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2015 Opportunity Agenda

Restore Economic Opportunity for All Improve and Reform our Education System

Restore Confidence and Trust in the Justice System in Perception and Reality

Governor Cuomo has presented his "2015 Opportunity Agenda" designed to restore economic opportunity, reform the education system, and restore the public's confidence and trust in our justice system. This plan is a bold and comprehensive package of legislative reforms, state actions, and public investments that will increase opportunity for all New Yorkers. Components of the Agenda include:



- o Cutting small business taxes from 6.5% to 2.5%
- o Passing \$1.7 billion in property tax relief for 1.3 million homeowners and financial relief for over one million renters
- o Raising the minimum wage to \$10.50 statewide and \$11.50 in NYC, as part of our ten-point Anti-Poverty Opportunity Agenda
- o Building a new New York with a comprehensive plan to strengthen and modernize our infrastructure, including modernizing NY's Airports, building new Metro-North stations in the Bronx and extending access to Penn Station, upgrading upstate ports and rail depots, and creating a statewide program to repair and upgrade our roads and bridges
- o Ensuring statewide high-speed broadband access by 2019
- o Pursuing an ambitious P-12 agenda, including professionalizing teaching; strengthening teacher evaluations; rewarding excellent teachers with performance pay; transforming the state's failing schools; expeditiously but fairly removing ineffective teachers; and expanding choice for charter schools and passing the Education Tax Credit
- o Launching a \$1.5 billion Upstate New York Economic Revitalization Competition
- o Expanding SUNY's Sexual Assault Policy statewide to private colleges and universities
- o Raising the age to change how the justice system treats youth offenders
- o Ensuring a fair and equal justice system for all New Yorkers

Research and Recognition Project

Last week Senator John J. Bonacic met with Veterans advocates from the Research and Recognition Project. The Research and Recognition Project is an organization dedicated to treating Veterans who are suffering from Post Traumatic Stress. By using innovative treatment methods, the Research and Recognition Project is committed to assisting Veterans re-integrate into society.

Pictured with Senator Bonacic, from L-R are, Senator Thomas O'Mara (58th Senate District); Dr. Frank Bourke, Executive Director of the Research and Recognition Project; Joseph Sluszka, Executive Director of the Albany Housing Coalition, Inc.; Senator John J. Bonacic (42nd Senate District); and Robert Nickol, Counsel to State Senator William J. Larkin (39th Senate District).

For more information regarding the Research and Recognition Project, please visit, <http://www.researchandrecognition.org/>



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Senator Bonacic Statement on Governor's State of the State and 2015-2016 Budget Proposal

"I applaud Governor Cuomo for presenting a balanced budget that keeps state spending growth to 1.7%. His proposal to increase aid to schools statewide by \$1.1 billion, if his reforms for student improvement are implemented, is very encouraging. I will fight to ensure, as I always have, that school districts in the Hudson Valley and Catskills will get their fair share of this increase.

As I have said many times, lowering property taxes for our struggling homeowners has been my number one goal. New York has the highest property taxes in the nation and these taxes have been too high for too long. The Governor has proposed a \$1.7 billion property tax "circuit breaker" as part of his Executive budget. While I support any serious proposal for property tax relief, we must ensure that long overdue tax relief is available for all struggling homeowners and small businesses.

Further, Governor Cuomo proposed reducing the tax rate for small businesses from 6.5% to 2.5%, providing them the opportunity to grow and create private sector jobs. I support this proposal because small businesses are the engine that drives our economy.

This year, New York State is the recipient of \$5.4 billion in funds from bank settlements. A number of proposals have been suggested for these funds and I will work with the Governor to make sure the bulk of this money is spent on infrastructure, thus investing in New York's future. I will work tirelessly to ensure our region receives its fair share of this funding. Investment in infrastructure spurs economic development and job creation, as such it should not be a competition, rather a collaboration. No region of the state should be left out.

New York is on a far better financial path than we were just a few years ago. As part of the Senate leadership team, I look forward to working to adopt an on-time budget that addresses our State and local priorities."

UC Sheriff VanBlarcum Announces Promotion of Francis X. Gillespie



Left to right: Sheriff Paul VanBlarcum, Detective Frank Gillespie, Undersheriff Michael Freer

Sheriff in July 2008, having graduated from Basic Police Academy in 2007.

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ON THE FRONT BURNER: Their heart is divided; now shall they be found faulty; he shall break down their altars, he shall spoil their images.
Hosea 10:2

OBITUARY

Scott J. Bonnell of Hurleyville, NY passed away on Friday, January 23, 2015 at home surrounded by his loving family. He was 46.

He was the son of James and Sally L. Lyons Bonnell, born on September 2, 1968 in Monticello, NY.

He was an avid outdoorsman; he enjoyed hunting, fishing and camping; he was a member of the Horseshoe Hunting Club in Parksville and the Liberty Elks Lodge. He was a loving son, husband, father, uncle and friend to all that knew and loved him.

He is survived by his devoted wife, Patricia L. Bonnell; his mother, Sally Bonnell of Grahamsville; his children: Wade Bonnell and Hope Costa; his sister, Kelly Krzyzak and her husband, Donovan of Bloomingburg; his niece and nephew, Ashlyn and Noah Krzyzak; his mother and father-in-law, John and Doris Bowers of Hurleyville; his sister and brother-in-law, Sue and Earl Osterhout; and a host of friends.

A funeral service was held Wednesday, January 28th at the Grahamsville Reformed Church, Grahamsville, NY.

Donations in Scott's name can be made to Hospice of Orange and Sullivan Counties, 800 Stony Brook Ct., Newburgh, NY 12550 or to the Grahamsville Reformed Church, Rte 55, Grahamsville, NY 12740.

Vivian Worden of Neversink, NY passed away on Sunday, January 25, 2015. Services will be held on Saturday, January 31, 2015 from 2:00-4:00 pm and from 7:00 to 9:00 pm at Harris Funeral Home, 275 Main Street, Liberty, NY 12754.

Burial will be in the spring at the convenience of the family.

THANK YOU

We at the Claryville Reformed Church would like to take a moment to recognize several organizations who have helped sustain our food ministry throughout the year.

We are a tiny church with a big heart who tries to help those around us who have food insecurity. Through the gifts of our donors we make a monthly impact on those around us in need. Thank you to the Tri-Valley Lions Club for their enduring donations and the Claryville Volunteer Fire Department who has recently partnered with us. The Sullivan County Longbeards have been assisting us with turkeys for Thanksgiving for the past few years. Thank you one and all for your generosity in a time when funding is tight or non-existent. May God bless every one of you in all you do!

Thank you to my family, neighbors and friends for all their prayers, good wishes, cards and kind thoughts during my recent hospital stay. A special thank you to the Townsman Ladies for all their help and support.

Frank Comando

College News

The State University of New York at New Paltz has announced its Dean's List for the fall 2014 semester. The College is proud to congratulate the following students for being named to the fall 2014 Dean's List:

- Christian Reynolds (Communication Disorders), of Sundown, N.Y.
- Mark Swanson (Adolescence Ed: Earth Science), of Ellenville, N.Y.
- Gavin Decker (Adolescence Ed: Math), of Ellenville, N.Y.
- Bilqees Rahman (Biology), of Ellenville, N.Y.
- Kierra Miller-Ector (Communication Disorders), of Parksville, N.Y.
- Melissa Cavrell (Communication Studies), of Fallsburg, N.Y.
- Franklin Carcamo (Political Science), of Liberty, N.Y.

Dean's List designation is reserved for students who excel academically and earn at least a 3.3 grade-point average in a semester with a full-time course load.

Ariana Kaminski of Hurleyville, NY was

among 1431 SUNY Oneonta students who earned Dean's List honors for the fall 2014 semester. To qualify for the Dean's List students must earn a grade point average of 3.5 or higher while carrying a course load of 12 hours or more.

Robert Tumasian from Olivebridge, NY (12461), has been named to SUNY Geneseo's Dean's List for the fall semester 2014. To be on the list, a student must have achieved at least a 3.5 grade point average while taking a minimum of 12 credit hours.

Aric Boyes, a resident of Parksville, NY (12768), was honored for academic achievement by being named to the Dean's List at Delaware Valley College for the fall 2014 semester.

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

January 26, 1955 - Mrs. Andrew George has sold her farm on the Sundown Road to Dorothy and Russell Grey of Olcott, N.Y. Mrs. Grey is Mrs. George's youngest daughter. It is expected that they will build a modern home near the site of the present farm house.

Miss Virginia DuBois, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fernald DuBois of Grahamsville, is on the Dean's List at Delhi.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd DePuy of Ulster Heights have a new baby son, Kevin Corey, born on January 14th at the Ellenville Hospital. Kevin is their eighth child.

January 27, 1965 - Mr. and Mrs. Adee Budd of Mountandale announce the marriage of their daughter, Louise Mary, to Thomas Carl Henderson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Henderson of Grahamsville. The couple were married on Saturday, January 23rd at the Grahamsville Methodist Church, the Rev. Harry Myers officiating. After a brief honeymoon, the couple are at home in their new house trailer on the Woodbourne Rd.

Kenneth Eidel died January 22nd in Liberty Maimonides Hospital. He was 49. Mr. Eidel was a truck driver and a member of Teamsters Local 445. He had resided in Curry for the past six years. Born Jan. 16, 1916 in Woodbourne, he was the son of Frank and Bertha Eidel. Mr. Eidel married the former Marian Swerderup. Survivors include his wife; two sons, Ronald of No. Carolina and Thomas; a daughter, Kathleen; five sisters and two brothers.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ferber of Grahamsville are the parents of a daughter, born on Saturday. Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Brackman of Grahamsville.

January 22, 1975 - Sergeant John H. Wolfe, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Wolfe of Neversink, is a member of a unit that recently received the United States Air Force Outstanding Unit Award. Sergeant Wolfe is a radio maintenance technician at Griffiss AFB, N.Y. John is a 1967 graduate of Tri-Valley Central School and received his B.S. degree from SUNY Potsdam.

Lew and Dot DePew observed their 42nd wedding anniversary on January 15th.

The little town of Montela was submerged years back when the City of New York built the Rondout Reservoir. The Shell Oil Co. seems to think differently as Montela was still marked on their 1973 road map.

January 24, 1985 - John J. McGuire of Neversink, a retired custodian for the Tri-Valley Central School in Grahamsville and a lifelong Neversink resident, died Friday, Jan. 18, 1985 in the Ellenville Community Hospital. He was 69. The son of the late Charles and Ellen McGaughrian McGuire, he was born May 5, 1915 in Neversink. Survivors include his wife, Virginia Folks McGuire at home; two sons: John E. McGuire of Neversink and Robert McGuire of Middletown; two daughters: Mary Inghrim and Dorothy Conklin both of Neversink; two brothers and two sisters; and six grandchildren.

A Round About Tri-Valley
-Carol Furman

Thinking of you wishes go out to Frank Comando, John DiMelia, Fred Ahrens and anyone else who should be in our thoughts and prayers.

Happened to meet up with the Alex Sienitsky family while having dinner at Blue Hill. They showed us pictures of their recent trip to California. Belated happy birthday to Nick, who celebrated his 25th birthday earlier this month.

February 7th is the date for the annual Cub Scout Pinewood Derby. The Derby will be held at 3:00 pm at the Neversink Fire House. The Scouts will be racing their cars to see which car is the fastest. There is an open race for others in the community. Cars cost \$5.00. Contact Neil Terwilliger or Chip Furman if interested.

The Daniel Pierce Library is also sponsoring "Take Your Child to the Library Day" on February 7th. At 10:30 am, there will be a puppet show for children ages 3-7 and at 1:00 pm, a program featuring live animals will be presented for children ages 8-12. Pre-registration is recommended.

I heard that the Claryville Fire Department is sponsoring a "Super Bowl Party" on Sunday, February 1st. All attending are asked to bring a covered dish to pass. Kick-off is at 7:30 pm, however, the party begins at 7:00 pm!

