring collectors of her work and is available on her website.

While abstract, her work is inspired by diverse sources-music; literature; and the contemporary cultural and political environments. [info@marjoriemorrow.com](mailto:info@marjoriemorrow.com) [www.marjoriemorrow.com](http://www.marjoriemorrow.com)

**ALEXIS SIROC** weaves visual meditations and narratives into artwork supported by her extensive background as an art director. With a BFA from Pratt Institute's School of Art & Design in painting and illustration, she is an art director by day, with expertise in web design, book design, visual editing, and image creation. As a scenic painter and theater designer, her theatrical creations have been experienced by audiences in NYC and Baltimore for the RAPP Theater Company and in Liberty, NY for the Liberty Free Theatre.

Alexis's art has been exhibited in New York City, the Hudson River Valley, and the Upper Delaware River Valley. She has co-curated two shows at the Alliance Loft Gallery in Narrowsburg, NY-"Paint by Pixels," which featured digital works of artists from around the world, and "Night Watch," featuring 68 artists represented by over 150 artworks about the night. [alexis.siroc@gmail.com](mailto:alexis.siroc@gmail.com) <https://artist.sirocdesign.com>

**GAIL TUCHMAN** began her art-making in childhood with a Brownie Hawkeye box camera and a pencil poised for Jon Gnagy's Saturday morning TV drawing lesson! Through early picture-taking and sketching-and keenly observing the world around her-she began learning about composition,perspective, line, color, light, texture. She was hooked and continued to pursue her passion-studying art as an undergraduate (American University), earning an MA in Art History & Literature (Hofstra University), doing post-grad work at the School of Visual Arts and Parson's School of Design/New School, NYC, and studying Chinese Painting under the mentorship of Chinese master painter Kwo Da-Wei. She exhibits here in the Catskills and has exhibited in NYC and beyond. An award-winning children's and adult author, Gail has published many books on art. [gtuchman@gmail.com](mailto:gtuchman@gmail.com).

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## 36<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL GIANT PUMPKIN PARTY

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**Limited premium end spaces may be available for an additional fee.** Please specify interest below. Spaces will be assigned on a first come basis. We will contact you with space assignment. Vehicles must be unloaded and parked in the specified area by 8:30 a.m.

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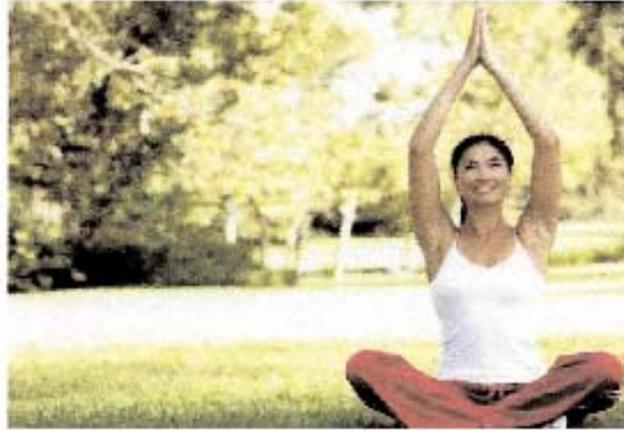
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**Please email us pictures of your crafts** so we can advertise your business on our Facebook page for the Giant Pumpkin Party. Email to [ccoombe@coombefinancial.com](mailto:ccoombe@coombefinancial.com)

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## YOGA ANYONE?

Your Town of Neversink Parks & Recreation is once again sponsoring  
Yoga classes during the summer!

LeeAnna Mariace, the yoga instructor from the Yoga Space at the Hurleyville Performing Arts Center, will again be guiding us through our yoga poses. We are planning on two (2) classes per week starting **July 18 thru September**. Classes will be held on **Monday and Wednesdays from 4:00pm – 5:00pm**.

Classes are for everyone--beginners (like me) to those experienced in yoga. Classes will be held at the grassy area next to the Grahamsville Fire House. Parks & Rec will be subsidizing the cost of the classes, which will enable us to offer **each class at a cost of \$5 per person payable to LeeAnna at each session.**

Classes are for Town of Neversink and Tri-Valley School District residents  
who are 18 or older.

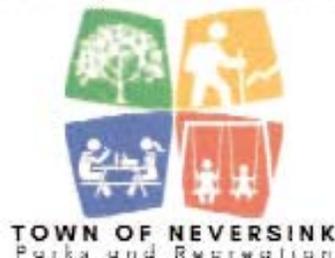
Bring your own yoga mats and other yoga equipment you may want to use.

Classes are open. If you can't attend every class for the full season, come when you can!  
Registration sign-up sheets will be at each class.

If you are interested and plan on attending, please let us know via email [cwparksandrec@gmail.com](mailto:cwparksandrec@gmail.com).

Thank you all. I am once again looking forward to doing yoga even though I am still the most  
uncoordinated person on the planet!

Cher Woehl, your Parks & Rec Director



## Frost Valley YMCA Announces Free Fall Community Events

CLARYVILLE - Fall will be here in just a few short weeks and it's 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 25, 2022, 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.

Frost Valley's Halloween Community Day takes place on October 29, 2022 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 a haunted trail will take place between 7-10 p.m.

While these community events are free, space is limited. Therefore advance registration is required. Please register by calling 845-985-2291 ext. 450.

Frost Valley YMCA is a values-driven organization with a mission to foster youth development, healthy living, and social responsibility through outdoor educational and recreational programs for all. Located in the heart of the Catskill Mountains, Frost Valley provides year-round access to nature and fun through programs such as summer camp, adventure trips, farm camp, equestrian programs, group and family retreats, family weekends, school trips, teambuilding and more. Frost Valley, a not-for-profit organization chartered through the YMCA of the USA, is guided in this pursuit by its core values which serve as pathways for guests as they bond with nature and each other: Caring, Community, Diversity, Honesty, Inclusiveness, Respect, Responsibility, and Stewardship.

## Summer's Not Over at Our Parks En Plein Air Continues With County's Poet Laureates

Monticello, NY - Two more Saturdays of En Plein Air Poetry and Art Workshops are coming to Sullivan County's parks before the season ends.

Sullivan County's new Poet Laureate Sharon Kennedy-Nolle and former Poet Laureate Eric Baylin will host these free workshops, held in cooperation with Sullivan County's Office of Parks, Recreation and Beautification and the Sullivan Public Library Alliance.



Using nature as inspiration for painting, drawing, and verse-making, the workshops bring art and poetry into creative conversation. Each two-hour outing begins at 11 a.m.:

- o August 27 - Covered Bridge Park, Livingston Manor. Participants will delve into various artistic and poetic representations of this picturesque Willowemoc site as they craft their own renderings of this 19th-century iconic gem.
- o October 1 - D&H Canal Linear Park, Summitville. Capture the blazing colors of a Catskill "Indian Summer" in brush-stroke and word and discover the County's rich canal lore while exploring the archeological ruins of the canal's locks, drydock and weirs.

Participants must be age 13 and up. As space is limited, pre-registration is strongly recommended by emailing [sullivancountypoetlaureate@gmail.com](mailto:sullivancountypoetlaureate@gmail.com). All materials are provided, and no experience is necessary. Bring a pencil, water bottle, bug spray, and comfortable shoes, and a willingness to explore and connect with the natural landscape.

Sharon Kennedy-Nolle, a professor of English and creative writing, is a published poet. Her latest book, "Black Wick: Selected Elegies," was chosen as Editor's Pick by Variant Literature Press, who published the book in 2021. Eric Baylin, both poet and sculptor, taught visual art for many years. He has exhibited his sculpture at the DVAA in Narrowsburg and CAS in Livingston Manor.



## UC NOW TRENDING .....

### August 2022

#### Jan. 1-Dec. 31 2022 Catskills Fire Tower Challenge:

Experienced hikers are encouraged to visit the region's six fire towers. Hike to all six Catskill Fire Towers between January 1 and December 31, 2022. Fill out the log of completed hikes along with one favorite photo. Download the Catskills Fire Tower Challenge log (PDF) and email it to catskillschallenge@dec.ny.gov or mail to New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, Outdoor Recreation, 625 Broadway, Albany, New York 12233-1010. Entries must be postmarked by January 7, 2023. Limit one entry per person. Participants will receive a commemorative patch and will be entered to win great outdoor prizes including hiking accessories. Catskills Visitor Center, 5096 Route 28, Mt. Tremper. 845-688-3369; catskillsvisitorcenter.org

#### AUGUST 2022

**1-31 Hudson River Maritime Museum:** Wed.-Sun.: Solaris boat tours including lighthouse, Wrecked and Abandoned, sunset and bird watching. Sailing and woodworking classes. Visit website for schedule. 50 Rondout Landing, Kingston. 845-338-0071; hrm.org

**1-31 D&H Canal Museum:** Now open; seven days a week, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Aug. 7: Solaris boat tour featuring D&H Canal History. 12:30-2 p.m. \$280/\$32. 1315 Main St., High Falls. 845-687-2000; canalmuseum.org. D&H Market at Grady Park, Sat. & Sun. 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

**1-31 Hudson River Cruises: Featuring "Sunset & Spirits," "Live Music" cruises and more.** 40 Rondout Landing., Kingston. 845-253-4876 hudsonrivercruises.com

**1-31 Mohonk Preserve:** 70 miles of carriage roads and trails. Hike or bike. Climb the Gunks. Horseback ride from the Spring Farm Trailhead. Fees: \$15, \$20. Activities schedule at Visitor Center, 3197 State Rte. 44/55, Gardiner. mohonkpreserve.org

**24-27, 31 Volunteer Firemen's Museum:** A "little gem of a museum" housed in the 1857 Wiltwyck Fire House. Display of fire engines and firemanic artifacts. Hours through Labor Day: Wednesday-Friday, 11 a.m.-3 p.m., Saturday 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Free. 265 Fair St., Kingston. 845-331-0866; kingstontourismfiremensmuseum.weebly.com

**26, 27 Fred J. Johnston House: 2022 Exhibition: "Signs of the Times,"** The Modjeska Sign Studio, Kingston, New York" Donations welcome. Friday-Saturday, 11 a.m.-4 p.m. 63 Main Street, Kingston. 845-339-0720; fohk.org

**26 Historic Huguenot Street:** Aug. 5 & 26: "Boos & Brews," haunted site tours 7-8:30 p.m. \$20; \$17 for members; 81 Huguenot St, New Paltz. 845-255-1660; huguenotstreet.org

**26 Walkway at Night: Enjoy amazing Hudson Valley views after dark from 212 feet above the Hudson River.** This event takes place from 8:15-9:45 p.m. Members free; nonmembers \$5. Walkway Over the Hudson, 87 Haviland Road Highland. 845-454-9649; walkway.org

**27 Matthewis Person House:** Aug. 20: Theatre on the Road Presents Historical Figures of the Persen House. 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Aug. 27: With Don Terpening, Revolutionary War Medical Reenactor, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Matthewis Persen House Museum, 74 John St., Kingston. 845-340-3040; ulstercountyny.gov/countyclerk/persenhouse.html

**26-28 Tenth Annual Summer Hoot:** Great roots music, join a jam or singalong, go for a guided hike and sample great local food, beer, and cider. Sliding scale admission,

all are welcome. Purchase tickets online. Kids under 18 free. Fri. 3 p.m.; Sat./Sun. 9 a.m. The Ashokan Center, 477 Beaverkill Road, Olivebridge. Ruth Unger 914-466-8334; ashokancenter.org

**27 Rondout National Historic District Walking Tour:** Some uphill walking. Adults \$10, children \$5, FOHK members free. 11 a.m. Departs from gazebo in T.R. Gallo Park, 73 West Strand St., Kingston. 845-339-0720; fohk.org 27-Oct. 30 Apple and Pumpkin Picking at Hurds Family Farm: Pumpkins start late September. 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Hurds Family Farm, 2187 Route 32, Modena. 845-883-7825; hurdsfamilyfarm.com

**28 Summer Jam at Obstacle Wonderland:** Run your favorite Hudson Valley obstacle course with some added obstacles as you waterslide yourself through the finish line. Race medal guaranteed to the first 70 signups. Post-race snacks and beverages are included in the registration fee. 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Register online. 314 New Unionville Rd., Wallkill. 845-629-7922; obstaclewonderland.com

**28 Harambee Second African-American Festival & Parade:** Family-friendly. Music, food and more. Parade leaves at 11 a.m. from Kingston High School, down Broadway to the Rondout. Noon-7 p.m. Free. 1 East Strand, Kingston. harambeekingston-ny.org

**31 Kiersted House: Community Band** on the Lawn, 3-5 p.m. Saugerties Historical Society: 119 Main St., 845-246-9529; saugertieshistoricalsociety.org. Hours: Sat. 11 a.m.-2 p.m.; Sun. 1-4 p.m. ULSTER COUNTY TOURISM, Ulster County Office Building, 244

# Olive Day 2022

10 a.m. Frog Jump (bring your own frog)

11 a.m. Town of Olive Police Dept. - Bike Safety

2:30 p.m. Cornhole Tournament - sign up at 2 p.m.

