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# **Creative Crafters Gather in Claryville for the Claryville Fire Department's Annual Craft Fair**

The annual Claryville Fire Department Craft Fair brought many vendors together – some new and some returning vendors.



Many of the numerous craft tables focused on autumn, turning the hall into a bounty of creative home decorating ideas, gifts and more.

Gnomes popped up on a few tables. There were some tables with hand crocheted items. diamond art, beaded art, and quilted items. The Grahamsville United Methodist Church had a medley of different handcrafted items. (Contd. Pg. 4)

# Lighting of the Red Hill Fire Tower 2023

On Saturday, September 2, 2023 at approximately 8:30 pm, volunteers will place lights in the Red Hill Fire Tower and use spot lights to signal the local community. Volunteers will also be placing lights in the four other Catskill Fire Towers; Balsam Lake Mt., Hunter Mt., Tremper Mt., and Overlook Mt..

We encourage the community to come out and flash light signals to the tower. If you flash your lights at us, we will do our best to flash a light back to you.

Some of the locations you can see the Red Hill Fire Tower from are; The parking area off of Rt. 55 on the Merriman Dam of the Rondout Reservoir, Blue Hill Rd., Claryville/Denning Rd. south of the East Valley Farm of the YMCA, Red Hill Knolls Rd., and Rudolph Rd., (one of the nearest locations to the tower.) There will be small signs placed by these locations.

We hope you can come out and show your support for the fire towers.

In the event of rain or zero visibility, the "Lighting of the Towers" will take place on Sunday, Sept. 3, 2023.

Stay safe and thank you for your support! **Red Hill Fire Tower Committee** 



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**On the Front Burner:** But as for me, my prayer is unto thee, O Lord, in an acceptable time: O God, in the multitude of thy mercy, hear me, in the truth of thy salvation. Psalm 69:13

# **OBITUARY**

John M. Sauchuk, Sr, (Pop)



passed away of natural causes at home on 24, August 2023, surrounded by his family. He was 91. John was one of five children born on

April 6, 1932 to the late Michael and Elisabeth Sauchuk. John was a veteran of the Korean War who earned two bronze service stars. He retired after more than 40 years as Superintendent of the Catskill's many golf courses and was a member of the Hudson Valley Golf Superintendent's Course Association. One of John's favorite pleasures in life was being at the little league ballfields with his family, umpiring behind home plate. In his spare time, he enjoyed making maple syrup with his family. One of his passions was mowing his yard to golf course perfection. He also enjoyed deep sea fishing and traveling the world with his wife, Louise, his mother-in-law, Frieda Fisher, and his dear friends Alma and Russel Cross. John and Louise were also avid members of the Tri-Valley Squares Square Dancing Club. John is survived by the love of his life, his wife, Louise; three children John Jr. (Kathy), Cindy McKenna, and Wade; three grandchildren Maggie, Kane and Gregson; and two great grandchildren Amelia and Orion. A Graveside services will be held Monday, August 28, 2023 at 10:00AM at the Grahamsville Rural State Route Cemetery 55. Grahamsville, NY. The family wishes to extend their heartfelt gratitude to Achieve Care Center and Hospice of Orange and Sullivan County for the excellent care they provided. In lieu of flowers donations can be made to Hospice of Orange and Sullivan Counties 800 Stony Brook NY Ct, Newburgh, 12550. Arrangements were under the care of Colonial Memorial Funeral Home for further information please call 845-434-7363 or visit www.colonialfamilyfuneralhome.com

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

#### September 9, 1953

Warren C. Many, the oldest resident in the Town of Neversink, and the County of Sullivan, passed away September 6th after a week's illness. Mr. Many was born September 20, 1857 in Denning, the son of Robert T. Many and Elmira Bennett Many. He never married. He served on the Official Board of the Methodist Church and had been a trustee of the church.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bailey of Claryville are the proud parents of a son, Larry Lee, born at Maimonides Hospital, Liberty on Friday, August 28, 1953.

Last Saturday's storm which brought some rain to this drought parched area was preceded by a violent wind of short duration. A funnel shaped twister moved down Thunder Hill, gave the barn a shove at the Emmett Walter place, whirled across the recently leveled flats at the tunnel outlet and roared off in the direction of Burnt Hill

#### September 4, 1963

Congratulations to Frederic E. Finch who is one of 352 students scheduled to receive a master's degree at Kent State University, Ohio. He is to receive a Master's Degree in Business Administration. He previously earned an Associate Degree in Business Administration at Alfred State College of Agriculture and Technology and has a bachelor's degree from Kent State. (Contd. Pg. 3)

# Nature Column - L. Comando

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

#### September 26, 1973

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Elwood E. Velie, 68, of Big Hollow Road, Grahamsville, died suddenly Friday at his brother's residence. Mr. Velie was a lifelong area resident and a retired farmer for the Department of Correction, Woodbourne Correctional Facility. He was born February 16, 1905 in Neversink to John and Elva Everett Velie. Mr. Velie was married to Mildred Maier on April 5, 1953 in Grahamsville. He was past chief of the Grahamsville Fire Department; a member of the Sullivan County Fire Police Assoc.; and a Councilman for the Town of Neversink from 1952 to 1967.

#### September 8, 1983

Marilyn Seidita of Campbell Rd., Napanoch, died Sunday, Aug. 28th at Benedictine Hospital, Kingston, after a long illness. She was 40. The daughter of Joseph and Caroline Susina Catania, she was born April 17, 1943 in Brooklyn, NY. She was a communicant of the Immaculate Conception Church, Woodbourne. Survivors include her husband, Sal at home; her parents of Brooklyn a son, Stephen and a daughter, Nadine, both at home; a sister, Tina Tringali of Brooklyn.

**Tidbits from Tom Higgins:** According to the Assoc. of Ice Cream Mfgrs. there are over 400 flavors available today, including bubble gum, peanut butter and jelly and macadamia nut...In the U.S. the average American consumes 2.7 gallons of wine a year. In France it's closer to 30 gallons per person. As for beer, the West Germans were the tops, consuming an average of 38.2 gallons per person. Americans were in 12th place downing 24.3 gallons of beer each.

## LOOKING BACK

by Beatrice Akerley

Published Aug 128, 1997

Our old home is gone now but I will always cherish the memories of living in a two-story cottage and whiling away the hours on the back porch with family and friends.

I have written several times in regard to evenings spent on our front porch but I can't recall ever writing much about our back porch.

In the early 1920's clusters of pink climbing roses grew alongside the porch. In the early summer and when a warm summer breeze blew the white snowballs of hydrangea against the porch railing, the sound would be what mother described as a heavenly breeze. I loved to sit on the wooden steps leading up to the back porch, nibbling on stalks of rhubarb, dipping them in salt. They puckered up my mouth but I chomped them right down, as they tasted so good.

Mother kept her baby carriage on the back porch where she put the babies down for a nap each day and I always felt so big when she chose me to watch over them while she helped dad in the store. I loved curling up in the old big porch rocker with a book, being in charge of the baby. They always looked so peaceful as they slept.

One evening as mother and us kids were sitting on the back porch, enjoying the quiet evening, we were rudely interrupted by music coming from our living room. We all ran in to investigate and found dad. He had come in from the store and was playing some of his favorite old tunes. We all joined him, singing so loud that we awakened the baby who had been napping on the back porch. She joined in with a different tune and when mother got her quieted down, we all climbed the stairs to our beds. Tired? No....Us kids would have enjoyed staying up another hour but all nice things have to come to an end.

#### **Household Hint:**

#### Is Grass Growing in Cracks in Your Paved Driveway?

Pour full strength on unwanted grass. It is safe for animals and it works!

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.

# Dragonflies

We noticed a beautiful dragonfly flying over the binnekill in our front yard. Binnekill comes from the Dutch words *binnen* (inside) and *kill* (creek). To the local Catskill region of New York State - binnekill refers to the backwater portion of a stream or remnant of old stream

bed. Along Peekamoose Road, you will see several binnekills. Not long ago that colorful dragonfly was a nymph that probably was walking along the bottom of our binnekill.



A few years back that nymph hatched from an egg. About a week

after it hatched it began pond hunting –looking for food. A nymph can rapidly jet through the water by squirting water out of the tip of its tail. A nymph breathes through another tube in its tail by sucking water in and out and extracting oxygen from the water.

Nymphs are voracious hunters of small underwater creatures, including tadpoles and small minnows. Water-fleas and midge larvae can also provide abundant food sources. Dragonfly larvae themselves can fall victim to predators, including other dragonfly larvae, fish and waterfowl. If any limbs or caudal lamellae (parts of its tail) are lost to predators, there is an opportunity to replace them at each molt. They have a curious trap to catch prey which no other insect has. The lower lip is a long hinged mouth part with sharp hooks at the tip which shoots forward like a frog extending its tongue to catch a fly. When not in use, it folds over the face like a mask.

A nymph will shed its skin at least a dozen times over the next several years until its life ends as a nymph. For its final molt, usually during the morning, the nymph will climb out of the water onto robust emergent vegetation, although some may walk a distance over dry land before finding somewhere suitable for the transition. After finding a secure support, they redistribute their body fluids -first to push the thorax, head, legs and wings out of the larval skin. There is then a pause of about 30 minutes to allow their legs to harden enough for the next stage, when the abdomen is withdrawn. The wings and then the abdomen are expanded and start to harden. This process leaves behind a cast skin, called an exuvia. After the wings emerge and dry off another beautiful dragonfly will fly away, glistening like a rainbow. Unlike most other insects, the dragonfly has no pupal stage. The transition from larva to adult is known as incomplete metamorphosis. The lifeexpectancy of an adult dragonfly is short, typically no more than a week or two, but exceptionally 6 to 8 weeks.

The dragonfly's long slender body can be red, green or blue with white, black or yellow markings. The shape suggests the name "darning needle."

Three hundred and fifty million years ago giant dragonflies with twofoot wingspread zoomed around that ancient world. Nowadays only two families remain in the order Odonata - dragonflies and damselflies. True dragonflies hold their wings out horizontally at rest while damselflies perch with narrow wings together that are upright.

A dragonfly's speed of 60 mph bursts generally help them escape from birds and animals. They have six spiny strong legs which can perch but cannot walk. As it zooms through the air, it gathers its legs into a basket to catch mosquitoes and black flies which are eaten while flying. Dragonflies are extremely good hunters that consume their own weight every thirty minutes. What a beneficial insect to man!

Adult dragonflies are most active between mid-morning and midafternoon, when temperatures are highest.

Dragonflies can mate in flight. Often after mating the male suspends the female on egg laying trips around a pond while she hovers to drop her hundreds of eggs in the water or attach them to water weeds.

Their offspring, the young nymphs will hatch from the eggs and a new cycle begins.

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# **Creative Crafters Gather in Claryville for the** (From Pg. 1) For those looking to get healthy, Kate's





Herbals offered her handcrafted oils, ointments, and so forth. Right next to Kate's display was Roof Top Honey that also offered some healthy tasties including garlic honey, peppermint honey, lemon honey and hot honey to name a few.

> There was a table with healing stones and another with healing scents and soaps.

For those who wanted a quick fix to glamour, "color Street" nail polish strips that are easy to apply were on sale at another table.







Throughout the day the hall was filled with many shoppers looking for gifts, home decorating ideas and even early Christmas gifts. Crafters and patrons alike thoroughly enjoyed the day.

Members of the Claryville Fire Department served food throughout the day. And there was a 'dessert' table filled with homemade baked goods, too!

The day ended with numerous raffles - prizes donated by vendors; liquor; a poster filled with NYS Scratch off lottery tickets and more ...

Congratulations to all of the raffle winners!

The photos speak for themselves and show a little bit of the fun and fare of the day.

We are all looking forward to next year!

# Tri-Valley Lions – Successful First Event at Their New Soda Booth at this Year's Little World's Fair



Lions Mike Ryan, Claire Rennison, Lauree Novogrodsky serve beverages to fairgoers visiting the new Tri-Valley Lions Booth.

The Tri-Valley Lions had a successful first event at our new Soda Booth at this year's Little World's Fair at the Grahamsville Fairgrounds from August 18 through August 20, 2023. Special thanks to Lions Hugh Delaney and Gary Buley, who coordinated the installation of the new booth with The Neversink Agricultural Society. Hugh and Gary laid a brand new floor and built counters in the new Booth built by Grey's Woodworks. Lions who worked the booth were very comfortable in the new booth as there is more room to move within the booth, and fair attendees commented on how nice it was that the new Booth had lower counters, permitting younger attendees to reach the counters when purchasing their beverages.

Thank you to all Lions who "manned" the booth, particular thanks to Hugh Delaney, Gary Buley, return members Paula and Mike Ryan, and so many more who spent many, many hours in the Booth. Of course, special thanks to all who stopped by the booth and purchased beverages. If you haven't stopped by, we look forward to seeing you at the next events at the Fairgrounds.

The success of this event, and upcoming Youth

Fair, Antique Machinery Show, and Pumpkin Parade, will permit us to continue our ongoing support to local food pantries, Tri-Valley School Service Awards, Eye Screenings, Diabetes, Lymphoma and Leukemia organizations, and so much more. If you are interested in joining the Tri-Valley Lions or getting more information about our club, please contact Membership Chair, Pat Menjes at 917-783-6253 or hvacpat69@gmail.com or President Stephen Miller at 845-798-1981 or sgrecords@hvc.rr.com

Wishing one and all a happy, HEALTHY and safe rest of the Summer!

# Neversink Democratic Committee holds "Meet & Greet" event

NEVERSINK, NY - On Saturday, September 9 from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. the Town of Neversink Democratic Committee will hold a "Meet & Greet" event at the Neversink General Store barbecue tent to allow area residents to meet our candidates.

Present at the event will be Diana K. Weiner, who is running for a position on the Neversink Town Board and Brian McPhillips, who is running for Sullivan County Legislative District 3.

Also in attendance will be members of the Town of Denning Democratic Committee, whose candidates Larry Cole and Layne Hudes are running for the Denning Town Board.

Snacks will be provided by the committees and beverages will be available for sale at the barbecue tent.

The Neversink General Store is located at the intersection of Schumway Road and Route 55 in Neversink, NY.

For additional information contact the Town of Neversink Democratic Committee at:

TheNeversinkDemocrats@gmail.com or call 845-985-3175.

# **CORRECTION:**

In last week's issue on page 4, the article indicated that the gentleman sitting on the right in this picture was Larry Cole. This is incorrect. The gentleman is Bill James.

I apologize for this mistake.

Bill James is the Sullivan County Democratic Committee Associate Chair and the Town of Thompson Democratic Chair.



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Just in case you're wondering, we'll be re-running some of our best and most popular book reviews every other week from now on. They will be described as our Legacy Mysterious Book Reports. Send us a quick request if you have a favorite that you'd like to see again and we'll do our best to re-publish it.

# Legacy Mysterious Book Report No. 49 Down The River Unto The Sea

**Mysterious Book Report No. 331** 

Published April 30, 2018 by John Dwaine McKenna

Walter Mosley has authored more than fifty books. He's been appointed a Grand Master by the Mystery Writers of America, won just about any award you could name, his books have been translated into twenty different languages and he is revered from here to kingdom come. He entertains, enlightens and thrills his readers. While at the same time, he makes them think . . . about what it's like to be a person of color in America. He began with a character named Easy Rawlins, a 1950s-era black PI in Los Angeles, continued with another detective named Leonid McGill and also wrote twenty-five standalones, seven non-fiction titles, and even a play. His works have influenced millions. Now, in his newest novel enti-



tled *Down The River Unto The Sea*, (Mulholland Books/ Little, Brown and Co., \$27.00, 322 pages, ISBN 978-0-316-50964-0), Walter Mosley has graced us with a brand-new character named Joe King Oliver. He's a former NYPD cop who was falsely imprisoned on Rikers Island ten years previous. Now, he's ekeing out a living as a private eye, just barely keeping his head above water, when a young woman comes in and offers him a paying job to try and exonerate a radical black jour-



nalist who's on death row for killing two cops. She says A Free Man (his legal name), is innocent. The woman claims he was set up, forced into a kill-or-be-killed predicament by some crooked cops. This situation is so like his own that Joe King Oliver, (the name of Louis Armstrong's mentor and first bandleader), decides to solve the pair of cases at the same time. By doing so, he hopes to free the inmate and reinstate himself with the NYPD . . . but evil still lurks in the 29,000 person police force, and as the beleaguered Joe Oliver knows, bullets are cheaper than reconcilement in this beautifully rendered and heartfelt novel from the pen of a master. There's a reason he's been called a national treasure. Read it and see for yourself, why the MBR never misses a new Walter Mosley novel.

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# The Olive Jar by Carol Olsen LaMonda Summer's Demise

Where did summer go? I am sure June was just last week. Are those katydids? They sound just like the peepers. How can the leaves have a tinge of orange?

Summer and fall are just too short to decompress from a long Catskills winter that usually bullies its way

through most of spring. There are already signs summer's demise. of School supplies and Halloween decorations dominate the ads and aisles of stores. Bathing suits are on sale. The nights are cooler. My husband has changed a letter in his viewing schedule from NHL to NFL. I am craving meatloaf instead of hamburgers. I plan to polish the wood stove with stove black while it is not hot but will be (probably) for the next eight months starting in October and ending (hopefully) in May.

A sure sign of summer's end is the marathon of chicken barbecues. The Samsonville Church started the parade. There will be one within Olive Day (although I prefer their chicken liver, bacon, and fried onion sandwich). Up next will be the Reservoir Church's famous barbecued chicken take-out which is always the week after Olive Day.

Soon after school starts, boosters hold a Brooks Chicken take-out to raise money for the football team.

After eating all that chicken, I will be ready to make my meatloaf, mashed potatoes, and green beans.



#### The FamilyMemoir, PROSILIO...

... in Greek means "Toward the Sun," was written by Carol Olsen LaMonda. Carol writes the column "The Olive Jar" for *Ye Olde Tri-Valley Townsman*. This local author has been busy guesting at book clubs who



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Daniel Pierce Library Between the Bookends

# Pick up your DPL card during September's Library Card Sign-up Month!

By Lisa Carroll

September is Library Card Sign-Up month, a national campaign started in 1987 to emphasis the importance of childhood literacy. "You don't want to miss all of the great resources available to you," Deirdre McHugh, DPL Children's Program Coordinator, said.

Obtaining a library card is easy! First, the applicant-be that a child or adult-needs to reside in the Tri-Valley Central School District boundaries. Then, you need to complete our blue library card application form and return it to the library, where a library clerk will check it over for all applicable information and ask to see ID and a piece of mail sent to the stated address. After a moment of library magic-PRESTO-you are in the system and can now utilize all 47 libraries in the Ramapo Catskill Library System.

You might ask, "what good is a library card?" And after surviving an inner twinge, everyone here at DPL will gladly go over the myriad resources that become available to you as an official card-carrying member of the elite group we lovingly refer to as "our patrons." To date, we have 2,448 patrons, with that number climbing monthly.

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thousands of e-books and audio books through the Libby app and unlimited access to thousands of digital comics, graphic novels and manga through the ComicsPlus app, just to name a few.