The Sundown Methodist Church is sponsoring a "Sweetheart Dinner" on Saturday, February 14th, which is Valentine's day. A delicious, homemade meal will be served for \$10.00. Reservations must be made before February 10th if you plan to attend. Doors open at 5 pm. Take outs will be available and there will be door prizes.

Brittany Pennell has been invited to represent NY on the East Coast Conference Cross Country Team competing in Australia this summer. She is seeking donations to help her defray her costs. If you wish to donate, make a check out to "Down Under Sports" and note that it is to be credited to Brittany Pennell's NY Cross Country Team account. Actually, you could send the check to Brittany's grandparents: Joe and Mary Inghrim, 67 McGuire Road, Woodbourne, NY 12788. Brittany, a freshman student at Tri-Valley, appreciates any help you can give her.

I see the "Eureka Eagle" was re-arranging her nest the other day. She's probably getting ready to lay eggs again. I hope she holds off until warmer weather. I read somewhere that nine feet is a common width for eagle nests because the birds add material to the same nest each year.

Words of Wisdom: The true measure of an individual is how he treats a person who can do him absolutely no good. (Ann Landers)
I learned patience from plants-you can't hurry a carrot. (James P. Glaser)

The Local Food Pantry at the Grahamsville UMC is Participating in the 2015 Souper Bowl of Caring

Hi Tri Valley residents, the Local Food Pantry at the Grahamsville United Methodist Church is participating in the 2015 Souper Bowl of Caring food drive. We are passionate about caring for community members and making a positive impact on the lives of those less fortunate in our community.

25 Years ago, the Souper Bowl of Caring began with a simple prayer from a single youth group: "Lord, even as we enjoy the Super Bowl football game, help us be mindful of those without a bowl of soup to eat."

As hard as it may be to believe, the problems of hunger and poverty exist right here in the Tri Valley area. In 2014 the Local Food Pantry at the Grahamsville United Methodist Church provided assistance to as many as 50 families totaling around 150 individuals.

Everyone can participate in the Souper Bowl of Caring, everyone in the Tri Valley area can help care for our neighbors in need. The hope of the Souper Bowl of Caring is to transform Super Bowl weekend into the nation's largest celebration of giving and serving.

As you shop for the Super Bowl weekend we encourage you to consider purchasing food items for donation to your Local Food Pantry. Monetary donations can also be made. Know that one hundred percent of all donations go directly to those in need.

For further information about making a donation to the Food Pantry please call the Grahamsville United Methodist Church at (845) 985-2283.

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Tri-Valley HS Students on a Mission

Hello my name is Grace Kelly, my sister Maura and I both attend Tri-Valley High School. This March 12th through the 19th we will be embarking on a mission trip to Honduras. Honduras is the second poorest country in the Western Hemisphere. This year will be my third trip and my sister's first trip to Honduras. We will be traveling with the Honduran Mission Team of New Hampshire. This team was formed 15 years ago and our Aunt Carol Dale of New Hampshire is an active member. The Honduran Mission Team's parent organization is The Olancho Aid Foundation. This is a faith-based organization that empowers Honduran youth to transform themselves, their communities and their country through education. This organization began 20 years ago, when Rev. Richard Donahue from Boston was sent to Honduras for 3 years as the pastor of the Cathedral parish in Juticalpa. His 3 year stint turned into 20 plus years and the Olancho Aid foundation was born. Presently, the Olancho Aid Foundation operates four schools: Escuelita Nazareth, a special needs school; Centra Basico Santa Clara (primary bi-lingual), Institute Bilingue Santa Clara (middle), El Institute Cardenal Rodriguez, a Spanish-language high school. While on the trip, we will assist in medical clinics, visit schools and orphanages.

On the mission team accompanying us are medical professionals, teachers and high-school students. We are very excited to be working with such kind and generous people. We may not have a doctorate degree or a teaching degree, but we'll be more than happy to assist with medical intake, assist children with their educational lessons and most importantly play with the young children. Two years ago I had the joy of meeting a young girl named Jenny, in a medical clinic. We were both the same age and even with the language barrier we were able to create a friendship. Jenny informed me that even though she has no shoes, she walks a mile to school everyday to get an education so she can one day be a successful woman in society. I was so inspired by her story and it made me value my education even more.

We are asking that you take this journey with us by supporting us with prayers, monetary contributions or the needed supplies. This year we are focusing on school supplies, pre-natal vitamins and non-gummy children's vitamins. In the past we have only been able to give family vitamins for each child to take once a month, instead of once a day. Our goal is to have enough vitamins for the children for the entire year. Monetary contributions will be accepted as well, since this is a self funded trip. Checks can be made out to Grace or Maura Kelly. All donations can be sent to P.O. Box 482 Neversink, NY 12765. My sister and I will also be purchasing supplies for the students.

If you would like more information about our trip or the organization you can visit www.olanchoid.org or www.honduranmissionh.org. Thank you for all of your support.
Grace and Maura Kelly
Neversink, New York

Tri-Valley Lions Club Nov-Dec News 2014

Our November 4th member meeting was held at Nardis.

The guest speaker was District Governor Manny Pardo. He spoke on the need to be doing things for your community, be open to changes, older members are mentors for the newer members, to purchase the new camera to screen both children and adults which is very expensive.; Lions International does have grants.

We donated \$300 to the Care Program, \$600 each to the Claryville & Grahamsville Reformed Churches and Grahamsville Methodist Church Food Pantries.

Several Lions received Anniversary awards from Mr. Pardo.

The winning Peace Poster from Tri-Valley will be judged at the District Convention on November 15th held in Fishkill. Lions Carmen and Liza Salvimini and Pauline Vetter-Staats attended. Our Peace Poster was in 2nd place for the District. Congratulations Raychell Osnato.

We will have a decorated tree in the park with Lion Phyllis and Thomas Moore doing the honors. Thank you Phyllis.

Our Christmas Party was catered by Lion Mary Lou Vernooy at the Daniel Pierce Library. Everyone enjoyed a delicious meal and good company. The Christmas Party held on Wednesday the 3rd due to bad weather on the 2nd. (Contd. Pg. 4)

Nature Column - Linda Comando
A tribute to the memory of all of the Townsman ladies that we have lost and loved so much... Peggy DeWire, Avril Pappa, Joan Hall, Polly Hill and Joyce Lockhart.

The Wisdom of Grandfather Groundhog

February 2nd marks the midpoint of winter. According to folklore, if it is cloudy when Punxsutawney Phil, the famous groundhog, emerges from its burrow on this day, then spring will come early; if it is sunny, the groundhog will supposedly see its shadow and retreat back into its burrow, and the winter weather will persist for six more weeks.



A biology professor from Pennsylvania State University discovered another reason besides weather forecasting for a male groundhog to wake up in early February. He will shuffle over several acres of his territory and check on burrows containing females. He ducks inside each one to cuddle for the night and leaves the next morning to continue the tour.

He doesn't mate on these getting-to-know-you visits, according to the professor. At the end of his walk-around the male groundhog returns to his own burrow, curls up into a furry ball for another month of hibernation.

Groundhogs or woodchucks wake up for good in late March to mate and then lead solitary lives. In April 2-6 babies are born naked and blind after a month gestation. The litter matures by autumn and lives 4-5 years if it escapes hunters, hawks, foxes and coyotes.

Groundhogs (*Marmota monax*) grow to twelve pounds and two feet long. They're brownish yellow furred animals with black feet and a short tail. Their flat top skulls with eyes and ears that are set low are perfect for not exposing much of their heads to poke above ground. This rodent's incisors never stop growing and can become a fatal danger unless kept worn down with constant chewing. Although groundhogs mostly graze on grass, they can climb trees and swim to forage for greenery.

They feed at sunrise and sunset, keeping out of sight during daylight hours. Groundhogs are forever alert to danger, and will race back to their burrow as they sound a shrill alarm whistle that earns them the nickname "whistle pig."

A groundhog digs a burrow 10-15 feet long with a front entrance, spy holes, a toilet chamber and a comfortable nest room for sleeping or a nursery.

The name woodchuck comes from the Indian legend of "Wojak, the groundhog" considered by them to be their ancestral grandfather.

In 1723, the Delaware Indians settled Punxsutawney, Pennsylvania. The Delaware considered groundhogs honorable ancestors. The name Punxsutawney comes from the Indian name for the location "ponksad-uteney" which means "the town of the sandflies."

During that same time when the German settlers arrived in Pennsylvania during the 1700s, they brought a tradition known as Candlemas Day, which had its origin in the pagan celebration of Imbolc. If the sun made an appearance on Candlemas Day, an animal would cast a shadow, thus predicting six more weeks of Winter. Germans watched a badger for the shadow, however, once in Pennsylvania, adapted the new tradition of watching a Groundhog.

According to German Folklore:

For as the sun shines on Candlemas Day,
So far will the snow swirl until May.
For as the snow blows on Candlemas Day,
So far will the sun shine before May.

According to American Folklore

If the sun shines on Groundhog Day;
Half the fuel and half the hay.

What will it be? All eyes will be on the "Weather Capital of the World", Punxsutawney, PA, while waiting for the Prognosticator of Prognosticators, Punxsutawney Phil, "Seer of Seers" to make his prediction on February 2nd.

Household Hints

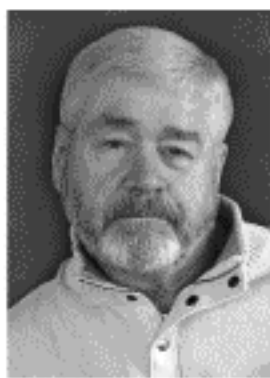
Keep Car Windows Frost Free

If you park your car outdoors during the cold winter months, a smart and simple way to keep frost from forming on your windows is by wiping (or, better yet, spraying) the outsides of the windows with a solution of 3 parts white vinegar to 1 part water. Each coating may last up to several weeks - although, unfortunately, it won't do much in the way of warding off a heavy snowfall.

Hangman

Mysterious Book Report No. 179

by John Dwaine McKenna



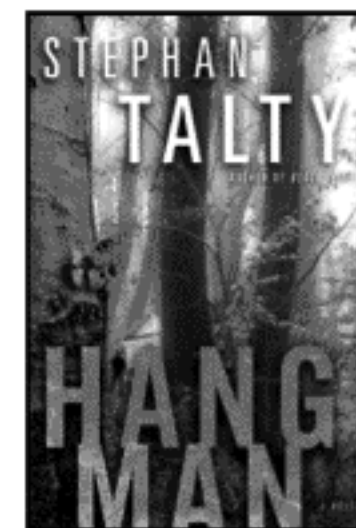
Buffalo, New York is where the novels of Stephan Talty take place, and after last year's breakout hit entitled *Black Irish*, his growing numbers of fans have been eagerly awaiting the next installment of his Abbie Kearney detective series. She's been called "One of the most intriguing suspense protagonists in memory," by leading crime fiction writer Tess Gerritsen, and I heartily agree.

Hangman, (Ballantine Books/Penguin Random House, \$26.00, 302 pages, ISBN 978-0-345-53808-6) by Stephan Talty, pits Buffalo New York's Irish-American detective Absalom "Abbie" Kearney against a serial killer named Marcus Flynn. He's known as 'The Hangman' because he stalked teenaged girls in North Buffalo, then killed and left them dangling from a rope. Captured by police after he was cornered and shot in the head, he survived and was sent to prison . . . all before Abbie's time. Now, he's killed a prison guard and he is on the loose. It's up to Abbie to catch the monster before he can make it back to Buffalo and resume his reign of terror. Flynn however, somehow makes it into the city and resumes his murderous campaign, and proving himself to be as brilliant as he is elusive, outwitting Abbie at every turn. With the number of victims rising, the city is paralyzed with fear, but "a rising tide of secrecy, paranoia and politics forces Abbie to realize that stepping beyond the law may be the only way to find justice." Forced by the circumstances and a lack of leads due to traditional Irish secrecy, Abbie turns to the only other possible source of information: a network of retired cops who hold all the potential clues, and any chance she has of finding Marcus Flynn. Abbie has to stop the Hangman before he can kill again and at the same time . . . determine the final resting place of his last victim.