2 pm Egg Toss 3 pm Treasure Hunt

Fire Department with Chicken Bingo

visit the Olive Fire Department Juniors booth and meet the newest members of the fire department!

## September 10, 2022

### Olive Day Jason Jones-Kent Reeves Memorial Run

Registration 8:30 a.m.  
5K run begins 9 a.m.

### Music

The Spillway Band  
11-2:30 p.m.

90 Proof Band  
3-6 p.m.

- Classic Car Show (10- 2)
- Ulster County SPCA (11 - 4)
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- Penny Social
- Blood Pressure testing
- Touch-A-Truck
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- Various vendors
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# UC Kicks Off Demolition of Former County Jail, First Step in Major Workforce and Senior Housing Project

*Ulster County Executive Pat Ryan announced that the demolition is the first step in the process of transforming the site into a thriving community of 160 homes for seniors and working families • Project is part of Ulster County's comprehensive Housing Action Plan, and will help address the dire need for housing across the county*

KINGSTON, N.Y. - Ulster County Executive Pat Ryan announced today that demolition of the former County Jail has begun. At a ground-breaking ceremony at the site on Golden Hill, County Executive Ryan said the demolition of the old building is the first step in the process of transforming the site into one which serves the current needs of the community, addressing the urgent housing affordability crisis for residents. The property will be developed into 160 units of affordable senior and workforce housing.



*Ulster County Executive Pat Ryan with Legislators Gina Hansut, Thomas Corcoran and Peter Criswell, President of Pennrose Tim Henkel, Mayor Steve Noble and Chair of the Ulster County Housing Development Corporation Hayes Clement at the future home of Golden Hill housing project.*

seniors and working families can afford. This is another critical step to make sure we're lowering costs and taking care of our people, and I'm really proud of the statement that we're sending: That a site that has sat stagnant for over a decade, unused, not on the tax rolls, and really a reminder of the old ways in a lot of dimensions, is now being repurposed and reimagined to help our neighbors and our community who need a place to live with dignity with their families and have that sense of security," Ulster County Executive Pat Ryan said. "I want to thank our partners in the Legislature and in the City of Kingston, as well as the Ulster County Housing Development Corporation and the Pennrose team, for working with us to develop a project that will help us make housing more affordable for folks who are feeling tremendous financial pressure right now."

"It's a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity for the County to receive \$34.5 million in federal funds, and we took a good amount of time to analyze what we wanted to do with this money - looking at the deepest and longest term impact that we could have on the County," Ulster County Legislator Peter Criswell, Chair of the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Special Committee, said. "We came up with a criteria list, and out of that, we have done some amazing things: we've prioritized mental health support, food security and housing. And that's where this project comes into play - \$1.5 million towards the demolition of the jail allows for the creation of affordable housing."

"It's been an honor and a pleasure to be part of the ARPA Committee, and part of this legislature, and a privilege to put this federal money to use to benefit all of Ulster County. Being from the Southern Tier, sometimes we feel a little left out, but projects like the jail demolition and Golden Hill housing project move Ulster County forward, and is a benefit to everybody in the County," Ulster County Legislator Thomas Corcoran, Deputy Chair of the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Special Committee, said. "I want to thank Legislator Criswell and the ARPA committee, the legislature and County Executive for moving this forward and bringing this project to the next stage."

"We are thrilled about this first step towards converting this former correctional facility into a new neighborhood of mixed-income, intergenerational housing," said Dylan Salmons, Regional Vice President with Pennrose. "This project is made possible through the County-led demolition phase celebrated today. We look forward to our continued collaboration with our partners the Family of Woodstock, Ulster County, the City of Kingston, and all stakeholders to bring the project to its fruition."

"I am excited to see the County move forward with demolishing the old jail, and work toward turning this long-abandoned property into homes for our community members. We are in dire need of housing at every level, and this project has the potential to add many new units of housing here in Kingston," Kingston Mayor Steve Noble said. "I thank the County Executive and his team for making this project a priority, and for supporting the goals of the City of Kingston by supporting adaptive reuse of this site." (Contd. Pg. 41)

The Golden Hill concept plan calls for approximately 80 units of senior housing and 80 units of workforce housing that are affordable at a range of 30 percent to 60 percent of area median income. The development will include a 5,000 square-foot community building, providing gathering and fitness space for residents and space for local community organizations to offer services. All buildings will be constructed to high efficiency levels, utilizing advanced electric heating and cooling technologies and incorporating rooftop solar.

"With so many across our community struggling to afford rising rents, this project will add desperately-needed housing that

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(From Pg. 40) "Not many years ago this might have been a controversial project, and to date it has not been. That's a testament to the skill and track record of our development partner, Pennrose, and the high quality projects they've done throughout the tri-state area in addressing affordable housing issues, especially workforce housing. And it's because of impressive political leadership that's emerged in the County, bringing the community together to support something that is absolutely essential to our well being as a County and also to the future economic prospects of the County. This is going to be a terrific thing that the whole community is going to be extraordinarily proud of," Chair of the Ulster County Housing Development Corporation Hayes Clement said.

The 2022 Executive Budget directed \$1.5 million in American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds to the County-led Housing Development Corporation, to accelerate the demolition of the old Ulster County jail and support new construction. In May, a bipartisan supermajority of the Ulster County Legislature approved the use of the funding, in order to make way for the development of inter-generational, affordable housing.

Last week, Ulster County Executive Pat Ryan announced an Inflation Relief Plan aimed at supporting households and small businesses struggling with rising costs. County Executive Ryan highlighted multiple initiatives and priorities that will provide much-needed relief during an unprecedented time of economic pressure, including \$5 million to acquire land and build infrastructure to support hundreds more housing units, building on the growing momentum in adding desperately-needed housing inventory for seniors and working families.

## Statement from UC Executive Pat Ryan

I want to thank the legislature for passing the resolution to remove fares for UCAT buses and provide free public transit to all. We're all feeling the pressure due to rising costs, especially our lower income communities, vulnerable populations, and seniors on fixed incomes. At a time when every bill and receipt is higher, Ulster County is stepping up and taking aggressive action to provide urgent relief to our residents. Reducing transportation costs will allow people to have one less thing to worry about.

## For the First Time, Part-Time Students Taking Six or More Credits Per Semester Can Receive Tuition Assistance Program Aid Starting This Fall

*Approximately 75,000 Additional Students Eligible for Aid with TAP Expansion*

Governor Kathy Hochul announced the launch of the historic \$150 million expansion of New York State's popular Tuition Assistance Program, which will now provide TAP to approximately 75,000 additional students who are pursuing their degree part-time. Expanding Part-Time TAP to fully part-time learners creates

pathways to an affordable education for individuals of all ages who are often balancing other responsibilities such as a family and work. Full-time TAP awards can be up to \$5,665 annually for a full-time student; part-time TAP will be available on a pro-rated basis to eligible students taking six to 11 credits per semester with no full-time prerequisite.

"As Governor, I want to do more than just care for this state today - I want to prepare New York for tomorrow," Governor Hochul said. "Higher education students not only hold the key for our state, but for their families. A degree changes more than just the life of its holder, it changes the lives of those all around them. Every person who calls New York home should have the opportunity to better themselves and invest in their education. My administration is committed to supporting our students in every way possible and I thank my partners in service for making this a reality."

Students enrolling in the Fall 2022 semester may apply for part-time TAP by filling out the federal FAFSA application. Once submitted, New York State residents attending NYS campuses can link directly to the TAP application. For students who have already enrolled and submitted their FAFSA for the 2022-2023 academic year, TAP awards will automatically be adjusted based on the number of enrolled credits.

Eligibility for part-time TAP is consistent with full-time TAP awards, which includes residency and income requirements. TAP awards do not need to be repaid by any recipient.

New York State TAP is one of the nation's largest need-based college financial aid grant programs. Overall, more than 6 million New Yorkers were awarded nearly \$30 billion in tuition assistance awards through TAP. During the 2020-2021 academic year, 250,000 New Yorkers were awarded more than \$700 million in tuition assistance awards.

As a result of state and federal financial support, more than 190,000 New York residents attend CUNY or SUNY tuition-free.

About 2 million New Yorkers between the ages of 25 to 44 have no degree, and 2.5 million between the ages of 45 to 64 are without one. Expanding Part-Time TAP is part of a broader push to invest in public higher education and improve access and affordability for every student, including \$106 million to hire new faculty at SUNY and CUNY, \$100 million to increase enrollment, reestablishing TAP for incarcerated individuals, banning the practice of transcript withholding, and making significant investments into state-of-the-art capital facilities.

New York also adopted the Senator José Peralta DREAM Act In 2019, which provides undocumented New Yorkers and other students access to TAP and other New York Stateadministered grants and scholarships that support their higher education costs.

NYPIRG Program Director Megan Ahearn said, "New York's Tuition Assistance Program is one of the nation's most robust financial aid programs. Its recent expansion to part-time students is a much needed step for education equity. Part-time students often support families, and juggle work and other responsibilities. Encouraging and supporting their path to a college degree is a no-brainer. We applaud Governor Hochul for its passage and encourage students to fill out their FAFSA and state applications today."

For more information on how to apply to New York State's public colleges and universities, go to [www.suny.edu/attend/apply-to-suny/](http://www.suny.edu/attend/apply-to-suny/) for SUNY campuses and [www.cuny.edu/admissions/apply-to-cuny/#apply](http://www.cuny.edu/admissions/apply-to-cuny/#apply) for CUNY schools.

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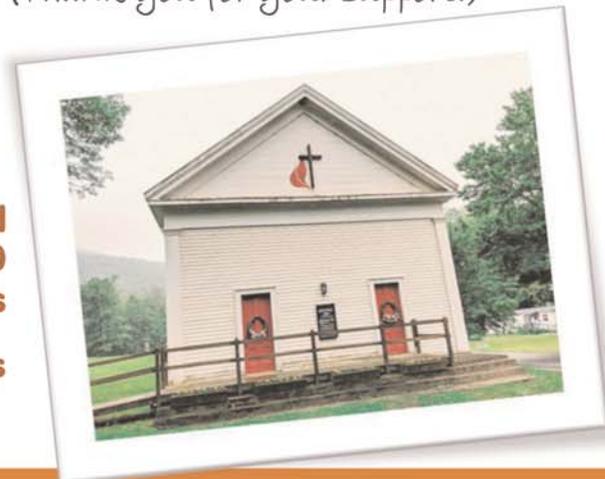
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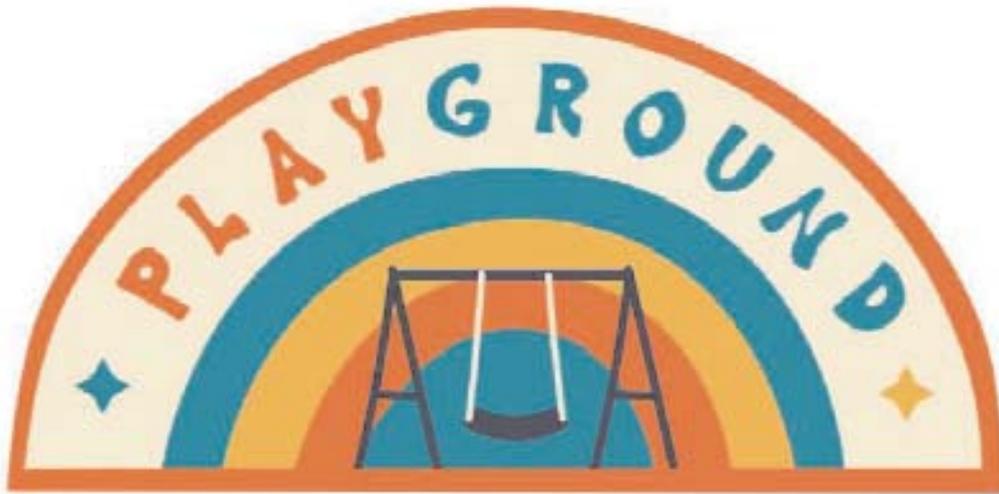


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## **WE ARE BUILDING A PLAYGROUND!!!**

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Check out our Facebook page [Route 42 Community Playground Project](#) for more information.

