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Albany - The New York State Council of Educational Associations has elected Lori Orestano-James as State President for the 2025-2027 term. Orestano-James was nominated by Immediate Past President of the New York State School Music Association Russ Faunce who noted that her leadership, ability to work collaboratively with stakeholders, advocacy strength, networking and communication skills, and visionary approach of education is what makes her the perfect candidate to lead NYSCEA at this very important and crucial time in education. Her nomination was seconded by NYSUT noting the need to ensure strong leadership in NYSCEA for the future of education in New York State.

A resident of Sullivan County New York, Lori has over 42 plus years in the field of education as a teacher, building and district level administrator, Board of Education member and its President, and mentor. She is retired from Wappingers Central School District, where she served as the District Coordinator for Performing & Fine Arts and LOTE. (Contd. Pg. 4)



New Hope Community Donates Retired Van to Local Animal Rescue



New Hope Community recently donated a former agency van to Catskill Animal Rescue, Inc. (C.A.R.E.) in Ferndale, NY, helping the organization overcome a critical transportation challenge.

When New Hope Community learned that C.A.R.E.'s own van was out of commission, they stepped in to help by donating a decommissioned van. While no longer suitable for agency use due to updated industry standards, the van was ideal for transporting animals and making multi-pet veterinary visits more manageable.

Before handing over the keys, New Hope's Maintenance Team gave

the van a full refresh, replacing brakes, rotors, calipers, spark plugs, and tires, and performing a full oil change to ensure it was road ready.

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DAYS OF YORE....

Today's History

June 8, 1955

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Van Keuren of Curry are proud parents of a daughter, born in Maimonides Hospital, Liberty on Sunday. She weighed 4 lbs.

Mr. Pieres D. Moore of Ellenvill pass away in Kingston on June 3rd at the age of 86. He was born in Claryville, the son of Leonard and Mary Ann Moore, on

January 16, 1869

Survivors include four daughters: Mrs. Clark Ryan of Peekamoe Mrs. Archie Moore and Mrs. Kenneth Slater of Ellenville and Mrs. Chauncey Slater of Kerhonkson; and one son, Mr. Earl Moore of Pataukunk.

Miss Anne Eaton was the guest of honor at a shower at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Krom on Tuesday evening, May 24th. The hostesses were Miss Helen Krom and Mrs. Leo Bertholf. Miss Eaton will be married to Richard Krom in July.

May 26, 1965

The organ pipes in the Reformed Dutch Church in Grahamsville have been repainted by Miss Irene Moore. All members and friends of the church wish to thank her for her patience in doing such beautiful work.

The local Central Hudson Kitchen Contest was held on Tuesday, May 4th, in the Home Economics Dept. at TVS. Judges for the contest were Mrs. Dion Garigliano, Miss Audrey Kelly and Mrs. Howard Bernstein. We are pleased to announce the following winners: 1st place, Linda Strangeway, 12th grade; 2nd place, Nancy Everett, 10th grade; 3rd

place, Eileen Hoffman, 10th grade.

June 11, 1975

Mrs. Dorothy Carroll, wife of the late John Carroll of Syracuse, N.Y., has announced the engagement of her daughter, Nancy, to Staff Sgt. John H. Wolfe, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Wolfe of Neversink. Miss Carroll was graduated from SUNY Potsdam and presently employed as the Project Director of the nutrition program for the elderly in Jefferson County. Her fiancé is also a graduate of Potsdam and is currently stationed at Griffiss AFB in Rome, N.Y. A September wedding is planned.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold D. Brown, Jr. of Grahamsville, have announced the engagement of their daughter, Denise, to Howard Petro, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Petro of Bradley. Miss Brown is a 1974 graduate of TVCS, Grahamsville and is employed at the Ellenville Medical Group. Her fiancé is a 1970 graduate of TVCS and is currently employed by Water Tunnel Contractors, New York, N.Y. Wedding plans are incomplete.

June 6, 1985

The following local students have graduated from Sullivan County Community College on June 2, 1985: Martha Ahrens, Phillip Davis, Mia J. Low, Paul J. Nyhof and Andrew W. Wakefield. Congratulations to all!