Specifically at our library, children (and their caretakers) can sign up for our programs and can borrow passes to Mohonk Preserve and the Time and the Valleys museum. Our library also offers free wifi, toys for children to play with, a friendly safe environment...and of course, a ton of books!

We would love to see you, and even more so to have you as our patron, so please come down any time during our open hours and meet us, take a look around and pick up a library card!

In other news,

We had an amazing time at this year's 143rd Grahamsville Little World's Fair! We loved visiting our friends over our famous strawberry shortcakes and helping shoppers fill bags at the tent sale. We can't wait for our next big get-together, DPL Giant Pumpkin Party, October 7 at the fairgrounds!



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## Forestburgh Playhouse CARe Benefit starring Patti Greco Sunshine

The Forestburgh Playhouse is excited to announce a very special Benefit Concert starring Sullivan County Songstress, Patti Greco Sunshine. Friday, September 22nd, Sunshine will take the stage to help raise funds for Catskill Animal Rescue (CARe) and regale the audience with jazz, cabaret and contemporary favorites. Says Franklin Trapp, Producer of the Playhouse, "I am thrilled to bring Patti Greco Sunshine back to our cabaret stage. Our audiences are always thrilled with her fabulous vocals and charismatic performances! I am also grateful to get the chance to support an important and impactful organization like Catskill Animal Rescue." CARe was estab-lished in May of 2014 to address the critical lack of resources in Sullivan County, N.Y. for unwanted, neglected and abused animals. Catskill Animal Rescue is a non-profit organization that provides low cost spaying/neutering, adoption services, public education, support for enforcement of cruelty laws and shelter for animals in need. According to Les Kristt, Board Member of CARe, "located in Liberty, we house dogs and cats that are mistreated, homeless or abandoned. We constantly need funds to care for the animals. We then try to find good fur-ever homes for our wonderful, warm furry friends. Join us to enjoy the fabulous Patti Greco Sunhine-a pleasant portion of the admission will benefit our needy

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CARe animals." Tickets to the event are \$30/person with proceeds benefiting CARe. Doors open at 6:30PM for dinner and showtime is at 8PM. Raffles and a 50/50 will further support this worthy organization.

#### ABOUT THE FORESTBURGH PLAYHOUSE

The Forestburgh Playhouse is the oldest, continuously running, professional summer theatre in New York State. Located in the Sullivan Catskills, the Playhouse was founded in 1947 by John Grahame and Alexander Maissel. Under the leadership of Producing Artistic Director Franklin Trapp, FBP's mission is to present high-quality, professional theatre, including musicals, plays, cabarets and theatre for young audiences; to provide arts education programming for local youth; to develop and launch the careers of young artists; and to foster the development of new works through an annual new works festival. FBP attracts over 30,000 patrons each summer and was one of the first venues in the U.S. in 2020 to return to live performance with its popular Under the Stars concert series. The Playhouse celebrated its 75th Anniversary in 2021.

## 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, tips for planning, and how to Leave No Trace. Be sure to check out the links for additional information and tips and tricks for recreating safely and minimizing your impacts on natural resources, recreational infrastructure, and other backcountry users in the Catskill Mountains.

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## The Scene Too By Jane Harrison

After last week's whirlwind, I consciously made the decision to be easier on myself this weekend. That happened...sort of. Late in the week, I received an email from THE FREDRICK

COOK SOCIETY about a last minute pop-up concert at THE



SULLÍVÁN COUNTY MUSEUM featuring LIT-TLE SPARROW on Friday evening. Talk about great timing. Those smooth as silk voices of ALDO TROIONI and CAROL SMITH along with world known bassist JEFF ANDERSON in the unique arrangements of the songs

we all love were exactly what I needed. It also gave me a chance to hear the newest addition to their band, HENRY.

Henry is a a very young man, 17 years of age, who, as part of his introduction,

was said to know all the songs LITTLE SPARROW performs and that proved to be true. I found it fascinating how easily he lent his voice to create a three part harmony and how masterfully his electric guitar blended, not over powered, musically with the duo that constantly plays to packed venues. You can catch the full band at CABERNET FRANK'S on September 8.

If you haven't been to THE SUL-LIVAN COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY AND MUSEUM in a while, it is well worth a look-see. I admit, I love museums. One of my favorite Sunday activities when I lived in Manhattan was to walk down to the MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY then across Central Park to the MUSEUM OF MODERN ART. This was one of the first places I visited when I moved up here and for a small museum this is quite impressive. The redesigned Fredrick Cook exhibits alone are worth the trip. They are filled with photos from expeditions to both poles that were found by CAROL SMITH, who is also a Museum Attendant, in storage within the museum.



From the Fredrick Cook Collection

I've been promising an update on my rather expensive new toy, my Lomi. Please understand that I am not encouraging anyone to purchase one, I am just laying out why I did and my experience with it. Sullivan County is setting in motion a plan to take all your kitchen scraps and basically recycling them much the same as this appliance does. Yay Sullivan County.

Living in an apartment, I have no way to compost kitchen scraps to keep them out of landfills where their breakdown creates methane gas when in a landfill adding to climate change. I would like to say this was my impetus in investing in this, but it is not. I can't grow anything. Period. The joke among my family and friends is that I can kill a rock. I want to grow things I can eat, like everyone else in the area. I want a container garden like the couple at the end of the porch that flourishes every year!

Being a total skeptic, having commercial fertilizer fail me even though I painstakingly followed the directions exactly, I gave this a shot. At worst, the 'dirt' it made wouldn't work, but it would make me an environmentally conscious human. Well, it worked. I wish I had taken photos of the spindly dying things as they appeared 'before'. But I truly didn't believe it would work! The greenery of the flowering









it's trying to give me more. The basil needs to be replanted as opposed to being thrown out. The parsley, which was mostly eaten by a caterpillar that will become a Monarch butterfly (where the heck did HE come from) regenerated. And the Rosemary, which I did my best to kill when I transplanted into it's current home only to find half it's roots remained in it's original container, now looks ....healthy?!? There is HOPE for me. Next, potatoes inside.

Musical things you might want to catch over the Labor Day weekend and these are just September 2nd!

• Favorite son ALBI, will be at the RUSSIAN MULE.

• The ever popular Open Mic at Dutch's in Rock Hill is on for the 2nd as well. But call and make a reservation if you plan on going. They are restricting to capacity only.

• There is an ARTS FESTIVAL at the ARROWHEAD RANCH AND RETREAT in Parksville including live music.

• And another festival at Morningside Park in Fallsburg, also with live music.

Whew! Looks like I'll be very busy!

Stay well, stay safe.... Until next time.....

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# SCDW The 10 Minute Play Festival

South Fallsburg, NY) The Sullivan County Dramatic Workshop is so excited to present its September offering "The 10 Minute Play Festival". The show will hit the boards at the Rivoli Theatre in South Fallsburg on September 8, 2023, at 8:00 pm and will run eight different 10-minute plays each weekend.

Produced and directed by Harold Tighe with play directors Constance Slater. Teri Schwartz, Keith Prince, Alberto Santiago, Josh Rosengrant, Grace Summa, Harold Tighe and Amanni Sitz, "The 10 Minute Play Festival" brings you two weekends of fabulous original plays written by playwrights local and beyond. Lynne Porter, Mike Vreeland & Harold Tighe are our local playwrights. Other playwrights are from Oregon, Washington, NYC, Florida, Maryland, Indiana, Texas and Illinois!

Each weekend will feature a different set of plays, none longer than 10 minutes !

The selections range widely in tone and topic-from comedy to drama, doomsday sci-fi, moral dilemma, political satire, romance both real and imaginary.

Performances will be on Friday and Saturday, September 8, 9, 15 & 16 at 8:00 pm and Sunday, September10 & 17 at 2:00 pm at the Rivoli Theatre, 5243 Route 42 (Main Street), South Fallsburg. General Admission is \$15 Adults, \$12 Seniors (60+), Students (with Valid ID), Military and Veterans. Advance Sales online www.myrivertickets.com or purchase your tickets at the Box Office one hour prior to curtain for any performance. For additional information, visit us at\_www.SCDW.net\_or call (845) 436-5336.



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# **District Fish Stocking Program**

The Sullivan County Soil & Water Conservation District is having a fall Fish Stocking Program. We have linked up with a new supplier and are able to offer a wider variety of fish.

If you are interested in stocking your pond with bass, trout, sunfish, channel catfish, minnows or grass carp, call the Sullivan County Soil &Water Conservation District at (845) 292-6552 and request an order form to be mailed to you, or go online at sullivanswcd.org. The District will be accepting orders until Monday, September 15th, with a pick up date of Saturday, September 30th at 10 am.



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### **Impossible Coconut Pie**

2 cups milk 1/2 cup baking mix\* 1/4 cup butter 3/4 cup white sugar 4 eggs 1 1/2 teaspoons vanilla extract 1 cup flaked coconut

1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees F (175 degrees C). Grease a 9 inch pie plate.

2. Combine milk, sugar, biscuit mix\*, eggs, butter or margarine, and vanilla in blender container. Cover, and blend on low speed for 3 minutes. Pour into prepared pie plate. Let stand about 5 minutes. Sprinkle with coconut.

3. Bake for 40 minutes. Serve warm.

\*Jiffy Mix, Bisquick or your own mix



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# **SC Food Scrap Recycling Pilot Program Starts Soon**

Monticello, NY - With State permission now in hand, Sullivan County is launching a Food Scrap Recycling Pilot Program on October 2.

"This is one of this Legislature's major accomplishments," said Sullivan County Legislature Chairman Robert A. Doherty. "We've talked about this forever as legislators, and it took three years to get the proper licensing from the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation. But we never gave up, and I thank my colleagues and the crew of the Division of Public Works for seeing this through to launch."

"Food scraps are one of the largest components of trash sent to landfills and incinerators," noted Sullivan County

Recycling Coordinator Kassie Thelman. "However, food scraps are NOT trash. They are a resource that can be turned into useful compost."

The idea is to divert organics (food scraps) away from landfills where their decomposition creates methane, a potent greenhouse gas and instead compost them, creating a valuable product that can help grow food and mitigate the excessive use of water, fertilizer and pesticides.

It works like this:

• Residents can contact Thelman to sign up: recycling@sullivanny.us, 845-807-0291 or stop by the Monticello Transfer Station

• Though not required to be used, the County is offering "starter kits" - consisting of a countertop pail and a storage/transportation bin - to the first 400 people who sign up

• Food scraps of every kind are collected by residents

• The pilot program is not open to businesses, but if successful, commercial operations will be considered

• Bins are brought to any Sullivan County Transfer Station (except Western Sullivan in Cochecton), where they are emptied for free

• The County transports the food scraps to a commercial composting facility - the Ulster County Resource Recovery Agency - where they are turned into usable compost, which is then sold

• Bins are kept by users, to be cleaned and reused as often as necessary

"We will accept any kind of food people can bring us: not just fruits and vegetables but meat and bones, fish and shells, bread and pasta, rice and grains, nuts and seeds, coffee grounds and paper filters, even tea bags (without the staples)," affirmed Thelman.

"We cannot take bags, plates, cups, napkins, containers or any kind of packaging through this program, even if they're marked as 'compostable," she added. "Pet waste, spent flowers and soiled paper are also not acceptable, though we do take those through our other programs at our transfer stations."

If the pilot program is successful, the County intends to apply to the State to construct its own composting facility at the Monticello landfill site.

"This initiative once again sets us apart from much of upstate New York, demonstrating this Legislature's and County's commitment to clean-and-green programs and technologies," said Doherty. "Considering how harmful methane can be to the environment, it is essential we move away from simply dumping our organics into landfills."



## **Tri-Valley CSD Board Meetings**

Regular Meeting #4 - Thursday, August 31, 2023 Meeting Opening Call To Order - 5:45 p.m. Secondary School Library Lower Level Proposed Executive Session - 5:45 p.m. Secondary School Library Upper Level Regular Meeting #4 Resumes - 6:00 p.m. Secondary School Library Lower Level

Board Meeting will be on Tri-Valley's YouTube Live Channel https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCkl224vKQ8nAWhR 6NVao24w/live

The Tri-Valley Central School District Board of **Education** is seeking to **fill a vacancy** left by the recent resignation of Danielle Penney Stroop. The Board will appoint a new member at its October 5th meeting and term will expire on the date of the School Budget Vote/Board Member Election Day in May 2024. Board Members serve as volunteers.

To apply, please submit a brief resume and a statement of why you would like to serve on the Board of Education to District Clerk, Mrs. Norma Peña. Materials must be received by September 21, 2023.

A Board of Education member in the Tri-Valley Central School District must meet the following qualifications:

- o A citizen of the United States;
- o Eighteen years of age or older;
- o Able to read and write;

o A legal resident of the District for a continuous and uninterrupted period of at least one year;

o May not have been removed from any school district office within the preceding year;

o May not reside with another member of the same school Board as a member of the same family;

Cannot be a current employee of the District; 0

o May not simultaneously hold another incompatible public office.

For further information and details, please contact the District Clerk by email at normapena@trivalleycsd.org, or by telephone at 845-985-2296 x 5102.

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#### **NEVERSINK FIRE DISTRICT**

#### NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that a Budget Hearing to vote on the upcoming year's budget will be held for the Neversink Fire District on Thursday, October 19th, 2023 at 7:00PM at the Neversink Firehouse located at 7486 State Rt. 55 Neversink, NY 12765. There will be a regularly planned Commissioners' Meeting to follow.

Dated August 24th, 2023

Dana M. Vogler, Neversink Fire District Secretary 8/31; 9/7; 9/14; 9/21; 9/28; 10/5; 10/12; 10/19 NOTICE OF SCHOOL TAX COLLECTION TRI-VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL GRAHAMSVILLE, NY 12740

Martha TerBush, Tax Collector for the Tri-Valley Central School District, have received the School Tax Roll and Tax Warrant, dated September 1, 2023. 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

Tax collecting hours will be:

Starting Friday, September 1, 2023 Mon. thru Fri. from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Payments may also be mailed to the address given below:

Tax Collector 279 Main Street Grahamsville, NY 12740

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

Sept. 1 - Oct. 2 No penalty Payment in full or 50% of total bill

Oct. 3 - Oct. 31 2% penalty Total Balance due or 25% of total bill Nov. 1 - Nov. 8 3% penalty Total Due.

The School Tax Collector may not accept payments after November 8, 2023.

All unpaid School Taxes will be relevied at an additional 7% on your January 2024 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.

Martha TerBush, School Tax Collector 8/31; 9/7 Dated: September 1, 2023

#### PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:

The Town of Denning will hold a Public Hearing for Proposed Local Law No. 1 of 2023, Titled: Tax Levy Limit Override on Tuesday, September 12th, 2023 at the Denning Town Hall, 1567 Denning Road, Claryville, NY 12725 set to begin at 6 pm prior to the start of the regularly scheduled Town Baord meeting.

At SAID meeting any and all interested person(s) will be heard either for or against.

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

BY THE ORDER OF THE DENNING TOWN BOARD Nancy Parrow Town Clerk August 21st, 2023 8/31; 9/7

# **Popular Annual Poetry Event Invites Participants**

The 14th Annual Poetry Festival of the Liberty Museum & Arts Center is scheduled this year to take place Saturday, September 23, starting at 1:00 p.m.

Poets are again invited to submit original works to be read at the Liberty Public Library, Readers will share their creations with the audience live, and via.Zoom. Following the readings, a reception will be held at the Museum.

Mark your calendar.....poets, poetry lovers, friends of poets, and folks who do not yet know they love hearing poetry, read by the author! There is something for everyone...many poetic styles, , a wide variety of topics, , an assorted group of writers from different backgrounds...

The Poetry Festival was started by then-poet laureate of Liberty, Walter Keller. It took place at the Museum for the first several years, and was growing each year in popularity and numbers when COVID hit . Liberty Librarian Marj Linko then graciously agreed to host the readings at the library, where zoom is also available for people who cannot travel and those who are wary of large gatherings. Since Walter Keller's death , the event has been coordinated and hosted by Marilyn Laufer, current Liberty poet laureate. and member of Liberty Museum & Arts Center.

If you are interested in participating this year, please send (via snail mail) up to three poems addressed to

Marilyn Laufer P.O. Box 87 White Sulphur Springs, N.Y. 12787 or by email to mbfrumess@gmail.com

Each PAGE of poetry must include your name, address, phone number and email address.

The deadline for submissions is August 30.

For more information, and for other questions, call (845)292-6628

# News From The Old Stone House in Hasbrouck

Our next general meeting will be held on Tuesday September 28th at 6pm at the Old Stone House.

Along with general housekeeping we will be planning our OKTOBERFEST event for the end of October and solidifying our calendar for our fall programming.

We have had a successful "Art Stew" series. A different artist has made a presentation for 6 weeks. Classes were well attended and the feedback has been great so we will continue for the fall with the time slot to be announced. Our "Joy of Movement" on Sat mornings at 11:30 has been.... JOYFUL!!! and ballet will be offered to adults on Weds evenings at 6:30 starting Sept 20th.

We are looking to extend our class offerings. People have expressed an interest in Sewing basics, Embroidery, Gardening, Ukele, Game Night (Settlers of Catan & Hearts) Nostalgia night etc. If you are interested in sharing your knowledge by leading a class or giving a talk in your area of expertise we want to hear from you. Liz Kolansky 845 434 3147.

If you are a vendor and would like to vend at any of our events or have a donation of board games and or craft supplies please contact Peggy Torres @ 845 707 6219



# at The Old Stone House of Hasbrouck

Children's classes are on-going at 10:30am on Saturdays \$10 per session or \$65 for 8 classes in advance

Adult Classes will start on September 13, 20, 27 and continue through October until November 1 (8 classes)

> Classes are \$10 per session, or \$65 in advance for all 8 classes.

For more information contact Alana Sherman via e-mail sherman\_alana@yahoo.com

#### The OLD STONE HOUSE,

282 Hasbrouck Rd, in Woodbourne NY Only minutes away from Fallsburg, Monticello, Liberty, Grahamsville and Ellenville

Adult dancers should wear ballet slippers, (available on line). To set the mood, black leotards and pink tights are urged but not necessary.



## Let's Celebrate the Catskills Family Style! Sunday, Sept. 3 at Catskills Visitor Center

Join us for a day of family-friendly activities that celebrate the many facets of the Catskills, from nature walks and art projects to a Birds of Prey demo. We'll have a picnic for our volunteers and Hike for the Catskills participants as well.