The hunt intensifies and the stakes are raised with every page as Kearney races against time to save the last victim from one of the most intelligent and diabolically evil criminals she has ever faced.

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Lions Club News (From Pg. 3)

Lion Carol Furman had fun projects for us to enjoy.

Guest Speaker was Barbara Ward-Blank and Theo a German Shepherd Guiding Dog puppy being trained as a guide dog for some lucky person. Barbara was very informative on what one must do during training. "Theo" is her third puppy project. Plans are in progress to start a local training center in Liberty to encourage more people to become puppy trainers.

Our Pumpkin Party Soda Booth donation was presented to the Daniel Pierce Library.

DEP Launches 29th Annual Water Resources Art & Poetry Contest-Nearly 700 Students Representing 68 Schools Entered Works of Art in 2014-The Winning Submissions can be Viewed on DEP's Flickr Page

New York City Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) Commissioner Emily Lloyd today announced the launch of the 29th annual Water Resources Art and Poetry Contest. Second through twelfth grade students attending public, independent, charter or parochial schools (or who are home-schooled) in New York City and in the East and West of Hudson Watersheds are invited to create original art and compose poetry that reflects an appreciation for our shared water resources. Entries will be accepted on-line until March 1, 2015 and a ceremony honoring all student participants will take place in May.

"By creating original works of art young New Yorkers are encouraged to think about the environment and express its importance to them and their communities," said DEP Commissioner Emily Lloyd. "Nearly half the State of New York relies on the City's water supply system so this is a terrific opportunity for students in New York City and watershed school systems to learn about our shared natural resources while developing their own creative vision."

Last year, nearly 700 New York City and Watershed students from 68 schools submitted either original poems or artwork about NYC water, including paintings, collages, three-dimensional models, photography, animation and videos of dance performances, public service announcements and songs. In May they were honored at an awards ceremony at the Tribeca Performing Arts Center at the Borough of Manhattan Community College where the artwork and poems were displayed. For this year's contest, teachers, parents and students can visit www.nyc.gov/dep/artandpoetry to view the contest guidelines and resource materials, submit entries online, see past winners, and learn more about New York City water.

DEP's Water Resources Art and Poetry program helps raise awareness about the importance of clean, high-quality drinking water, and what it takes to maintain New York City's water supply and wastewater treatment systems. The 2015 contest will focus on four

central themes that incorporate STEM disciplines:

- Water, A Precious Resource: To highlight the importance of the quality of our tap and harbor water.
- The New York City Water Supply System: To understand the history of the NYC drinking water system and watershed protection.
- The New York City Wastewater Treatment System: To examine how the City cleans nearly 1.3 billion gallons of wastewater every day.
- Climate Change and Water Stewardship: To bring attention to our changing climate and the importance of understanding the effects on our water resources.

Entries will be judged based on creativity in interpreting one or more of the contest themes, accuracy of information, originality, and skill. An impartial panel of judges will review the entries and select one art and one poetry winner from each category (grades 2-3, 4-6, 7-8, and 9-12).

DEP manages New York City's water supply, providing more than one billion gallons of water each day to more than nine million residents, including eight million in New York City. The water is delivered from a watershed that extends more than 125 miles from the city, comprising 19 reservoirs and three controlled lakes. Approximately 7,000 miles of water mains, tunnels and aqueducts bring water to homes and businesses throughout the five boroughs, and 7,500 miles of sewer lines and 96 pump stations take wastewater to 14 in-city treatment plants. In addition, DEP has a robust capital program, with nearly \$14 billion in investments planned over the next 10 years that will create up to 3,000 construction-related jobs per year. This capital program is responsible for critical projects like City Water Tunnel No. 3; the Staten Island Bluebelt program, an ecologically sound and cost-effective stormwater management system; the city's Watershed Protection Program, which protects sensitive lands upstate near the city's reservoirs in order to maintain their high water quality; and the installation of more than 820,000 Automated Meter Reading devices, which allow customers to track their daily water use, more easily manage their accounts and be alerted to potential leaks on their properties. For more information, visit nyc.gov/dep, like us on Facebook at facebook.com/nycwater, or follow us on Twitter at twitter.com/nycwater.

EaT KITCHEN TO OPEN-Grand Opening of the CCE Community Kitchen in Liberty

[LIBERTY] - The new Entrepreneurial and Teaching (EaT) Kitchen will have its official grand opening and ribbon-cutting on Friday, January 30 at 12:00 noon. Developed by Cornell Cooperative Extension Sullivan County (CCE), the kitchen is located at the Gerald J. Skoda Extension Education Center on 64 Ferndale-Loomis Road in Liberty.

The EaT Kitchen is a licensed facility that offers professional steam injection ovens, refrigerators, freezers, mixers, food processors, work tables and other equipment in a newly constructed commercial and teaching environment.

"Incubator community kitchens, like the EaT Kitchen, make it financially possible for start-up food manufacturers to take advantage of available commercial kitchen space while growing their

business," said Colleen Monaghan, Executive Director of CCE.

In addition, Cornell Cooperative Extension Sullivan County can provide assistance in product development with the Northeast Food Venture Center at Cornell University in Geneva, NY.

Funding and support for the kitchen have come from Community Facilities Grants secured through the USDA, the Liberty Community Development Corporation and Sullivan Renaissance with assistance from several community partners. A light lunch will be provided by Natural Valley Kitchen of Jeffersonville at the opening.


For more information and to make reservations for this celebratory event, the public and press are invited to call CCE at 845-292-6180 or email Maria Grimaldi at mal395@cornell.edu.

Farm Tax Workshop with Farm Credit East

LIBERTY, NY- Agricultural businesses are subject to a variety of ag-specific tax laws, deductions, and special requirements. A Farm Tax Workshop is offered on Monday, February 4, 2015 by Cornell Cooperative Extension Sullivan County (CCESC)'s Agriculture program. This educational opportunity will be held from 3:00 to 5:30 pm at the CCESC Gerald J. Skoda Extension Education Center on 64 Ferndale-Loomis Road in Liberty.

Jennifer Adduci from Farm Credit East and Gerald Skoda of Skoda Enterprises, Inc. will discuss farm taxation updates and credits, including business structures, such as Sole Proprietorship, partnerships, LLCs, Corporations, Schedule F, Farmer Tax Exemption Certificate, and Form 4797. An informative outline of how one can get started and qualify for an agricultural assessment will be covered.

Cost is \$15.00 per person or \$10.00 for CCESC enrollees. Anyone can enroll in the CCESC association for an annual fee of \$25.00 per household. Space is limited and pre-registration with non-refundable payment is required in advance. Seats are only guaranteed with payment. Registration and more information can be obtained by calling CCESC at 845-292-6180 or emailing SueAnn Boyd, Senior Administrative Assistant, at srb46@cornell.edu.



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The Olive Jar - By Carol LaMonda

Honoring Those Who Served

George Bernard Shaw: "I am of the opinion that my life belongs to the community. And as long as I live, it is my privilege to do for it whatever I can. I want to be thoroughly used up when I die, for the harder I work, the more I live. Life is no brief candle to me; it is a sort of splendid torch, which I have got hold of for a short moment, and I want to make it burn as brightly as possible before handing it on to the future generations."

This week has been a cold, hard one with friends hunkered in afraid of falling on the ice or skidding into car accidents. What made it harsher were the deaths of five people I know. No matter what the weather brings this weekend, people in Olive will be braving the elements to say farewell to Pat La Gorga, John Pease, and Helen Jeffs. Pat was a close friend, Helen and John were acquaintances, but we in Olive have a common connection to all three. All three were people who dedicated themselves to the Olive Community.

Pat La Gorga was a Democratic Committeeman for decades. She was the one who trudged from business to business, person to person for donations for Olive Day. She was the one licking stamps, addressing envelopes, serving refreshments, and making phone calls for local events. She was the one who attended boring conventions and carried petitions. She did work full time for the DEP and gave an equal amount of time to the ARC, the school, her neighbors and the town.

John Pease, a Marine Veteran, was an EMT who volunteered with the Olive Ambulance First Aid Squad. Helen Jeffs came to every Town Board Meeting as a self-appointed guardian of the people. Her questions and concerns kept our elected officials on their toes. I can picture her marching in the Memorial Day Parade in her colonial dress walking her cute little white dog also decked out in a red, white, and blue outfit.

These were people who were mothers and fathers and neighbors and friends, but on a larger scale, they were the people who worked to make our town a better place. They leave gaps to be filled by those they inspired along the way. We mourn and honor them.

Calvin Coolidge once said, "No person was ever honored for what he received. Honor has been the reward for which he (she) gave." Thank you, Pat, John, and Helen for what you have given to us in Olive.

Pine Hill Community Center Events

The signboard in front of the Center lists three wonderful events that took place in December. Notification frozen in time, because changing the lettering with ungloved hands during this arctic chill is just too daunting (signboard volunteers always welcome, by the way), but we have great plans afoot for the coming months, including more square dancing and a new, monthly open mic.

Our office hours are : Wednesday - Saturday, 10 -5, but all regularly scheduled programs take place as announced. There's always coffee and a welcome. Drop by for a visit - this is your community center - celebrating what we have, responding to what we need.

Our Arts and Crafts shop features work by fine local crafts people, and our Unexpected Treasures Thrift Shop stocks lots of irresistible goodies at rock bottom prices.

Sunday, January 25, 1-3 pm. Writers in the Mountains presents a reading by the students in Anique Taylor's Creative non-fiction workshop. This 16-week workshop (a new project for WIM) has attracted a group of talented writers who have grown and developed their work during this period. Hear beautifully crafted lyric essays, memoir, poems and stories -

Come for the enchantment, the heartbreak, laughter, delight, surprise of it.

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Or just come for snacks and the warmth of good company in the middle of winter.

Readers:

Bonnie Lykes, Cheryl Holtzman, Evelyn Ellsworth, Ellen Stewart, Faye Storms, Gail Lennstrom, Judy Bloom, Geoff Rogers, Lillian Browne, Sharon Israel, Theodora Anema. Free. Light snacks and refreshments.

Sunday, Feb. 8, 1-4 pm. Square/Contra Dance with the Tremperskill Boys. \$10 admission includes light refreshments. It's time to banish those winter blues with a lively afternoon of old fashioned country fun. Whether or not you know your allemande lefts from your dos si dos, this event welcomes all. Ginny Scheer of Catskills Connections will be on hand to guide you through the steps and patterns. We are collaborating with Catskills Connections to ensure a dance will take place here or at other great venues throughout the year.

Feb. 20, and every third Friday, 7-10 pm. Open Mic. Hosted by Mike Herman. Bring out your sax, your voice, or your axe! Or just come out for some listening pleasure. Enjoy a great night of music and fun. Free admission - refreshments available. Call Mike for more information. 607-588-7129.

www.MikeHermansolo.com. We are very excited about this new addition to our music roster. Start the evening off with an early bird special at our wonderful Main St. restaurants, The Zephyr <http://www.zephyr-restaurant.com> or the Pine Hill Arms www.pinehillarms.com and look for some exciting light refreshment options at the Center.

Saturday, March 14, 6-9. Catskill Cabaradio. Get this

on your calendar. The most exciting evening of the spring. We begin with a great community pot luck at 6pm and continue at 7 with a live radio broadcast of music, story telling, poetry, trivia and of course Your Mother Should Know with the amazing Dorothy Greenberg. Elly Winger, the Pine Hill Playboys, great raffle prizes and lots of surprises.