## Attorney General James Announces Debt Relief for Students who Attended ITT Educational Services For-Profit Colleges

### *U.S. Department of Education Approved \$3.9 Billion in Group Debt Relief*

including Over \$78 Million for More Than 4,400 New Yorkers  
 NEW YORK - New York Attorney General today announced that as part of the U.S. Department of Education's group discharge for borrowers who attended for-profit colleges run by ITT Educational Services, Inc. (ITT) between 2005 and September 2016, over 4,400 New Yorkers will have their federal loans cleared. ITT had college campuses in Albany, Buffalo, and Syracuse, and thousands of New York students who attended these programs will have over \$78 million of federal student loan debt discharged. These borrowers will have the federal student loans they received to attend ITT discharged without any additional action on their part. Attorney General James joined with other states to file a group discharge application in 2021, which led the U.S. Department of Education to act and achieve funds for these former students.

"Students pursuing an advanced degree to open up new possibilities shouldn't be seen as cash-cows by disreputable, for-profit colleges," said Attorney General James. "ITT Educational Services, Inc. fleeced hundreds of thousands of students, including over 4,400 New Yorkers at their Albany, Buffalo, and Syracuse campuses. I applaud the U.S. Department of Education for helping to secure these funds to help make New York students whole. I will continue to work with my partners in local, statewide, and national government to hold bad actors accountable and to stand up for the rights of New Yorkers."

The Department of Education credited the coalition of attorneys general that New York Attorney General James was a part of with conducting significant and extensive work to help uncover evidence that ITT engaged in widespread and pervasive misrepresentations related to the ability of students to get a job or transfer credits and lied about the programmatic accreditation of ITT's associate degree in nursing. The Department of Education noted that its findings are based on extensive evidence, including internal ITT policies and records; recruitment materials and brochures; recordings of interactions between ITT's representatives and prospective students; testimony from former students, employees, and administrators; investigative files and submissions from congressional investigators and state attorneys general; and the tens of thousands of individual borrower defense applications submitted by former ITT students.

This announcement is part of Attorney General James' ongoing effort to protect New Yorkers from predatory, for-profit colleges and disreputable student loan servicers. In May 2022, Attorney General James urged former DeVry students who were deceived by the university to apply for federal loan discharge. This past January, Attorney General James helped secure more than \$110 million in debt cancellation for New York students deceived by Navient. Additionally, Attorney General James suspended collection of some student debt owed to the state amidst the pandemic to provide relief to students.

Attorney General James has also been outspoken in calling for nationwide reforms to help protect student borrowers. In May 2021, Attorney General James sent a letter to the U.S. Secretary of Education calling for significant reforms to help student borrowers and shield them from predatory for-profit colleges. In March 2021, Attorney General James sent a letter to the U.S. Secretary of

Education calling for reforms to help student borrowers. In July 2020, Attorney General James and a multistate coalition sued the Trump Administration's Department of Education and former Education Secretary Betsy DeVos to block their efforts to repeal critical protections for student-borrowers who have been misled or defrauded by predatory for-profit schools. In June 2020, Attorney General James filed a multistate lawsuit to stop the Department of Education and Secretary DeVos from repealing the "Gainful Employment" rule which helps ensure for-profit colleges and vocational schools "prepare students for gainful employment in a recognized occupation" following graduation.

## DEC Confirms Dutchess County Deer as First 2022 Epizootic Hemorrhagic Disease Case

### *Disease is Not Transmissible to Humans; New Yorkers Are Once Again Encouraged to Report Sick or Dead Deer to DEC*

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) today confirmed that a white-tailed deer in the town of Dover Plains, Dutchess County, died recently after contracting Epizootic Hemorrhagic Disease (EHD). This detection marks the first EHD confirmation in New York for 2022. DEC is currently investigating reports of several other dead deer from Dutchess County.

EHD virus is an often-fatal disease of deer that is transmitted by biting midges - small bugs often called no-see-ums or 'punkies.' The disease is not spread directly from deer to deer and humans cannot be infected by deer or bites from midges.

The EHD virus was first confirmed in New York in 2007 with relatively small outbreaks in Albany, Rensselaer, and Niagara counties, and in Rockland County in 2011. In 2020, a large EHD outbreak occurred in the lower Hudson Valley, centered in Putnam and Orange counties, with reports from the public of approximately 1,500 dead deer. In 2021 the outbreak shifted and DEC received more than 2,000 reports of dead deer primarily in Ulster, Dutchess, Columbia, Oswego, and Jefferson counties.

Once infected with EHD, deer usually die within 36 hours. EHD outbreaks are most common in the late summer and early fall when midges are abundant. Symptoms include fever, hemorrhage in muscle or organs, and swelling of the head, neck, tongue, and lips. A deer infected with EHD may appear lame or dehydrated. Frequently, infected deer will seek out water sources and many succumb near a water source. There is no treatment or means to prevent EHD. The dead deer do not serve as a source of infection for other animals.

EHD outbreaks do not have a significant long-term impact on deer populations, but deer mortality can be intense in small geographic areas. EHD is endemic in the southern states where there are annual outbreaks, so some southern deer have developed immunity. In the northeast, EHD outbreaks occur sporadically and deer in New York have no immunity to this virus. Consequently, most EHD-infected deer in New York are expected to die. In the north, the first hard frost kills the midges that transmit the disease, ending the EHD outbreak.

Sightings of sick or dying deer should be reported online or to the nearest DEC Regional Office or Environmental Conservation Police Officer. More information about EHD and a link for public reporting of deer with EHD symptoms is at DEC's website. DEC may collect samples from deer and analyze data from deer reports to determine the extent of the outbreak.

For more information, visit Cornell University's Wildlife Health Lab website.

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

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

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

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

*For any other questions*  
845.798.2077 [nickneedsokidney@gmail.com](mailto:nickneedsokidney@gmail.com)

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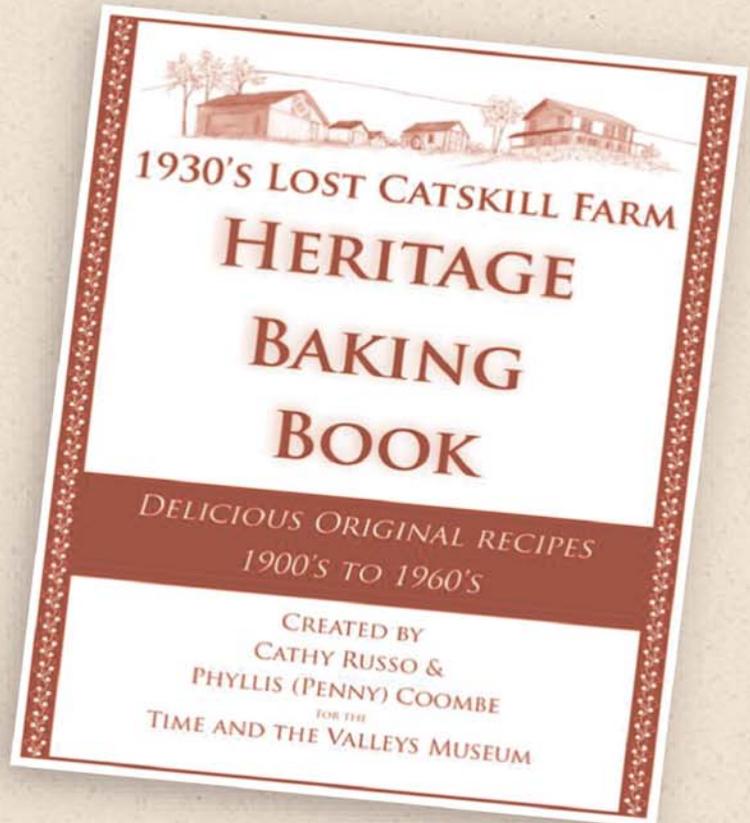
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## ULSTER CORPS

### Woodstock Film Festival seeks volunteers September 28 through October 2nd, 2022

The most exciting weekend in Woodstock is fast approaching! The 23rd annual WOODSTOCK FILM FESTIVAL is returning this fall, September 28 through October 2nd. Volunteers are jumping on board to help in Woodstock, Saugerties, Rosendale and Kingston, with guest relations, box office, production, press, parties, art, photography and more. Let your talents shine! Click the volunteer button on their website [woodstockfilmfestival.org](http://woodstockfilmfestival.org), or call the festival office at 845-679-4265 and ask about volunteering!

### Ulster County SPCA seeks volunteers and fosters

Make a difference in an animal's life TODAY! The Ulster County SPCA is looking for volunteers and fosters to support our mission of helping, healing, and adopting. As an essential services organization, we are here every single day of the year, providing care for the neglected, abused, and homeless animals of Ulster County and beyond.

Volunteers are needed every day, 7:30am - 4pm for a variety of tasks including dog walking, cat socializing, cleaning, feeding, fundraising, and more! Fosters are always needed to provide temporary homes for animals of all species and ages, including kittens, puppies, adult cats, and dogs. Please contact the Volunteer Coordinator at [volunteer@ucspca.org](mailto:volunteer@ucspca.org) or 845-331-5377 x215 for more information.

### Volunteers needed to help make The Hudson Valley Garlic Festival a Zero Waste Event! October 1st and 2nd, 2022

Richard Kappler, Chairperson of the Kiwanis Club of Saugerties Hudson Valley Garlic Festival committee, announces that this year's Garlic Festival will institute a Zero Waste System. The Festival is scheduled for October 1st and 2nd, 2022, at Cantine Field in Saugerties, NY. The Zero Waste System is designed and will be managed by Greenway Environmental Services of Clintondale, NY.

Greenway is issuing a call-to-action, requesting that people who would like to volunteer, sign up for 3-hour shifts to assist in the separation and collection of the materials. Shabazz Jackson, President of Greenway believes "The Kiwanis Club has provided the leadership and support. Now, the energy and hard work from the volunteers is the only way this festival will transition from a garbage generator to a Zero Waste Event."

The addition of Zero Waste to the Hudson Valley Garlic Festival is a fitting celebration of garlic, the farmers who grow it, and finally returning the fertility back to the land.

For questions or to volunteer please contact Greenway at 845-656-6071 or [greenway777@aol.com](mailto:greenway777@aol.com) or sign up here.

### Raising HOPE Women's Mentoring

Raising HOPE Women's Mentoring supports women in achieving their career, personal and academic goals.

Raising HOPE's Fall mentor training dates are Oct 8 and 29, 2022 from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. We are planning to meet in person for these events with plenty of room to social distance and will provide a catered lunch. The first step in the process is to apply to become a mentor at:

<https://airtable.com/shrqQLUFYJoDq820W>

We will connect with you to set up an interview time. Together we can do what we could never do alone. We have seen incredible growth in our mentees from the consis-

tent support of their mentors. We hope you will join us as a mentor.

If you have any questions please contact Cecilia Deferrari, Raising HOPE Program Assistant at [cdeferrari@ulsterunitedway.org](mailto:cdeferrari@ulsterunitedway.org) or via cell phone 845.392.4989.

### Kingston Farmers Market seeks volunteers

The Kingston Farmers Market is putting a call out for volunteers for our Saturday markets over the 2022 summer season. We are seeking dedicated community members, who are willing and excited to engage in the market space throughout our operation on Saturdays from May-November. We hope to provide involvement in work that is not only beneficial to the flow of the market, but to the volunteers themselves. We encourage you to get involved if getting to know the foundations of Kingston Farmers Markets are of interest to you.

Volunteers will have the opportunity to assist in the market information tent, collect and distribute market currency, and help with setup and break down of the displays. We will repay volunteers for their time with KFM merchandise, along with farmer market bucks. We value and appreciate volunteers' time and effort and look forward to growing our market staff and community throughout the season.

If you have any questions or are interested in volunteering with us this season please contact [Foodaccess@kingstonfarmersmarket.org](mailto:Foodaccess@kingstonfarmersmarket.org). OR you can sign-up for a volunteer position through this link:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E48ACA62EA0FEC70-kingston>

Thank you for your interest, see you at the market!

### Alzheimer's Association Hudson Valley Chapter

The Alzheimer's Association relies on dedicated volunteers to achieve our vision of a world without Alzheimer's and all other dementia. We seek committed, passionate volunteers to educate the public, lead support groups, provide social engagement to those living with early-stage Alzheimer's, participate on Walk to End Alzheimer's and The Longest Day committees, support advocacy efforts and more:

Caregiver Support Group facilitators: Has Alzheimer's or a related dementia touched your life? Do you want to help others caring for someone with the disease? We offer a free support group facilitator training that can prepare you to lead a group in your area.

Community representatives: Help us reach the communities you care about by leading activities at faith organizations, community centers, neighborhood events and more. By bringing information and education to places like these, you are helping to grow the cause and reach those in need.

Faith outreach representatives: Serve as a liaison between the Alzheimer's Association and local faith groups and congregations by sharing information about Alzheimer's disease, free resources offered through the Alzheimer's Association, and the many ways to join our cause at local community and education events.