Thomas V. Grace of Hastings Drive, Grahamsville, has been promoted to Full Professor. He has been associated with the SCCC's Social and Behavioral Sciences division since 1967 and is currently chairman of the college's Academic Affairs Committee. He received his B.S. degree from Bloomsburg State College and his M.S. degree from Bucknell University.

LOOKING BACK

Beatrice Akerley
Published June 16, 1998

Today I'm looking back to the years 1930 and 1940 when my stepchildren were growing up. New toys were few and far between in those days but they didn't seem to mind. One item that we recycle today, an old tin can, they found they could spend many happy hours with. They used them for "can walking" by pushing them down as hard as they could on the thin metal until the can stuck fast to their shoe. What fun they had chugging around and what a racket they made, but I was young in those days and didn't mind a bit.

Another game they played was "kick the can". The only three things they needed for this game was an empty can, a stick and the ability to run like the wind. Their rules were simple. You placed the can on a flat rock and chose someone to be "it". It was a simple cant and mouse approach to catch as many kids as possible. If you beat the stick, you were caught. As each child was captured, he joined the growing numbers near the can. When the cat left home base to capture a mouse, the can stood unguarded momentarily and was fair game for a good kick which quite often sent it sailing out into the field and brought all the mice home.

I am sure that the game was played in several different ways but this was the one our children used.

In an age when children must have the latest fashion of the moment, I sight and remember how innocent our kids were when growing up as all it took to make them happy was a tin can.

Household Hint:

Freshen Luggage

Before you put away your luggage after a trip, tuck in a dryer sheet to add a fresh scent and prevent musty odors.

Nature Column - L. Comando

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

Catskill Mountain Wild Cats

Last Wednesday when we were heading up to the Blue Hill Lodge and saw a huge cat cross the road just as we were coming into Claryville.

My guess is that it was a large Bobcat.

The bobcat (*Lynx rufus gigas*) a/k/a Wildcat, is a North American mammal of the cat family Felidae, appearing during the Irvingtonian stage – around 1.8 million years ago. Currently they still live in wooded areas of the Catskills.

Bobcats are about two to three times the size of a domestic cat. Their fur is dense, short, and soft and is generally shorter and more reddish in the summer and longer and more gray in the winter. Spotting occurs in some bobcats and is faded in others. The face has notable long hairs along the cheeks and black tufts at the tops of each ear.

Males on the average are one-third larger than females. Both female and males can weigh more than 30 pounds. Body length for males is 34 inches and 30 inches for females. They have short tails between five and six inch long - thus the name 'bobcat'.

Bobcats are not often sighted in the Catskills as they are stealthy creatures that are timid and typically avoid human contact, but do not let their relatively small size fool you. They are tremendously strong and can bring down a small deer. They can become ferocious when challenged. It is wise not to approach a bobcat. However, while there is still snow on the ground, you may find their tracks. The average foot print is around 1.75 inches, but

can be as large as 3 inches. The prints will have 4 roundish paw prints in front with a "M" shaped paw print in back of the 4 front paw prints. Most prints will not show claws. Like, domestic cats, Bobcats need to use their muscles to extend their claws.

Bobcats are nocturnal and most active from sunset to near sunrise when they are hunting.

Bobcats are carnivores. Their diet consists mostly of rabbits, rats, mice and small wild game. Bobcats easily adapt whatever prey is available. They will stalk their prey and swiftly move in once the prey is within 20 feet. Bobcats can leap up to 12 feet high.

Bobcats live near areas where there are rock ledges and small caves or near swampy areas. They are territorial. They choose an area of a few square miles that has enough prey to feed on, however, they can travel up to 50 miles a day.

It takes a bobcat about two years to mature to breeding age. They mate between February-and-March and have 2-4 kittens between April and May. On occasion they have a second brood in September. The kittens are born blind and won't see until they are around 10 days old. The female bobcat raises its kittens alone and nurses them for about two months before teaching them how to hunt. They remain with their mothers the first year. After that, they will live in the wild for the next 6 to 8 years. The oldest recorded bobcat in the wild lived to be 16 years old!

Bobcats were very abundant in the Catskills until the 1800's when they were hunted – almost to extinction. Today, we are seeing a moderate increase in the population of bobcats.

Bobcats are incredibly beautiful creatures that exist in varied colors from orange to gray with black markings similar to a domestic tabby cat.