And, don't forget, there is something fabulous going on every day of the week here. Here's a list to help you plan the new year.

Story Circle (3rd Thursdays) 3-5. Come with a story to tell or an open heart and ears for listening. This timeless form of entertainment casts its spell. Free.

Catskill Mountains Acoustic Slow Jam. (2nd Fridays) 6-9 pm.

A group of friendly acoustic musicians meets once a month to play Bluegrass, Old Time, Irish, and Catskills fiddle tunes in a low-key, non-competitive atmosphere. You can pick up standard tunes across genres, become more proficient on a 2nd or 3rd instrument, or improve your improvisational skills, all at a slower pace. For advanced beginners to intermediate and professional players. Come play music and have fun with other musicians without the pressure of performing for an audience!

Mondays

9 am Yoga Stretch and Flex with Kathy Carey. An Active Seniors Program, open to all. \$2.50

Tuesdays

Scrabble and Other Board Games. 6:30. Drop in for a fun, non (well, not very) competitive evening of games. Note new date and time.

Wednesdays

Social Circle 1-3 Bring your knitting or other crafts or just come by for a visit. Coffee and home baked goodies, an old-fashioned catch up with your friends and neighbors.

Thursdays:

T'ai Chi with Celeste Graves-Hoyal. 9am. Great for flexibility and pain management. An Active Seniors program, open to all. \$2.50

Fridays:

Yoga Stretch with Kathy Carey. 9 am. \$2.50. A lovely way to end the week.

Zumba Gold with Doris Nieves. 10 am. \$2.50.

Saturdays:

Coffee's Ready 10 am - 5pm. Great coffee and home baked goodies. Another chance to drop in, catch up and get ready for the weekend.

Super Saturdays 2:30 - 6:00. Bring the kids, and enjoy our table games - pool, ping pong, foosball. Francesca Warnes is here to direct arts and crafts, board games and, in good weather, outdoor play. Parents are always welcome, but must accompany kids under 8 years old.

Sundays: During the winter, we are closed on Sundays, but check our calendar and other notifications for special events.

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The Pine Hill Community Center is located at 287 Main Street, Pine Hill, NY 12465 845.254.5469 info@pinehillcommunitycenter.org www.pinehillcommunitycenter.org

Assemblymember Cahill Reminds Area Students to Apply for Financial Assistance

Kingston, NY - Assemblymember Kevin Cahill (D - Ulster, Dutchess) would like to remind undergraduates, graduate scholars and parents that they may now begin applying for Federal and New York State Aid to help fund his or her education. By filling out one simple Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) form students become eligible for thousands of dollars in loans and scholarships from multiple locations. With tuition continuously rising, it becomes increasingly important to utilize resources like Higher Education Service Corporation (HESC) in order to explore the many financial aid and assistance options that are currently available.

"Accessible and affordable public higher education is our surest path to economic success," Cahill said. "As tuition hikes put an ever increasing financial load on students, this funding will help them cover expenses and reduce the burden of out-of-pocket costs."

The FAFSA application allows students and parents to apply for financial aid through the Federal Government and is distributed based on need. In addition, upon completion of the Federal form, undergraduates may also apply for TAP, New York State's Tuition Assistance Program. The income and tax information you are required to submit can be found on your W-2, and should be mailed out by January 31st.

"If you think that you can't afford a college education because tuition is too high, Federal and State assistance may put higher education within your reach," said Cahill. "I urge everyone considering college to get the facts and complete the application."

You may begin filling out the FAFSA now at <http://www.fafsa.ed.gov/> and the TAP document at www.tap.hesc.ny.gov/totw/home.do. HESC has introduced and sponsored a website, StartHereGetThere.org that provides helpful information and directions on how to apply for FAFSA and TAP. The site also offers a resource that displays a calendar of in-person informational sessions that will take place around the state. If you need assistance filling out these forms, or have any other questions about Federal Student Aid please contact your local high school guidance office. We are also here to help at 845-338-9610 or 1 Albany Avenue Suite G-4, Kingston.

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... 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 have chosen this local memoir as their book choice. As summer approaches, the story of a carefree vacation in the Catskills should be added to your summer "must-read" list. The memoir is available at Amazon or Barnes and Noble on-line as a soft or hard cover or as a downloadable e-book for Nook or Kindle. Go to amazon.com or barnesandnoble.com and type in *Prosilio* in the search to order your copy of *Prosilio*

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UC Sheriff's Office Reports Arrest of Fallsburg Man

Deputies from the Ulster County Sheriff's Office report the arrest of Ryan M. McDonough age 31 of Fallsburg New York.

McDonough was charged with the misdemeanors of Aggravated unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle in the third degree and Operating a motor vehicle while registration is suspended. He was additionally charged with the violation of unlawful possession of marihuana and traffic infractions of unregistered motor vehicle and operating a vehicle without insurance.

On Tuesday January 20, 2015 at about 6:00pm a traffic stop was conducted and McDonough was found to be driving the vehicle with a suspended driver's license for failure to answer summons and driving with a suspended registration. During the stop McDonough was found to be in possession of marihuana.

McDonough was released on traffic and appearance tickets to appear in the Town of Wawarsing Court on February 13, 2015 at 8:30am.

Grand Opening of the Heirloom Marketplace & Auction Company

Heirloom Marketplace & Auction Company located at 4917 State Route 52, Jeffersonville, NY is planning to host its Grand Opening Event for Friday evening January 30, 2015 from 7pm to 9pm (ribbon cutting at 7:15pm). Come to the celebration and enjoy live music featuring The Sara Hulse Band. Refreshments will be available.

Heirloom Marketplace is one of a kind store on Main Street in Jeffersonville, primarily an antique & home furnishings retail operation with a twist. In addition to the antiques, fine home goods, jewelry, collectibles, and local artisan goods in the main showroom, they also have a large retail "Thrift Shop" and extensive art collection in the "Gallery

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Hall". Monthly auctions are also on the card, with the kick off auction to be held on January 31st starting at 5PM.
For more information visit our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/HeirloomMarketplace

Schneiderman Announces Settlement with Middletown Auto Dealer over Bogus Fee to Customers Middletown Honda Charged Customers Who Bought Vehicles At The End Of Lease An Undisclosed "Processing Fee" - Schneiderman: Any New York Business That Deceives Consumers Or Creates An Unfair Marketplace Will Be Held Accountable

MIDDLETOWN - Attorney General Eric T. Schneiderman today announced a settlement with a Middletown auto dealer, Adeo Motors, LLC. (d/b/a Middletown Honda), which charged customers who leased vehicle an undisclosed \$500 "processing fee" when those consumers bought their vehicles at the end

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of their leases. No additional services were provided for the payment of this fee.

"Any New York business that utilizes abusive practices to deceive consumers or create an unfair marketplace will be held accountable," Attorney General Schneiderman said. "In this case, Middletown Honda will be expected to pay back every victim of its fraud, with interest. I encourage all others who were possibly overcharged by this auto dealer to contact my office and claim their refund."

From 2011 to 2014, Middletown Honda, located at 520 Route 211 in East Middletown, entered into leases with customers where a price was set at which the customer could buy the vehicle at the end of the lease. However, when the leases expired and those customers decide to purchase their vehicles, Middletown Honda added \$500 to the price of the vehicle without disclosing they had done so.

The Attorney General's investigation revealed that Middletown Honda had done this repeatedly, and 174 consumers were identified who are entitled to a refund of the \$500, with interest from the date of their purchase.

Pursuant to the settlement, Middletown Honda will repay a total of \$87,000 to 174 customers who were charged the bogus processing fee. The dealership has also promised to reform its practices and pay \$48,000 in penalties to the State. In addition, if any other consumer files a complaint with the Attorney General's office and also paid the bogus fee, they will be entitled to the same restitution.

The case was handled by Assistant Attorney General Nick Garin, with the assistance of Senior Consumer Frauds Representative Stephanie Brideau and Law Department Investigator, Adrienne DeGaetano, under the supervision of Vincent Bradley, Assistant Attorney General-in-Charge of the Poughkeepsie Regional Office and Martin J. Mack, Executive Deputy Attorney General for the Regional Offices.



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**Frost Valley YMCA honored
 Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr.**
 Frost Valley YMCA honored Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr. on January 16-19 by offering a weekend to connect with family and put into practice some of the same values shared in King's teachings.



As always, the weekend was filled with fun programs, such as snow tubing, yoga, ice fishing, and family crafts, but Frost Valley also incorporates meaningful, lifelong lessons - both subtle and outright - in each activity.

For starters, inclusiveness and caring for others are highly encouraged throughout the Valley. Both kids and parents are given the opportunity to try new, sometimes challenging activities that they may need extra encouragement to try - an uphill hike can seem overwhelming to some. But in the spirit of inclusiveness, Frost Valley's supportive environment encourages participation and allows others to overcome their fear.

Frost Valley sees families who visit from not just New York, but from a wide variety of locations. As families meet and mingle around the fireplace, in the dining hall, or during an activity, a greater respect is gained for cultural awareness and diversity. The more families learn about each other, the more they learn about themselves.

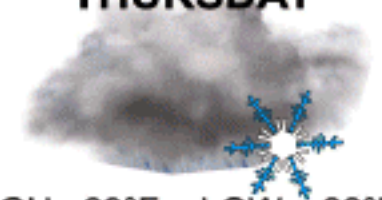
While global awareness is important, Frost Valley also places an emphasis on including the local community. Those in the surrounding area should mark their calendars for Spring Break Day Camp from March 30-April 3. Campers ages four through 15 can enjoy four fun-filled days of hiking, sports, games, arts and crafts, climbing, and trips to a local swimming pool. Campers will also get to visit Frost Valley's Educational Farm to meet and learn about animals (Frost Valley expects plenty of baby animals to be newly born), visit a maple sugaring house to taste fresh-made syrup, try candle making, and much more.

For more information, please visit FrostValley.org

Weather FORECAST


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**Benjamin Cosor Elementary School
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At a special assembly in the school auditorium on January 14, seventy-nine Benjamin Cosor Elementary School students earned Shining Star and Outstanding Student Awards for academic achievement in kindergarten through second grade. More than one hundred parents and family members were on hand to cheer their children as they received certificates from Assistant Principal David Viglione.

Superintendent Dr. Ivan Katz welcomed everyone and acknowledged the families for their support and encouragement of the students. Also Dr. Katz thanked the Advisory Council that was formed at the beginning of the current school year for its work in organizing a successful Community Forum in early December. Each parent received a flyer with a description of the Council's activities over the past few months.

The highlight of the day was the proud faces on the children as they received their awards, smiled for the photographers, and received school supplies from the school faculty. It was a wonderful way to end the school day for the entire school family.

Woodsongs Coffeehouse

The Woodsongs Coffeehouse presents live bluegrass with the Coal Town Rounders <https://www.facebook.com/coaltownrounders>

Opening band Little Sparrow <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Little-Sparrow/106454596069509>

Sunday, Feb. 8th, 2015 1-4pm
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Coal Town Rounders is a hard driving four piece traditional bluegrass band from various parts of Northeastern Pennsylvania. Drawing influence from all types of old time string bands and bluegrass standards. The show opens with a performance by the host band Little Sparrow. Little Sparrow is an Americana music project led by Aldo Troiani and Carol Smith. The band has been performing for nearly seven years, and has partnered with more than 20 local and regional musicians.

The concerts are made possible by the Arts for Sullivan Decentralization Grants Program, a regrant program of the New York State Council on the Arts with the support of Governor Andrew Cuomo and the New York State Legislature, and administered by the Delaware Valley Arts Alliance.

For more information call 845 671-9548 or email carol-smith2223@gmail.com

Richard Strangeway Selected for National Lifetime Achievement Award



NASHVILLE, Tenn. - Richard Strangeway, of Cary, N.C., is one of only six individuals nationwide who was selected for the 2014 National Association of Agricultural Educators Lifetime Achievement Award. He was recognized for his many contributions to the profession of agricultural education at the NAAE annual convention in Nashville, Tenn., Nov. 18-22.