Office support: Move our mission forward by supporting a variety of office activities, such as mailings, phone banks and communication efforts. (Contd. Pg 50)

**Ulster Corps -Alzheimer's Association Hudson Valley Chapter** (From Pg. 49) - Professional skills and personal passions: If you're skilled in clerical and office procedures, planning, nonprofit boards, social work, health, finance, communications, marketing, community outreach, public speaking, diversity outreach, fundraising and/or more, we have a need for your expertise.

**The Longest Day®:** This fundraising and awareness event, held annually around the summer solstice to honor those facing Alzheimer's, requires year-round planning and support. Help develop this exciting global event in your area! Click here for a list of committee positions available.

**Walk to End Alzheimer's®:** Dutchess-Ulster Walk to End Alzheimer's (on the Walkway, Sat., Oct. 15) Be a part of the world's largest event to raise funds for Alzheimer's care, support and research. We have a variety of roles available, including a year-round planning committee, team recruitment opportunities and event-day support.

For more information about these opportunities and how to get involved, please contact Erin Lynch at [enlynch@alz.org](mailto:enlynch@alz.org) or 845-378-1071. For more information about the Hudson Valley Chapter, please visit [www.alz.org/hudsonvalley](http://www.alz.org/hudsonvalley).

### **Ulster County Habitat for Humanity seeks volunteers**

Let's build homes, hope, and communities together! Volunteer with Ulster Habitat ReStore today and make a difference in your community! We need volunteers to assist staff with customer service, unloading donations, organizing the warehouse and prep rooms, repairing gently used furniture, testing electronics, and preparing and pricing donated goods for resale. There are several volunteer opportunities available Tuesday through Saturday between 9:30 and 4:30.

How do I sign up to volunteer with Ulster Habitat? Follow the instructions at <https://ulsterhabitat.org/volunteer-registration/> to register. Once we get your registration, we'll contact you to schedule your orientation. For additional information, please call Carolyn at 845-340-0907 x 105 or email [volunteers@ulsterhabitat.org](mailto:volunteers@ulsterhabitat.org).

**CASA Volunteers Needed - make a difference in a child's life**

Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASAs) are specially-trained, objective community volunteers appointed by Family Court to advocate for children who are in out-of-home placement or who are at risk of being placed in foster care.

CASA is appointed by court order to collaborate with others involved in a child's case and gather information from all interested persons including parents, foster parents, teachers, case managers, doctors, therapists, attorneys, other service providers, and the child. CASA provides fact-based reports to assist the court in addressing the child's needs and in determining what is in their best interest.

When CASA is appointed, children are either in foster care or in the care of their parents or extended family with services and family court oversight. Many are safely reunified with the parents. In other cases, children and youth are permanently placed with relatives or are adopted.

CASA's ultimate goal is for children to grow up in permanent, safe, healthy family homes.

FREE training provided, NO experience needed! Contact us!

Phone: 845-372-8771

Email: [Casa.Ulster@drcservices.org](mailto:Casa.Ulster@drcservices.org)

More info: <https://www.drcservices.org/casa/>

<https://www.drcservices.org/volunteer-opportunities/volunteer-opportunities>

**Compeer Volunteer** The COMPEER program serves people recovering from mental illness. The program matches caring volunteers from the community with clients and encourages them to develop a one to one relationship based on friendship and support.

**Expectations of Volunteers**

Weekly contacts with their match using text, phone, email, etc.

4 hours of face to face contact in a month in which they do some sort of activity.

(once a month activity is hosted and paid for by the Compeer program to assist with this requirement)

The program provides the volunteer with training, a personalized match, a monthly newsletter, social activities and continuous professional support. The goals of the program are: to encourage a nurturing relationship of friendship and support; to establish a sense of confidence in coping with the complexities of everyday life; to bring forth unique talents and abilities through social connection or activities; to ignite a sense of awareness and understanding about mental illness through involvement in community activities; and to prevent re-hospitalization of the consumers in the program.

To become a volunteer or participant of the COMPEER program please contact: The Compeer Coordinator 845-339-9090x2206

OR

Email [wellnessinfo@mhainulster.com](mailto:wellnessinfo@mhainulster.com).

Mental Health Peers or those with lived experience are welcome to apply for this volunteer position.

<https://www.mhainulster.com/wellness-services/compeer-volunteer-program/>

### **Ulster Immigrant Defense Network**

Ulster Immigrant Defense Network (UIDN), a five-year old volunteer organization formed to provide a network of safety and support to immigrants, regardless of status, welcomes new volunteers to help sustain its important work.

**Current critical volunteer needs:**

Bilingual helpline volunteers (Spanish/English) to work remotely or in shifts at our Kingston office. After an orientation, volunteers provide assistance and referrals by phone, choosing their own hours. Minimum commitment: two hours a week for at least 10 weeks.

Volunteers with trucks or vans to pick up and deliver food and furniture.

Household support: Help with weekly Kingston food pantries where families can pick up groceries and other needed items. Donate or identify sources for needed items and drop them off by prior arrangement.

Interviewers/storytellers: bilingual (English/Spanish) volunteers to interview local immigrants and tell their stories in our newsletter and on our website. Experience interviewing and/or telling stories is very helpful.

Expand and update UIDN's resource lists.

For more information go to: <https://ulsterimmigrantdefensenetwork.org/get-involved/volunteer-2/>

### **Angel Food East seeks volunteers**

Are you passionate about food and combating food insecurity for the most vulnerable among us? Want to make a difference in your community, TODAY? Angel Food East is looking for dedicated chefs, prep cooks and dishwashers, various shifts; hours and days are flexible.

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## Ulster Corps

**Ulster Corps Angel Food East seeks volunteers** (From Pg. 50)  
Meal delivery drivers are needed on Thursdays from 11:30-1pm. OR simply sign up as a substitute cook or driver and can call in weekly to let us know your availability.

We are also **HIRING** a part-time kitchen assistant.

If you can help out, or to learn more, please email [contact@angelfoodeast.org](mailto:contact@angelfoodeast.org) or call (845) 331-6538.

## Ulster County Office for the Aging

Ulster County Office for the Aging seeks volunteers in the following areas:

Warm Callers - folks who are willing to call isolated seniors regularly so they hear a friendly voice, have someone to speak to

Volunteer drivers for our Neighbor to Neighbor Medical appointment driving program

Help at various food pantries and community meal programs like Angel Food East, People's Place, Rondout Valley Food Pantry

Drivers for those pantries, maybe cooks

Help at area nursing home for transporting, activities, companionship

Volunteers willing to be trained to be ombudsmen in nursing homes

Volunteers willing to assist as shoppers or with grocery pickup, chore doers, light maintenance volunteers for area seniors.

## UlsterCorps' 12th Annual Zombie Escape

Saturday October 29th 2022 at Williams Lake!

Rain Date: Sunday October 30th 2022

424 Williams Lake Rd, Rosendale, NY

Online Registration now open!

<https://zippy-reg.com/register/zombierun>

**Kick off your Halloween at UlsterCorps' 12th Annual Zombie Escape, Saturday October 29th, 2022** (Sunday October 31st rain date), at Williams Lake in Rosendale. Events include a 5k timed trail run, 2k walk and a free 1k Fun Run for kids. The Zombie Escape is UlsterCorps' primary annual fundraiser, and a perfect family friendly way to start your Halloween while supporting a great cause. Enjoy the spectacular fall foliage and beautiful trails at Williams Lake, while passing socially distanced zombies and other spooky surprises hiding in the woods, tunnels and caves. All runners including kids will receive a themed race medal. Custom awards in overall and age groups for the 5K. Team rate only \$17 per person if you sign up a team of 5 or more by Wednesday October 26th.

To learn more, volunteer or sponsor the event, email [zombies@ulstercorps.org](mailto:zombies@ulstercorps.org) or call/text us at 845-481-0331.

## Funding From U.S. Treasury Department's State Small Business Credit Initiative Will Support Businesses Recovering from Economic Impacts of COVID-19 Pandemic

*Includes Funding for Minority and Women Owned Small Businesses*

Governor Kathy Hochul announced New York State has been awarded \$501.5 million in federal funds through the State Small Business Credit Initiative, which was reauthorized and expanded as part of the American Rescue Plan Act. Managed by the U.S. Department of Treasury, SSBCI provides funds to support programs for small businesses, with emphasis on those still strug-

gling from the economic impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, and helping traditionally disadvantaged small businesses succeed in the post pandemic economy.

"Small businesses are the backbone of our economy, and far too many small business owners are still feeling the economic toll of the pandemic," Governor Hochul said. "This historic funding will be a game changer - serving as a crucial lifeline for small businesses, fueling innovative growth, and helping uplift the most vulnerable communities across New York State. I thank President Biden, Secretary Yellen, Senator Schumer, Senator Gillibrand and Democrats in the New York Congressional delegation for their leadership on the American Rescue Plan and look forward to continuing to work together as we move the Empire State's economy forward."

U.S. Senate Majority Leader Charles E. Schumer said, "This historic \$500 million federal investment is the shot in the arm New York's small businesses need to recover from the pandemic and rebuild our local economies. This federal assistance will help support underserved businesses, invest in entrepreneurs and small businesses in key industries like manufacturing and clean energy to address the nation's supply chain challenges, and create good-paying jobs in the communities that need them most. As majority leader, I fought to secure the State Small Business Credit Initiative federal investment as part of the American Rescue Plan to meet the unprecedented challenges faced by the nation's small businesses during the pandemic and I am proud to now deliver this federal funding for New York to build up the state's small businesses and manufacturing base to accelerate our recovery, and drive our economy into the future."

Through Empire State Development, New York State is establishing a suite of programs that will match federal support to the critical needs of the state's small businesses. This programming includes a mix of new initiatives and the expansion of existing programs, focusing on capital access, loan guarantees, loan participation programs, collateral support, venture capital for fund managers and start-ups, and technical assistance. Proposed programs include:

### Capital Access Program:

- o \$29.4 Million Capital Access Program (Expansion of Existing Program) - These programs provide portfolio insurance to lenders that make loans to small businesses to incentivize the expansion of loaning to these entities.

### Affordable Debt Programs:

- o \$106.1 Million Capital Loan Fund (New Program) - Provides long-term capital investments via debt instruments and credit structures. The eligible uses for these capital loans is highly flexible, with a focus on providing capital support to socially and economically disadvantaged businesses.

- o \$55.5 Million Small Business Revolving Loan Fund (Expansion of Existing Program) - This fund will address inequitable capital access, to address gaps facing new companies, underbanked communities, small businesses which are more likely to be minority-owned.

- o \$47 Million New York Forward Loan Fund (Expansion of Existing Program) - A loan program funded with investors pooled capital, to make flexible, low interest loans to small businesses and nonprofit organizations, through participating Community Development Financial Institution (CDFI) lenders.

- o \$22 Million Bonding Guarantee Program (Expansion of Existing Program) - Provides surety bonding to reduce risks associated with bonding for small businesses.

- o \$22 Million Contractor Financing Revolving Loan Fund (New Program) - Provides needed funding to contractors in need of matching dollars to secure federal, state, and local contracts. (Contd. Pg. 53)

# Sundown UMC Ladies Indoor Thrift & Yard Sale Every Friday and Saturday 9 am - 12 noon

Check out the **HALF PRICE** Table and the **FREE** Table!  
Come have some fun!

Last Sale of the Season and Bake Sale - Labor Day Weekend  
Sept 2nd and 3rd • Hot Dogs, Chips & Water will be available

Planning ahead - items will be available for sale  
the first Saturday of each month at the Covered Dish Suppers



We appreciate donations for our White Elephant table  
**Sundown United Methodist Church Hall**  
(Intersection of Sundown Rd, Peekamoose Rd & Greenville Rd, Sundown, NY 12740)

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(From Pg. 51) **Equitable Venture investments:**

- o \$102 Million Emerging and Regional Partner Program Fund (New Program) - This program will support the growth and establishment of diverse, emerging, and regional private sector fund managers.
- o \$52 Million Community and Regional Partner Program Fund (New Program) - ESD will provide selected accelerators with funds that will be leveraged with private dollars to invest in New York State start-up companies.
- o \$30 Million Pre-seed and Seed Matching Fund Program (New Program) - ESD will work with angel groups and pre-seed investors across New York State to continue to support high growth start-up companies at the earliest stages of their growth and development.
- o \$35 Million New York State Innovation Venture Capital Fund (Expansion of Existing Program) - Since 2015, ESD has managed the New York Ventures fund, an investment program with more than 40 portfolio companies-65% of whom are founded or led by women and/or minorities. SSBCI funds would further capitalize this direct investment fund program.