How about participating in a fun day on the Sunday of Labor Day weekend? Join us for a Catskills Celebration at the Catskills Visitor Center, (suggested donation \$5 per person, \$15 per family) Bring friends and family to participate in activities that celebrate the many facets of the Catskills. Take an educational nature walk. Find and identify the creatures (macroinver-

tebrates) living in our streams. Create art with staff from the Thomas Cole Site. Listen to award-winning Native American music group Spirit of Thunderheart. Experience the thrill of seeing Birds of Prey up close. Take a stroll to the Esopus Creek with Justin Wexler to learn about native cultures of the Catskills. Schedule of Events:

10am-Noon Spirit of Thunderheart

10:30-11:15am Nature Walk

11am-12:30pm I d e n t i f y i n g Macroinvertebrates

11:30am-12:15pm Hiking for Kids

12:30-1:30pm Birds of Prey Show with Ravensbeard Wildlife Center

1:30-3pm Native History of the Catskills Walk with Justin Wexler of Wild Hudson Valley

1:30-2:15pm Leave No Trace Family Walk

2-2:30pm "Ebony Bear" Book Reading with local author Peg DiBenedetto All Day Events:

Artists as Environmentalists: Join staff from the Thomas Cole House National Historic Site for self-directed art-making with oil sticks. Families will be invited to explore and draw what captures their interest around the Catskills Visitor Center. Free children's art activity books and Take Action cards will also be available. There will also be the opportunity to view two of Cole's Catskill Creek paintings on large banners and think about art and protection of the natural world today.

Craft Activities will be set up and rotate through the day. Activities will continue as long as supplies last. Activities may include creating "binoculars", butterflies, bird feeders, or coloring sheets.

Lawn Games will include Connect 4, croquet, and cornhole. Bring a picnic or purchase hamburgers/hot dogs on site. Catskills Celebration will happen rain or shine.

Questions? Email info@catskillcenter.org or call (845) 688-3369

#### PROGRAM DESCRIPTIONS:

10AM-NOON

Spirit of Thunderheart is an all-native women's drum group in the Hudson Valley. Lead drummer and singer Donna Coane, Debbie Fichtner, Brenda Martin, Mary Griffin and Melissa Jennings. Spirit of Thunderheart are three-time nominees for a Native American Music Award and two-time winners. They have three CDs: Rising, Unity, and Tradition. 10:30-11:15AM (Contd. Pg.

Town of Olive Town of Olive ntennial Celebration September 9, 2023 Join us for a fun filled day Live Music Spillway | 90 Proof | Thunder Ridge Car Show 5K Run man man and Frog Jump Cornhole Tournament Vendors, Food, Games & Amusements **JRKS!** 

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# Let's Celebrate the Catskills Family Style! (From Pg. 22)

#### Nature Walk

This family-friendly walk around the Catskills Visitor Center's Interpretive Loop will focus on the ecology of the Catskills. Participants will earn their 2023 Jr. Naturalist Badge during this walk. 11AM-12:30PM

#### **Identifying Freshwater Macroinvertebrates**

Take a look at macroinvertebrates (animals that can be seen with the naked eye that don't have backbones) caught in Esopus Creek and learn how these small creatures can have huge impacts on Catskill streams. Learn how to ID these fascinating creatures and how what you find gives a clue about the health of the creek. 11:30AM-12:15PM

#### Hiking for Kids

Join Maryellen Wander Eyer, children's book author of Finding the Blaze, for a family event. There will be a discussion about what families should take in their backpacks for a hike, a reading from the book, and hands-on hiking skill activities. Finding the Blaze encourages children to hike through challenging places on the trail while telling a trail-tale. The book includes a hiking list and hiking journal. Autographed copies of the book will be available for purchase after the event and at the Catskills Visitor Center while supplies last. 12:30-1:30PM

#### **Birds of Prey**

Staff from Ravensbeard Wildlife Center will introduce us to a few of the birds that cannot be released and now serve on the educational team. Meet the raptors of the Catskills! Learn about their natural history, habitat, unique hunting styles and the story of how they came to live at Ravensbeard. These birds are not pets and are wild in their hearts. Every bird of prey has been vetted to see if they will tolerate education. 1:30-2:15PM

#### Leave No Trace Family Walk

Do you enjoy exploring the outdoors with your family? Are you wondering what you can do to make sure the natural places of the Catskills are protected for future generations to enjoy? Take a stroll around the CVC and learn ways that you and your family can enjoy the Catskills while Leaving No Trace. 1:30-3:00PM

#### Native History of the Catskills

For centuries, native people traveled through the Catskill Mountains on well-known paths and visited select locations for hunting elk, passenger pigeons and other game. Although they were forced out of the region over two centuries ago, their land management practices shaped the landscape in ways that are still visible today. Join us for a guided walk led by Justin Wexler of Wild Hudson Valley, who has spent the last 20 years studying the languages and culture of local native peoples. (this walk is geared toward adults and teens) 2:00-2:30PM

#### Ebony Bear Book Reading

Local author, Peg DiBenedetto, will read her book Ebony Bear. This book is loosely based on Peg's own adventures with a bear in the Catskills. Copies of the book will be available for purchase along with signing by the author.

#### All Day Events:

Artists as Environmentalists: Join staff from the Thomas Cole National Historic Site for self-directed art-making with oil sticks. Families will be invited to explore and draw what captures their interest around the Catskills Visitor Center. Free children's art

activity books and Take Action cards will also be available. There will also be the opportunity to view two of Cole's Catskill Creek paintings on large banners and think about art and protection of the natural world today.

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The Congressman Maurice D. Hinchey Catskills Visitor Center is a program of the Catskill Center, a nonprofit organization working to protect the Catskills since 1969.

## **Empowering** a Healthier Generation Competition & Judges

[LIBERTY] - Five Sullivan County schools participating in the Sullivan 180 Empowering a Healthier Generation competition are preparing to host a panel of judges and show off their efforts to promote health and wellness for the students and community of their school building. The judges, coming from outside of Sullivan County, will meet with school representatives and visit schools to determine who will win the competition and additional funding.

Participants in the Empowering a Healthier Generation Competition include Benjamin Cosor Elementary, Fallsburg; Livingston Manor Elementary; Livingston Manor High School; Cooke Elementary, Monticello; Sullivan West Elementary.

During the 2022-2023 school year, these schools were awarded Healthier Generation Competition Grants in the amount of \$5,000 each; and are competing for Healthier Generation Awards in the amount of \$75,000 and \$50,000 that will be presented at the Empowering a Healthier Generation Awards & Celebration at Bethel Woods Center for the Arts on September 21, 2023.

The 2023 Empowering a Healthier Generation judges are:

Names and affiliations of the judges: Pat Claiborne, Orange County Progress; Lori Rivenburgh, Executive Director, Town of Wallkill Boys & Girls Club; Shayna Russo, SNAP - ED Hudson Valley Region, Project Manager.

"We are honored to host this distinguished panel of judges and showcase some of the best school-based health & wellness work in our county," said Meaghan Mullally-Gorr, Director of Health & Wellness at Sullivan 180. "Healthier Generation Advisors, committees, school administrators and communities have been working very hard to prepare for Judging Week. Sullivan County schools have so much to be proud of and we are looking forward to celebrating the culmination of their efforts at the Empowering a Healthier Generation Awards & Celebration."

Judging Week includes one day of school building presentations followed by two days of school building site visits. During the school building site visits judges will be hosted by participating schools where they will see the health & wellness initiatives in action. These initiatives promote health and wellness among students, staff, parents, and their communities to create a grassroots movement that will change policy and environments; while demonstrating that individuals and families have an important role to play in building a culture of health for themselves and the next generation.

To learn more about Empowering a Healthier Generation visit www.sullivan180.org or contact Meaghan Mullally-Gorr at 845-295-2685 or Meaghan@Sullivan180.org.

Sullivan 180 is working to build a healthy community, one degree at a time, through people, places and policy with support from Bold Gold Media Group, The River Reporter, The Sullivan County Democrat, Manor Ink and WJFF Radio Catskill. Learn more at Sullivan180.org or Facebook.com/Sullivan180inc





*The Prime Timers* of Temple Sholom of Monticello are planning some fun-filled trips in the next few months, as follows: **Mon.,Sept. 11th - Appreciation Luncheon at Casa Mia Italian Restaurant** in Hurleyville at 12:30 PM. \$25.00 pp.

Call Paula for further information and reservations at 845-794-2314

## A Benefit Concert for Catskill Animal Rescue Starring Patti Greco Sunshine!

WHEN: Friday, September 22nd. Doors open at 6:30PM for dinner and drinks, Show at 8PM.

WHERE: The Tavern at the Forestburgh Playhouse, 39 Forestburgh Road, Forestburgh, NY 12777.

HOW do I join the fun and support this worthy cause: Go to *www.fbplayhouse.org* or *http://www.forestburghtavern.com/fall-series-listing/patti-greco-sunshine-care* or call 845-794-1194. Tickets are \$30/person with proceeds benefiting CARe.

**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.

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ARTISTS • CRAFTERS Need a place to show and sell your crafts? Call us at 845-985-0501 email: tvtownsman@yahoo.com or visit our Virtual Mall http://gnomehomeinc.com 9/1 & 9/2 Labor Day Weekend Sundown Ladies Indoor Yard Sale 9 am - 1 pm Sundown UMC Hall

- 9/2/23 Sundown UMC Covered Dish Supper 5:30 Church Hall
- 9/4/23 Town of Neversink Holiday LABOR DAY
- 9/5/23 Claryville Fire District Monthly Meeting 6:30 pm
- 9/6/23 Town of Neversink Planning Board Meeting 7:00 pm
- 9/9/23 Grahamsville UMC Thrift Sale 9 am 12 noon Luncheon 10:30 am 12:30 pm
- 9/12/23 Denning Town Board & Business Meeting 6:00 pm Denning Town Hall
- 9/13/23 Town of Neversink Board Meeting 7:00 pm
- 9/18/23 Town of Neversink Zoning Board Meeting 7:30 pm
- 9/21/23 Neversink Fire District Commissioner Meeting 7:00pm
- 9/21/23 Denning Town Planning Board Meeting 6:00 pm Denning Town Hall

#### Save the Date!

Sat. Sept, 6 –10 am-6 pm 23rd Annual Tractor Show and Swap Meet (See Pg. 29) Sat. Sept, 6 –10 am-6 pm Grahamsville Rod & Gun Club Sportsman Flea Market

TOWN OF OLIVE MEETINGS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

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

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

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

Ulster County Legislature Weekly Calendar Update for the Week Of August 28 - September 1, 2023

Monday, August 28

o No Meetings

#### Tuesday, August 29

o 11:00 AM - Ulster County Industrial Development Agency Governance Committee, in the Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston o 11:45 AM (or immediately following the UCIDA Governance Committee) - Ulster County Capital Resources Corporation Governance Committee, in the Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston;

Chambers, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston; o 3:00 PM - Special Meeting of the Energy, Environment & Sustainability Committee, in the KL Binder Library, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston; As Allowable Due To Extraordinary Circumstances Provisions of NYS Public Officers Law Section 103-A And Ulster County Local Law No. 8 Of 2022 Members Of The Public May Also Attend Via Zoom, Meeting ID: 854 9423 8787

**o** 4:00 PM - Audit Committee, in the KL Binder Library, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston

**o** 5:00 PM (or immediately following the Audit Committee) - Special Meeting of the Ways & Means Committee, in the KL Binder Library, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston

#### Wednesday, August 30

**o 5:00 PM - American Rescue Plan Act Special Committee,** in the KL Binder Library, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston

#### Thursday, August 31

o 5:15 PM - Ulster County Executive Public Hearing on Proposed Local Law No. 7 of 2023, A Local Law To Authorize County Registry For Domestic Partners, in the Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston

Friday, September 1

o No Meetings

#### 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"×3")-\$6.00 per week Business card ad (2" × 3") - \$12.00 per week (3" × 4") - \$24.00 per week (3" × 6") - \$36.00 per week 1/4 pg (4" × 5") -\$40.00 per week 1/2 pg (4"×8") -\$64.00 per week (6" × 8") - \$96.00 per week Full Page - 8" × 10" -\$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!

# TWO WEEKS TO CATCH HIT MUSICAL MILLION DOLLAR QUARTET



"Jefferson McDonald (Jerry Lee Lewis) is brash, bold, and irreverent in a role he was born to play." -Aisle Seat



Chris Blisset\* Photo by: Jeff Knapp (\*denotes member of AEA) "Chris "Red" Blisset stages a gorgeous production . . . His exceptionally gifted triple-threat musician/singer/actors each all but channel the legends they portray.-Aisle Seat



"Jackson Mattek (young Elvis) . . . simply embodies the singer with spot-on vocals, smooth moves, and charismatic presence" -Aisle Seat

#### GET YOUR TICKETS NOW –SUNDAY 9/10 - SOLD OUT Don't miss your opportunity to see this SPECTACULAR MUSICAL CELEBRATION! Last two weeks –Sept 1 -

September on The MainStage at SHADOWLAND STAGES *MILLION DOLLAR QUARTET* based on the book by Colin Escott and Floyd Mutrux; Inspired by Elvis Presley,



Jefferson McDonald\*, Travis Poelle\*, Claire-Frances Sullivan, Chris Blisset\*, Jackson Mattek, Jeffrey T Kelly, and Trevor Lindley Craft. (\*denotes member of AEA)

On December 4, 1956, a twist of fate brought together Johnny Cash, Jerry Lee Lewis, Carl Perkins, and Elvis Presley at Sun Records in Memphis. What followed would be the one of the greatest jam sessions ever. Million Dollar Quartet captures the contagious spirit, freewheeling excitement, and thrilling sounds of the once-in-a-life-time event where four of music's best talents came together, featuring hits like 'Blue Suede Shoes', 'Fever', 'Great Balls of Fire', 'Whole Lotta Shakin' Goin' On', and more! GET YOUR TICKETS NOW ...and learn about the full 2023 Season. Go to:

https://shadowlandstages.org/mainstageseason/?mc\_cid=74819c3425&mc\_eid=138a9b9d06





The image above portrays a summer brook trout from the chilly waters of the upper Neversink. –Photo by Ed Ostapczuk.

#### See you at Olive Day on September 9!

There is no chapter meeting or outing scheduled for August, BUT the chapter will staff a booth at Olive Day on September 9th at Lester Davis Park in West Shokan off Watson Hollow Road (UC 42). The event runs from 9 AM till 9 PM and features live music, a car show, a frog jumping contest and other amusements, all capped off by a fireworks show. Admission is free. Plus, it commemorates the bicentennial of the Town of Olive. Hope to see some chapter members there - please stop by and say hello.

For all the details, check out the Olive Day Facebook page.

#### Annual Meeting and Election of Board Officers in September

The September chapter meeting also serves as the chapter's Annual Meeting - per the Bylaws - when election of officers and directors takes place. Please consider how you might assist in this endeavor, what talents you can share, and in what capacity you might be able to serve. Existing officers and directors look forward to the infusion of new blood and new ideas in leadership roles as a means of maintaining a viable and productive organization. The chapter can only accomplish what supporting members help with, and many hands make the workload lighter and more enjoyable.



*View of the portal feeding into the Esopus Creek.* Photo by Ed Ostapczuk.

#### NYC DEP SPEDES Permit Update

On August 23rd NYC Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) held its semi-annual review of their Shandaken Tunnel SPDES (State Pollutant Discharge Elimination System) Permit via video conference. Surprisingly attendance was light, with only 16 participants, the majority of whom might have been DEP employees. Also attending were the NY State Department of Environmental Conservation's Region 3 Fisheries Manager, representatives from the Health Department and Riverkeeper, a few individuals, plus myself. It's possible I was the only TU member participating.

Darin Dekoskie, Chief of Water Operations, facilitated the meeting for DEP, where 58 slides were shown.

Kevin Cwalina discussed Shandaken Tunnel operations from February though July of this year, plus the Esopus Creek Cold Water Plan, required per the SPDES Permit. He noted heavy rainfall in July and operation of the High Level Intake (HLI) from late June through mid-July helped DEP meet objectives of the Cold Water Plan, mainly water temperatures discharged from the Portal do not exceed 70 F from July 1st through September 15th.

Carl Davis reviewed the status of ongoing and proposed Schoharie Reservoir projects. He noted eight new gates in the Shandaken Intake Chamber have a variable capacity of 550 millions of gallons per day (mgd), whereas the HLI has a fixed capacity of 100 mgd when in use. He noted three of the gates require repair and/or inspection before they can be utilized. DEP anticipates a seven to eight week shutdown of the Shandaken Tunnel during November and December of this year, provided their contractor is ready and water conditions allow for such. He also noted the HLI needs a little more work and operates in roughly 40 feet vertically, from elevations 1125 to 1080 feet. The HLI allows DEP to withdraw water from different reservoir elevations depending upon temperature and turbidity conditions. Additionally, construction of the High Level Outlet (HLO) in the Gliboa Dam could start in 2026 with a completion date of 2028. This would allow for water releases downstream of the Schoharie Reservoir, while used in conjunction with the HLI, preserve limited cold water in the reservoir for Esopus Creek diversions. It's worth noting, the HLO was not in the original Schoharie Reservoir renovation plans, but was a \$30 million addition to preserve cold water for the Esopus Creek.

Dave Burns wrapped up the meeting, which ran about 1\_ hours, discussing stream restoration, and other projects, in Green County.

We thank NYC DEP for this information and their ongoing efforts in protecting the Esopus Creek wild trout fishery.

#### **Upper Esopus Creek Managment Plan Update**

Esopus Creek Trestle Pool, looking upstream to the Ashokan Rail Trail Bridge. Photo by Ed Ostapczuk.

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYS DEC) just released an August 2023 document addressing management of the Esopus Creek, upstream of NYC's Ashokan Reservoir. FYI:

https://www.dec.ny.gov/docs/fish\_marine\_pdf/upperesopuscrkplan.pdf

The plan was produced by NYS DEC Region 3 Fisheries. The stated objectives are: "The intent of this plan is to establish a routine monitoring protocol to (1) ensure the minimum requirements for a 'Wild-Quality' stream are being met (2) ensure the variety of opportunity to anglers is maintained and (3) to evaluate the factors that limit this section of river from a 'Wild-Premier' designation." It's worth your read.

#### **Acid Rain/Climate Report**

Jody Hoyt reports during July there were 11 measurable rain events totaling 9.99 inches with a weighted 5.7 pH as measured in Boiceville. Thanks again Jody. The last two months, and three of the last four months have been very wet with almost 25 inches of rain collected in Boiceville during that time. Hopefully this bodes well for trout surviving normally hot, dry summer months and barring natural disasters should be a good start to the 2024 trout season. (Contd. Pg. 28)



SATURDAY September 9<sup>th</sup> 9:00am ~ 3:00pm On Church Grounds

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\$25 per vendor space (non food vendors only)

Contact: Anna Jashyn 631-965-1109 annajashyn@gmail.com

Please reserve your space by August 28th.

All are Welcome! Food will be available. Holy Trinity Ukrainian Catholic Church 211 Foordmore Road, Kerhonkson, NY 12446

# BLUE MOUNTAINS TROUT NEWS

#### (From Pg. 26) Treasurer's Report

Jody Hoyt reports the chapter has \$10,026.98 of which \$8,886.46 is in the general operating account and \$1,140.52 in our conservation account. In other words, there was no financial change since last month.

#### Membership

If you have membership questions or concerns, or know someone who wants to join our chapter, please contact Russell Martin at mailto:rmartintu@gmail.com?subject=TU%20membership%20inquiry. As I hope you can see, YOUR chapter is active and involved in eastern Catskill/Esopus Creek plus watershed issues; we need YOUR support.



*They're here! Evidence of the late season Isonychia hatch.* Photo by Ed Ostapczuk.