During the course of Strangeway's long career in agricultural education, he has done a tremendous amount to improve and support the profession. He began the Tri-Valley FFA

Richard and Audrey Strangeway contributed greatly to the NY FFA through years of service!

program by working in one room schoolhouses around the Grahamsville area in New York and promoting agricultural production and mechanics to boys. Then, in 1951, he opened the 82nd agricultural program in the state of New York in Grahamsville. He taught there for 28 years, until his retirement in 1979.

Strangeway's love for and dedication to agricultural education didn't end with his retirement. He served as the New York State FFA Advisor for 10 years. He also volunteered with FFA, coaching parliamentary procedure competition teams, 25 of which competed at the national level, and served as the New York State FFA Career Development Event Coordinator from 1959 until 2012. Strangeway still supports the Tri-Valley agriculture program by awarding a student in the chapter the Richard Strangeway award each year for overcoming obstacles to achieve success.

Strangeway is also a lifetime member of many other professional associations, including NAAE. Also active in the community, he was the treasurer of the Neversink Agricultural Society for 22 years. Because of his service to the group, the society dedicated their youth building at the Grahamsville Little World's fairgrounds to Strangeway.

Each of the six regional Lifetime Achievement Award winners was recognized at the NAAE convention in Nashville. Ford sponsors the Lifetime Achievement Award as a special project of the National FFA Foundation. NAAE is the professional association for agricultural educators. Its mission is "professionals providing agricultural education for the global community through visionary leadership, advocacy and service." The NAAE office is located in Lexington, Ky

The Northeast Watercolor Society 2015 Member Exhibition

The Northeast Watercolor Society 2015 Member Exhibition will be held in Orange Hall at the Orange County Community College (Middletown, NY (Entrance at Waywanda/Grandview Aves.) from February 9 through March 25 (Regular gallery hours are Mon.- Fri. 9-6pm.)

A Valentine's Day Reception/Demo on Saturday Feb. 14, will begin at 1- 4:15pm; demonstration by Award winning artist Dorrie Rifkin at 2:30pm. Dorrie's painting "Leaving the Highlands" is featured on the February cover of "Watercolor Artist" and has been considered by them in the past "the one to watch".

This year over 100 watercolors by members will grace the Hall. Ann Higgins, Caroline Harrow, Valerie Taggart, Richard Price, Elise Hornbeck and Kate Hyden are among a few of the local artists from our area.



Free admission. More info at www.northeastws.com

Among the watercolors were: "Blue Gorge" by Ann Higgins; "Subsiding" by Kate Hyden (from photo by Carol Montana); "The Agriculturist" by Richard Price; "Gone" by Elise Hornbeck; "Peggy's Cove, Nova Scotia" by Caroline Harrow; "Leaving the Highlands" by Dorrie Rifkin; and "July Morning" by Valerie Taggart

Irwin Siegel Agency Makes Federation Holidays Brighter



Once again this year, the Irwin Siegel Agency filled the gap for many children of families in need who might otherwise have gone without. The Federation submits the age and gender of children who sign up, and their holiday wishes are fulfilled by the Irwin Siegel staff "elves".

Pictured from left to right are Dale Sonnenschein, Esther Tyler, Zack Siegel & Angel Rodriguez.

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Fallsburg Lions Club Brings SEE Program to Cosor Elementary School

For the past seven years, the Town of Fallsburg Lions Club has been performing testing for six different eye disorders with the incoming children at Sullivan



County Head Start. Known nationally as the SEE Program or Screening Eyes Early, International Lions Club has offered this quality of life changing service throughout the world. With parent's consent, children under six years of age receive free vision testing and a digital readout for near and far-sightedness, astigmatism, unequal refractive power, childhood cataracts, and amblyopia or lazy eye syndrome. When discovered before age six, many of these disorders are easily correctable.

In recent months the Fallsburg Lions Club President Patricia Behan approached Fallsburg Superintendent of Schools and Fellow Lion Dr. Ivan Katz about extending the screening service to Fallsburg's Benjamin Cosor Elementary School in their pre-K and kindergarten classes. After consultation with Principal Mary Kate Stinehour and School Nurse Merrian Hobby, the school District obtained consent forms from thirty-five parents to have their children screened on January 14.

The all-day testing began at 9:30 AM and ended at 2:30 PM. The Lions Team included Loretta Speckhardt, Bob Longo, Stephen Miller, Larry Schafman, Ilene and Stuart Wizwer. Digital readings are forwarded to the Ira G. Ross Eye Institute in Buffalo. Results for referrals will go directly to the parents.

The intention for this program is to provide parent consent forms to the school staff during registration for pre-K and kindergarten classes during the summer so screenings can occur every September or October. If you would like to learn more about this special SEE Program and other Lions Club activities, please contact Stuart Wizwer at (845) 434-2152.

It's Mardi Gras Time in Sullivan County!!

(Sponsored by the Roscoe Chamber of Commerce)

There will be the crowning of a King and Queen of the Mardi Gras, Best costume winners for a male and a female! Raffles! 50/50 Drawing!! Dancing to the Live music by Jon Zanger!!! Saturday, February 28, 2015 starting at 6:00 pm at the Rockland House in Roscoe NY. Reservations are recommended: Price includes: Appetizers, Entre', Dessert!

Tickets are \$35.00 pp. Please call Marge at 607-498-5464 or Lilly at 607-498-5363.

SUNY Sullivan to Host Events for V-Day Season

For the past 4 years, SUNY Sullivan has hosted several events for the V-Day Season which runs from February 14 through April 30, and this year is no exception. We are very excited about this season's line-up and are anxious to get started, especially since PWSC's Committee for Empowering Women is helping with the event. Please keep in mind that all proceeds are donated to RISE (Rape Intervention Services and Education).

Take a look at this year's schedule of events:

Thursday, February 19 at 7:00 pm in Seelig Theater

Until the Violence Stops, a 2003 documentary film directed by Abby Epstein. The film follows events marking 2002 V-Day - a grassroots movement inspired by Eve Ensler's 1996 play *The Vagina Monologues*. The film focuses on V-Day activities in the United States, Kenya, Croatia, and the Philippines. Admission is free and refreshments will be served afterward.

Thursday, February 26 at 7:00 pm and Friday, February 27 at 8:00 pm in Seelig Theater

The Vagina Monologues (TVM), "An Obie Award-winning whirlwind tour of a forbidden zone. The *Vagina Monologues* introduces a wildly divergent gathering of female voices, including a six-year-old girl, a septuagenarian New Yorker, a vagina workshop participant, a woman who witnesses the birth of her granddaughter, a Bosnian survivor of rape, and a feminist happy to have found a man who 'liked to look at it.'" Admission for students with valid ID is free; for all others it's \$5.00.

Thursday, April 2 at 7:00 pm in Seelig Theater

The Good Body (TGB), "With *The Good Body*, Eve Ensler, author of *The Vagina Monologues*, turns her unique eye to the rest of the female form. Whether undergoing botox injections or living beneath burqas, women of all cultures and backgrounds feel compelled to change the way they look in order to fit in. *The Good Body* merges cross-cultural explorations with Eve's own personal journey coming to terms with her 'less-than-flat, post-forties stomach.'" "Passionate, funny, frank, revealing, even shocking, and genuinely committed to improving life on this planet." -San Francisco Chronicle. Admission for students with valid ID is free; for all others it's \$5.00.

At this time, we are looking for students, faculty, staff, and community members to assist with the events. An initial informational meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 28 at 6:00 pm in Seelig Theater. During this meeting, audition dates will be set and other tasks will be assigned. In addition to needing performers for TVM and TGB, we also need people to design posters, help with stage props, provide baked goods, help with costumes and music selections, etc. Last but not least, we are looking for dancers . . . that's right, DANCERS. As you can see, there is something for everyone.

Special Note: TVM performers must be available for practices. Early rehearsals will be scheduled after auditions are held, but everyone must attend rehearsals on the following dates: Wednesday 2/18, Tuesday 2/24, and Wednesday 2/25 from 6:00-9:00.

NACL Theatre gives House Performance in Callicoon

Highland Lake, NY--Tannis Kowalchuk performs the role of Anne Hathaway in a lively song-filled solo performance about the life of Anne Hathaway, the wife of William Shakespeare. The play begins on the afternoon of Shakespeare's funeral. Anne knows she must read her husband's will, but before she does, the widow relives her life as mother, wife, and woman in 17th century Stratford-Upon-Avon. Basing the narrative upon the little information known about the Bard's wife, award-winning Canadian playwright, Vern Thiessen has written a sensitive and humorous text in verse, taking great delight imagining and inventing the robust, earthy, and intelligent character of Anne Hathaway. Kowalchuk moves from character to character and from decade to decade in an hour-long performance using song, inventive use of simple props and humorous story telling. Directed by Mimi McGurl with music by Kurt Knuth and costumes by Karen Flood. The NACL production of Shakespeare's *Will* has been performed at NACL Theatre, the Tusten Theatre in Narrowsburg, NY, Pontine Theatre in Portsmouth NH, the Cooperage in Honesdale, PA, and Spring Island, South Carolina

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Tannis Kowalchuk breathes rich, layered life into the character, who is funny, wise and burdened, as she regales the audience with her experience being married to the world's most famous playwright. Mimi McGurl's direction is flawless, and music and sound designer Kurt Knuth's contribution more than noteworthy. The entire production is enhanced with a great use of the space, props, costumes and lighting (provided by the multitalented Zoot) and Kowalchuk's performance a tour de force.

-Jonathan Fox, THE RIVER REPORTER

Throwing sentimentality, reverence, and historical accuracy out the window, Thiessen imbues his script with humour and a brand of theatricality that is equally apparent on the page as on stage. Embracing a refreshing audacity that pushes presumption aside, he presents an alternative perspective on Shakespeare that's an intelligent and generous vehicle for actors hardy enough to drive it.

-Elizabeth Mitchell, QUILL AND QUIRE

Oscar-nominated "Foxcatcher" Starring Steve Carell and Mark Ruffalo at Callicoon Theater

Delaware Valley Arts Alliance and the Callicoon Theater present Steve Carell, Channing Tatum, and Mark Ruffalo in *Foxcatcher*, the dark and fascinating story of the relationship between an eccentric multi-millionaire and two champion wrestlers. The film opens in Callicoon on Friday, February 6.

Based on true events, *Foxcatcher* is a searing true-life account of three men grappling for their versions of the American Dream. Olympic Gold Medal-winning wrestler Mark Schultz (Channing Tatum) is struggling in obscurity and poverty in Wisconsin when he is invited by wealthy heir John du Pont (Steve Carell) to move to his lavish estate to form a team and to train for the 1988 Seoul Olympics. Schultz seizes the opportunity, eager to step out of the shadow of his revered older brother Dave (Mark Ruffalo), a prominent wrestling coach and Gold Medal winner himself.

Carell is nominated for a Best Actor Academy Award, Ruffalo for

Best Supporting Actor, and Bennett Miller for Best Director. The Academy Awards ceremony takes place Sunday, February 22.

Foxcatcher will screen Friday, February 6 through Thursday, February 12, nightly at 7:30 p.m., with matinees at 2 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday. The Callicoon Theater is located at 30 Upper Main St, Callicoon, NY. Admission is \$10.50 (\$8.50 admission on Mondays and matinees) and \$7 for children under 12 at all shows.

CineArt is a partnership between Delaware Valley Arts Alliance and the Callicoon Theater that promotes and screens independent, foreign, and art films. A percentage of the profits and \$1 per person from ticket sales benefit the programs and services of the Delaware Valley Arts Alliance, the Arts Council for Sullivan County. For more information, call (845) 887-4460 or visit: www.DelawareValleyArtsAlliance.org

'Figuratively Speaking' at Alliance Gallery Group Show

Alliance Gallery kicks off the 2015 gallery season with a group exhibition of 13 artworks depicting the individual human form titled "Figuratively Speaking." The exhibit opens on Saturday, February 7, with a reception from 2 - 4 p.m., and will be on view through March 14.