Over the next 90 days, Empire State Development will be establishing additional program criteria and guidelines, with formal program-specific application processes announced in the Fall.

For more information, please visit <http://esd.ny.gov/ssbci>

## Hochul Announces Re-launch of OF #VAXTOSCHOOL COVID-19 Vaccine Effort

*Campaign to Encourage COVID-19 Vaccination Among School-Aged Children*

*Pop-Up Sites Around State to Provide Equitable Access to COVID-19 Vaccinations*

Governor Kathy Hochul today announced the re-launch of #VaxtoSchool, the multi-faceted statewide campaign aimed at increasing COVID-19 vaccination rates among school-aged New Yorkers. The campaign furthers Governor Hochul's commitment to ensuring equitable access to vaccines, and to make the health and well-being of students, teachers and families a top priority.

"As we prepare for the beginning of the school year and the fall season, it is important that we do all we can to protect our youngest New Yorkers," Governor Hochul said. "By breaking down barriers to vaccine access, these partnerships will allow New York State to continue to protect the health and safety of our most vulnerable community members and keep our schools open. The re-launching of our successful #VaxtoSchool campaign will support our Fall Action Plan, and ensure we are getting New Yorkers the resources they need to protect themselves from being seriously ill or hospitalized due to COVID-19."

The #VaxtoSchool campaign, critical resources and materials for parents and guardians of school-aged children and schools

are available at [ny.gov/vaxtoschool](http://ny.gov/vaxtoschool). The site includes vaccine information, and an FAQ for parents and guardians.

Commissioner of Health Dr. Mary T. Bassett said, "Some children face barriers to receiving COVID-19 vaccines and boosters, but thanks to Governor Hochul's leadership, these #VaxForKids partnerships will help ensure equitable access to COVID-19 vaccines for children under 12 years of age. As children can catch COVID-19 and develop severe disease, and vaccination remains their best protection against the virus and its variants, I urge all parents and guardians to get their children vaccinated before they head back to school."

SOMOS Community Care Chairman Dr. Ramon Tallaj said, "Today is a major step forward. Like us, our patients are different. Most do not speak English, and many do not trust institutional hospitals or corporate pharmacy chains - but they do trust their family doctors. That's where we come in. Our pediatricians have been treating these kids since birth and our SOMOS network is mobilized to work family by family, over the next few months with hundreds of thousands of parents to make sure that they get their kids vaccinated, to continue the city's recovery - and make sure that the start of school is safe, healthy and uninterrupted. We know our children are our most precious resource and that this will not be easy, but we thank Governor Hochul and Dr. Bassett for their leadership and partnership."

Inverse Medical Chief Executive Officer Johonniuss Chemweno said, "COVID-19 infections and hospitalizations have recently spiked across the State of New York with new variants. The FDA recently provided approval for 6 months and older for the various mRNA vaccines and will prove too strongly fight against the virus that upended our communities. We have worked diligently in conjunction with Governor Hochul to provide equitable access to care and continue to make an aggressive push to increase access to COVID-19 Vaccines and Testing in concert with Local Health Departments and the State of New York. Through our partnership with Governor Hochul and the Department of Health, it is critical that communities have an opportunity to be a part of our community outreach that has shown a positive trend in increasing vaccination efforts across the State of New York."

Additionally, the state's Instagram channel, VaccinateNY, helps educate school-aged New Yorkers and their families about the COVID-19 vaccine directly. This social media platform provides approachable, interactive content with easy-to-understand vaccine information, prospective content partnerships, #VaxtoSchool social media design contests, and quick video explainers.

The goal is to ensure all New Yorkers have the facts about the COVID-19 vaccine. The New York State Department of Health will also amplify these digital education efforts across all its social media channels, including Facebook, Instagram and Twitter.

Pop-up vaccination sites are located at the addresses below. SOMOS Community Care will provide vaccinations at locations in New York City and Inverse Medical will provide vaccinations at locations throughout the state. Additional locations may be announced in the future.

Ulster County Local Health Department  
Hudson Valley Mall (Old Best Buy near the Target)  
1500 Ulster Avenue, Kingston NY 12401  
Open: Aug. 27, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.  
Vaccine Type: Pfizer-BioNTech and Moderna  
Ages: 6 months+

Ulster County Local Health Department  
Hudson Valley Mall (Old Best Buy near the Target)  
1500 Ulster Avenue, Kingston NY 12401  
Open: Sept. 10, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.  
Vaccine Type: Pfizer-BioNTech and Moderna

# Claryville Fire Dept.

1500 Denning Road Claryville, NY 12725

## All You Can Eat Pancake Breakfast



# Sunday, September 22

**Serving 7:00 until 12 Noon**

**Adults: \$9**

**Children Ages 5-11: \$5**

**Under 5 Yrs. Free**

Take-outs are available 985-7270

\$50 from the Breakfast Is Donated to the Claryville Reformed Church Food Pantry



It's Book Tent Time  
at the  
Daniel Pierce library!

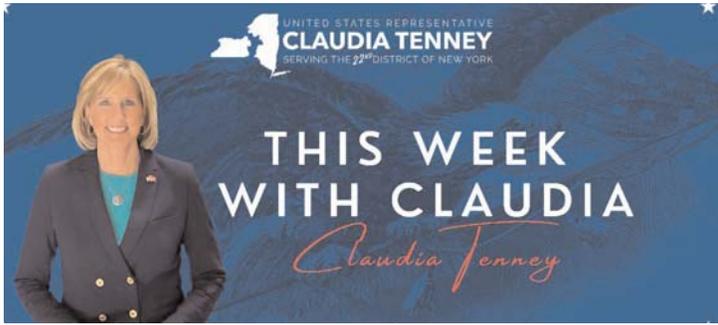
Stop by ANYTIME

Please do not leave donated materials outside of the library or under the book tent. Donations are accepted by appointment ONLY.

Please call 845-985-7233 to make your appointment.

Thank you for your continued support of the Daniel Pierce Library!





## Mid-Year Review

As we approach the end of summer, I wanted to take an opportunity this week to highlight some of my work in Congress throughout this year. As your voice in Washington, I am committed to providing compassionate and transparent representation to our communities. Below are just some highlights from this year that I wanted to share. As always, I want to hear what you think! Please share your feedback with me. You can do so by responding directly to this email, or by visiting my website here. It is an honor to serve you!

### **Update #1: Fighting for American Energy Security and to Lower Energy Costs for Consumers**

Earlier this year, I introduced the American Energy is Global Security Act to lower costs for American consumers, power New York State into the future, and secure America's energy independence. The bill would incentivize New York to repeal the statewide ban on hydraulic fracturing by withholding funding from certain federal grant programs.

Much of Central New York, Western New York, and the Southern Tier lie above the Marcellus Shale and the deeper Utica Shale formations. These resources have allowed neighboring Pennsylvania to become the 2nd largest natural gas producer in the United States, accounting for 20.5% of all domestic natural gas production. This energy development now supports 480,000 Pennsylvania jobs and collects over \$500 million for statewide environmental protection funding. Similarly, these formations could power New York for decades and help restore economic prosperity to the region.

But despite any firm environmental evidence, the administration of disgraced former Governor Andrew Cuomo implemented a blanket statewide ban on hydraulic fracturing. The ban was then officially established in 2015 by the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) and codified in 2020 by the New York State legislature. This baseless anti-energy policy has stopped our state from accessing a local lower-carbon energy source with the potential to meet the state's energy needs for decades and provide necessary economic development to Upstate New York communities. It is time for the repeal of this failed ban and a return to a fact-driven energy policy.

As Americans struggle with record-high energy costs due to Joe Biden and Kathy Hochul's energy and economic illiteracy, it is time we take actions to reverse this disaster and restore our nation's energy independence. Americans need clean energy at lower costs now, and delivering on this commitment can and should start right here in New York. The bill's text is available at:

[https://tenney.house.gov/sites/evo-subsites/tenney.house.gov/files/evo-media-document/NYFracking\\_TENNEY\\_110\\_xml%5B31%5D.pdf](https://tenney.house.gov/sites/evo-subsites/tenney.house.gov/files/evo-media-document/NYFracking_TENNEY_110_xml%5B31%5D.pdf)

### **Update #2: Led the Charge to Overturn New York's Unconstitutional 2A Restrictions and Won**

Last year, I was honored to lead 175 of my House colleagues, including House Republican Leader Kevin McCarthy,

House Republican Whip Steve Scalise, and House Republican Conference Chair Elise Stefanik, in an amicus brief to the Supreme Court, defending the right to conceal carry under the Second Amendment to the Constitution in the case *New York State Rifle and Pistol Association v. Bruen*. In this case, New York residents asserted they were wrongly denied a concealed carry permit for personal protection by state officials.

This summer we were victorious! The Supreme Court overturned New York's law, reaffirming and strengthening our Second Amendment rights. As the defund the police movement goes mainstream in the Democrat Party and failed progressive policies like bail reform make our streets less safe, it is more important than ever to ensure law-abiding Americans can properly defend themselves inside and out of their homes. This vital issue was at the core of the Court's ruling

This case was the most significant victory for Second Amendment advocates since *Heller v. District of Columbia* in 2008, which reaffirmed the right of Americans to keep and bear arms for personal protection. But make no mistake about it: the Second Amendment is still under attack by far-left politicians in Albany and Washington, including state lawmakers who pursued legislative action to undo the effects of this ruling. I will continue to strongly oppose these policies, which cut against our fundamental rights and make Americans less safe. I will continue fighting to protect the right of law-abiding citizens to keep and bear arms, and I will always stand for the Second Amendment.

**Update #3: Introduced the American Confidence in Elections Act to Promote Election Integrity**

As founder and co-chair of the House Election Integrity Caucus, I introduced the American Confidence in Elections (ACE) Act with Congressman Rodney Davis (IL-13) to restore faith in American elections.

The bill bans Zuckerbucks, ends Biden's Executive Order 14019 turning federal agencies into partisan get-out-the-vote operations, provides states with tools to boost election integrity, and prohibits non-citizens from voting.

Americans' faith in elections has cratered in recent years following debacles, such as the race for Congress in New York's 22nd Congressional District in 2020, which was not certified until three months after election day and left the district without representation in the House of Representatives for more than one month. A recent poll from CNN found that a mere 16% of Americans are very confident in our elections.

Free and fair elections are key to preserving our self-governing Constitutional Republic. Instead of pushing an overreaching federal election takeover, such as H.R. 1, the ACE Act would institute common sense reforms, while respecting the primary role of states in administering elections. With confidence in our elections at a record-low, now is the time to undertake these reforms to restore faith in and secure the integrity of our elections. The full text of the bill is available at: <https://tenney.house.gov/sites/evo-subsites/tenney.house.gov/files/evo-media-document/American%20Confidence%20in%20Elections%20Act.pdf>

### **Update #4: Fighting to Secure our Border**

I have called for President Joe Biden's impeachment for his failure to secure our border, which amounts to a gross dereliction of duty. Earlier this year, I also joined with Congressman Lee Zeldin (NY-01), House Republican Conference Chairwoman Elise Stefanik (NY-21), and the other Republican members of the New York Congressional Delegation in a letter to Governor Kathy Hochul urging her to work with the state legislature to repeal disastrous state programs that incentivize illegal immigrants to come to New York.

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**This Week with Claudia** (From Pg. 56) T h e crisis at the Southern Border has exploded under the Biden Administration. During fiscal year 2022 (FY22), which still has nearly two months left, the United States has already shattered the record of total encounters with migrants at the border by CBP agents, reaching over two million. New York's misguided policies, which include awarding driver's licenses, COVID-19 relief checks, and hundreds of millions of dollars' worth of Medicaid services to illegal immigrants, have incentivized illegal immigrants to come to New York. Last year, the Biden Administration even began flying illegal immigrants directly into New York in the dead of night. You can read our full letter at: [https://tenney.house.gov/sites/evo-subsites/tenney.house.gov/files/evo-media-document/8.9.22\\_Letter%20to%20Gov.%20Hochul%20re-%20Illegal%20Immigration.pdf](https://tenney.house.gov/sites/evo-subsites/tenney.house.gov/files/evo-media-document/8.9.22_Letter%20to%20Gov.%20Hochul%20re-%20Illegal%20Immigration.pdf)

**Update #5: Continuing to Press for Accountability in New York's Failed COVID-19 Response**

As lead sponsor of the Essential Caregivers Act in Congress, which now has 60 cosponsors, I sent a letter to Governor Kathy Hochul urging her to ensure New York State's independent inquiry into the COVID-19 response is open, fair, and truly transparent and that it addresses continued questions regarding the State's response in nursing homes and long-term care facilities.

Throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, New York State imposed knee-jerk and draconian measures, like severe economic lockdowns, statewide mask mandates, school closures, and vaccine mandates. Notably, disgraced former Governor Andrew Cuomo required nursing homes and long-term care facilities to accept COVID-19 positive patients in the early days of the pandemic, compromising the health and safety of this most vulnerable population.

My calls on the independent inquiry to address the following questions, among several others:

Why was the decision made to transfer COVID-positive seniors into long-term care facilities, especially given that seniors were always assessed as a high-risk population?

How many deaths can be attributed to the decision by New York State's Department of Health to return COVID-positive patients back into long-term care facilities?

What was the impact of isolation on seniors and other vulnerable populations who were cut off from their essential caregivers while residing in long-term care facilities?

Last year, I introduced H.R. 3733, the Essential Caregivers Act, which would establish a new federal standard guaranteeing the rights of long-term care patients to access essential caregivers, even in future public health emergencies. One of the greatest tragedies of the COVID-19 pandemic was the devastation caused by long-term isolation that occurred because of Governor Cuomo's lockdown policies.

The full text of the letter is available at: [https://tenney.house.gov/sites/evo-subsites/tenney.house.gov/files/evo-media-document/Pandemic%20Study%20Letter%20to%20Gov.%20Hochul\\_FINAL.pdf](https://tenney.house.gov/sites/evo-subsites/tenney.house.gov/files/evo-media-document/Pandemic%20Study%20Letter%20to%20Gov.%20Hochul_FINAL.pdf)

**Update #6: Led the Push to Defund the Unconstitutional Disinformation Governance Board**

President Biden has attacked free speech and encouraged censorship from the very beginning of his failed Administration. Last year, White House Press Secretary Jen Psaki admitted that the Administration was encouraging Facebook to censor what it considered to be COVID 'misinformation.' Now, the President is proposing an unconstitutional 'Ministry of Truth' to silence dissenting views and stop the spread of information he does not like.

This is entirely un-American and sets a dangerous precedent. The First Amendment protects every citizen's right to free speech and ensures the government does not target specific political views. I am calling for Biden to drop this misguided policy immediately. In the meantime, I am cosponsoring two pieces of legislation to ensure no

federal taxpayer dollars are used to fund the Ministry of Truth. I will continue to be a strong and principled advocate for the First Amendment.

The first measure I co-sponsored was introduced by Congressman Mike Johnson (LA), and it bars federal funding for the Disinformation Governance Board. The second measure she cosponsored was introduced by Congressman August Pfluger (TX) and similarly bars federal funds from being authorized or appropriated to the Department of Homeland Security for the purposes of establishing the Disinformation Governance Board.

**Update #7: Introduced Mental Health Legislation that Passed the House of Representatives**

I introduced H.R. 7237, the Reauthorizing Evidence-based And Crisis Help Initiatives Needed to Generate (REACHING) Improved Mental Health Outcomes for Patients Act with Representatives Morgan Griffith (VA), Sharice Davids (KS), and Angie Craig (MN). This legislation would reauthorize and improve programs providing care and treatment for mental health, suicide prevention, substance abuse, and related issues. And in June, this bill passed the House of Representatives as part of a broader mental health package.

The COVID-19 pandemic worsened mental health and substance abuse challenges for many. In the one-year period ending in April 2021, drug overdose deaths in the U.S. tragically increased 28.5% to 100,306, the highest ever, according to the CDC. Further, 4 in 10 U.S. adults have reported symptoms of anxiety or depression during the pandemic, compared with 1 in 10 who reported these symptoms in the first half of 2019, according to KFF. Despite this sad rise in poor mental health outcomes, New York State cut funding for 200 inpatient mental health treatment beds operated by the Office of Mental Health last year.

The full extent of the dire psychological impacts brought on by the pandemic and related lockdowns is just beginning to be understood, but one thing is clear: our friends and families need access to mental health care now more than ever. I am honored to join my colleagues in supporting the reauthorization of critical programs to ensure that mental health resources continue to reach individuals who need them. The improvements in the Crisis Care program will also allow policy makers to better incorporate the needs of law enforcement.

**Update #8: Fighting for Pro-Life Pregnancy Centers!**

I introduced the Pregnancy Resource Center Defense Act to strengthen penalties for attacking pregnancy resource centers and places of worship. Reps. David McKinley (WV-01), Don Bacon (NE-02), Tracey Mann (KS-01), and Madison Cawthorn (NC-11) joined me as original cosponsors. Senator Josh Hawley (MO) introduced the bill in the Senate.

In the wake of the Supreme Court's historic decision in *Dobbs v. Jackson*, pro-life pregnancy centers and places of worship have faced unprecedented attacks from radical pro-abortion activists. At least 50 violent attacks against pro-life pregnancy centers and another 150 attacks against Christian churches have been recorded. In Amherst, NY, CompassCare Pregnancy Services was firebombed and threatened.

Pro-life pregnancy centers provide lifesaving care to pregnant women in need. Radical pro-abortion terrorists have been targeting these pregnancy centers and Houses of Worship across the country in the wake of the Supreme Court's decision overturning *Roe*. In New York, CompassCare Pregnancy Services was recently firebombed because of its work to protect life. This is unacceptable. That's why I am standing up to say enough. Those who support life should never be under threat in America.

Specifically, the Pregnancy Resource Center Defense Act would protect pro-life pregnancy centers and places of worship from radical activists by strengthening penalties for attackers and increasing the minimum amount due to a center or religious facility that is attacked and sues successfully, including:

Increasing criminal penalties from a misdemeanor to a felony for first-time offenses, and increasing the criminal fine from \$10,000 to \$25,000; (Contd. Pg. 57-a)

## This Week with Claudia (From Pg. 57)

Guaranteeing that pregnancy resource centers and religious facilities that successfully sue will receive no less than \$20,000, a \$10,000 increase from current levels; and

Imposing a 7-year mandatory minimum when attacks involve arson, an increase from the current 5-year mandatory minimum.

The full text of the bill is available at:

<https://tenney.house.gov/sites/evo-subsites/tenney.house.gov/files/evo-media-document/Pregnancy%20Resource%20Center%20Defense%20Act%20TENNEY.pdf>

### Update #9: Supporting Rome Lab and our Military Servicemembers and Families

See video at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GqUSO-LcCk0>

As the mother of a Marine Captain, I will always back our military and their families. I testified in support of the Air Force Research Lab Information Directorate, also known as Rome Lab, at the House Armed Services Committee (HASC). I requested the Committee's support for three key investments in Rome Lab in the 2023 National Defense Authorization Act to expand Rome Lab's capabilities and in turn enable the United States to compete globally with our adversaries, dominate the virtual battlespace, and counter emerging threats.

My requests included:

\$10 million to develop the first and only government-owned Unmanned Aircraft System (UAS) Traffic Management System, which would lead to the development of revolutionary tools to counter small UAS's that our adversaries use to exploit U.S. airspace and target Americans;

\$10 million for a Quantum Cloud Computing and Multi-Modality Network Testbed, which will help the US lead in the development of quantum computing technologies, especially given recent advances made by adversaries like China;

\$10 million for the development of the Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning (AI/ML) for Joint All-Domain Command and Control Future Flag Testbed, which will further our military's AI capabilities, a critical technology that supports every aspect of the Pentagon's mission.

As part of the 2022 National Defense Authorization Act, I successfully secured the inclusion of an additional \$30 million in funding for Rome Lab. This included additional funding for the quantum network testbed, ion trap quantum computing, and the Air Force's academic partnership intermediary agreements.

Update #10: Introduced the Turn OFF THE TAP Act to Stand up to China

I introduced the Turn Off Federal Funding of Threatening Entities that Thwart American Prosperity Act, or the Turn OFF THE TAP Act, to prohibit federal taxpayer dollars from lining the pockets of entities included on federal trade and sanctions lists, either directly or through third parties. A Senate companion was also introduced by Senator Marco Rubio (FL) and cosponsored by Senators Marsha Blackburn (TN) and Rick Scott (FL).

There is currently no central ban on federal funds going to foreign firms explicitly identified through U.S. government blacklists, including dangerous Chinese companies. The Turn OFF THE TAP Act addresses this national security vulnerability by prohibiting federal funds from going to firms listed on several federal blacklists, including the Department of Commerce's Entity List and the Non-SDN Chinese Military-Industrial Complex Companies List. As the Chinese Communist Party (CCP) continues its offensive against American national, economic, and industrial security, while also committing gross human rights abuses, American taxpayers should not be forced to line its pockets.

The American people's tax dollars should not be invested in blacklisted Chinese companies. Yet today, because of weak policies

in Washington, they continue to be. It's time we cut off the tap. The Chinese Communist Party's predatory trade policies, significant human rights abuses, and threats to American security are absolutely unacceptable. In upstate New York, we have seen their disastrous effects firsthand. Enough is enough. It is time to step up and make common sense reforms to ensure Americans are not funding these entities.

The full text of the legislation is available at: <https://tenney.house.gov/sites/evo-subsites/tenney.house.gov/files/evo-media-document/Turn%20OFF%20THE%20TAP%20Act.pdf>

## Shumer, Gillibrand Announce Over \$3 Million in Federal Funding for Hudson Valley Airports

*Hudson Valley Regional, Westchester County, And Sullivan County International Airports Will Receive Critical Funds*

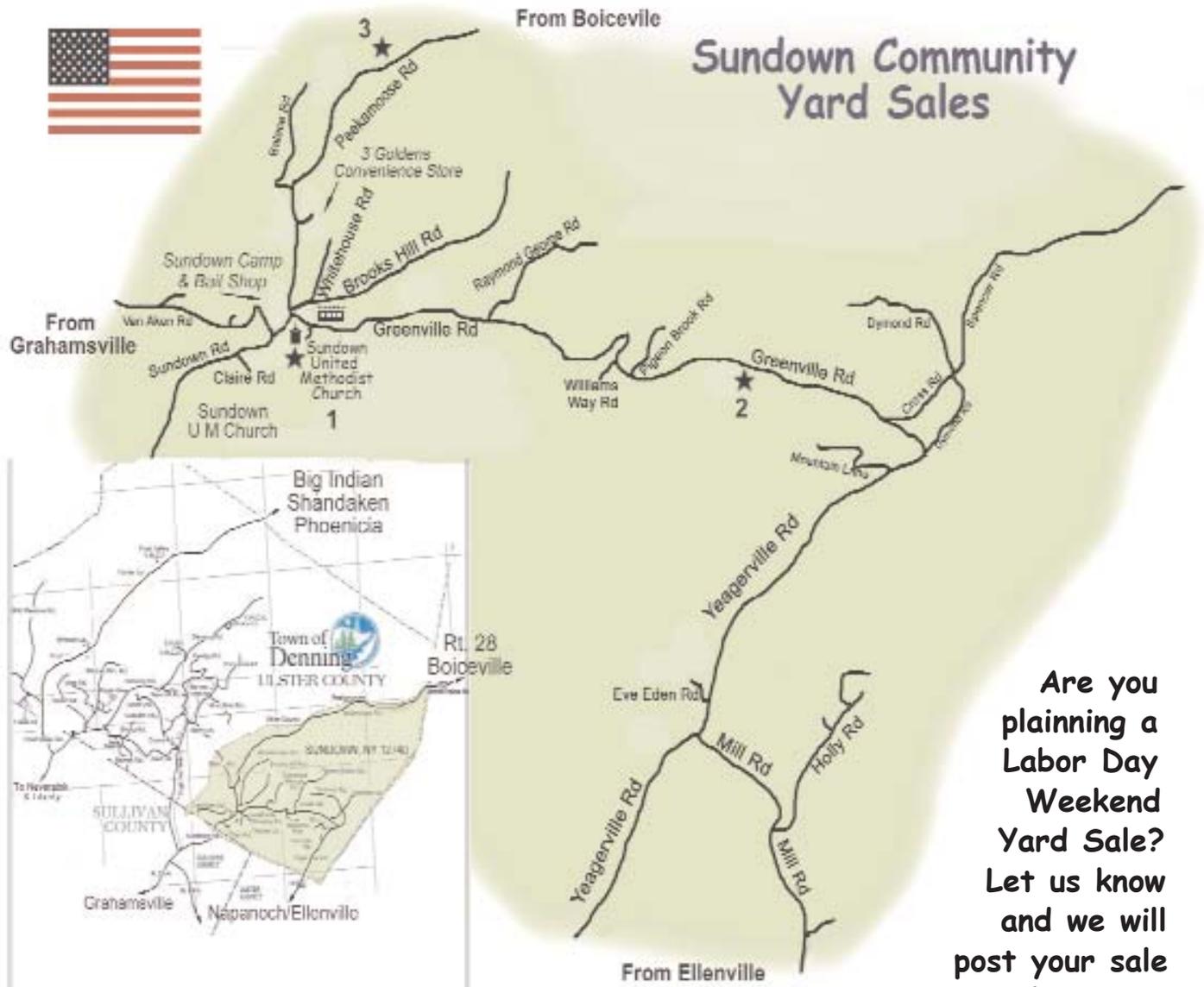
WASHINGTON, D.C. - Today, U.S. Senate Majority Leader Chuck Schumer and U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand announced \$3,668,460 in federal funding for three Hudson Valley airports: Hudson Valley Regional, Westchester County, and Sullivan County International. The funding was allocated through the Federal Aviation Administration's Airport Improvement Program (AIP), which was bolstered by the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, and will be used to improve snow removal operations and enhance airfield safety.