#### **Get Out There!**

Esopus Creek anglers, water temperatures are cooling down while late-season Isonychia are now present. Get out there with a favorite Coachman pattern and catch some feisty rainbows.

Good luck! Until next time,

Ed Ostapczuk August 26, 2023

## Ulster County Clerk Announces World War II V-J Day Presentation at Matthewis Persen House Museum

Kingston, NY - Ulster County Clerk Nina Postupack is pleased to welcome Hank Yost, World War II reenactor, to the Matthewis Persen House Museum on Saturday, September 2, for a special presentation. The museum is conveniently located at 74 John Street in uptown Kingston, at the corner of John and Crown Streets. Admission is free, and the event is open to the public.

Join us on Saturday, September 2, from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm, for an exclusive V-J Day presentation led by Hank Yost, delving into the significance of Victory over Japan Day and its role in ending World War II. This event will offer insights into the his-

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Please call for availability first

toric announcement of Japan's unconditional surrender by President Harry S. Truman on August 14, 1945, and its worldwide celebratory response. Mr. Yost will also shed light on societal changes within the United States during that time. Engaging discussions will take place throughout the day, and everyone is welcome to participate.

"Hank Yost brings history to life, and we are excited to welcome him back to the Persen House for his second presentation of the season," expressed County Clerk Nina Postupack. "His dedication to accurately portraying the people and events around this momentous day in history is a valuable resource for the whole community."



For more information about the Matthewis Persen House Museum and other outreach programs of the Ulster County Clerk's Office, please contact County Clerk Nina Postupack at (845) 340-3040 or countyclerk@co.ulster.ny.us. You can also visit us on Facebook for updates and details about upcoming events.



COME JOIN US FOR THE THE NEVERSINK RONDOUT ANTIQUE MACHINERY ASSOCIATION'S 23rd ANNUAL TRACTOR SHOW AND SWAP MEET with the ANY MAKE/ANY MODEL CAR CLUB SHOW & GRAHAMSVILLE ROD & GUN CLUB SPORTSMAN FLEA MARKET on SATURDAY, SEPT. 16 from 10 am - 6 pm (rain date Sept. 17) at the GRAHAMSVILLE FAIRGROUNDS

COST: \$3 PER CAR (show cars enter free)

\*\*\*\*\*CELEBRATING 100 YEARS OF THE\*\*\*\*\* \*\*\*\*INTERNATIONAL HARVESTER FARMALL TRACTOR\*\*\*\*

This year featuring: Several makes/model tractors and farm equipment including a very special 1954 Farmall Tractor and the "Big M" Classic cars and other vehicles Sportsman vendors & knife sharpening A showroom of antique household machinery Shingle mill, sawmill, hit & miss engines & sportsman's demos Food provided by our Grahamsville Fire Dept. and Tri-Valley Little League including a Chicken BBQ Dinner from 4-6 pm (pre-orders available at fd.grahamsville@gmail.com) Beer Garden with Russian Mule, 17 West and Bridge & Tunnel breweries Live entertainment with Jon Zanger in the Beer Garden and DJ Jim Craft and yard sale vendors Tractor Obstacle Course, Pedal Tractor races, Timmy the Train, Tractor Bingo & more TRACTOR PARADE @ 1 PM All types of tractors & cars are welcome to be part of the show! Club membership not required. Want more info? Contact: Paul Kelly @ 845-985-0081 or Cher Woehl @ 845-985-2401

# Vintage Base Ball

# Sat, September 23 noon

# Grahamsville Fairgrounds St. Rt. 55, Grahamsville

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(1864 & 1895 rules)

Mountain Athletic Club Fleischmanns Connecticut Base Ball Club Hartford

Admission: \$5, Children under 10: FREE

Time and the Valleys Museum 845 985-7700 info@timeandthevalleysmuseum.org

# **Olive Free Library News**

## COMING SOON...

#### **Homeschool Group**

Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m. starting September 12th Please email us for more information and to get on our email list for the upcoming session

#### Forest Walk: Is It a Swamp? Or a Bog?

Sunday, September 17 at 10:00 a.m.

Want to learn about the difference between a swamp and a bog? Which plants prefer wetlands and which drier forest?

The Pacama Conservation Collective invites you to a walk along the Pacama Vly led by wetland ecologist Frank Parisio.

Please note that this walk is through uneven terrain on unmarked paths-waterproof boots and/or waders advised. MUST SIGN UP IN ADVANCE; space is limited: 845-657-2482

## **Ongoing Weekly Programs**

#### **Story Time for Toddlers** Mondays at 10:30 a.m. Take-home crafts available

**Crafternoons** Tuesdays & Thursdays 3:00-5:00 p.m.

**In-Person Gentle Yoga with Kathy** Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m. drop-in; \$6 per class

**Virtual Gentle Yoga with Kathy** Mondays at 7 p.m. & Wednesdays at 9 a.m.

#### Summer Matinee Movies

Wednesdays at 1:00 p.m. 8/23 Ready Player One

**Open Makers Space** First & last Wednesday of the month 5:30-7:00 p.m.

Writers Critical Support Group Thursdays at 5:00 p.m.

#### **Ukulele Group**

Fridays at 2:30pm; meets at the library. All skill levels welcome! FRIENDS GROUP ROUNDUP Detailed minutes from previous Friends Group meetings can be found on the Friends page



### MONTHLY PROGRAMS & MEETINGS

The Emu & The Oak Tree (aka Student Advisory Group) no meeting in August

#### **Board of Trustees Meeting**

no meeting in August Next meeting: Wednesday, September 13th at 6:30 p.m.

#### Sew On & Sew Forth

No meeting in August or September

but join us for the Sewing Machine Maintenance workshop with Billy from Billy's Make & Mend on Saturday, September 16 at 10:30 a.m.





Meets at the American Legion Hall on Mountain Road, Shokan, Monday 10-noon

A chatty, friendly group of seniors meet each Monday. At least monthly, we have a guest artist come for a workshop. There is no cost. We have a limited supply of watercolors, oil pastels, water soluble oil paints, paper and canvas. Brushes, too. Our crafty folk might paint or sew or knit or crochet or just hang out with friends. Our guest instructors have been Mia Fink and Sue De Sanna. Linda Schultz and Linda Champanier have been added to our possible guest instructors. MaryAnn Shultis has led us in sewing workshops to make bags and runners, and Donna Kopf has taught us quilt square patterns. We also stuff dolls for a project called MY FRIEND RAGDOLL that sends sweet dolls to Children's hospitals.

Come join us!

NOW SHOWING

LIBERT

AUGUST 31, 2023

**SEPT 2023** 

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE PUBLIC MEETING AT THE LIBERTY THEATER 5:30 PM UPSTAIRS CONFERENCE ROOM 29 S MAIN STREET

> LIBERTY NY 12754 WWW.LIBERTYCHAMBER.ORG

Liberty Chamber of Chamber of Commerce –Our Next Meeting Join us in our new meeting space and get a sneak peak at the new Liberty Theater Conference Room. Space is LIMITED to first 25 who RSVP, so please email us if you are planning to attend ASAP. Hope to see you on the 6th! For info go to: https://libertychamber.org/

## Collier & Berger PLLC aligns with Sullivan County's Rourke Law to become known as ROURKE COLLIER LAW

LIBERTY AND ELLENVILLE, NY - - The long-standing Ulster County law firm of Collier & Berger PLLC will be expanding its scope of services, adding personnel and taking on a new name to secure its place in the legal community for years to come. The firm, with a 90-year presence in Ellenville and led by well-known and respected veteran lawyer, William "Bill" Collier, aligns with Sullivan County's Rourke Law to become known as ROURKE COLLIER LAW effective August 28, 2023.

Collier & Berger's general practice has deep roots in Ulster County dating back to the 1930's and Rourke Law's Sullivan County roots date back some 70 years. The move will combine the experienced attorneys and staff members of each firm and ultimately include 5 Attorneys and 7 Paralegals/support staff, who will be accessible in both the Ellenville and Liberty, NY locations.

"It's a logical and compelling union. Bill Collier is a colleague that I have long admired not only as an attorney but as a person. Our practices are compatible because of the work we do but also from the standpoint of our clientcentered philosophy and desirable work-place culture." said Brian Rourke, Managing Partner of ROURKE LAW.

Both firms have a solid General Practice reputation with emphasis in Real Property, Wills, Trusts and Estates, Business and Municipal Law and the combination adds Elder Law, Mortgage Lending, Landlord-Tenant and Litigation resources to the Ellenville office.

"Together, we offer legal counsel to meet a wide range of needs for individual, business and institutional clients across NY's Catskills, Mid-Hudson and Delaware River Valley regions. With our combined resources, we look forward to working in unison to meet the growing needs of these communities and continue to be a go-to firm in the region," said Collier.

For more information contact Brian Rourke at (845) 292-2000 or Bill Collier at (845) 647-4000.

## Chris Cassaro Promoted to Sergeant within the Fallsburg, NY Police Department

Fallsburg August 28, 2023 - The Town of Fallsburg Police Department proudly announces the promotion of Officer Chris Cassaro to the rank of Sergeant. This well-deserved advancement recognizes Officer Cassaro's dedication, commitment, and exemplary service to the community.



Sergeant Cassaro's promotion comes because of his consistent demonstration of professionalism and his ongoing contributions to maintaining safetywithin the Town of Fallsburg.

Chief of Police Simmie Williams expressed his confidence in Officer Cassaro's capabilities: "Sergeant Cassaro's proven leadership, exceptional work ethic, and unwavering commitment to public safety make him an outstanding addition to our leadership team. His ability to connect with the community and his peers is truly commendable."



Town Supervisor Kathy Rappaport also commended the promotion, stating, "Sergeant Cassaro's commitment to community engagement and his proactive approach to law enforcement will undoubtedly enhance our town's safety measures. His promotion is well-deserved, and I have full confidence in his ability to excel in this leadership role."

Sergeant Cassaro has been an integral part of the Town of Fallsburg Police Department for consistently going above and beyond to uphold the department's mission. As he steps into his new role, he will undoubtedly continue to contribute to the safety and security of Fallsburg residents.

# Governor Hochul Launches New Overdose Prevention Task Force

#### • OASAS and DOH Hold Kickoff Meeting for Interagency Task Force on Overdose Prevention, Report Due Later This Fall

#### • Announced in 2023 SOTS, Task Force to Increase Interagency Coordination, Analyze Success of State Programs, Explore Additional Solutions

Governor Kathy Hochul today announced the kickoff meeting for the Interagency Task Force on Overdose Prevention. Governor Hochul announced the creation of this task force in the 2023 State of the State address. Chaired by Commissioners Dr. Chinazo Cunningham from the New York State Office of Addiction Services and Supports and Dr. James McDonald from the New York State Department of Health, the group includes experts across seventeen state agencies and offices working collaboratively to combat the overdose epidemic in New York State.

"In my 2023 State of the State address, I outlined our commitment to taking further steps to care for New Yorkers struggling with addiction across our state through the creation of the Interagency Task Force on Overdose Prevention," Governor Hochul said. "Turning the tide on illegal substance use requires full coordination across our agencies, and today we take the next step in this ongoing vital work."

The Interagency Task Force on Overdose Prevention will review the broad issue areas of illegal substance use prevention, treatment, recovery, and harm reduction with attention to how substance users interact with education, healthcare, criminal justice, housing, and other social service entities. The group will produce a report of their findings in Fall 2023. The mission of the task force will be to increase programmatic coordination, analyze the success of existing state programs, and explore additional solutions to this crisis.

The Interagency Task Force on Overdose Prevention includes the below members:

Chair - OASAS: Commissioner Chinazo Cunningham

- Chair DOH: Commissioner James McDonald
- OMH: Moira Tashjian, Executive Deputy Commissioner
- OCFS: Acting Commissioner Suzanne Miles-Gustave

OTDA: Valerie T. Figueroa, Deputy Commissioner, Employment and Income Support Programs

DVS: Dr. Lessie Branch, Special Assistant for Community Engagement

SOFA: Charlie Williams, Assistant Director for Healthy Aging and Longevity

- ESD: Maria Mitchell, Senior Vice President, Life Sciences
- DCJS: Joseph Popcun, Executive Deputy Commissioner

DFS: Eamon Rock, Deputy Superintendent for Pharmacy Benefits DOCCS: Dr. Carol Moores, Deputy Commissioner and Chief Medical

Officer

SCOC: Ellen B. Tryon, RN, MAT Unit Supervisor

DHSES: Luci Labriola-Cuffe, Deputy State Fire Administrator

SED: Kathleen DeCataldo, Senior Advisor for Student Support Services

State Police: Captain James Browne, FC BCI

SUNY: Valerie Grey, Senior Vice Chancellor & Chief Hospital and Healthcare Operations Officer

CUNY: Pedro Mateu Gelabert, Associate Professor Community Health and Social Sciences

New York State Department of Health Commissioner Dr. James McDonald said, "The opioid crisis is not just a public health issue - it is a crisis of humanity that touches every corner of the State. Governor Hochul's new Task Force on Overdose Prevention brings all facets of state government together to identify areas for greater collaboration and make specific recommendations on treatment, recovery, and harm reduction programs to expand access to care and save more lives."

New York State Office of Addiction Services and Supports Commissioner and Task Force on Overdose Prevention Chair Dr. Chinazo Cunningham said, "We continue to experience the worst overdose crisis in history. Governor Hochul's Inter-Agency Overdose Epidemic Task Force will generate greater collaboration through education, cross training, and sharing of resources to help enhance the State's efforts to save lives. Bringing so many agencies together to discuss their roles in addressing the epidemic is critically important."

The Interagency Task Force on Overdose Prevention will hold two public listening sessions to be held in Albany and Staten Island. Members of the public who wish to submit public comment to the Task Force should email OverdoseTaskForce@oasas.ny.gov.

> Donate a little of your time and have a direct impact on someone's path to recovery!



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#### THE TOWNSMAN

#### AUGUST 31, 2023



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Sullivan County Delaware & Hudson Canal Interpretive Center 16 Bova Road, Summitville, NY

# **Upcoming Canal Events**

# **Guided Canal Trail Walk**

## Sunday, September 10, 2023 1:00 pm

Join the Interpretive Center staff and learn what life was like on the canal, view remnants of Lock 50 and visit the Canal Interpretive Center.

Contact S.C. Parks Department to register. Email: <a href="mailto:scparks@sullivanny.us">scparks@sullivanny.us</a> or call 845-807-0287.

# Guided Canal & O&W Trail Walk

## Sunday October 15, 2023 1:00 pm

Join Kerron Barnes to explore along a two-mile loop of the D&H Canal and the O&W Trail north of Summitville. Co-sponsored with the Mamakating Library

Contact Mamakating Library to register. Email: mamcirc@rcls.org or call 845-888-8004.

# **D&H Canal Presentation**

## Sunday October 22, 2023 2:00 pm

Join Cliff Robinson Jr., member of the Delaware & Hudson Transportation Heritage Council and Executive Director of the Neversink Feeder and Canal Conservancy for a presentation focusing on the Mamakating portion of the D&H Canal.

Contact S.C Parks Department to register. Email: <a href="mailto:scparks@sullivanny.us">scparks@sullivanny.us</a> or call 845-807-0287.


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#### CffCM UPCOMING PROGRAMS

**Friday Networking Breakfast** Friday, Sept 8th –Hosted by the Sullivan County Chamber of Commerce & Sullivan 180. Catered by Neversink General Store.

Learn More & Register https://business.catskills.com/events/details/first-second-friday-

networking-breakfast-september-8-2023-14363?calendarMonth=2023-09-01

**Catskill Rodmakers Gathering** Fri, Sat, Sun - Sept 8th, 9th, 10th –An annual gathering for fly rod enthusiasts - with guest speakers, workshops, the Demarest Challenge, delicious BBQ & more!

Learn More & Register

https://cffcm.com/eventscalendar/2023-rodmakers

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**6th Annual Emerging Angler's Dinner** Saturday, September 23rd –Our premier fundraiser held at the Beaverkill Valley Inn Tickets & Sponsorships Available For more information go to: https://cffcm.com/eventscalendar/2023/9/23/emerging-anglersdinner?ss\_source=sscampaigns&ss\_campaign\_id=64e769cefe 69f65196c5d670&ss\_email\_id=64e8a96c6199ed217f7a7063& ss\_campaign\_name=eNews+from+CFFCM%3A+Upcoming+ Programs%2C+Emerging+Anglers%2C+Conservation+Awar d&ss\_campaign\_sent\_date=2023-08-25T13%3A16%3A08Z

**Saturday Tyers Series**– An ongoing program in collaboration with the Catskill Fly Tyers Guild. Visitors can observe fly tying in action with heritage patterns and techniques on display. These educational demos are held on most Saturdays from 11am - 2pm in the Museum with different tyers featured throughout the year. The upcoming schedule will include:

Aug 26: Tom Mason

Sept 2: Craig Mazur

Sept 16: Mark Sturtevant

Sept 23: Aaron Miller

The CFFCM online Events Calendar will be updated with bios and more information about this program periodically. CFFCM Saturday Tyers Series is made possible in part by funding from the Sullivan County 2023 Legislative Discretionary Contract Program.

#### Special announcement: President Jimmy Carter is the 2023 recipient of the Lee Wulff Conservation Award



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Read more about President Carter's contributions to conservation, particularly in the Catskill region, and view the list of past recipients.

The museum will share stories of Carter's historic visit to CFFCM in its early days, leading up to the formal presentation of the award at the museum's Hall of Fame Ceremony this fall on October 7th, 2023.

For more information go to: https://cffcm.com/eventscalendar/2023/10/7/catskill-fly-fishing-hall-of-fame-induction-ceremony?ss\_source=sscampaigns&ss\_campaign\_id=64e769cefe6 9f65196c5d670&ss\_email\_id=64e8a96c6199ed217f7a7063&ss \_campaign\_name=eNews+from+CFFCM%3A+Upcoming+Pr ograms%2C+Emerging+Anglers%2C+Conservation+Award& ss\_campaign\_sent\_date=2023-08-25T13%3A16%3A08Z

#### Thanks for joining us at SUMMERFEST 2023

The Catskill Fly Fishing Festival & Hardy Cup Competition We had the highest attendance in years, both vendors & visitors, and enjoyed sharing the Center with everyone. Special shout-outs to:

Hardy Cup Champion, Masaki Takemoto - Congrats on another win!

All the incredible vendors in our Angling Market

Our fabulous food vendors including: Livingston Manor Central School, Health on Wheels, and the Robin Hood Diner's ice cream truck

The Cameramen for Saturday afternoon surf rock on our rail trail

Presenters and participants in our Conservation Conference including Jeff Skelding, Kelly Buchta, Jesse Vadala, Sarah Baker and Todd Spire

Every volunteer who assisted staff throughout the weekend

Agnes Van Put on the celebration of her 107th birthday !



## Time and the Valleys Museum

Connecting Water, People & the Catskills



 NEW AUGMENTED REALITY EXHIBIT! Bittersweet Memories: Lost Towns of the Catskill Watersheds

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#### **Mountainkeeper News**

As summer draws to a close, Mountainkeeper is looking ahead to a busy and productive fall season. There's a lot of important and hard work on the horizon and, as always, we're grateful for the activism and support of friends like you!