The human figure is one of the most enduring themes in the visual arts. It has been a principal subject of Western art since the Renaissance, as artists look outward at others, or back at themselves for self-portraits. Contemporary artists continue to draw inspiration from the human body as a way to explore human emotions, physicality, relationships, and indeed the human soul. Figural art is an integral part of mankind's ongoing reflection on who we are.

"This show covers an eclectic use of the figure as its subject matter, as well as an assortment of mediums to create the work" states gallery director Rocky Pinciotti, who also curated the show. "The thread running through the show is the human body, but it is a very loose thread."

The exhibit is comprised of traditional representations of the body, such as Johan Sellenraad's oil painting of a reclining nude, as well as non-traditional works, such as Art Murphy's photographic pairing of a 400-million-year-old fossil and a glove display hand. There are beautifully drawn portraits, as well as referential photographs, collages, and sculptures.

"Scale is also an important element in this show," explained Pinciotti. There is a small sketchbook titled "Riders on the A Train" by Dale Emmart, as well as a 32" x 32" x 80" tall sculpture titled "Three Buddhas" by Nancy Lew Lee.

The exhibition, which Pinciotti curates from applicants for solo exhibitions, showcases many artists new to the Alliance Gallery, including Barbara Listenik, Hanna Murriz, June Moss, Art Murphy, Matt Nolen, and Paul Plumadore. Other artists in the exhibition include Theresa DeSalvo, Dale Emmart, David Lenthall, Nancy Lew Lee, Allan Rubin, Carmine Santaniello, and Johan Sellenraad.

Alliance Gallery is located at the Delaware Arts Center at 37 Main Street, Narrowsburg, NY, and is open Tuesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The opening reception for "Figuratively Speaking" will take place at the Delaware Arts Center on Saturday, February 7 from 2 to 4 p.m. For more information call 845-252-7576 or visit delawarevalleyartsalliance.org.

Hospitality Green Conference

The Conference networks regional food service and lodging facilities, tourism agencies, recreational activity businesses and their "eco" product and service suppliers for two days of workshops, training and collaboration to grow tourism through the surging interest in "green" travel and regionally sourced and prepared dining. Last year's event attracted over 200 participants from Wayne, Monroe, Pike and Carbon counties in PA and Delaware, Greene, Orange, Sullivan and Ulster counties in NY, and from as far away as New Mexico.

Tuesday begins with afternoon training from HospitalityGreen in Green Meetings, Green Lodgers, Food Service and Customer Service. The Conference Reception and Opening Event follow in the evening. Wednesday starts a breakfast presentation leading to roundtables focused on interactive marketing and food service experiences, hosted by national and regional experts with attendee participation. A Farm-to-Table Lunch and key note presentation provides a mid-day break. The afternoon features six workshops reflecting the emphasis on collaboration, marketing and food service. A Closing Ceremony with the 2015 Innovation Recognitions concludes the event. The Vendor and Demonstration Area are open both days.

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The Green Tourism Working Group is a public-private sector collaboration of the Delaware Highlands Conservancy and HospitalityGreen LLC, created to increase regional revenue through sustainable tourism initiatives. The Working Group is comprised of tourism associations, economic development organizations, state agencies and local foundations from Delaware, Greene, Orange, Sullivan and Ulster Counties in NY and Wayne, Monroe and Pike Counties in PA.

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Reps. Gibson, Sinema reintroduce Student Testing Improvement & Accountability Act

WASHINGTON -Congressman Chris Gibson (NY-19) and Congresswoman Kyrsten Sinema (AZ-9) announced the reintroduction of the Student Testing Improvement & Accountability Act, which empowers state and local school systems by reducing the frequency of federally-mandated assessments in U.S. schools.

The bipartisan legislation was introduced today, January 21.

"My constituents have overwhelmingly expressed their concerns with the recent shift in education policy from a focus on teaching to a focus on testing," said Congressman Gibson. "Parents and educators across Upstate New York know that maintaining this approach will continue to hamstring our teachers and students."

"My experience as a social worker in Arizona schools for nearly a decade taught me the importance of empowering teachers and parents," said Congresswoman Sinema. "Teachers should focus on to the content they want their students to master-not simply material for an upcoming standardized test."

The Student Testing Improvement & Accountability Act replaces current annual testing requirements for math and language arts with the exact same grade-span testing requirements in current law for science classes.

This returns federal testing requirements to the once-per-grade-span standards established before 2001, when math and reading assessments were typically conducted once in grades 3-5, once in grades 6-9, and once in grades 10-12. Under the law, states would retain the ability to exceed federal testing requirements if they seek to do so.

The National Education Association (NEA), which represents 3 million educators across the country, announced its support for the bill.

The over-emphasis on standardized testing has caused considerable collateral damage in too many schools, including narrowing the curriculum, teaching to the test, reducing love of learning, pushing students out of school and driving teachers out of the profession," said NEA President Lily Eskelsen Garcia. "This bill by Rep. Gibson and Rep. Sinema would help put a stop to these negative consequences and help ensure that all students succeed."

The Student Testing Improvement & Accountability Act was first introduced last year, during the 113th Congress.

Assemblyman Cahill Comments on 2015 State of the State and Budget Presentation

Albany, NY - Assemblymember Kevin Cahill (D-Ulster, Dutchess) released the following statement regarding Governor Cuomo's 2015 State of the State and budget address:

"Today, Governor Cuomo offered an unprecedented combined presentation of the State of the State and Executive Budget that shared the sense and some of the details of his priorities for 2015. I am pleased that many of the issues he discussed have long been championed by my colleagues and me in the Assembly. I look forward to working with the Governor to provide equity in education, real property tax reform, changes to our juvenile justice system, modernizing our crumbling infrastructure and assuring fair rights for all New Yorkers."

"While I do not agree with everything that the Governor has advanced - one example being my belief that the \$5.4 billion windfall in court settlements should be invested in long-lasting, infrastructural improvements and not used to supplement annual costs - I do share the Governor's vision of a modern New York where

opportunity abounds and is available to all."

Tax Cuts

The Governor has continued his position regarding property taxes. His new proposal builds on the tax-cap rebate program by allocating \$1.7 billion to increase incentives for municipalities and school districts to hold the line on local property taxes.

"While I have no doubt that this proposal will bring some relief to some New Yorkers, it is unfortunate that this measure is tied to tax-cap legislation," said Assemblyman Cahill. "A property tax-cap without other relief is not a solution. We must do more now to provide our local governments with the tools they need to lower their operating costs and to consolidate so that these savings can be realized over the long-term."

Education

The Governor praised the success of the statewide full pre-kindergarten program and proposed designating over \$1 billion more to the state's education budget. He also outlined more precise plans for the allocation of the \$2 billion in bonds for the purposes of technological upgrades to public schools that was approved by voters on the November 2014 ballot.

"We must look to solutions that will responsibly fund our education system in a way that is sustainable over the long-term, and does not overburden local taxpayers," noted Cahill. "Unfortunately, the Governor is looking to one-shot revenues to bolster pre-K and education funding. This approach will not bring relief or provide solutions for operational costs of school districts nor will it provide our academic institutions with a strong foundation to make the delivery of education more cost-efficient. A better solution is to implement my Equity in Education and 21st Century schools legislation."

Surplus/Settlement Money

Entering the new calendar year, New York State has over \$5 billion in funds as a result of settlement money collected by our Attorney General's Office in 2014. The Governor has suggested that large portions of this sum be used to supplement our education budget and for costs that should be funded from the budget in chief.

"While these proposals are worthy of our attention, this windfall is a unique opportunity to finally begin addressing our crumbling transportation infrastructure," added Cahill. "That is why it is imperative that we choose to wisely invest the bulk of these assets towards the repair and maintenance of our state's physical framework."

Juvenile Justice Reform

"Our criminal justice system is long overdue for modernization. The emphasis by the Governor to allow access to programs and services tailored to support rehabilitation for all youth under 18 years of age is a step in the right direction. Twenty-five years ago we saw the tripling of our prison population, without making New Yorkers any safer, but at great expense. A focus on effective criminal justice policies will do just that - make us safer, shrink our prisons and save money. Our first priority is the safety of every New Yorker. We must also begin to weight the consequences of the criminalization of an entire generation of young people before they have even reached adulthood. I welcome these reforms."

Women's Equality Agenda

The Governor has once again committed to passing the full Women's Equality Act. Women should not have to wait another year for rights that should have been afforded them long ago. "I share this impatience with the failure of the State Senate to take up the full measure," noted Cahill. The Assembly has consistently passed this legislation numerous times, which

contains all ten enumerated reforms, bringing fairness to women in New York, including women's health and reproductive rights, equal pay, stronger penalties for human trafficking, and increased protections for victims of domestic violence.

"This is one of the most important measures proposed in a very long time," said Assemblyman Cahill. "I am proud that the Assembly that has never compromised women's rights and it is good to hear that the Governor continues his support of a full package."

Conclusion

"Now that the Governor has set the tone for his 2015 agenda, we turn our focus toward creating a timely, responsible budget that restores important programs while relieving some of the burden on the working people of our state. It is essential that we promptly fix our infrastructure, improve education, bring an immediate increase to the minimum wage and pass the entire Women's Equality Agenda. I look forward to joining my colleagues to forge solutions to the many challenges we face," concluded Assemblymember Cahill.

Senator Bonacic Announces Senate Passage of Education Investment Tax Credit

New York State Senator John J. Bonacic (R/C/I - Mt. Hope) announced that the Education Investment Tax Credit (S.1976) passed the New York State Senate. This legislation would provide incentives in the form of tax credit for donations to public education entities, school improvement organizations, local education funds, and educational scholarship organizations.

"As a Co-Sponsor of the Education Investment Tax Credit, I will be fighting to see this legislation included in the Budget to send a strong signal that in New York, every student deserves access to a first-class education and the limitless opportunities that come with it," said Senator Bonacic. "And rather than being forced to simply lower their expectations, parents whose children are trapped in failing schools should have real options when it comes to furthering their child's education and securing their future."

As Keystone Debate Continues, Gillibrand Introduces Amendments to Protect Clean Water, Hold Oil & Gas Companies Accountable - Gillibrand Introduces Three Amendments to Protect Clean Water, Close Halliburton Loophole; Senator Reiterates Opposition to Pipeline But Says Bill Must Include Critical Public Health & Safety Protections

Washington, D.C. - U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand today announced three new amendments to the Keystone XL Pipeline Act that would protect clean drinking water and hold oil and gas companies accountable for spills. Speaking on the floor of the Senate, Senator Gillibrand reiterated her opposition to the Pipeline project but said the bill must be made better for Americans.

"This project has many risks and few advantages, and I will be voting against it, but if this legislation does pass in the Senate, we should at least try to make it a better bill," said Senator Gillibrand. "There is no excuse why we can't turn the Keystone XL Pipeline Act into an opportunity to protect our clean drinking water, and ensure that polluters have to pay to clean up their own messes."

"This amendment says simply to Big Oil: If you break it, you buy it," said Senator Robert Menendez, who jointly filed Amendment 65 along with Senator Gillibrand. "The best way to prevent oil spills is to make sure oil companies like

TransCanada pay for all of the damages oil spills cause. If you hurt small businesses or communities, you fix them. If you hurt someone, you make it right. If you pollute, you pay. This amendment removes the cap on big oil companies' liabilities, helping to make sure those companies do the right thing by the American people should accidents happen."

The three amendments include:

Amendment 48, to remove the Halliburton loophole from the Safe Drinking Water Act, and finally require gas storage and gas drilling companies to comply with the clean water laws of the United States. Every other energy industry already has to comply with the Safe Drinking Water Act, and this amendment would finally hold the gas industry to the same environmental and public health standards as everyone else.