"This federal investment from the Bipartisan Infrastructure Investment & Jobs Act, which I championed in the Senate, will help airports across the Hudson Valley reach new heights," said Senator Schumer. "Transportation connections to the wider world are essential for community development and economic opportunity, and I have long been a champion of bringing those connections to Westchester, Sullivan, Dutchess, and beyond. The funding announced today means opportunities for more jobs, more growth, and more investment in the future. I will always work with the community to fight for the Hudson Valley's economic take off."

"Airports in the Hudson Valley serve over one million travelers each year," said Senator Gillibrand. "They need to be safe, modern, and efficient in order to facilitate tourism and spur local economic growth, and that requires continued upgrades. That's why I fought to pass the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, which is providing billions in funds for projects like these. It's time to rebuild our state's crumbling infrastructure and this is a critical step in the right direction. I'm proud to be delivering these funds and I'll keep fighting for resources to revitalize our airports, roads, and bridges."

A full list of funding recipients is below:

Recipient	Amount	Purpose
Hudson Valley Regional	\$ 288,239	Construct/extend/improve safety area
Hudson Valley Regional	\$ 2,112,381	Reconstruct taxiway lighting
Westchester County	\$ 613,696	Construct/rehabilitate/modify/expand snow removal equipment building
Sullivan Co International	\$ 654,144	Rehabilitate apron



**Are you planning a Labor Day Weekend Yard Sale? Let us know and we will post your sale on this page.**

Sundown Residents,

If you are planning a yard sale, or yard sales, this summer, please let us know and we will post your sale in *The Townsman*.

Just fill out this form, put an 'x' on the map showing location of yard sale and send it to Gnome Home Inc., 131 Peekamoose Road, Sundown, NY 12740.

Physical address where you will have your Yard Sale. \_\_\_\_\_

Date(s) of Yard Sale \_\_\_\_\_

Time(s) of Yard Sale: \_\_\_\_\_

Optional:

Type of Items you are selling: Crafts; household items; clothing; other \_\_\_\_\_

# Dept. of Motor Vehicles dates for the Neversink Town Hall.

## 9/1, 10/6, 11/3 & 12/8/2022.



Go on the DMV Website to make a reservation.

Search [sullivancountydmscheduling](#)

*Please read all appointment types before selecting one. If you select the wrong appointment type you may have to reschedule due to time constraints.*

### ***Now conveniently doing business at 9 locations:***

- Neversink Town Hall - 273 Main Street, Grahamsville, NY (rotating schedule)***
- Callicoon Town Hall - 19 Legion Street, Jeffersonville, NY (rotating schedule)***
- Rockland Town Hall - 95 Main Street, Livingston Manor, NY (rotating schedule)***
- Delaware Town Hall - 104 Lower Main Street, Hortonville, NY (rotating schedule)***
- Mamakating Town Hall - 2948 US 209, Wurtsboro, NY (rotating schedule)***
- Tusten Town Hall - 210 Bridge Street, Narrowsburg, NY (rotating schedule)***
- Town of Liberty Senior Center - 119 N Main St. Liberty, NY (rotating schedule)***
- Bloomingburg Town Hall - 13 North Rd. Bloomingburg, NY (rotating schedule)***

Customers **MUST** have all forms completed **PRIOR** to arriving for their appointment. You can access forms through the NYS DMV website - [dmv.ny.gov](#)

**\*\*\* IF YOU ARE LATE OR NOT PREPARED YOU WILL BE ASKED TO RESCHEDULE \*\*\***

*Please limit the number of people coming to your appointment. Additional people not necessary  
to the transaction may be asked to wait outside.*

The DMV will continue to take mail-in license renewals with proof of an eye exam and registration renewals to: Sullivan County DMV, 100 North Street, Monticello NY, 12701

# Legislative Majority Chooses Map #3 for Redistricting New Districts to Take Effect in 2024

Monticello, NY - A majority of legislators today picked a map - called "Option 3" - as their preferred district layout for the next decade.

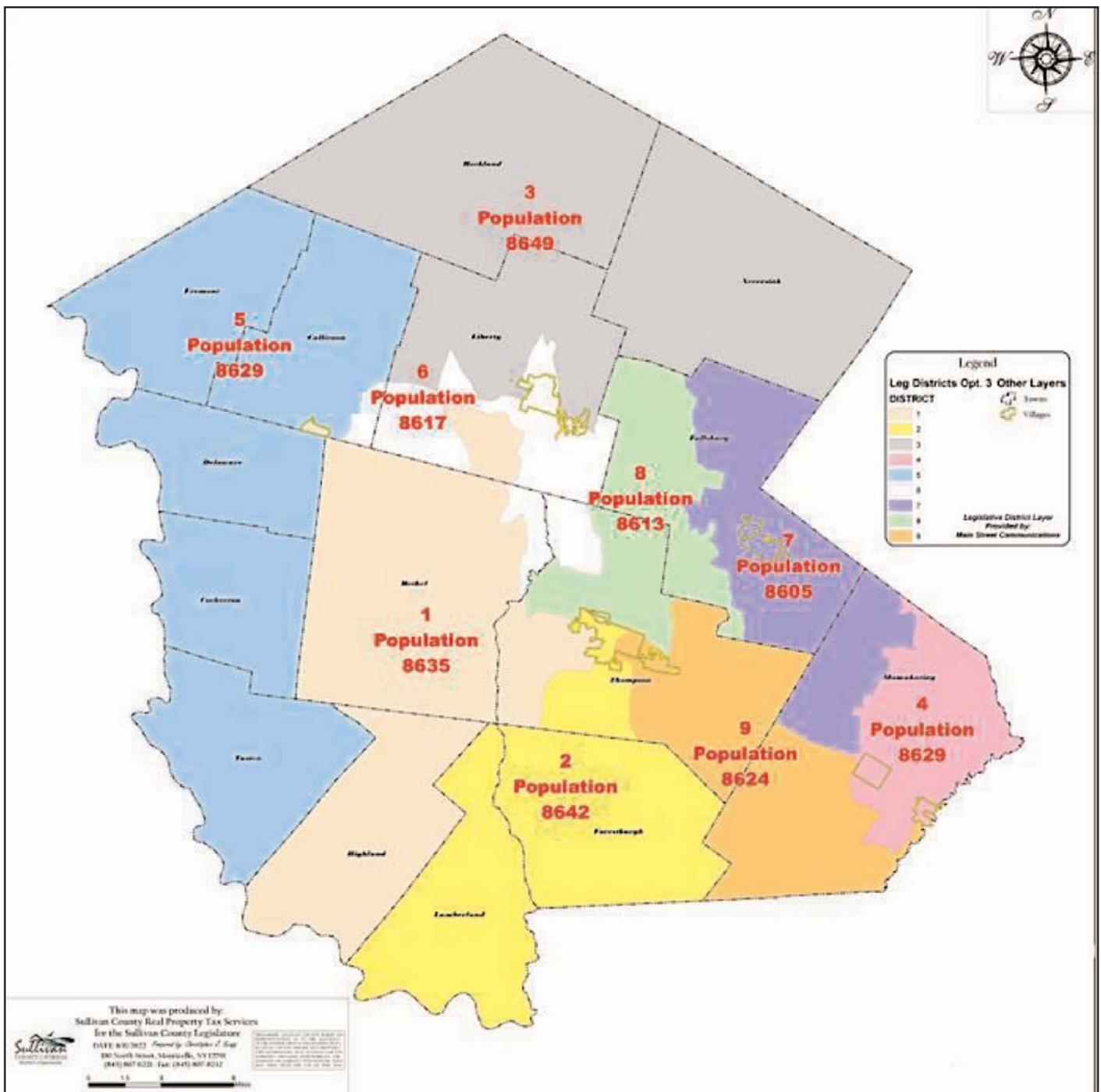
Legislators Robert A. Doherty, Michael Brooks, Nicholas Salomone, George Conklin and Alan Sorensen voted in favor, after deciding against options 1 and 2. Legislators Nadia Rajsz, Luis Alvarez, Joseph Perrello and Ira Steingart voted not to accept any of the options, expressing a desire to extend the period of review.

The 5-4 vote means all nine districts will shift their

boundaries to conform with the "Option 3" map come January 1, 2024. Mandated by law, the redistricting process is meant to ensure that each legislative district represents an approximately equal share of Sullivan County's population, as guided by the latest (2020) U.S. Census.

Main Street Communications of Iowa was selected at the beginning of this year to provide three proposed district maps for review. Those maps were presented to legislators and the public in June. The effort was undertaken this year so as to give voters and potential County Legislature candidates ample time to understand the new boundaries. Detailed maps are available at [www.sullivan.ny.us/Departments/Legislature/Redistricting](http://www.sullivan.ny.us/Departments/Legislature/Redistricting).

The Board of Elections, supported by the Real Property Tax Services Office, will now begin redrawing election districts to match. These districts will remain in effect for approximately the next 10 years, until the next (2030) U.S. Census figures are released.



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Trophies Top 40:

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Saturday, September 17, 2022

Free Registration 8:00am til 12:00pm

Donations gratefully accepted

Top 5 Trophies Awarded 3 PM



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*Raffles / Yard Sales*

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# INTERNATIONAL OVERDOSE AWARENESS DAY VIGIL

**Time to Remember. Time to Act.**



Join us as we raise awareness  
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stigma of drug-related deaths.

***Wednesday, August 31st\****  
***Begins at 7pm***

*Sullivan County Courthouse Front Lawn (414 Broadway, Monticello)*

*\*Rain date will be Thursday, September 1st*

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Outreach Coordinator, Lindsay Wheat, at  
LWheat@sullivan180.org or call (845)295-2683

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Familia

Community



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The trains are gone, but the masterpiece train layout remains. The layout contains multiple features & items that would be wonderful for a new train enthusiast or anyone who builds miniatures.



If interested in disassembling the entire masterpiece layout and carting it away, please call EJ at 845-866-1579.



# Time and the Valleys Museum

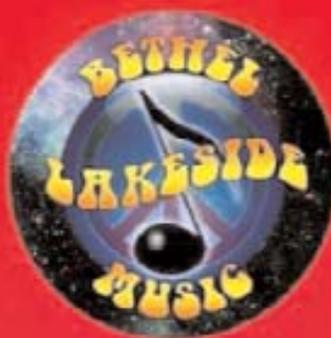
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# THURSDAY CONCERT



# SUMMER SERIES

**6 - 8 PM JUNE 23 - SEPT 8**

*Bethel Community Park aka Gazebo Park  
Kauneonga Lake, NY*

- JUNE 23** Keith Newman & Lynn Reno  
Rachel Berkman & Liam Leary
- JUNE 30** Joanna M Gass Search & Rescue Orchestra
- JULY 7** Lighten Up!
- JULY 14** The River Ramblers
- JULY 21** Fisher & Kean
- JULY 28** Jaketown Road
- AUG 4** Laura Garone & Southern Fried Soul
- AUG 11** Callicoon Station
- AUG 18** Scott Eckers Broadway Review
- AUG 25** Aerial Acoustics & The Wagner Project
- SEPT 1** Nilko Andreas & LaMar NYC
- SEPT 8** Robert Tellefsen - Season Finale Tribute to 1st Responders

Bethel Lakeside Music is a community-based project and is made possible through the generosity of Local & County supporters, Bethel Local Development Corp. (BLDC), Bethel Council of the Arts (BCA) & Bethel Business Association.

This project is made possible in part with funding from the Arts for Sullivan grant, funded by the New York State Council on the Arts and administered by the Delaware Valley Arts Alliance.