Mountainkeeper's final 2023 Liberty Farmers Market on September 1st,

Some of the great on-the-ground work our Catskill Trail Stewards have tackled this summer,

Mountainkeeper team member Brayden Sonny White's plans to run the NYC Marathon to raise awareness about indigenous climate justice

A Shinrinyoku concert at a biodynamic farm in Jeffersonville on September 9th, and

A free event we're co-hosting on September 14th at the Hutton Brickyards in Kingston to kick-off Hudson Valley Climate Solutions week.

With appreciation,

Ramsay Adams, Executive Director

#### **Farmers Markets**



The final day for Mountainkeeper's 2023 summer Farmers Market in Liberty, NY is Friday, September 1st from 3-6pm, and we hope to see

you there! It's been another great year for this vibrant outdoor market, which has attracted good crowds of people buying fresh and healthy local produce and handmade goods; enhanced the market going experience with live music and outreach materials; drawn more shoppers using Farmers' Market Nutritional checks, SNAP/EBT, Senior FMNP checks, and participating in the Double Up Food Bucks Program; and added new market vendors who will help us grow the market even more in 2024. Though Mountainkeeper's market comes to a close on Labor Day weekend, you can keep shopping this fall at other Sullivan County Farmers Markets in towns like Callicoon, Narrowsburg, Rock Hill, and Livingston Manor. To find a market near you, click here.

#### Mountainkeeper's Catskill Stewards

It's been a busy summer for Mountainkeeper's Catskill Trail Stewards, who have been at work on-the-ground educating visitors about using our recreational areas in responsible ways that promote conservation and keep people safe. From late May through the end of July, our Stewards greeted 4,404 visitors and 137 pets (including 3 cats!) to popular local sites, including Big Pond, the Beaverkill Covered Bridge, the Peekamoose Blue Hole Lower Field, and the Neversink Fishing Access Point in Claryville. Our Stewards have gained knowledge about the Catskill Park, met the DEC rangers in our regions, completed Wilderness First Aid and Leave No Trace training, and gained knowledge of invasive species and plant identification. The Stewards will be out on the trails through Labor Day weekend, so be sure to say hello if you see them!

#### Mountainkeeper Runs the NYC Marathon



Mountainkeeper's Indigenous Liaison, Brayden Sonny White, is training hard for the 2023 NYC Marathon on Sunday, November 5th, where he will be running to raise awareness of the climate-related issues faced by members of the Haudenosaunee Confederacy, which com-

prises six indigenous nations in what's now known as New York State, including the Mohawk Nation. Sonny, who is from the Shohskoharó:wane/Big Driftwood Family of the Bear Clan of the Kaniehkeha:ka/Mohawk Nation and lives on the Akwesasne Mohawk Territory, has this to say about getting ready for the experience:

"After Centuries of injustice, Indigenous people across the country are suffering from the effects of widespread pollution on our ancestral lands that is causing a drastic spike in health concerns and ailments that were not present until industry moved in and started exploiting the nearby lands and waterways for a quick profit. I want to use my NYC Marathon run to bring heightened awareness and media attention to the severe environmental issues plaguing our Indigenous American communities that will help drive positive change and support climate justice. We only have one Mother Earth and, if we do not take care of her, we will cease to exist when it becomes too hot for us to survive. So I'm advocating for everybody to do their part to make sure the Earth will be a safe and healthy home for all of us, and for the future generations yet to be born."

#### Shinrinyoku Concert in Jeffersonville September 9th

Momo Global Flowers, a biodynamic flower farm in Jeffersonville, is hosting its 3rd annual Shinrinyoku concert-an outdoor celebration of music, nature and friendship-on Saturday, September 9th starting at 4pm. Interested guests are asked to make a donation in advance to get on the attendance list.

| Sean Harkness - acoustic guitarist  | Food and Drink<br>Bibimbus - a Korean food truck<br>Local cider Organic cotton<br>candy, and more |
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| Sumie Kaneko - koto string<br>player with a demonstration<br>by Anna Nakada master,<br>Ichiyo School of Ikebana |   |

Mountainkeeper is proud to co-sponsor a fun and important special event next month in Kingston, NY with the Partners for Climate Action. We hope you'll join friends and allies from across the region on Thursday, September 14th from 4-7 pm as we gather on the banks of the Hudson River at the beautiful and historic Hutton Brickyards to enjoy delicious snacks and drinks, while connecting with new and old friends as we come together once again as a climate community.

Hosted by Partners for Climate Action, this event is a kick-off for the Hudson Valley Climate Solutions Week and is intended for those working on or interested in engaging in local climate work. Vegan and vegetarian food will be served, with a cash bar available. The event is free to attend, but you must RSVP here. Looking forward to seeing you there.

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Bingo at the Monticello Elks Lodge Every Tuesday at 7 PM 46 North Street in Monticello For information, contact Past Exalted Ruler Ronni Scannell at (845) 701-0695



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## Grahamsville United Methodist Church R Sept 9th Saturday Thrift Sale

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## Thrift Sale 9:00 am to 12 Noon

Join Esther and look for new bargains and treasures at the next Thrift Sale

#### GRAHAMSVILLE UMC THRIFT MINISTRY

Donations accepted in the Thrift Building on Tuesdays from 9:30 to 11:30 am or by appointment.

Call Ruth at 845-985-7222 The Grahamsville UMC Mission Team



It's not too early to get your tickets for the Annual Sundown UMC Church Chicken BBQ Sat., Sept. 23, 2023

You can purchase your tickets on Fridays and Saturdays at the UMC Ladies' Indoor Yard Sale

> See Carol at the Sale





## **Bittersweet Memories** Lost Towns of the Catskill Watersheds

## NEW EXHIBITION! Seventeen artists explore life, loss, change and New York City's reservoirs



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### **Time and the Valleys Museum**

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# Ellenville Regional Hospital Auxiliary Gift Shop Presents COOKIE BOOKIE Sale

## Friday, September 8th From 9am to 3pm Tent on Hospital Grounds

\$3 BAG OF BOOKS (AS MANY AS YOU CAN FIT) \$2 BAG OF Homemade Cookies

#### Fourth Annual Ulster County Food Fight!

(Ulster County, NY) The Ulster County Food Fight is an annual food collection contest held in cooperation with all of the libraries throughout Ulster County from Friday, September 1 to Saturday, October 21. The "Food Fight" is part of the Great Give Back on October 21, happening throughout New York State.

The common goal is to "spread food all over Ulster County" by filling up the shelves of local food pantries and ending hunger in our communities. The library that collects the highest number of food items during this period wins the Food Fight, receives a winners' certificate, and bragging rights for the year!

Help your library win the Food Fight by donating non-perishable (and non-expired) food items for local food pantries. It sounds like a messy fight, but this is a clean competition supporting your community's neighbors.

Last year, library patrons throughout Ulster County donated 4,457 items. Our goal this year is 5,500 donated items. Help be a part of this fun competition and worthy cause!

The following libraries will be participating:

Cragsmoor Free Library: 845-647-4611 Ellenville Public Library & Museum: 845-647-5530 Esopus Library: 845-338-5580 Gardiner Library: 845-255-1255 Highland Public Library: 845-691-2275 Hurley Library: 845-338-2092 Kingston Library: 845-331-0507 Marlboro Free Library: 845-236-7272 Sarah Hull Hallock Free Library (Milton): 845-795-2200 Morton Memorial Library (Pine Hill): 845-254-4222 Elting Memorial Library (New Paltz): 845-255-5030 Olive Free Library: 845-657-2482 Phoenicia Library: 845-688-7811 Plattekill Library: 845-883-7286 Rosendale Library: 845-658-9013 Saugerties Library: 845-246-4317 Stone Ridge Public Library: 845-687-7023 Town of Ulster Public Library: 845-338-7881 Wallkill Public Library: 845-895-3707 West Hurley Public Library: 845-679-6405 Woodstock Public Library District: 845-679-2213

Please contact your local library to find out what local food pantry they support and all the details of how you can donate items.

Thanks for your help in this worthy fight!

## NEW HERITAGE BAKING BOOK It Makes a Unique Gift

#### The new 68-page Heritage Baking Book

has tried-and-true old time treasured recipes for cakes, muffins, pies, cookies and much more, all from local bakers of the past.

It includes a history of baking and information and photos of many of the early local bakers, including bakers from the Smith, Hornbeck, Sheeley and Erath families.

#### \$15 Each \$12 for Museum Members

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## NICK NEEDS KIDNEY - TYPE O (IN SOME CASES TYPE A BLOOD COULD WORK)

Chronic Kidney Disease (CKD) progresses in stages and, if untreated, can lead to complete loss of kidney function. At CKD stage 5, when both kidneys fail completely, the only options for survival are dialysis or a kidney transplant. Nick is at stage 5.

If interested in donating please contact Westchester Medical Center and speak with a Living Donor Coordinator at 914.493.1990

#### 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

## Time and the Valleys Museum Grahamsville, NY

#### Are you interested in local history?

#### Did you know that Museum membership is only \$25 a YEAR? Members receive:

- Free admission to all diverse in-person and virtual programs
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## **BONUS - Free Art Catalogue!**

# AUGUST © Child Support Awareness Month

# YOUTH CONTRACT OF THE SUPPORT SUPPORT SUPPORT US!

Join us for a peer led, mental health, lesson based virtual support group for teens ages 13-17. Together we learn about our mental health and do an activity together. This group is completely free to join, and all supplies for the activity will be sent to your home. Space is limited for each group!

Contact Rebekah at rumarbashar@asfl.org for more information.

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Join us for a peer led virtual support group for parents of children with mental health challenges. Together we have time for conversation and an activity. This group is completely free to join, and all supplies for the activity will be sent to your home. Space is limited for each group!

Contact Anne-Marie at afreitas@asfl.org for more information.



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## Tickets and info: livinghistoryny.com

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## Daniel Pierce Library Fall Children's Programs 2023 Sign Up TODAY!

The 8 week fall story hour programs will begin the week of October 16th.

Mother Goose Time (12–23 months) Wednesday, October 18th

Toddler Time (24-35 months) Thursday, October 19th

Story Hour (3, 4, and 5 year-olds) Friday, October 20th

Universal Pre-Kindergarten Story Hour Children will be registered at school Tuesday, October 17th

Happy Fall



As we wrap up another productive week, I wanted to give you an update on all that I've been doing on behalf of the Hudson and Delaware Valleys!

#### FIGHTING FOR FLOOD RELIEF

I've spoken with disabled veterans whose homes are still in shambles, families previously in low-income housing that now have nowhere to live, and kids stuck in condemned homes because they can't afford repairs.

Last week, I sent a letter to Speaker McCarthy demanding that he look them in the eye and reassure them that his FEMA funding legislation will include individual assistance for Hudson Valley flood victims.

McCarthy responded with silence. That's not acceptable leadership.

The Major Disaster Declaration was a critical first step to enable our recovery, but now Congress must come together to deliver relief for everyone impacted. I'll keep fighting, and I hope the Speaker will join me in doing what is right. Read the letter here or watch the video here .

#### DELIVERING RELIEF FOR OUR FARMERS

Our fruit farmers experienced a devastating late-spring freeze that resulted in the destruction of thousands of acres of crops across New York.

Î immediately requested that the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) declare a disaster that would provide emergency resources and support to our Hudson Valley fruit farmers. That demand was finally answered - the USDA made the declaration and farmers can now apply for Farm Service Agency (FSA) emergency loans.

If your fruit crops were affected by the spring freeze, farmers.gov, the Disaster Assistance Discovery Tool, Disaster Assistance-at-a-Glance fact sheet, and Loan Assistance Tool can help you determine program or loan options. To file a Notice of Loss or to ask questions about available programs, contact your local USDA Service Center.

#### PROTECTING THE HUDSON RIVER

For too long, big corporations have dumped their toxic waste into the Hudson River with blatant disregard for our communities' safety - Holtec's plan to dump radioactive waste was no different -that ends now.

Last week's legislation to halt this plan is a huge win for Hudson Valley families and for everyone who raised their voice and said with me: enough is enough.

I'm going to keep holding big corporations accountable so that Hudson Valley communities have the clean water we deserve. Watch my statement after the Save the River Rally here.

#### BRINGING MY OFFICE TO YOU

From Plattekill to Marlborough to Gardiner - Wednesday was a spectacular day of helping constituents with everything from passports to Social Security to VA benefits with the CARES Van!

Stay posted for September's schedule as the Van continues to make its way to every municipality in NY-18.

RESCHEDULING POSTPONED CARES EVENT

Unfortunately, due to rain, the CARES Van event scheduled for the Dutchess County Senior Picnic on Wednesday, August 16 was postponed.

I'm happy to announce that it has been rescheduled for Friday, September 1! Hope to see you from 11:15am to 1:15pm at Stitzel Field at 10-14 Lincoln Ave. in Poughkeepsie.

#### SUPPORTING OUR LOCAL UNIONS

hank you to Anheuser-Busch and IBEW 363 for the recent tour of the New Windsor facility and for supplying 50,000 cans of water to the Red Cross for relief efforts following July's devastating flood.

I'm proud to support this community staple, which employs more than 100 IBEW 363 union members!

#### SUPPORTING THE NEWBURGH BOYS & GIRLS CLUB

The Boys & Girls Club does transformative work for our Newburgh community, it was great to see it in action!

I'm proudly fighting for \$4,200,000 in federal funds for building its Workforce Development, Early Literacy, and Teen Center.

Together, we'll continue to uplift our kids in Newburgh.

#### MAKING HEALTHCARE MORE ACCESSIBLE

Cornerstone Health does vital work making healthcare more accessible and affordable for Hudson Valley families - it was amazing to see it in action at the recently renovated Center in Port Jervis! After a \$5 million upgrade, the site now houses a range of community health services, from internal medicine to dental care, mental health to nutrition counseling for women, infants and children. I'm going to keep fighting to deliver the support that our healthcare workers deserve to keep NY-18 families healthy.

#### BIG IMPROVEMENTS ON THE WAY IN PORT JERVIS

Thank you to Port Jervis Mayor Kelly Decker for showing me the transformation underway in downtown thanks to the work of locals and newcomers alike.

The city was recently awarded a \$10 million Downtown Revitalization Initiative from New York State earlier this year and huge infrastructure, economic, and transportation improvements are ahead.

The Local Planning Committee is close to finalizing a set of recommended investments to build on this great small city's ongoing renaissance. You can make your voice heard about what you want to see and learn more at the next public workshop on August 29, from 6-8pm at the Youth Community Center, 134 Pike Street.

#### FIGHTING FOR WOMEN'S EQUALITY

This past Saturday marked Women's Equality Day - the anniversary of the 19th Amendment granting women the right to vote in 1920.

We must continue the fight for true equality.

I'm proud to champion legislation that eliminates the gender pay gap, calls for the ratification of the Equal Rights Amendment, and safeguards women's reproductive freedom.

#### WISHING HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO THE NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

Happy 107th Birthday to the National Park Service this past Friday!

From the Appalachian Trail to President Franklin Roosevelt's Hyde Park, thank you to the NPS for preserving NY-18's rich history, environment, and landscapes for our families and future generations to cherish.

You can visit President Roosevelt's Library in Hyde Park like I did thanks to the NPS!

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#### Pat Ryan (From PG. 56)

#### GRANTS CORNER

#### DUE SOON!

The EPA is providing states and municipalities free Clean Water Act technical assistance to support the integrated plan development and review process. The deadline to request EPA's 2023 Free Technical Assistance is August 31, 2023.

#### FLOOD RECOVERY

The Restaurant Disaster Relief Fund provides \$10,000 grants to local restaurants impacted by state or federally declared natural disasters. To be eligible, a business must be experiencing hardship due to a natural disaster, have a maximum of three locations, employ fewer than 50 employees per location, and have revenues of \$3M or less per location in the last 12 months. Grants are funded by DoorDash and applications are due September 29.

#### APPLICATIONS OPEN FOR:

The Community Food Projects Competitive Grant Program (CFPCGP) aims to bring together stakeholders from distinct parts of the food system and to foster understanding of national food security trends and how they might improve local food systems. There are two project types:

Planning Projects: The purpose is to provide early-stage investment in new, startup projects or to invest in completing project plans toward the improvement of community food security.

Community Food Projects: The purpose is to seek solutions over the longer term rather than focusing on short-term food relief. They will seek comprehensive solutions to problems across all levels of the food system from farmer to consumer. Projects should not be designed to merely support individual food pantries, farmers markets, community gardens or other established projects. Rather, the projects should build on and encourage innovative long-term solutions to food and nutrition security.

Application deadline is October 30!

The Diesel Emissions Reduction Act (DERA) funds grants and rebates that protect human health and improve air quality by reducing harmful emissions from diesel engines. Eligible uses of funding include school buses, class 5 - class 8 heavyduty highway vehicles, locomotive engines, marine engines, and nonroad engines, equipment or vehicles used in construction, handling of cargo (including at ports or airports), agriculture, mining or energy production (including stationary generators and pumps). The application deadline is December 1. If you want to stay up-to-date on all of that my office is doing, I encourage you to follow along on our social media channels: Facebook and Twitter .

Please remember that my office is always here to help if you have a question or need assistance. You can reach us using the contact information above and below and we will do everything we can to connect you with the resources you need. I look forward to hearing from you soon!

Sincerely, Patrick K. Ryan Member of Congress New York's 18th District https://patryan.house.gov/

#### Governor Hochul Calls on President Biden to Direct the Federal Government to Provice Work Authorizations, Support and Sheldter for More than 100,000 Asylum Seekers in NYS

• Governor Urges White House to Provide Expedited Work Authorization for Asylum Seekers, Financial Assistance for the City and State, the Use of Federal Lands and Facilities, and Reimbursement for Nearly 2,000 New York National Guard Members

• Governor Also Announces Plan to Connect Asylum Seekers to Employers with Job Openings Throughout New York State

• Governor's Ongoing Response to Asylum Seeker Arrivals Includes \$1.5 Billion in Aid in FY 2024 Budget, Mobilization of Nearly 2,000 National Guard Members, and Providing State-Owned Sites to House Asylum Seekers

Governor Kathy Hochul t called on President Biden to take executive action and direct additional federal resources to the State of New York as it manages the unprecedented influx of asylum seekers arriving in New York. In a formal request sent to the White House this morning, Governor Hochul outlined specific, outstanding requests, including expedited work authorizations for asylum seekers, financial assistance for New York City and New York State, the use of federal land and facilities for temporary shelter sites, and Title 32 designation to provide federal funding for the nearly 2,000 New York National Guard members currently providing logistical and operational support across the State.

"For over a year, I have called for federal assistance and support for New York as we manage the unprecedented number of asylum seekers arriving in our state," Governor Hochul said. "New York cannot continue to do this on its own. It is past time for President Biden to take action and provide New York with the aid needed to continue managing this ongoing crisis."