Amendment 65, introduced with Senator Menendez, to make oil companies financially responsible for the damages they cause when they spill oil onto our land and into our waterways. The current cap on liability is only \$350 million dollars, including cleanup and compensation; this amendment would lift the burden from taxpayers and remove the arbitrary limit on what companies can pay.

Amendment 76, to allow homeowners and business owners whose property has been damaged by a natural disaster to use their federal disaster assistance funds to upgrade their property's energy efficiency. Currently, disaster assistance can only be used to replace what was lost, even if the property was not up to current standards. This amendment would let property owners not only protect against the next disaster, but also save energy, reduce emissions, and lower their costs.

Statement from A.G. Schneiderman on the State of the State Address

ALBANY -- Attorney General Eric T. Schneiderman today issued the following statement regarding Governor Andrew M. Cuomo's State of the State address:

"This is an exciting moment of opportunity for our state. By working together, we can restore confidence in the fairness of our criminal justice system while making all New Yorkers safer, rein in the corrupting influence of money in politics, invest in our infrastructure to create jobs, and make sure that all New Yorkers get a fair shot by raising wages for the lowest-paid workers and expanding opportunities for immigrants to pursue higher education. In today's State of the State speech, Governor Cuomo laid out important steps to achieve many of these goals. I look forward to working with the governor and all of our state's leaders to make New York safer and stronger for all our communities."

Schneiderman on the State of the Union Address

NEW YORK - Attorney General Eric T. Schneiderman today issued the following statement regarding President Barack Obama's State of the Union address.

"I applaud President Obama's remarks tonight, which laid out an innovative agenda to serve the American people in the face of Congressional gridlock. The President's proposals to reform our broken immigration system, make community college more affordable, and cut taxes for middle- and low-income families are motivated by the painful reality that far too many Americans face staggering inequalities in their communities. As we work to improve our society, we must also remain vigilant about the threats, seen and unseen, that we face every single day. There is a pressing need for a comprehensive overhaul of our country's cybersecurity protocols, which is why I have proposed legislation in New York State that will help companies better safeguard against dangerous data breaches and strengthen protections for consumers. I look forward to working in New York with state and federal officials to promote the President's agenda of equality, opportunity, and safety for all.


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Free Hospital to Home Preparation Class for Seniors & Caregivers

LIBERTY, NY - Caregivers, seniors, and anyone concerned about an aging individual are invited to a free, informative program on Hospital to Home Preparation for Seniors on Wednesday, February 11, 2015 from 1:00 to 2:00 pm. Cornell Cooperative Extension Sullivan County (CCESC)'s Caregiver Resource Center will offer this opportunity at its Gerald J. Skoda Extension Education Center on 64 Ferndale-Loomis Road in Liberty. Refreshments will be provided.

The costs of hospital readmissions-physical, financial, and emotional-are staggering. If you have a family member or friend who is about to return home from a hospital stay, this web seminar will help to avoid unnecessary hospital readmis-

sions through preparing the home (and yourself) for the older adult's return. Crucial aspects on what to expect the first day-and first month-after he or she returns home will also be detailed. Participants in this web seminar will be able to:

- o Describe four ways to prepare early for an older adult's return home from a hospital stay
- o Identify five important tasks to be completed in the first hours after an older adult returns from the hospital
- o Pinpoint the four best transitional care points for an older adult's first 30 days back home

The speaker of this program, Molly Carpenter, is an author, speaker, trainer, and family caregiver, and brings years of personal and professional eldercare experience and training to families dealing with dementia. Ms. Carpenter holds a bachelor's of science in family science with a gerontology specialization from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, and a master's degree in education with a gerontology specialization from the University of Nebraska-Omaha.

Registration is encouraged for this free program by calling CCESC at 845-292-6180 or emailing SueAnn Boyd, Senior Administrative Assistant, at srb46@cornell.edu.

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

Sweetheart Dinner

Sundown Methodist Church Hall
February 14th • 5 pm

Reservations only (\$10.00)
Call (845)-985-2455
by February 10th

• Door prizes •

By your sweetie a Carnations for \$1.50^{ea}
Take out is also available
Hope to see you and your sweetheart there!!



CATSKILL BREWERY BEER TASTING EVENT

Sunday, February 8th 3:00 - 5:00 p.m.
672 Old Route 17 Livingston Manor, NY

\$35.00 per person - cash or check at the door

Price includes:
5 beers on tap to sample, brewery tour, food pairings and Catskill Brewery glass.
Live acoustic guitar by Jason Perno.

Gather your friends and come see what's happening at the CATSKILL BREWERY. Spend a casual Catskill winter afternoon enjoying great local beer, good food and music. RSVP appreciated - cmckenzie@ministryagency.com

Event hosted by Team Jesse and the Azulejos from The Ministry Agency, Inc. In support of the Boys & Girls Club of Orange & Sullivan Counties. Proceeds from this event will be donated to the Boys & Girls Club.




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The Little Church with the Big Heart
Sunday, 8:15 am Service of Holy Communion
Music by Susan and Fred Van Wagner
Coffee hour follows service
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Claryville Reformed Church

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Claryville, NY 12725
845-985-2041

Bible Class 9:00 am
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Rev. Paul Nulton
John Bult, Organist




CrossWay Assembly of God

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Sunday Worship Service/
Children's Church 10:30 am
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Bible Study 7 pm
Tuesday Night Youth Home
Bible Study 7 pm
Friday Youth Night 7 pm

Ismael Berrios
Lead Pastor

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CATHOLIC PARISH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

(Embraces Fallsburg, Neversink, Sundown and Ulster Heights)
6317 Rte. 42, Woodbourne, NY

Weekend Mass schedule:
Saturday afternoon: 5:00.
Sunday morning: 9:00 am and 11:30 am
Holy days of obligation: as announced in church bulletin.

Daily Mass schedule:
Monday afternoon 5:45 (Holy Rosary at 5:30); Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday mornings: (includes Morning Prayer)- 8:30 am (starting Sept. 3 - 8:50 am.)
Saturday afternoon confessions: 4 to 4:45.

Rev. John J. Lynch, Ph.D., Pastor. 434-7643.

Sundown United Methodist Church

Peekamoose Rd., Sundown
Sunday Worship Service - 8:30 a.m.
Sunday School - after worship (9:40 a.m.)
Wednesday Bible Study - 6:45 p.m.
Pastor: Rev. Peggy Ann Sauerhoff
845-985-2283
e-mail: Sundownumc@gmail.com

Grahamsville United Methodist Church

Rte. 55, Grahamsville
Sunday Worship Service - 10:30 a.m.
Sunday School for grades K-7 - 10:30a.m.
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For information contact Rev. Peggy Ann Sauerhoff 845-985-2283
e-mail: Grahamsvilleumc@gmail.com



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Church Hall
Feb. 7, 2014
5:30 p.m.



Grahamsville United Methodist Church

Third Saturday Thrift Sale
9 am - 1 pm
Feb. 21, 2015



St. Augustine's Chapel

Watson Hollow Rd. • West Shokan, NY
Sunday Mass - 9:30 am
Holy Days 5:30 pm
Penance 9:00 am, 2nd Sunday of the month
Rev. George W. Hommel, Pastor

Grahamsville Reformed Church

Sunday School 9:30 A.M.
Worship Service 9:30 A.M.
Rev. Paul Z. Ruter, Pastor
845-985-7480

PUBLIC NOTICES/LEGALS:**NOTICE TO BIDDERS**

Notice is hereby given that sealed proposals are being requested for performing site earthwork and drainage activities for the proposed Town of Neversink Ballfields Park located on NYS Route 42 near Grahamsville, Sullivan County, New York. The work shall include the provision of all labor, materials and equipment necessary to perform the work in accordance with plans and specifications prepared by Glenn L. Smith, P.E., Consulting Engineer, P.C. for the Town of Neversink.

The project site is an existing open hayfield. The general scope of work to be performed includes stripping and stockpiling on-site existing topsoil, then excavation and fill activities to create four (4) little league baseball fields, parking lot, drainage piping, stormwater management basins and swales, access drive, pad for concessions building, final grading, place topsoil cover, seed and mulch. Erosion and sediment control measures shall also be implemented by the contractor throughout construction. Approx. 47,000 CY of soils excavation is required.

Final site sewer and water utilities, access drive and parking lot gravel course, fencing, lighting, building structures, landscape and bioretention plantings and miscellaneous completion items will be performed by others. All site work activities will be monitored by NYSDEP personnel for compliance with E & SC practices.

Sealed bids will be received by the Town Clerk at the Neversink Town Hall up until 2:00 PM on Friday, February 27, 2015, at which time they will be opened and read aloud.

Sealed bids to be entitled for consideration shall be accompanied by a certified check or bond payable to the Town of Neversink, for a sum equal to five percent (5%) of the bid price. The checks of the unsuccessful bidders will be returned. Within 15 days of notification of acceptance and approval of the proposal, the successful bidder shall furnish the town with the one hundred percent (100%) Performance Bond and one hundred (100%) percent Labor and Material Payment Bond described in the Specifications, at which time the five percent (5%) bid security will be returned. Should the bidders neglect to, or refuse to furnish the aforesaid bonds, the five percent (5%) bid security shall be retained by the Town as liquidated damages.

The work will be subject to the prevailing wage rates established by the New York State Department of Labor.

Plans, specifications and proposal forms may be obtained at the office of the Neversink Town Clerk, NYS Route 55, Grahamsville, NY. A \$50.00 refundable deposit, made payable to the Town of Neversink, is required and any bidder returning such set in good condition will be returned the deposit. If required, a set of contract documents will be mailed upon receipt of a separate mailing and handling fee of twenty dollars (\$20.00) per set made payable to the Town of Neversink.

Non-Discrimination in Employment - Bidders on the work will be required to comply with the President's Executive Order No. 11246. The requirements for bidders and contractors under this order, which concerns non-discrimination in employment, are explained in the contract documents. Bidders are also required to comply with the provisions of Section 290-299 of the Executive Law of the State of New York

Owners Rights Reserved - The Town of Neversink, hereinafter called the Owner, reserves the right to reject any or all proposals and to waive any formality or any technicality in any proposal in the interest of the Owner.

Statement of Non-Collusion - Bidders on this contract are required to execute the non-collusive bidding certification required by Section 103-d of the General Municipal Law of the State of New York.

Lisa Garigliano,
Town Clerk

Jan. 16, 2015

The Annual Plot-Holders' meeting for the Grahamsville Rural Cemetery will be held on February 5, 2015 at the Daniel Pierce Library at 7:00pm. 1/29; 2/5

Immediate Actions to Resolve Backlog in HEAP Applications

Monticello, N.Y. - County Manger Joshua Potosek has announced immediate actions to address the Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP) application process at the Department of Family Services. Starting this weekend 25 DFS staff members will be working on Saturday and 24 DFS staff members will be working on Sunday to process HEAP applications. There will also be 41 DFS staff assigned

to work extended hours starting Monday and continuing through next week.

County Manager Potosek will be receiving updates on a daily basis to ensure that the backlog is addressed up expeditiously. If more staff from County administrative departments are necessary to work in conjunction with DFS staff in processing applications, filing paper work, and answering and returning phone calls, County Manager Potosek will work with departments to make staff available to DFS.

Additionally, the County has engaged a New York State HEAP certified provider agency to assist in processing applications.

All of these actions will significantly reduce the amount of unprocessed applications in a short amount of time. These additional resources will be in place until such time that we have ensured that everyone deserving of heating assistance has received it in a reasonable amount of time.

The County is committed to serving residents in need of services in a timely manner," said Potosek. "I would like to personally thank the staff in DFS that have volunteered to work additional hours to alleviate this problem," continued Potosek.