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**FALLSBURG FALL FESTIVAL**

**VENDORS WANTED!**

**Food, Crafts, Toys, Games, Antiques, Etc.**

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**Rain Date: Sept. 18, 2022**

**Where: Morningside Park, Hurleyville, NY**

**Time: 10 A.M. - 4 P.M.**

**(Vendor Set-up: 8 A.M. - NOT BEFORE)**

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**Vendors must provide their own equipment. Non-food vendor space is 10'x10' for \$15.00 ea.; Food vendor space is 15'x15' for \$20 ea.; Food truck fees are \$30 ea. Application and fees must be received no later than August 20, 2022**



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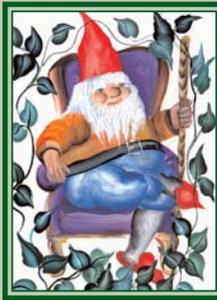


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CONGRATULATIONS TO THOSE HEADED  
BACK TO COLLEGE  
A LITTLE ADULT LAUGHTER  
AMERICAN PIE (R)  
ON AMAZON**

*American Pie* is a film series consisting of four hilarious coming-of-age sex comedy films. *American Pie*, the first film in the series, was released by Universal Pictures in 1999.



The film became a worldwide pop culture phenomenon and gained a cult following among young people. Following *American Pie*, the second and third films in the series *American Pie 2* (2001) and *American Wedding* (2003) were released; the fourth, *American Reunion*, was released in 2012. A spin-off film series entitled *American Pie Presents* consists of five direct-to-video films that were released from 2005 to 2020.

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**KNARF'S CLASSIC MOVIE'S  
THIS WEEK IT'S BACK TO SCHOOL  
WITH ALL OF THE "AMERICAN PIE"  
FILMS AND GET A LAUGH AT GOING  
BACK TO SCHOOL**



Throughout the first film in the original series, Jim Levenstein (Jason Biggs) tries to develop a relationship with his school classmate Nadia (Shannon Elizabeth). Jim and three of his best friends Kevin Myers (Thomas Ian Nicholas), Paul Finch (Eddie Kaye Thomas), and Chris Ostreicher (Chris Klein) make a pact to lose their virginity before their high school graduation.

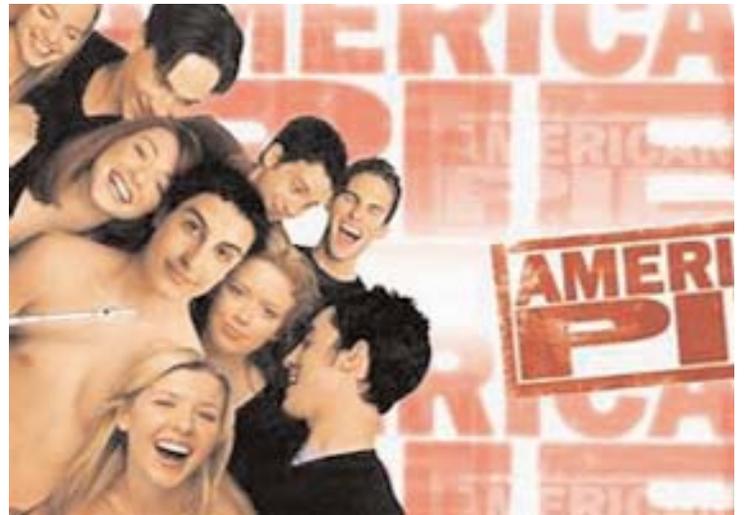


In the meantime, Steve Stifler (Seann William Scott), the obnoxious jock of the group, provides them with unorthodox advice while hosting wild parties. In the second film, the five boys host a summer party and Jim becomes interested in his friend, Michelle Flaherty



(Alyson Hannigan). In the third film, Jim and Michelle plan to marry, although the forced invitation of Stifler could ruin everything. In the fourth film, the gang gets back together in anticipation of their thirteenth high school reunion. The spin-off series revolves around relatives of Stifler, including his brother Matt (Tad Hilgenbrink); his cousins Erik (John White), Dwight (Steve Talley), Scott (John Patrick Jordan), Stephanie (Lizze Broadway); and their respective friends.

The original series, produced on a total budget of US\$145 million, has grossed over 800 million worldwide. The spin-off films were released direct-to-video. The original series has received mixed reviews from critics, while the spin-off series has received negative reviews.



*Stay safe, and stay well  
Knarf Odnamoc  
Gnome*

# INSIDE INSIGHTS

THE NEWSLETTER OF  
THE SULLIVAN COUNTY MANAGER



## LET US DO THE DRIVING...

BY JOSHUA POTOSEK, COUNTY MANAGER

This is a momentous year for Move Sullivan, our public bus system that debuted in 2019.

For one, we've gone back to FREE rides for everyone. For another, we're just about ready to launch TWO new routes. With Monticello (specifically the Government Center) as the hub, Move Sullivan will expand beyond our existing loops in Monticello, Fallsburg, Liberty, Woodridge and Rock Hill to include a loop serving Swan Lake and White Lake, and another serving Wurtsboro and Bloomingburg.

In short, on any given weekday (except holidays), you'll be able to hitch a ride from any of our largest population centers to healthcare offices, parks, stores, downtowns and developments. I truly believe this service has already been a game-changer for our residents, especially those who work hard but can't afford their own cars.

But this service is open to everyone, and I encourage you to give it a try. Details (including times, maps and paratransit info) are available by calling 845-434-4102 or visiting [www.move.sullivan.com](http://www.move.sullivan.com).

### WHAT YOU'LL FIND IN THIS ISSUE:

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## GET YOUR FOIL ON

FOIL - it stands for Freedom Of Information Law. It's a State law, and it means you have a right to access information that we may or may not routinely make public - with a few important exceptions.

You can't get personal information that would identify someone in a way that violates their right to privacy. You're also not generally able to view interoffice correspondence, confidential litigation documents or info pertaining to children.

But that leaves a lot open to public inspection. So how do you make a FOIL request? Email your request to FOIL@sullivanny.us or pick up a form at the County Manager's Office, the Board of Elections or the Sheriff's Office.

Keep in mind these top five tips:

1. DO be specific. The more we know about what you want, the faster we can get it to you.
2. DON'T send the same request more than one time. Once we've responded, you can rest assured we're working on giving you an answer.
3. DO know what you want. If it's related to the Sheriff's Office or the County Jail, contact them at 845-807-0757. Any other matter goes through the County Manager's Office at 845-807-0450 or FOIL@sullivanny.us.
4. DO expect a charge for paper copies - 25 cents a page is the current rate.
5. DON'T be impatient. Our FOIL officer has five days to make her initial response, which can be extended for as long as needed to gather the requested documentation. She will work on your request as quickly as possible, but she has other duties as well.

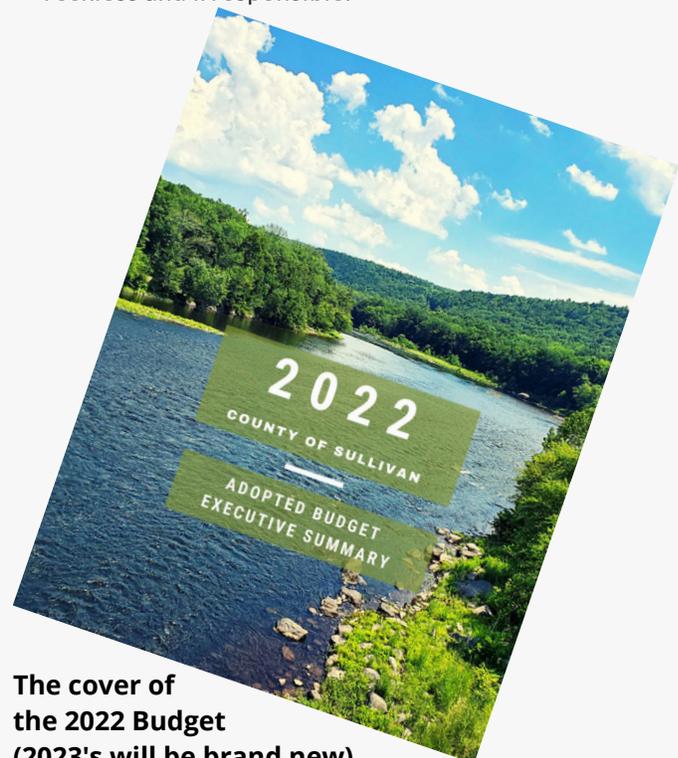
Our FOIL officer is Rosemarie Savaglio, while the Sheriff's Office's FOIL officer is Nadine Bury. Both stand ready to assist you in accessing documents of usefulness. (Just please remember that's not all they do!)

## THE PLAN FOR 2023

You hate paying taxes. I'm with you. If there were a way we could fund government without dipping into anyone's wallet, I'd sign up!

But that's not reality and likely never will be. So Sullivan County's Budget Office, along with my office, makes it a point to scrutinize every request we get from every office for funding in the next budget. In this case, that's 2023, and Budget Director Janet Young is already working through those requests, which will be followed by face-to-face meetings with departmental leaders throughout the month of September.

I'll file a tentative 2023 budget with the Legislature by November, one that will keep in mind we have a 2% State-mandated property tax cap (2.84% when you include our growth factor, which has doubled from last year). Being a local taxpayer myself, I will pay close attention to the ultimate impact on all of our wallets. We've enjoyed incredible growth in our economy, job market and population since the COVID pandemic, but I never operate as if that will be sustained. There will inevitably be a downturn, and our financial planning will include that possibility. To do otherwise would be reckless and irresponsible.



**The cover of the 2022 Budget (2023's will be brand new)**

# A DESTINATION IS RETURNING TO CALLICOON

What longtime locals may remember as the Upper Delaware Campgrounds in Callicoon is poised to become Sullivan County's next great park. We're in the process of asking the State for \$500,000 (of which we'd need to match up to \$125,000) to resurrect the campground and add walking trails, an event space, areas for nature observation, children's adventure play features, a dog park, and access to the Delaware River, including a Dept. of Environmental Conservation boat launch. This will all be within walking distance of downtown Callicoon, which will benefit another way, as well. Six acres of this 48-acre site have been set aside for the Town of Delaware to build a wastewater treatment plant that will be out of reach of the floodwaters that have devastated the current facility over the years. We got to this point thanks to the patient and dedicated efforts of our Planning and Grants teams, plus that of the Trust for Public Land, the Town of Delaware, the Upper Delaware Council and the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation. With crucial funding from the Trust for Public Land, we

collaborated to acquire and master-plan the property. Now we're getting ready to develop it, to put a shine back on this former gem.

In the meantime, visit the existing County parks! Each is uniquely fascinating: Stone Arch Bridge in Kenoza Lake, Minisink Battleground in Barryville, Livingston Manor Covered Bridge, and the Delaware & Hudson Canal Linear Park in Wurtsboro and Summitville.



## WISELY SPENDING \$\$\$ SO YOU DON'T HAVE TO

Like virtually every municipality across the country, we've been fortunate to receive millions of dollars in Federal aid due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The American Rescue Plan Act, known as ARPA, has funneled \$14.6 million to us over the past two years, and the Legislature has allocated that towards projects that otherwise would have cost taxpayers:

- DPW Highway Program: **\$3,750,000**
- Sullivan County Community College Capital Improvements: **\$4,894,279**
- Revenue Loss Replacement: **\$5,826,356**

We are no longer bonding for road and bridge repairs, and we've been able to fund critical building and heating/ventilation needs at SUNY Sullivan, ensuring it remains open for years to come. Our COVID response efforts continue, as well, with funding available for whatever we seek to accomplish as the need arises.

## DON'T FORGET TO VOTE

It's a little unusual and a whole lot confusing: there are three elections on August 23 in Sullivan County.

- A Special Election - open to ALL voters in the County - will determine whether Democrat Pat Ryan or Republican Marcus Molinaro replace former Congressman (now Lt. Governor) Antonio Delgado as our representative in the 19th Congressional District.
- A Primary Election - open just to Democratic voters in the County - will determine whether Jamie Cheney or Josh Riley will be the Democratic candidate in the November election for the 19th Congressional District (ultimately pitting them against Republican Marcus Molinaro, since Democrat Pat Ryan will run in November for the 18th Congressional District).
- A Primary Election - open just to Republican voters in the County - will determine whether Terry Bernardo or Peter K. Oberacker will be the Republican candidate in the November election for the 51st NYS Senatorial District.



## MEETING PEOPLE WHERE THEY'RE AT

At some point in our lives, we all need a sympathetic ear or a helping hand. Maybe you're feeling depressed, sad or anxious. It doesn't have to be at a suicidal level - those emotions can wreck your day, week or month, causing a downward spiral. Friends and family may be of limited help. Even those who are well-meaning may not know how to assist or understand the issues you're dealing with.

So where to turn? An easy-to-remember phone number: 988 (or its web equivalent, [www.988lifeline.org](http://www.988lifeline.org)).

You'll be swiftly connected to someone who is thoroughly trained to listen, understand and assist in whatever way possible. That may be mental health counseling, or food and shelter, or peer support, or something else.

One thing is certain: you will NEVER be told, "Sorry, there's nothing we can do for you."

There are answers. There are people who care. There are places to go.

All you need to do is ask...