Bobcats are often noted as the inspiration of the region's name – the Catskills!



Advocating to Provide Quality Education for All Students!

50 Years: 1971-2021

(From Pg. 1)

Mrs. Orestano-James holds a Bachelors in Music in Music Education from Ithaca College, a Masters of Science in Education from SUNY New Paltz, Certificate of Advanced Studies in Educational Administration from SUNY New Paltz, and Doctoral (ABD) in Educational Administration with an Emphasis in Curriculum Instruction and Development from Nova Southeastern University. In addition, she holds NYS Licenses in K-12 Music Education, N-6 Elementary Education, and School District Leader (SDL).

Lori is the current State President for New York State Alliance for Arts Education (NYSAAE). Mrs. Orestano-James has served since 2014 as NYSCEA State Secretary moving into the President-Elect role two years ago. She is proud to represent NYS as a member of the National Association for Music Education (NAfME) Advocacy Leadership Force (ALF) and served as the State Advocacy Chair for NYS School Music Association (NYSSMA). She is the State Past President for NYS Council of Administrators for Music Education (NYSCAME). Lori is a member of NYS Theatre Educators Association; and a member of the NYSED Blue-Ribbon Commission Executive Committee for Graduation Alternatives through Arts Pathways. In addition, Lori served on the NYSED ESSA Think Tank. She is a former Board of Education Member in the Monticello Central School District, having served as Board of Education President for 4 of those years, NYSSBA State Delegate, and Sullivan County School Boards Association Delegate. Lori continues to serve as a Legislative Liaison for the NYS School Boards Association where she also is an adjunct, presenting School Board/Superintendent Trainings, Budget Development Assistance, and Human Resource Development for school districts across NYS. She is a Founding Member of Nesin Cultural Arts (NCA) where she is also on Faculty teaching voice, strings and theatre lessons and courses. Lori served on the NYSED Reopening Schools Task Force. Lori co-chaired the Sullivan County COVID Task Force and continues to help those in need with COVID Information. In addition, Lori continues her work as a member of the Monticello Central School District Audit Committee and served as the Hall of Distinction Committee Chair. Orestano-James is also the Chair of the Sullivan County Chamber of Commerce Foundation, the 501c3 partner for the Sullivan County Chamber, as well as a member of the Sullivan County Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors.

Lori is proud of her work at member of Rotary International. She is the Immediate Past President of Monticello Rotary having served twice in the President role, its past Treasurer, MontiGram Editor, and Board of Directors Member. She served as Comfort Closet Chair, Blood Drive Chair, Public Relations and Social Media Chair, a member of the Taste of Sullivan Rotary Fundraiser, Monster Run, and Scholarship Committees before becoming Executive Secretary for the newly Chartered Sullivan Central Rotary

Club. In addition, Lori serves as the Rotary District 7210 Youth Services Chair which includes oversight for Interact, Youth Exchange Program, and RYLA as well a member of the District 7210 Membership Committee.

Lori is a member of the Steering Committee for S.A.L.T (Sullivan Allies Leading Together). In addition, Lori is a strong supporter and has personally raised over \$30,000 for Ride 2 Survive Sullivan County through her Birthday and Re-birthday Fundraisers.

Lori prides herself on being the longest serving volunteer for the 98.3 WSUL Heart-a-thon (47 years), where she is an active member of the Heart-a-thon Board of Directors.

Lori is active in her faith, serving on the Board of Directors (and its secretary) of Landfield Avenue Synagogue where she works on the Cemetery Committee, Transition Committee, Program Committee, and Social Committee.

As a proud graduate of Ithaca College, she is delighted to be Supervisor of Student Teaching ensuring quality music educators for our future. Lori prides herself on being an active music and theatre artist, teacher, educator, life-long learner, and advocate of the Arts and Education in her retirement years.

As someone who was raised and supported by her teachers, school staff, and members of her community after she lost her parents due to illness at a young age, Lori has dedicated her life to the work of service to ensure that all children are provided the opportunity for a well-rounded, high-quality education in a safe environment taught by highly qualified educators regardless of zip code. She works tirelessly to make her community and New York State the best it can be. Lori likes to say, "I am failing at retirement." And, everyone else is glad she is failing in retirement as she continues her passion and believes in following the Rotary motto of "Service Above Self."