If You Are Applying For HEAP For The First Time You Can Apply:

Online: (Preferred Method)

Visit myBenefits.ny.gov and apply online. Your application

will be received by the local HEAP unit at Department of Family Services in Liberty, NY as soon as you submit it online.

In Person

In person at the Department of Family Services office located at 16 Community Lane, Liberty, NY. If you are 60 years of age or older you may also apply at your local Office for the Aging at the Government Center located at 100 North Street, Monticello, NY.

By Phone:

For Information about the HEAP program please dial 2-1-1 or 845-807-0142.

What do I need for the application?

- o A current fuel and/or utility bill or a statement from your landlord that your heat and/or utilities are included in your rent
- o Proof of income for the previous 4 weeks
- o Unemployment insurance award letter
- o Bank statements, interest or dividend statements
- o Pension award letter
- o Copies of Social Security checks or direct deposit statements
- o Business statements for the previous 3 months if you are self-employed or most recent income tax return with supporting schedules.

You may need to bring one of the following for each person in your household:

- o Birth or marriage certificates
- o School or baptismal records
- o Social Security Cards
- o Driver's license

More information about the HEAP program can be found at:

<https://otda.ny.gov/programs/heap/>

For more information regarding this press release please contact Sullivan County Manager Joshua Potosek at 845-807-0450

Gillibrand Applauds President Obama for Focusing on Economic Opportunity, Growing the Middle Class in the State of the Union Address

Washington, D.C. - U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand issued the following statement tonight after President Obama delivered his State of the Union Address:

"Tonight President Obama presented a plan to ensure a fair shot at the American dream for anyone willing to earn it. As I travel throughout the state, New Yorkers tell me they are still struggling even as the economy begins to show signs of recovery. They want action from Congress to ease the burden of the basic costs of living so they can provide for their families, afford to send their kids to college, work good paying jobs, and retire with dignity. Now, Congress must do its part to work together, Democrats and Republicans, to expand economic opportunity for hard working families.

"I had hoped the President would use this opportunity to demand that we also make college campuses safe. Last week I personally urged the President to shine a national spotlight on the need to flip the incentives that currently reward colleges for sweeping sexual assaults under the rug. I was honored to have Emma Sulkowicz as my guest tonight who represents the grassroots movement of young women holding Congress and the system accountable. I will continue to fight to pass the Campus Accountability and Safety Act, a bipartisan bill that will finally force colleges and universities across the country to face this problem head-on with the goal of making safe campuses for America's students a reality.

"The President's goals for an expanded middle class, a fairer tax system and a better shot for hardworking families should rise above political party, and I am hopeful Congress will use his ideas as a starting point for real action."

Town of Neversink Parks & Recreation Department
www.townofneversink.org
 Call for info: (845) 985-2262 extension 312

LOOK FOR NEW EVENTS CALENDAR AND UPDATES FOR 2015 in The Townsman

Thank you **Jamie Brooks** and the **Town of Neversink** and all the **volunteers** for all the fun and opportunities you have offered us in the past.

Looking forward to this year's events!
FREE FUN every FRIDAY afternoon 1-4 pm in the upstairs meeting room in the Neversink Town Hall.



Daniel Pierce Library hours of operation beginning September 1, 2011.

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

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

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

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.

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

All Aboard!
Join the Fun!
Play Mexican Train
 FREE FUN every FRIDAY 1-4 pm in the upstairs meeting room at the Neversink Town Hall
 Also **WANTED:** People for card games

One week left!
The deadline for applications for Watershed Education Grants is Noon, Feb. 2.
Call Education Coordinator Diane Galusha for information: 845-586-1400 ext. 306

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- 2/3/15 Town of Denning Town Board Meeting - 7 pm Denning Town Hall
- 2/4/15 Town of Neversink Planning Board Meeting - 7 pm
- 2/5/15 Claryville Fire District Meeting 6:30 pm
- 2/7/15 **Covered Dish Supper** - Sundown Methodist Church - 5:30 pm
- 2/10/15 Town of Denning Town Board Business Meeting -7 pm Denning Town Hall
- 2/11/15 Town of Neversink Town Board Meeting
- 2/12/15 Town of Denning Planning Board Meeting 6 pm
- 2/14/15 Sundown UMC **Valentine's Dinner** - 5 pm Church Hall - Make your reservations by 2/10 985-2455
- 2/15/15 Claryville FD **All You Can Eat Pancake Breakfast** 7 am - Noon
- 2/16/15 Town of Neversink HOLIDAY - PRESIDENTS' DAY
- 2/16/15 Grahamsville Fire District Meeting 7 pm
- 2/17/15 Town of Neversink Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting - 7:30 pm
- 2/19/15 Neversink Fire District Commissioners Meeting 7 pm -Public Meeting 7:30 pm
- 2/21/15 **Third Saturday Thrif Sale** Grahamsville UMC - 9 am - 1 pm
- 2/24/15 **Town of Neversink Parks & Rec** 7 pm - Parks & Rec Office at Town Hall

Ye Olde Tri-Valley Townsman is available at the following retail stores and restaurants:

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- LIBERTY - LIBERTY FITNESS • CHARLIE'S PIZZA • AGWAY (Liberty)
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- MATTHEW'S PHARMACY
- EWCOG • ELLENVILLE CITGO
- ELLENVILLE REG HOSPITAL
- PETER'S MARKET
- NAPANOCH APPLIANCE

LOCATIONS in the TOWN OF OLIVE & SHANDAKEN

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TOWN OF OLIVE MEETINGS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

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

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

AARP Driver Safety Program

AARP Driver Safety Program will be held at the following location: South Fallsburg Senior Center, Laurel Avenue, South Fallsburg, New York Saturday, February 14, 2015 from 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM PLEASE ARRIVE AT 8:45 AM- NO WALK-INS

To Register - Call Sonny Smith at 434-8922 (Leave Message). PLEASE CALL AFTER 9:00 AM IN THE MORNING.

Sonny Smith, an AARP- Certified Instructor, will give this course in one full day session, which will consist of a lecture, discussion and video presentations. Participants will receive a certificate which entitles them to apply for a discount on their automobile insurance.

For information, phone Sonny Smith at 434-8922 (Leave Message). PLEASE CALL AFTER 9:00 AM IN THE MORNING.

The fee is \$20 for AARP members and \$25 for non-members as of 1/1/2014; make checks payable to AARP, and mail to Sonny Smith. Please enclose your phone number with payment. Classes are limited to 35, so apply early.

This course is instructed by a Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) volunteer and is sponsored by the Sullivan County Office for the Aging & RSVP.

FREE Workshop: Farmer's Market Nutrition Program (FMNP) Certification and Women, Infants, and Children (WIC-VF) Training.

This free workshop will help farmers and farmers' market managers receive certification to accept Farmers' Market Nutrition Program (FMNP) checks, including WIC (Women Infant and Child) FMNP checks, Senior FMNP checks, and WIC Vegetables and Fruits Checks as well as educate about the advantages of SNAP and how to accept SNAP benefits at a farmers' market.

The Eat Healthy Sullivan County (EHSC) Farmers' Market is seeking new vendors for the 2015 season. EHSC is a (FMNP), (WIC-VF), and Supplemental Nutrition Assistance (SNAP) approved market. Farmers interested in vending at this market must attend this training.

The workshop is designed to help farmers expand their customer base and increase revenues. After completion of the workshop, farmers will be FMNP certified and can directly market their locally grown, fresh produce to eligible participants at their community farmers' markets. Workshop participants will learn about the different federal nutrition benefit programs, be provided with the policies and procedures for both the Farmers' Market Nutrition Program, the Fruits and Vegetables Check Program, and the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, then upon completion of the training will receive new signage to display at their market stands.

Feb 7th is Take Your Child to the Library Day

Come to the Ethelbert B. Crawford Public Library on Saturday, February 7 for Take Your Child to the Library Day. Sign up your child for a library card, and pick up a few books to read. Craft supplies will be out all day for you to make your own creation, and there will be a movie at 2:30.

In addition to having crafts out, all children's materials can be returned fines free. If you have any overdue books or movies, February 7 is the day to return them! Take Your Child to the Library Day is a great opportunity to introduce your child to everything the library has to offer.

For more information on library programs, visit our website at www.ebcrawfordlibrary.org, give us a call at 845-794-4660, 'Like' our Facebook page, or follow us on Twitter @Crawford_PubLib.

GARDENING CLASS IN SPANISH Learn how to design a garden and create a container garden

[FERNDALE] - Sullivan Renaissance will offer a gardening class in Spanish for individuals who would like to learn the secrets of container gardening. The free class will be on Wednesday, February 11 from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. in the CVI Building at 165 Sullivan Avenue in Ferndale.

This is a good opportunity for businesses that might like to plant containers in front of their stores, as well as for residents who do not have the space to plant a garden. The basic principles of garden design will also be covered.

The class will be taught in Spanish. All are welcome. No gardening experience is required.

The instructor is Ari Mir-Pontier, Sullivan Renaissance Liaison to the Spanish Speaking Community. Assisting her will be Diana K. Weiner, the Sullivan Renaissance Horticulture Coordinator. The class is part of the Renaissance En Español program designed to help remove the language barrier from Sullivan Renaissance.

Pre-registration is requested. Refreshments will be served. To register, call the Sullivan Renaissance office at 845-295-2445 or visit SullivanRenaissance.org. Event details can also be found on the Sullivan Renaissance Facebook and Twitter pages.

Sullivan County Veterans Service Agency announces "VALENTINES FOR VETS" Program during the National Salute to Hospitalized Veterans Week

The Sullivan County Veterans Service Agency will have a "Valentines for Vets" display in the lobby of the Sullivan County Government Center, 100 North Street, Monticello, New York. The Valentine cards will be on display from Tuesday, February 9th through Friday, February 13th during the hours of 9am - 4pm.

Our local school districts are invited to participate in the Valentines for Vets Program by having grade school children create Valentine cards for our hospitalized veterans. The cards will be delivered to Veterans in the VA Medical Centers in Castle Point and Albany, and our local nursing homes.

Please contact John Crotty @ (845) 807-0233 for further information.



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ANSWER TO KNARF'S MOVIE TRIVIA

L. Barbara Strands
2. Anthony Hopkins

Knarf's "Classic Movie Trivia The Lion in Winter - (Drama 1968 PG)



Set during Christmas 1183 at Henry II of England's castle in Chinon, Anjou, Angevin Empire. As Henry waits for the arrival of his wife, Eleanor of Aquitaine, whom he had imprisoned for ten years to join him for a Christmas Court that he had called at the castle to determine which of their three surviving sons, the impetuous Richard, the conniving Geoffrey, or the clumsy and insecure John, will be named successor to the crown.

Also present are Henry's mistress, Princess Alais, who has been promised as wife to the new heir, and her 18-year-old brother, Philip, the king of France. Henry chooses John as successor, but Eleanor, fully aware that Henry holds all three sons in low esteem, proclaims that the throne rightfully belongs to Richard. Almost immediately, the main characters plot to attain their own selfish desires, Eleanor offers to yield Aquitaine if Richard is named heir; Geoffrey, neglected by both parents, conspires with John and Philip to rob Richard of the throne; and Henry confesses to Alais that he intends to get his way without giving her up.

Peter O'toole and Katherine Hepburn are powerful in their roles and there is some great acting going on! The cast will bring you into the film as you experience the love/hate relationships between the family members as they vie for power.

Based on the Broadway play by James Goldman, "The Lion in Winter" was directed by Anthony Harvey and produced by Joseph E. Levine and Martin Poll from Goldman's adaptation of his own play, The Lion in Winter. The film was a commercial success (the 12th highest grossing film of 1968) and won three Academy Awards, including one for Hepburn as Best Actress.

1. What other actress was awarded the Oscar for Best Actress, besides Hepburn for "The Lion In Winter" in 1968?

2. What actor made his big screen-debut as Richard the Lionhearted, in "The Lion of Winter"?

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