Governor Hochul also announced a program that will greatly expand the State's ability to help asylum seekers quickly gain lawful employment. Governor Hochul directed the New York State Department of Labor (DOL) to help connect asylum seekers to employment opportunities so they can begin working immediately after obtaining federal work authorization. All asylum seekers with work authorization in New York can now register for assistance here. DOL career experts will work with individuals to assess skills, work history, education, career interests and more, and connect them with employers across the State. Additionally, the New York State Department of Labor launched a portal enabling businesses to inform the State that they would welcome newly-authorized individuals into their workforce.

These actions are Governor Hochul's latest efforts to address the arrival of asylum seekers and migrants in New York. Earlier this week, Governor Hochul announced a \$20 million investment to help expedite the casework filing process for more than 30,000 asylum seekers. This investment builds on the \$1.5 billion the State already committed to support New York City by providing funding for health care, shelter costs, National Guard personnel, legal services, and voluntary relocation programs. The State has also loaned New York City sites to use as temporary shelters which currently house more than 2,000 asylum seekers every day. (Contd. Pt 58)

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(From Pg. 57) The full text of Governor Hochul's letter to the President is available below:

Dear President Biden:

New York State has been working with the City of New York to manage the arrival of a significant number of migrants and individuals seeking asylum in New York over the past year. This influx has stretched the City's and State's resources, created tremendous operational and management challenges, and imposed overwhelming demands on the City's homeless shelters. I wrote to you earlier this year to ask for the use of certain federal properties to provide temporary shelter. While I appreciate you taking initial steps to assist the State in this regard and your longstanding commitment to an equitable approach to immigration at the Southwest border, the challenges we face demand a much more vigorous federal response. With the arrival of over 100,000 asylum seekers and migrants in the past year, coupled with the sustained arrival of hundreds if not thousands to the City every week, the federal government must partner with the City and State in handling this humanitarian crisis. The City and the State have provided significant funding, staffing, and case management for these arrivals to date. I write to you today to express a most urgent need for the federal government to take executive action and direct significant financial assistance to address this challenge.

There are several key steps that the federal government must take to meet its responsibilities to New York.

First, the federal government must expedite work authorizations. New York has a very strong job market, and the State is committed to providing job placement services to those who have work authorization and to resettling individuals and families who have applied for asylum. Today, many asylum seekers and migrants need both shelter and financial assistance for an indefinite period simply because they cannot legally work in the United States. Work authorization would enable these individuals to resettle in communities more quickly. The federal government can expedite work authorizations through executive actions like granting and extending Temporary Protected Status, specifically for countries like Venezuela, which constitute a significant portion of the arriving population and where the situation on the ground continues to deteriorate. I also support the use of the humanitarian parole program for individuals from other countries. We cannot make progress in mitigating the humanitarian crisis we face in New York without these essential actions by the federal government.

Second, the federal government must provide the State and the City with significant financial assistance. The State has already committed over \$1.5 billion, and based on the current trajectory and planning, this crisis could cost the State an additional \$4.5 billion next year. According to New York City Mayor Eric Adams, the City projects that the cost to the City will be \$12 billion to support the arriving asylum seekers and migrants. The City and the State are incurring these unexpected expenditures in the midst of declining tax revenues while costs are rising. This is a financial burden the City and State are shouldering on behalf of the federal government. While the State appreciates the \$145 million contribution that the federal government has made to this effort, this allotment of funds is insufficient. The costs to provide services and assistance to migrants arriving in New York are high and the need for federal assistance is clear.

o Healthcare and Human Services: The State needs funding from the federal government to pay to test the migrants for illnesses that might pose a threat to public health and to provide Covid-19 vaccine and other immunizations; to offset state program costs through an increase in federal cost sharing under the Medicaid program (FMAP); and to support comprehensive case management services.

o Transportation: The Federal Transit Administration has an Emergency Relief program, and we call on the federal government to direct funds from this program to the Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA) for free transportation services provided to migrants and asylum seekers. To date, the MTA has spent over \$2.3 million for these services and the costs will continue to rise. The MTA has had to raise fares for New York commuters to close its budget gap and the MTA cannot provide free transport services for migrants on an ongoing basis without federal financial assistance.

o Housing Assistance: The Department of Housing and Urban Development has housing subsidy programs, including Section 8 housing vouchers, that should be provided to eligible homeless families and individuals to help them move into permanent housing, to relieve the pressure on the City's shelters, and to decrease the City's significant costs to shelter elsewhere.

o Education: The Department of Education must work with the City and the State to surge resources to school districts seeing the dramatic increases in their student population as a direct result of this crisis. Many of the arriving migrants are families with children who are enrolling in public school and need English as a Second Language and other support services.

Third, the federal government has key facilities in the City and metropolitan area that the State and the City urgently need for temporary shelters. The New York City shelter system is caring for over 58,500 asylum seekers and migrants, and the number continues to grow by the thousands each week. The City has opened more than 200 shelters in response to this crisis and is out of space. Additionally, the State has provided multiple state-owned facilities including the former Lincoln Correctional Facility, Building 197 at John F. Kennedy Airport, and space on the Creedmoor Psychiatric Hospital campus. The City and State are quickly running out of viable locations to house asylum seekers and migrants. Additional federal assistance to identify, prepare, and operate new sites on federally owned assets is essential. I am grateful for the efforts of your Administration to make Floyd Bennett Field available. However, there are other properties the federal government owns that should also be made available for this purpose.

Fourth, the federal government should reimburse the State for the costs of deploying the National Guard. The State is incurring costs of over \$22 million per month to support approximately 1,950 National Guard members, who are deployed in the City and to counties to assist with humanitarian operations. This is an expense most appropriately borne by the federal government. Title 32 of the United States Code provides those who perform active duty under state control with pay and benefits by the federal government. I understand that the federal government has authorized the use of the Title 32 authority in the past to reimburse states for costs associated with the deployment of the National Guard to assist with immigrants arriving in the United States. I am calling on the federal government to provide that same level of assistance to New York, either through a Title 32 authorization or through another funding mechanism.

In summary, New York City and New York State are deploying all available resources and staff to manage this immigration crisis. New York is a state with tremendous talent, capability, compassion, and potential. No challenge is too great, and we are stepping up to handle this mission. However, the flow of asylum seekers and migrants into New York is continuing at a high and unabated level. It is the federal government's direct responsibility to manage and control of the nation's borders. Without any capacity or responsibility to address the cause of the migrant influx, New Yorkers cannot then shoulder these costs. I cannot ask New Yorkers to pay for what is fundamentally a federal responsibility and I urge the federal government to take prompt and significant action today to meet its obligation to New York State.

Thank you for your continued leadership for our nation on this issue and so many others.

Governor Hochul's letter to President Biden can be viewed here. https://www.governor.ny.gov/sites/default/files/2023-08/Hochul\_Biden\_Asylum\_Seekers\_Letter.pdf



#### My Law Enforcement and Border Security Plans

As part of my ongoing commitment to safeguarding our communities, this week I released my Law Enforcement and Border Security plans, which detail my efforts to support our communities' safety and security.

Throughout my tenure in Congress, I have remained committed to supporting legislation that stands against the "defund and demoralize the police" movement. Our plan supports public safety and brings our communities together.

While migrant surges may not be new, the magnitude of this current crisis is unprecedented. That is why I have repeatedly called for the impeachment of President Joe Biden and Department of Homeland Security Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas over this crisis. I remain committed to fortifying our borders, restoring safety to our streets, and ending the migrant crisis plaguing our region and country.

To view my full Law Enforcement Plan, click here. h t t p s : //t e n n e y . h o u s e . g o v / s i t e s / e v o subsites/tenney.house.gov/files/evo-media-document/lawenforcement-plan-2023.pdf

To view my full Border Security Plan, click here. https://tenney.house.gov/sites/evosubsites/tenney.house.gov/files/evo-media-document/border-security-plan-2023.pdf

#### Supporting the Creation of a Space National Guard

Now more than ever, as our adversaries continue to ramp up their space capabilities, we must enhance our own efforts and continue to focus on space exploration and defense. By supporting the creation of the Space National Guard as the primary reserve component of the U.S. Space Force, we are leveraging the technical expertise of parttime reservists who work full-time in the private sector. The bipartisan and bicameral support for the establishment of the Space National Guard illustrates the importance of cooperation in advancing our military capabilities.

Notably, this would have a direct impact on the 222nd Command and Control Squadron, based in Rome, New York, which is part of the 107th Attack Wing, based at Niagara Falls Air Reserve Station. This Air National Guard Squadron would be a natural fit for the Space National Guard. I look forward to the positive impact this will have on our region and on our nation's ability to maintain its dominance in space.

READ MORE: Rep. Claudia Tenney pushes for establishing 'Space National Guard'

https://cnycentral.com/news/local/rep-claudia-tenneypushes-for-establishing-space-national-guard

#### **Reintroducing the Local Law Enforcement Protection Act to Defend Qualified Immunity**

With crime rates continuing to surge across our country and assaults against our brave police officers on the rise, it is deeply concerning that Democrats in Congress and Albany continue to advocate for defunding the police and ending qualified immunity.

This week, I met with the Ontario County Sheriff Department to discuss the ongoing crime crisis in our community. I also had the opportunity to deliver the keynote address at the Niagara County Law Enforcement Academy Graduation Ceremony where I reiterated my support for our men and women in blue. These brave officers, and law enforcement across our community risk their lives every day, and they deserve to be able to perform their duties without fear of frivolous lawsuits.

By introducing the Local Law Enforcement Protection Act this week, I reiterated my commitment to always stand in solidarity with the courageous law enforcement officers who protect our community.

#### Honoring a World War II Hero

Last week, I had the distinct honor to recognize the bravery of Torpedoman's Mate Second Class Joseph Edward Joseph for his service in the Navy during World War II.

Joseph Edward Joseph was honorably discharged from the United States Navy on January 4, 1946, after serving in World War II aboard the USS Aulick. On November 29, 1944, six Japanese planes attacked the Aulick in the Leyte Gulf while on anti-submarine patrol, with 31 men giving their lives in defense of their ship, fellow service members, and country, 64 being wounded, and one sailor missing in action. Joseph, for his actions and bravery, earned the Combat Action Ribbon, Navy Good Conduct Medal, American Campaign Medal, Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal with three bronze battle stars, World War II Victory Medal, and foreign awards of the Philippine Republic Presidential Unit Citation and the Philippine Liberation Ribbon with one bronze battle star.

Mr. Joseph served our country with distinction aboard the USS Aulick during World War II. Few things can be done to show our nation's true gratitude for his service, but I was humbled to be able to present these medals and awards to Mr. Joseph's son in honor of his service. May these medals represent our national unity, resilience, and appreciation for the sacrifices made by Mr. Joseph and all our nation's military heroes.

#### Governor Hochul Recognizes Winners of the 2023 Dairy Products Competition

 Annual Tradition Highlights World-Class Dairy Products in New York State
Stewart's Shops Honored with Gold for Best Fluid Milk, Upstate Farms Buffalo Earns Silver
Ice Cream Offered as a Category for the First Time This Year, Stewart's Brings Home Gold for Chocolate and Flavored Ice Cream, Mikey Dubb's Frozen Custard Earns Gold for Vanilla
Four Fat Fowl Named Grand Champion for Its St. Stephen Cheese

Governor Kathy Hochul announced the winners of the 2023 Dairy Products Competition. Stewart's Shops was honored with gold as the state's top-scoring milk, and Upstate Farms Buffalo earned silver. This year's competition also included ice cream as a category for the first time ever, with Stewart's bringing home the gold for best chocolate ice cream and best flavored ice cream, and Mikey Dubb's Frozen Custard from New Rochelle earning gold for its vanilla. In addition, Four Fat Fowl Creamery from Stephentown was named Grand Champion for its St. Stephens cheese. A full list of the 2023 Dairy Products Competition winners is available here.

"Coming from a family of dairy farmers in Ireland, I am committed to continuing our historic support for New York's dairy producers and processors," Governor Hochul said. "Our dairy products are some of the finest in the world and these winners are a testament to our State - I encourage all New Yorkers to enjoy these delicious award-winning products."

The Dairy Products Competition celebrates New York's dairy industry and its finest dairy producers and processors from across the state with gold or silver honors, or an Award of Excellence. This year there were 197 entries across 26 categories, including fluid milk, various types of cheeses, sour cream, yogurt, dips, cottage cheese, and for the first time ever, ice cream.

#### Other highlights from the competition include:

o Stewart's Processing also took home gold in the Flavored Milk Category, while Dygert Farms from Palatine Bridge won gold in the Chocolate Milk category.

#### o Weissmann Farms from Roscoe won gold in the Small Processors Fluid Milk category.

o HP Hood (Arkport, Vernon and Lafargeville plants) earned the most medals overall, with a total of 14. They received the gold in the Full-fat, Low-fat, and Fat-free Cottage Cheese categories, as well as in the Sour Cream, Buttermilk, Dairy Dips, and Plain Yogurt categories.

o Great Lakes Cheese from Adams won gold for its Cheddar, Aged Cheddar, and "Super" Aged Cheddar, earning a total of eight medals - ranking second highest overall in the competition.

Cheese classes were evaluated by 13 expert judges, including several representatives from the Department of Agriculture and Markets, Cornell University, and Steve Funk from Nelson Jameson. This year, the Chief Judge was Valerie Catlin from the New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets' Division of Milk Control. Cornell University College of Agriculture and Life Sciences Milk Quality Improvement Program judged the fluid milk and ice cream portions of the competition.

The winners of this year's competition will be honored, as has been tradition, during a special awards ceremony on Dairy Day at the Great New York State Fair, and a video presentation highlighting all the award-winning products of the 2023 Dairy Products Competition will be on display in the Dairy Products Building. Dairy Day takes place on Thursday, August 31 and includes milk tasting, a milkshake contest, a dairy day parade around Chevy Court, and more.

Stewart's Shops Senior Vice President Chad Kiesow said, "We are thrilled and honored to be receiving these awards. They are a testament to the dedication and passion from not only our skilled dairy and ice cream teams, but also our local dairy farmers who we want to acknowledge and thank for their contributions to earning these awards. We take great pride providing our customers fresh and local dairy products all year long, and our customers can feel good about buying their milk and ice cream from Stewart's Shops knowing that they are receiving high quality products while supporting their local dairy farmers."

Mikey Dubb's Frozen Custard Owner Michael Weissman said, "I am incredibly proud that Mikey Dubb's Frozen Custard has been selected as the first ever Ice Cream Competition winner for Vanilla Ice Cream at Dairy Day. As a lifelong New Yorker, it is an honor to be part of the thriving NYS dairy industry, and as a small business owner, a thrill to be recognized alongside all the other 2023 winners."

Four Fat Fowl Operations and Finance Director Josie Madison said, "As a family business whose mission is to craft cheeses that we would want to eat ourselves, we are thrilled that St. Stephen has been recognized as the Grand Champion and CamemBertha as the silver winner in the artisan cheese category. We are tremendously grateful for our hard-working team that has helped make these awards possible and we are proud of what we have accomplished in our ten years in business. We continue to be committed to making the highest quality artisan cheeses that showcase the bounty of the Hudson Valley and its farm-fresh ingredients."

Cornell University's College of Agriculture and Life Sciences Ronald P. Lynch Dean Benjamin Houlton said, "What an exciting time for New York's thriving dairy community. Our Food Science Extension team and the Milk Quality Improvement Program are thrilled to work in partnership with the NYS Department of Agriculture and Markets to assess the quality, safety and sensory taste of iconic and innovative fluid milk and dairy products. This year's entries showcase a variety of innovative New York dairy delights for all consumers to enjoy. Along with our tried-and-true awardees like Stewart's and H.P. Hood, I'm excited to see the continuing growth of artisanal and small-scale producers-especially the addition of a New York frozen custard among the winners!"

#### The Dairy Industry in New York

New York's dairy industry is a critical sector of the state's economy and as its leading agricultural sector, dairy accounts for approximately one-half of New York's total agricultural income. New York State has nearly 3,200 dairy farms that produce over 15 billion pounds of milk annually, making New York the nation's fifth largest dairy state. New York's unique and talented dairy producers and processors provide significant contributions to New York's agriculture industry, the economy, and to the health of our communities.

#### About the Great New York State Fair

Founded in 1841, the Great New York State Fair showcases the best of New York agriculture, provides top-quality entertainment and is a key piece of the state's CNY Rising strategy of growing the Central New York economy through tourism. It is oldest state fair in the United States, and the third largest fair in the country. The fair runs August 23 to September 4, 2023.

The New York State Fairgrounds is a 375-acre exhibit and entertainment complex that operates all year. Audiences are encouraged to learn more about the Great New York State Fair online, and follow the fun on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram. Guests are invited to see photos from the Fair on Flickr and ideas are always welcome. New Yorkers are encouraged to send suggestions via email to statefairideas@agriculture.ny.gov.

# MISSING PERSON \$5,000-REWARD

## MATTHEW M. RUSSO



| RACE:    | WHITE             |
|----------|-------------------|
| SEX::    | MALE              |
| AGE:     | 36                |
| HEIGHT:  | 5'10"             |
| WEIGHT:  | 145 👗             |
| EYES:    | HAZEL             |
| HAIR:    | BLONDE            |
| CLOTHING | 3: Black shirt, b |



CLOTHING: Black shirt, blue jean shorts, Black Nike sneakers.

#### Missing since June 18, 2023

#### From Garnet Health Medical Center in Harris

The Sheriff's Office is seeking the public's help for information regarding the whereabouts of Matthew Russo, who disappeared on June 18, 2023. Anyone with information about Matthew, or what may have happened to him, is asked to call the Sheriff's Office. A reward of up to \$5,000 is being offered to information leading to resolution of the case and finding Matthew.

Sheriff's Office direct phone number is 845-794-7100 (x1)

Or

The Confidential Tip Line: 845-807-0158

#### Town of Fallsburg, to Host Spectacular Day of Celebration at Morningside Park

FALLSBURG, NY - The Town of Fallsburg is gearing up to host an unforgettable day of festivities, bringing the community together for a day of joy and camaraderie. On Saturday, September 2, from 1:00 PM to 10:00 PM, Morningside Park, located at 11 Morningside Road in Hurleyville, NY, will transform into a hub of excitement, featuring live music, entertainment, and breathtaking fireworks display after dark.

This day of celebration promises to be a highlight of the year for Fallsburg residents and visitors alike. The event will kick off at 1:00 PM, offering a wide range of family-friendly activities and opportunities to connect with neighbors and friends. As the sun begins to set, the atmosphere will be charged with anticipation for the grand finale of the day - a mesmerizing fireworks show that will light up the night sky in a dazzling array of colors.

Town Supervisor Kathy Rappaport shared her excitement about the upcoming event: "The Fallsburg community has always been a tight-knit and vibrant one. This celebration at Morningside Park is a chance for us to come together, celebrate our unity, and create lasting memories. After the challenges of the past months, this event symbolizes our resilience and the strong bonds that hold our community together. I encourage everyone to join us for this day of fun, music, and awe-inspiring fireworks!"

The event is made possible through the dedicated efforts of the Town of Fallsburg Parks Department Manager and staff who are committed to making this celebration a resounding success. The Town of Fallsburg expresses gratitude to all those who have contributed their time and resources to create an event that will be cherished by the community.