Orestano-James is excited to begin this role serving this esteemed organization, continuing to grow and move forward the work of education needs in NYS. New York State Council of Educational Associations (NYSCEA) is the umbrella organization consisting of professional educational associations that meet to learn from the NY State Education Department about the latest Department initiatives and issues, as well as to find common ground and formulate, and advocate collective positions. Core among those initiatives and issues are concerns that impact the access for the students of New York State to a world class education.

NYSCEA Nominations Chair and Past President 1978-1982 George Raneri says. "The selection of Lori Orestano-James by our members to serve our organization is a no-brainer. Her past work, strong networking and communication skills, ability to build coalitions, advocacy prowess, and positive leadership style will serve NYSCEA as it leads the over 50-member educational organizations such as NYSUT, NYS School Boards, a myriad of subject specific educational organizations as well as public and private school leadership organizations. She is bright, articulate, and passionate about education and what a high-quality education means for our students, society, and our future. We are lucky to have her."

The Great Duck Disappearance – They've Flown the Coop –

Wanted: 400 rubber duckies. Last seen floating down the Morningside Park Creek. Suspects are yellow, squeaky, and extremely buoyant.



Join the Kiwanis of Woodridge New York Foundation, Inc., for their Third Annual Duck Race, the most **egg-citing** event of the entire year: 11:00 A.M. Saturday, July 12, 2025, Morningside Park, Hurleyville, NY!

Crack the case, adopt your duck, and cheer it on to victory as it races to freedom: **\$5 per duck; 3 ducks \$10; 6 ducks \$15; \$25 for a flock of ten. Top prizes include cash, gift cards, and eternal bragging rights.**

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Red Metal

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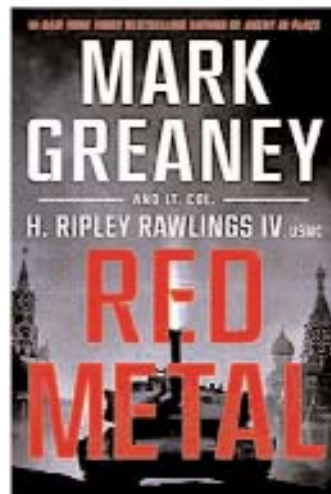
by John Dwaine McKenna

Europe has lived in the shadow, first of the Soviet Union, and more recently, of the *Rodina* . . . Mother Russia herself . . . since the end of World War II. It's the reason the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, or NATO, was formed by the US, Canada and several European nations for the purpose of joint security. An attack on one would be considered an attack on all. It has been an effective deterrent to another war for more than seventy years. But, what if . . . what if it stopped working?

That's the premise underlying a page-turning and electrifying new thriller that's perfect for your summer reading program. And, hey! Fair warning—don't worry about cutting the grass or washing the car once you begin reading this one, because it's too compelling to let you worry about the mundane.

Red Metal, (Berkley/ Penguin/Random House, \$27.00, 656 pages, ISBN 978-0-451-49041-4) by Mark Greaney and H. Ripley Rawlings IV, have combined their immense talents to produce the best military action adventure since Tom Clancy wrote *The Hunt for Red October* nearly forty years ago.

Red Metal opens in Kenya, where the Russians are mining a mountain of precious, rare earth minerals; a necessity in manufacturing everything high-tech, from satellites to cell phones, under an agreement with the government. It's a treaty signed in greed and ignorance, that hugely favors the Russians, and the Kenyans, with assistance from the United States, kick the Russians out by force . . . humiliating a Spetsnaz (Special Forces) Colonel named Yuri Borbikov in the process. He gets his revenge a few years later, when threats of war between China and US ally Taiwan cause the President to order nearly all US military assets to the Far East, leaving a lethargic, loosely defended Europe inadequately protected. Colonel Borbikov presents a war plan that he's drawn up called *Operation Red Metal*, in which Russia tank forces and armored divisions will launch a lightning strike into Germany, and at the same time, commence an attack in Africa to retake the mine. To every senior Russian General's surprise, the Russian President approves the audacious plan and war unthinkable only days earlier—is set in motion on land, air and sea . . . and in cyberspace. Once the war machine wheels start to turn, bullets fly, the computer hacking begins, and the action never stops as the authors tell the story from multiple points of view and all sides of each conflict, from the lowest NCO to the highest general. Whether you're a student of geopolitics, battle tactics, or just enjoy a good action adventure yarn, this one will keep you nailed to the page from start to finish, for hours at a time. Tell your friends—you saw it here first—the MBR predicts *Red Metal* is going to be a blockbuster hit!