Residents and visitors are encouraged to bring their lawn chairs, blankets, and a spirit of celebration. Admission to the event is free, fostering an inclusive environment for all to enjoy. For more information about the Fallsburg Day of Celebration at Morningside Park, including a detailed schedule of performances and activities, please visit the town website or our social media pages.

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Lieutenant Governor Antonio Delgado said, "We need to meet this moment and provide asylum seekers with compassion and needed services. The State is working to address this humanitarian crisis, but we can't do it alone. We're calling on the federal government to provide the full range of funding, facilities, and work authorization to this effort. We owe it to New Yorkers and to those coming here for a better life to find solutions at all levels of government to address this crisis and help our nation move forward."

Representative Jerrold Nadler said, "I am grateful for Governor Hochul's work to address this humanitarian challenge. I am working closely with Governor Hochul, Mayor Adams, the Biden Administration and my colleagues in the New York Congressional Democratic Delegation to ensure that New York has the necessary funds in needs while also working to establish quicker administrative pathways to expedite work authorizations for asylum seekers. This year, the Delegation has delivered more than \$143 million for New York City through the FEMA Emergency Food and Shelter Program and the new Shelter Services Program. While this was a step in the right direction, we need an all-hands-on-deck strategy at every level of government to address this challenge. It's going to require Congressional Republicans coming to the table to work with us to ensure that New York City has the resources and support it needs to aid those who have sought refuge."

Representative Adriano Espaillat said, "We are a nation of immigrants and our response to the current influx of asylum seekers must be met with humanity. New York City alone has now welcomed over 100,000 migrants since Spring 2022. In response, we have opened close to 200 different emergency shelters and over a dozen large-scale humanitarian relief centers around the city. New York also secured federal approval to convert Floyd Bennett Field in Brooklyn into a migrant shelter, and I applaud Governor Hochul's ongoing efforts and partnership to make this a reality. Every level of government is working hand in hand to provide increased support, shelter, expedited work authorizations, and TPS for Venezuelans. Additionally, it remains critical that the upcoming supplemental include language that guarantees funding to New York City, which is shouldering the biggest burden in the country. Without a doubt, addressing the nation's asylum seeker crisis will require increased assistance from all of our federal partners to ensure asylum seekers who arrive in the U.S. get the shelter and care they deserve in their hour of need. Together, we must manage this crisis and support the needs of our great city."

Representative Joe Morelle said, "I am grateful to Governor Hochul for her leadership in dealing with the large number of asylum seekers in New York State. I believe strongly in work requirements for all who seek asylum in the United States and am proud to partner with the Governor on common sense changes to asylum rules. I will continue to push for federal aid to ensure asylees can support their families and live independently."

Representative Jamaal Bowman said, "Migrants and asylumseekers fleeing violence and persecution deserve dignity and compassion, beginning with wraparound services that meet their basic needs. Our country would not be here without the culture, creativity, and hard work of all immigrants. I am proud to join Governor Hochul in this urgent call on the administration to direct more resources to us in New York so we can continue to support migrants. (Contd. Pt. 63)

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(From Pg. 62) The New York State Department of Labor is also taking important steps to give asylum seekers opportunities to get work authorization so they can contribute to our economy and support themselves and their loved ones. Every migrant and asylum seeker deserves to receive work authorization. I hope that these new initiatives will be just some of many steps towards an immigration system that centers compassion, empathy, and humanity."

Representative Ritchie Torres said, "There's no question the federal government has fundamentally failed the City of New York. The wave of migration that has swept New York City has put unprecedented strain on our shelter system and available resources. It's simply unsustainable. And while we should be a welcoming sanctuary to asylum seekers from around the world, the burden of this crisis has wholly fallen on the shoulders of New York City and State. I support Governor Kathy Hochul for urgently calling on the President to provide more federal support, temporary shelter, humanitarian aid, and to expedite work authorization for asylum seekers, which I believe he has the power to do unilaterally. The way out of this crisis isn't shelter - it's legal work status and independent living."

Representative Dan Goldman said, "New York has served as a model for the nation in meeting the growing needs of tens of thousands of asylum seekers, but the lack of federal support has pushed our City and State to the brink. Without significant support from the federal government, our City and State services are overwhelmed, threatening a humanitarian crisis jeopardizing the public health and safety of New Yorkers. Since Republicans in Congress refuse to pass bipartisan, comprehensive immigration legislation to fix out broken system, it is left to the Biden Administration to use its authority to provide essential federal assistance for a federal issue. The responsibility simply cannot fall on New York alone."

State Senator Julia Salazar said, "Governor Hochul is taking the decisive action that our state needs in a difficult situation by imploring the Biden administration to work with New York to compassionately and competently welcome asylum-seekers and refugees. Work authorizations must be expedited by the federal government so that our new neighbors, who are eager to work, can support their families as well as contribute to our state and local economies. New Yorkers have stepped up to welcome immigrants in our communities throughout our history, and we expect the federal government to do its part in helping us continue to do that."

State Senator Brad Hoylman-Sigal said, "The thousands of people arriving in New York in recent months face the heartbreaking choice of working without authorization and jeopardizing their asylum application or subsisting on thinly stretched government support. I applaud Governor Hochul for calling on President Biden to authorize migrants to legally work and for directing the Department of Labor to assist and expedite applications. All people have a right to work and deserve a fighting chance at the American Dream."

State Senator John W. Mannion said, "Federal resources and expedited work permits for asylum seekers are immediate steps that can help address this crisis and I support Governor Hochul's direct request for White House assistance. The migrants are in the United States legally and chose to come to New York, as permitted under federal law. The federal government and our federal elected officials must come together and fix this broken system and deliver long overdue, and bipartisan, comprehensive immigration reform." State Senator Jeremy Cooney said, "New York State has been a welcoming home to those seeking to build the American Dream for generations. Now, Governor Hochul has demonstrated the leadership that has been lacking in several other states led by those looking to politicize vulnerable families. Moreover, workforce shortages in upstate are especially challenging, and we now have hardworking asylum seekers eager to build a new life in underpopulated cities and towns. I fully support Governor Hochul's call for expedited work permits, and new assistance programs through the Department of Labor."

#### Governor Hochul Extends Executive Order Declaring State of Emergency for Alylum Seeker Crisis

Governor Kathy Hochul extended an Executive Order which provides New York State with greater flexibility to procure the resources necessary for municipalities to support asylum seekers and provide them with humanitarian aid. This Executive Order follows Governor Hochul's public address to New Yorkers on the asylum seeker crisis.

"New York State continues to deploy significant resources to support the City's efforts to shelter asylum seekers who have arrived here in search of a better life," Governor Hochul said. "This Executive Order allows us to continue our robust response to this unprecedented crisis as we work to provide shelter and humanitarian aid to these individuals."

Executive Order 28.4 continues to allow New York State and localities to quickly respond to the arrival of asylum seekers. It also continues to allow the State to mobilize members of the National Guard, who currently provide logistical and operational support at shelter sites. It will also allow the State and localities to quickly purchase necessary supplies and resources, including food and equipment. The Executive Order is necessary for New York State's continued response to the unprecedented humanitarian crisis and provides the State with the ability for a more robust response.

Earlier this week, Governor Hochul also announced a \$20 million investment to help expedite the casework filing process for more than 30,000 asylum seekers. This investment builds on the \$1.5 billion the State already committed to support New York City by providing funding for health care, shelter costs, National Guard personnel, legal services, and voluntary relocation programs. The State has also loaned New York City sites to use as temporary shelters which currently house more than 2,000 asylum seekers every day. The Governor also delivered a public address directly to New Yorkers outlining the State's path through this unprecedented humanitarian crisis.

Additionally, Governor Hochul announced a program that will greatly expand the State's ability to help asylum seekers quickly gain lawful employment. Governor Hochul directed the New York State Department of Labor (DOL) to help connect asylum seekers to employment opportunities so they can begin working immediately after obtaining federal work authorization. All asylum seekers with work authorization in New York can now register for assistance here. DOL career experts will work with individuals to assess skills, work history, education, career interests and more, and connect them with employers across the State. Additionally, the New York State Department of Labor launched a portal enabling businesses to inform the State that they would welcome newly-authorized individuals into their workforce.

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## **Veteran Peer Support**

Vet 2 Vet offers Veteran Peer Support. Call to speak with our Veteran Peer Advocates. We didn't fight alone while we served, we don't need to fight alone at home.



Call or email us to register! 845-794-4228 vet2vet@atitoday.org 309 E Broadway Suite A Monticello, NY 12701

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#### Tri-Valley AYSO Region 1536

For further information Registration Questions Payment Questions email aysoregion 536(2)gmail.com) or contact. Joan Mingo 845-798-0072 mtoy4x4@ac

Erik Raykoff

845-798-0072 mtoy4x4@aol.com 845-798-4053 raykoff@aol.com



#### For Boys and Girls ages 3-12

Please visit <u>http://www.trivalleyayso.com</u> to register and pay online. Registration begins June 1<sup>st</sup>.

Registrations are completed online and you can pay with a credit card. If you are having complications or need to pay by cash / check, we will be having a few meet up dates in August.

> Playground Program ages 3-4: \$37.75 per player Fee includes a tee-shirt and insurance.

#### Core Program (Pre-K - 6th grade):

\$67.75 per player - Fee includes eight weeks of soccer, insurance, and AYSO Club membership. Practices are held during the week (August 30<sup>th</sup> – November 4<sup>th</sup>) and most matches are played on Sunday afternoons.

\$20 Early-Bird Discount If you register before July 1\*.

#### Uniforms:

\$ 40 - includes red and blue jersey, shorts and two pairs of socks. Please bring your child with you when picking up uniforms to ensure proper size. Donations of past uniforms and equipment accepted. They will be available to others free of charge.

AYSO Soccer Camps! a one-week long summer soccer camp set at the Ballfields July 10<sup>th</sup> -14<sup>th</sup>... Half day, Full day, Mini-camp and Saturday clinic slots are available. See <u>http://www.uksoccer.com</u> and click on 'Find A Program' for more info.

Teams fill up quick. Registrations received after August 15th will be placed on a wait list or in a practice program.

> Everyone Plays\* | Balanced Teams Open Registration Positive Coaching | Good Sportsmanship | Player Development

> > To register go to: http://www.trivalleyso.com

## Claryville Fire Dept.

1500 Denning Road Claryville, NY 12725

## All You Can Eat Pancake Breakfast



## Sunday, September 17th

## Serving 8:00 until 12 Noon

## Adults: \$11 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

#### Governor Hochul Directs \$8 Million Towards Harm Reduction Strategies to Reduce Overdoses

Governor Kathy Hochul today announced the launch of further funding opportunities to develop harm reduction inventions for priority populations who are particularly vulnerable to overdose, as well as study fatalities connected to opioids statewide. The New York State Department of Health recently posted two new Requests for Applications and directed additional investments in several harm reduction programs financed through the State's Opioid Settlement Fund. These investments represent one component of Governor Hochul's comprehensive approach to addressing New York State's opioid crisis.

"The opioid crisis is not just a public health issue - it is a crisis of humanity that touches every corner of the state," Governor Hochul said. "This funding underscores our com-

mitment to holding manufactures and distributors accountable while ensuring affected communities have the resources and compassion needed to end this epidemic."

New York will receive more than \$2 billion through settlement agreements with opioid manufacturers. A portion of these settlements are going directly to municipalities statewide, with the remainder dedicated to supporting prevention, treatment, recovery, harm reduction, and education efforts to address the ongoing opioid epidemic.

The two new funding opportunities through the Opioid Settlement Fund total nearly \$8 million, and include:

o Expanding Harm Reduction Services for Priority Populations Who Use Drugs, with applications due October 3, 2023 (\$7.5 million over two years).

o Development of a Comprehensive Coroner Training Program in New York State, with applications due October 5, 2023 (\$400,000 over two years).

Other programs allocated funding by the Department through the Opioid Settlement Fund include expansion of harm reduction programs (\$12.5 million) and New York Medication Assisted Treatment & Emergency Referrals (NYpartnership MATTERS) in with University of Buffalo Medical Department (\$8 million), collectively totaling \$28 million in allocated funding.

Additionally, to date, the New York State Department of Health has spent more than \$13.5 million to provide naloxone to Opioid Overdose Prevention Programs between April 2022 and March 2023. More than 35,000 instances of naloxone administrations have been reported since 2006. Of this, over 20,000 administrations have been reported by community members, with over 11,000 coming from the Department's syringe exchange programs. The agency's Naloxone Co-Payment Assistance Program (N-CAP) covers up to a \$40 co-payment for naloxone at pharmacies, and has processed 9,683 claims from July 2022 through June 2023, with an average co-pay of \$16.

For additional information on harm reduction services, visit NYSDOH Safer Choices for People Who Use Drugs: *https://www.health.ny.gov/community/opioid\_epidemic/user\_health/.* 

Available addiction treatment including crisis/detox, inpatient, residential, or outpatient care can be found using the Office of Addiction Services and Supports' (OASAS) Treatment Availability Dashboard or on the agency's website. 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-HOPENY (1-877-846-7369) or by texting HOPENY (Short Code 467369).





Inspect the card machine/ATM for an overlay that may hide parts of the machine.



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Shield the PIN pad with your hand. Change your PIN frequently and do not share it. Check your EBT account regularly for unauthorized charges.

To get a new EBT card and change your PIN call the EBT helpline: 888-328-6399 For more information visit otda.ny.gov/SNAP



### Neversink Rondout Antique Machinery Association



The NRAMA Antique Tractor Show is looking for antique "household" machinery to display at our show this year. Do you have any you want to bring to the show to display?



This year the Neversink Rondout Antique Machinery Association (NRAMA) wants to include antique household machinery as part of the Antique Tractor Show. There will be lots of tractors and other large machinery on display—but what about the smaller machinery--the old washing and dryer devices; spinning wheels and sewing machines; ice boxes; cherry pitters, etc.

If you have any household machinery you want to display please contact CHER at <u>cwparksandrec@gmail.com</u> or 845-985-2401 for more information.







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Daniel Pierce Library Summer Challenge 2023 All Together Now

## Book BINGO



Print out a Bingo Card from the Daniel Pierce Library Website <u>http://www.danielpiercelibrary.org</u> or pick one up from the library!

- Ages 6 Il years
- 'Tweens' and Teens Ages 12 18 years
- Adults

## Have Fun!

To print out a Bingo Card go to: http://www.danielpiercelibrary.org

## International Overdose Awareness Day Vigil

A Time to Remember. A Time to Act.



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

Hear state and local leaders talk about what is being done to battle the opioid crisis in our community. Open your hearts as families share their stories of loved ones who lost their battle with substance use. Remember those who have passed and celebrate those in recovery. Meet organizations and learn about resources created to face this crisis head on.

We will be joined by local first responders, the Sullivan County Choir, an interpretive dance performance and bag pipers in front of the Sullivan County courthouse that will be lit purple to symbolize overdose awareness.

> This event is brought to you by a community of organizations working together to end the opioid epidemic in Sullivan County.

Thursday • August 31, 2023 7pm at the Sullivan County Courthouse Lawn, 414 Broadway, Monticello

Rain date: Friday, Sept. I For more information, contact Lindsay Wheat, Sullivan 180 Outreach Coordinator, at Lindsay@Sullivan180.org or (845) 295-2683.



# TRENDING

#### **NOW TRENDING... TOP 10 EVENTS**

| September 2-4:       | 41 <sup>st</sup> Woodstock-New Paltz Art & Crafts Fair Fall Show, New Paltz |
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| September 3:         | 22 <sup>nd</sup> Annual Hooley on the Hudson, Kingston                      |
| September 8-10:      | Meadowlark Festival, Stone Ridge  |
| September 16         | Ulster Salutes our Hudson Valley Heroes Concert, New Paltz                  |
| September 16-17:     | Art Walk Kingston, Kingston   |
| September 23:        | Hispanic Heritage Festival, Kingston  |
| September 23-24:     | Woodsist Festival, Accord   |
| September 23-Oct 29: | Headless Horseman Hayrides & Haunted Attractions, Ulster Park               |
| September 27-Oct 1:  | Woodstock Film Festival, Woodstock  |
| September 30-Oct 1:  | Hudson Valley Garlic Festival, Saugerties                                   |
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It's that time of year we've all been waiting for! U-pick farms and farm stands are listed on last page.

| DATE  | TRENDING SEPTEMBER 2023   |
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| Please Note                                 | This calendar is now digital and is no longer printed for mass distribution. To receive a digital copy via email, please contact tourism@co.ulster.ny.us or call 800-342-5826. Provide your name and email address. Calendar listings are based on information received prior to publication. Changes may occur after distribution.   |
| Aug 30 - Sep 3                              | HITS-on-the-Hudson \$100,000 Grand Prix Weekend: \$25,000 HITS Grand Prix Friday and \$100,000 HITS Grand Prix Sunday. Daily events. 8am-4pm. 454 Washington Ave Extension, Saugerties. 845-246-5515 (during shows); 845-246-8833 (office); hitsshows.com   |
| Aug 31 – Sep 10<br>(Thursdays –<br>Sundays) | Million Dollar Quartet: Inspired by Elvis, Johnny Cash, Jerry Lee Lewis, and Carl Perkins, the centerpiece of SHADOWLAND's season will have you dancing in the aisles listening to hit after hit! Thu-Sat: 8pm/Sun: 2pm. \$38+. Shadowland Stages, 157 Canal St, Ellenville. 845-647-5511. shadowlandstages.org   |
| Sep 1 - Oct 1                               | 23 <sup>nd</sup> Annual Hudson River Valley Ramble: An annual self-guided event series that celebrates the history, culture and natural resources of the Maurice D. Hinchey Hudson River Valley National Heritage Area. 518-473-3835; hudsonrivervalleyramble.com   |
| 1   | Music on the Belle: Free Summer Concert Series at Belleayre Mountain every Friday evening. 6-9pm. Check website for band/entertainment information. Belleayre Mountain, 181 Galli Curci Rd, Highmount. belleayre.com/calendar   |
| 1, 2, 8, 9, 15,<br>16, 22, 23, 29           | <b>"Boos &amp; Brews" Haunted Huguenot Street Site Walking Tour:</b> Begins at the DuBois Fort Visitor Center at 7pm. with a glass of locally-made hard cider or craft beer followed by a guided walking tour. Explore both the myths and real-life frightening events that have haunted Huguenot Street for centuries. Admission includes one beverage. \$22 general admission; \$17 for HHS members, Children under 6 free. 81 Huguenot St, New Paltz. 845-255-1660; huguenotstreet.org |
| 2   | The Band, Stage Fright – The Concert: Presenting authentic interpretations of the 10 album tracks, with other classic songs from their extraordinary repertoire. 8pm. \$29-49. Woodstock Playhouse, 103 Mill Hill Rd, Woodstock. 845-473-2072; woodstockplayhouse.org   |
| 2   | <b>1658 Stockade National Historic District Walking Tour:</b> Explore the neighborhood where New York State was born in 1777. Walk the heart of Kingston's original stockade village, visit the Old Dutch Church burying ground and pass by the Ulster County Courthouse. Reservations recommended. 11am. \$10. Friends of Historic Kingston Gallery, 63 Main St, Kingston. 845-339-0720; fohk.org  |
| 2   | <b>First Saturday Arts:</b> Galleries open their doors on the first Saturday of every month to showcase the month's new exhibition. Various locations in Kingston. 5-8pm. Find map: madkingston.org/arts/1st-saturday-kingston. 845-802-0097; mail@madkingston.org  |
| 2, 3, 4                                     | 41 <sup>st</sup> Annual Woodstock-New Paltz Art & Crafts Fair Fall Show: 200 artists & makers craft demonstrations. Gourmet specialties, entertainment, children's tent. 10am-4pm. Ulster County Fairgrounds, 249 Libertyville Road, New Paltz, 845-516-4342; quailhollow.com   |
| 2, 3, 9, 10                                 | Maverick in September: Sat Sept. 2: Bill Charlap Trio, 8-10pm; Sun. Sept. 3: Ames Piano Quartet, 4-6pm, Sat, Sept. 9: Happy Traum with Cindy Cashdollar & Friends, 8-10pm, Sun. Sept. 10: Cassatt Quartet with Ursula Oppens, 4-6pm. Pricing varies by show. See website for tickets. Maverick Road, Woodstock. 845-679-8217; maverickconcerts.org  |
| 2, 9, 16, 23                                | Matthewis Person House Museum: Free admission. Sept. 2: "WWII V-J Day Event by Hank Yost"-Living history display with WWII reenactors Sept. 9: "Don Terpening, Revolutionary War Medical Reenactor." Sept. 16: Theatre on the Road, Matthew Person Reenactor  |

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|            | Sept. 23: "Society for Creative Anachronism Medieval Reenactors". Events schedule: 10am-4pm. Museum hours: Thur/Fri 9am-4:30pm;<br>Sat 10am-4pm. Museum hours starting Sept. 10: Sat. only 10am-2pm. 74 John St., Kingston. 845-340-3040; clerk.ulstercountyny.gov   |
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| 3          | <b>22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Hooley on the Hudson</b> : Irish Festival! Three stages of Irish music, step dancing, children's activities tent, and wide variety of food and craft vendors. 11am-9pm. T.R. Gallo Park, 1 Broadway, Kingston. 845-338-6622; ulsteraoh.com/hooley-on-the-hudson  |
| 3          | Hudson River Tugfest 2023: Celebrating Hudson River's heritage with the Town of Esopus at the Hudson House Distillery. An annual tugboat display and auction. 1pm-4pm. Hudson House Distillery, 1835 Route 9W, West Park. 845-331-9124; tinyurl.com/yzdu394p   |
| 3          | Bearsville Jazz and Art Festival: Featuring Jay Collins Trio, Steve Gorn & Eric Archer, Steve Gardenas & Freddie Bryant plus painting demos & auction by the Woodstock School of Art. 12pm. \$10-30. Bearsville Theater, 291 Tinker St, Woodstock. bearsvilletheater.com   |
| 6          | <b>Steve-O: The Bucket List Tour:</b> Every idea on Steve-O's bucket list he never expected to do Until this tour. A multimedia comedy show. Not for kids. 7pm. \$42-62. Ulster Performing Arts Center, 601 Broadway, Kingston. 845-339-6088; bardavon.org   |
| 8          | The Kingston Trio at Bearsville Theater: Fans of legendary folk icons The Kingston Trio can re-discover their timeless music all over again. 6:30pm. \$50-75. Bearsville Theater, 291 Tinker St, Woodstock. bearsvilletheater.com  |
| 8, 9, 10   | Meadowlark Festival: Celebration of American Roots and Independent Music featuring some of the most storied names in Americana, indie rock, and experimental music. 12-9:30pm. \$90-200. Stone Ridge Orchard, 3012 NY-213, Stone Ridge. meadowlarkfest.com   |
| 9          | Woodstock Monoprint Auction and Exhibition Opening: A survey of monoprints by contemporary artists created in The Thompson Family Foundation/ Alan and Sandy Siegel Graphics and Works-on-Paper Studio. 2-4pm. Woodstock School of Art, 2470 NY-212, Woodstock. 845-679-2388; woodstockschoolofart.org   |
| 9, 10      | <b>Murder Mystery at the Art Colony</b> : Victorian era whodunit set in 1902. Fundraiser event for the Historical Society of Woodstock. Sat, 7pm/Sun, 5pm. \$18-20. Mescal Hornbeck Community Center, 56 Rock City Rd, Woodstock. Historicalsocietyofwoodstock.org   |
| 10         | <b>18th Annual Tour de Kingston</b> : Take in Ulster County's scenic views while on the challenging long distance road rides and the gravel grinders or take it easy on the 5-mile family ride and the out-and-back rail trail rides. Forsyth Park, 157 Lucas Avenue, Kingston. Parking: Dietz Stadium, 170 North Front Street, Kingston. tourdekingston.com   |
| 10         | Teddy Kumpel (of Joe Jackson) & Nome Sane? and Spaceheater: 8-11pm. \$15-22. Colony Woodstock, 22 Rock City Road, Woodstock. colonywoodstock.com   |
| 10         | Survival of the Shawangunks (SOS): Eight-stage triathlon. Ranked among the best adventure triathlons in the world. Athletes compete each year on the scenic highways circling the northern ridge of the Shawangunk Mountain Range and through Minnewaska State Park. Participant waitlist; spectators welcome. 249 Libertyville Rd, New Paltz. 917-603-6559; sostriathlon.com                            |
| 16         | <b>Family Fun Day!:</b> Activities for the whole family! Stay for yard games and a movie: The Super Mario Bros. Movie (2023) will be shown. Bring chairs or a blanket! 12pm. Forsyth Nature Center, 125 Lucas Ave, Kingston. 845-339-3053; forsythnaturecenter.org   |
| 16         | <b>Ulster County Salutes our Hudson Valley Heroes:</b> Family-friendly. Free. Tribute event to honor our past and present first responders and veterans in the Hudson Valley. Live music, food trucks, touch-a-truck, Star Wars characters, rock climbing wall and more. Fireworks. 6pm-9pm. Ulster County Fairgrounds, 249 Liberty Road, New Paltz. heroeshope.org                                      |
| 16, 17     | Art Walk Kingston: Celebrating the arts throughout the City of Kingston. Explore three distinct districts of Kingston and immerse yourself in different art events with all types of artwork and mediums. Home studios and galleries. 12-5pm. artwalkkingston.com  |
| 17         | <b>Alpha Win Triathlon Series Saugerties:</b> Framed by the Catskill mountains, Saugerties is full of historic charm and has a welcoming community. Once you surpass the hill just past the starting line, you will enjoy a rolling bike ride and smooth, flat run through town. 7am-4pm. Register online. 47 Partition St, Saugerties. 845-247-7275; alpha.win/event/saugerties-ny                      |
| 17         | Honeybee Jubilee: Celebration of National Honey Bee Month and the need for bees in our environment. Education, Food Vendors, Honey Bee items, and more! 10am-3pm. Ross Park, 208 Bowne St, Port Ewen. 845-399-5763; esopus.com   |
| 17         | Blue Museum at the Colony Woodstock: 8-11pm. \$12-18. Colony Woodstock, 22 Rock City Road, Woodstock. colonywoodstock.com  |
| 19         | Bloomington Fire Dept Food Truck Fiesta: Food Trucks, live music, 50/50 raffle, beer and wine available. Rain date the following week. 5-9pm. Bloomington Fire Department, 14 Taylor St, Bloomington. tinyurl.com/3d527z37   |
| 21         | Final Hot Tuna Electric Run - Going Fishing Tour: Farewell tour for an iconic blues rock band that formed in 1969 by Jorma Kaukonen and Jack Cassidy. 7:30pm. \$59-99. Ulster Performing Arts Center, 601 Broadway, Kingston. 845-339-6088; bardavon.org   |
| 21         | <b>Golf Tournament – 31st Annual Doug Maloney Memorial:</b> 18-holes ~ 4-ball scramble, food, cold beverages, and prizes! Proceeds benefit Gateway Hudson Valley programs. Wiltwyck Golf Club, 404 Steward Ln, Kingston. 845-331-1261; ghv.org/event/golftournament  |
| 22, 23     | 8th Annual Weekend of Wallkill (WOW): Family-friendly festival with a "magical" tone showcasing creative displays and neighborly competition in various games and contests. Vendors, artisans, crafts, art show, and more! Fri, 5pm and Sat, 10am-3pm. Wallkill Public Library Lawn, 7 Bona Ventura Ave, Wallkill. 845-527-6230; visionofwallkill.com  |
| 22, 23, 24 | <b>Tongues &amp; Savage Love:</b> Bardavon presents Sam Shepard & Joseph Chaikin's Tongues & Savage Love. Three legends - Estelle<br>Parsons, David Strathairn & Jack DeJohnette - in two surreal "concertos" about romantic love by two of America's greatest creative<br>forces. 8pm Fri/Sat, 3pm Sun. \$50-70. Woodstock Playhouse, 103 Mill Hill Rd, Woodstock. 845-473-2072; woodstockplayhouse.org |
| 23         | <b>3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Hispanic Heritage Festival:</b> Block party! Celebrate the unique traditions of the Hispanic culture! Live entertainment, delicious food, unique vendors, kids' corner w/bouncy house and so much more! 11am-6pm. Center for Creative Education, 16 Cedar St, Kingston. 845-338-7664; cce4me.org  |
| 23         | 52 <sup>nd</sup> Annual Apple Festival: Apple pies and a-la-mode, apple pancakes, food and drink, crafts, and more! 9am-3pm. Town of Esopus United Methodist Church, 151 Main St, Port Ewen. 845-338-0356; esopus.com/events-calendar  |

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|                | 7 <sup>th</sup> Annual Catskill Conquest Rally: Commemorating the 1903 Automobile Endurance Run with a tour along the Catskill Mountains  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 23             | Scenic Byway and beyond. Open to all cars. Start with a breakfast at the Catskills Visitor Center. 9am. \$100 per car. 5096 Route 28,   |  |  |  |  |  |
|                | Mount Tremper. 845-657-6982; 1903autorun.com  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 22             | Headless Horseman Hayrides & Haunted Attractions Opening Night: Named "Number 1 Haunted Attraction in America." 30th  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 23             | Anniversary. Ten attractions, gift shops, donut bakery, and food cafés. Ages 13 and over. Tickets required. Dates through October 29 <sup>th</sup> .  |  |  |  |  |  |
|                | 778 Broadway (Route 9W), Ulster Park. 845-339-2666; headlesshorseman.com<br>All-American Ruins: Live: Season 2 launch party for "abandoned: The All-American Ruins Podcast" featuring All-American Ruins: Live.   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 23             | 7-9pm. \$40. Hudson House Distillery, 1835 9W, West Park. 845-834-6007; thehudsonhouseny.com/events-1   |  |  |  |  |  |
|                | The Split Squad (members of Blondie, the Fleshtones, and more) w/ Pajamazon: 8-11pm. \$12-15. Colony Woodstock, 22 Rock   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 23             | City Road, Woodstock. colonywoodstock.com   |  |  |  |  |  |
|                | Movie Screening: Vincent Price in "The Abominable Dr. Phibes": Horror/comedy - The deliciously mad Dr. Phibes exacts revenge  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 23             | on those responsible for his wife's death. 9:30pm. The Rosendale Theatre, 408 Main St, Rosendale. 845-658-8989; rosendaletheatre.org  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 22.24          | Woodsist Festival: Music fest featuring an eclectic array of artists performing on two stages alongside great local food vendors, craft   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 23, 24         | beer, and other activities. 12-10pm. \$110. Arrowood Farms, 236 Lower Whitfield Rd, Accord. 845-253-0389; woodsistfestival.com  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 22.24          | Equus Fest East: All things horse and rural lifestyle with demonstrations and clinics in all equestrian disciplines. Professional services,   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 23, 24         | vendors, crafts, food, and entertainment. 10am-5pm. \$10. Ulster County Fairgrounds, 249 Libertyville Rd, New Paltz. equusfesteast.com  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 23, 24, 25, 26 | Fall Foliage Adventure Train Ride: Leaf peep the farmlands of the Hudson Valley aboard the Catskill Mountain Railroad. Tickets \$11   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 23, 24, 23, 20 | Child/ \$16 Senior/ \$17 Adult. Westbrook Lane Station, 55 Plaza Road, Kingston. 845-332-4854; catskillmountainrailroad.com   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 27 - Oct 1     | 24th Annual Woodstock Film Festival: Fiercely Independent: Roster of over 150 films, concerts, panels and the Maverick Awards   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 27 0001        | Ceremony. Various locations. Visit website for schedule and tickets. 845-679-4265; woodstockfilmfestival.org  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 28             | Voices in Action (TMI Project): Storytelling, mixing, and mingling, featuring a live performance by Laganja Estranja of RuPaul's Drag   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 20             | Race. Attire = Festive & Fabulous! 6-11pm. Free, please RSVP. Senate Garage, 4 N. Front St, Kingston. tinyurl.com/28kv78wx  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 28             | Y La Bamba: Guadalajara based artist mixes Mexican folk styles with American folk-rock and dreamy indie pop. 6:30pm. \$18-22. Opus  |  |  |  |  |  |
|                | 40 Sculpture Park, 356 George Sickle Rd, Saugerties. 845-246-3400; opus40.org/event   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 29             | An Evening with Al Franken: Whether discussing his comedy career or public service, Franken delivers a singular experience leaving  |  |  |  |  |  |
| -              | audiences thoroughly entertained. 8pm. \$44-79. Ulster Performing Arts Center, 601 Broadway, Kingston. 845-339-6088; bardavon.org   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 29             | <b>Walkway at Night:</b> Views after dark from 212 feet above the Hudson River with the moon above and the Mid-Hudson Bridge  |  |  |  |  |  |
|                | twinkling in the distance. 8-9:30pm. \$5. Walkway Over the Hudson, 87 Haviland Rd, Highland; walkway.org  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 29 – Oct 1     | For the Love of Fungi! Mushroom & Arts Festival: Guided forays, inspiring speakers, cooking, demos and workshops, art, food,  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 30             | artisanal marketplace and "mush" more! \$55-190. Stone Mountain Farm, 310 River Road Ext., New Paltz. tinyurl.com/mm5hnbhs  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 30             | <b>Rondout National Historic District Walking Tour:</b> Hear how immigrants and entrepreneurs developed a thriving maritime village and view the rich legacy of commercial buildings, cast-iron storefronts, homes and churches. Some uphill walking. 11am. \$10. |  |  |  |  |  |
|                | Reservations recommended. Start at T.R. Gallo Park, 30 Rondout Landing, Kingston. 845-339-0720; fohk.org  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 30             | <b>Psychic Fair:</b> Personal psychic readings, group energy sound healing session and a history and evidence review of The Haunted Hotel   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 50             | Shanley. 12-4pm. \$45. The Haunted Shanley Hotel, 56 Main St, Napanoch. 845.217.3112; tinyurl.com/44jbrd2j  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 30             | Five-Course Wine Pairing Dinner: Indulge in a variety of local and regional wines as Mohonk's esteemed chefs expertly curate a  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 55             | dinner menu to perfectly complement your wine. 6-9:30pm. \$189+tax. mohonk.com/events/wine-pairing-dinner/  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 30             | Brewery Comedy Tour: Laughs are on tap for this nationwide tour hitting venues across the country from Los Angeles to New York. 8-  |  |  |  |  |  |
|                | 10pm. \$15-20. Bad Seed Hard Cider, 43 Baileys Gap Rd, Highland. 845-236-0956; tinyurl.com/mradbpe7   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 30 – Oct 1     | Hudson Valley Garlic Festival: A two-day celebration of all things garlic! Farmers, food, demos and live entertainment. Rain or shine.  |  |  |  |  |  |
|                | No pet, please. Sat, 10am-6pm; Sun, 10am-5pm. \$8-15. Cantine Field, Washington Ave. Ext., Saugerties. hvgf.org   |  |  |  |  |  |

| U-PICKS & FARM STANDS           |                                 |                                   |                                  |  |
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| Saunderskill Farms              | Westwind Orchard & Cidery       | Minard's Family Farm, Clintondale | Tantillo's Farm Market, Gardiner |  |
| Accord, saunderskill.com        | Accord, westwindorchard.com     | minardsfamilyfarms.com            | tantillofarm.com                 |  |
| Wright's Farm                   | DuBois Farms, Highland          | Liberty View Farm, Highland       | Wilklow Orchards, Highland       |  |
| Gardiner, eatapples.com         | duboisfarms.com                 | libertyviewfarm.biz               | wilkloworchards.com              |  |
| Kelder's Farm                   | Wightman Fruit Farm, Kerhonkson | Seed Song Farm                    | Borchert Orchards                |  |
| Kerhonkson, keldersfarm.com     | wightmanfruitfarm.com           | Kingston, seedsongfarm.org        | Marlboro, 845-236-7239           |  |
| Weed Orchards & Winery          | Hudson Wildflower Co.           | Locust Grove Fruit Farm           | Prospect Hill Orchards           |  |
| Marlboro, weedorchardscom       | Milton, hudsonwildflowerco.com  | Milton, locustgrovefruitfarm.com  | Milton, prospecthillorchards.com |  |
| Clarkes Family Farm             | Hurds Family Farm               | Apple Hill Farm                   | Dressel Farms                    |  |
| Modena, clarkes family farm.com | Modena, hurdsfamilyfarm.com     | New Paltz, applehillfarm.com      | New Paltz, dresselfarms.com      |  |
| Jenkins-Lueken Orchards         | Twin Star Orchards              | Stone Ridge Orchard               | Maynard Farms                    |  |
| New Paltz, jlorchards.com       | New Paltz, twinstarorchards.com | Stone Ridge, stoneridgeorchard.us | Ulster Park, maynardfarms.com    |  |



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#### "Knarf's Classic Movie " on Amazon "The Adventures of Mark Twain" (2h 10m / Drama / TV-G 1944)

Sam Clemmons, A/K/A Mark Twain, a young man that dreams of a world in the fashion to ease humanity's pains as he moves from Mississippi riverboats to the Gold Rush country and into literary immortality with the jumping frog county. Directed by Irving of Rapper and starring the great Fredric March -- in another of his epic roles -as impactful as his portrayal of William Jennings Bryant in the retelling of the epic "Monkey Trail," of William Jennings Bryant, and Clarace Darrow in the film, "INHERIT THE WIND," March played this part with soul of Mark Twain driving his performance.

Thank you Fredric March. Also starring Alexis Smith, in a wonderful performance as Twains wife, and Donald Crisp.



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Answer to last week's Trivia Question: Forest Gump

This weeks' Trivia question: Who composed the music for West Side Story?

#### (From Pg. 75) KNARF'S CLASSIC MOVIE II ON AMAZON "THE BARRETTS OF WIMPOLE STREET"

(1h 49m | Romance | TV-G 1934)

An invalid poetess defies her father's wishes to marry a dashing young poet. **Directed by Sidney Franklin and starring Norma Shearer, FredricMarch, and Charles Laughton** 







Robert Louis Stevenson's classic tale of a scientist who unleashes the beast within.

Directed by Rouben Mamoulian and starring Fredric March, Miriam Hopkins, and Rose Hobart





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