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The Olive Jar

by Carol Olsen LaMonda

Write It Down

“If you want to change the world, pick up your pen and write.”

– Martin Luther



Writing is becoming a lost art. We rely on our phone to record notes and connect with others. We forget that writing connects our brain to the world. Using the internet does not do the same thing as putting words to paper instead of the cloud. The cloud is ephemeral. Writing is tangible until we decide to keep or discard our thoughts.

I think I spend more time deleting messages to me than creating messages to send out. Also, out of the messages I send, once they are written, they get deleted to make more space for more messages to come in.

Writing is the “inking of the thinking” but it is even more; Writing goes beyond the thinking which occurs in images and tangents that come and go like floating clouds. Writing solidifies the thinking. Writing brings thoughts to fruition by finding the precise words to record those random thoughts.

Writing is active while thoughts are passive. We are relying on our sound bites as conversations and missives. We need to start writing lists, recording thoughts and emotions, and give them a life beyond the muddled chaos of our thoughts. Once on paper, we can delete or archive or relive our former thoughts and feelings.

Try keeping a journal, a planner, a letter, a poem, a “to do” list. Think of housekeeping the mind allowing what might be important to separate from the constant streaming of random thoughts.

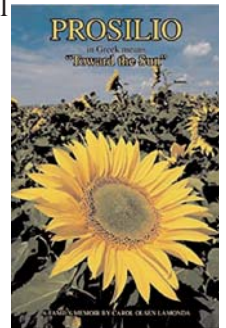
Lastly, writing is cathartic. Our sadness can be recorded and eliminated; our joys can be relived.

“Exercise the writing muscle every day, even if it is only a letter, notes, a title list, a character sketch, a journal entry. Writers are like dancers, like athletes. Without that exercise, the muscles seize up.”

–Jane Yolen

The FamilyMemoir, **PROSILIO**...

... in Greek means “**Toward the Sun**,” was written by Carol Olsen LaMonda. Carol writes the column “The Olive Jar” for *Ye Olde Tri-Valley Townsman*. This local author has been busy guesting at book clubs who have chosen this local memoir as their book choice. **Feel the warmth of “Prosilio” as you read Carol’s memoirs cuddled up in your favorite chair. It also makes a great gift!** *Prosilio* 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: <http://amazon.com> or <http://barnesandnoble.com> and type in **Prosilio** in the search to order your copy of **Prosilio**



Adding Splashes of Color with our 2025 Summer Reading Program

By Lisa Carroll

GRAHAMSVILLE-With just over two weeks into the season, we are well into the swing of our 2025 "Color Our World" Summer Reading Program (SRP) at the DPL!

And with that, a quick recap of upcoming programs is in order. Our reading Bingo gameboards and logs are available at the library or printable by visiting our website. Please fill them in as you read and then return them completed to the library! The SRP bookmark contest deadline is July 24th; that sounds like a lot of time, but we all know how quickly things move in summer and it's just not. Please review the guidelines and rules for entering the contest before starting. They can be found on our website. If you haven't done so yet, please register for programs that you or your children are interested in and eligible for. Gentle reminder-the DPL programs are intended for Tri-Valley CSD residents, if there is any question regarding your eligibility status, please reach out to Deirdre McHugh, our Children's Program Coordinator at 845/ 985-7233, ext. 105. For all our programs, visit our website and register before attending.

Coming up, Color Our World Paint and Sip Night for adults on Thursday, July 10 from 6-7PM. This will be a fantastic evening out with friends as you let your creative juices flow. Thank you to all who have registered for this program. It's full now, which just goes to show how quick registration is important.

On Tuesday, July 15, we'll be holding our SRP Rock Painting program for children in grades 1 through 3. Young artists will transform ordinary rocks into masterpieces! Children can take the opportunity to spread kindness, creativity and color throughout our community with just a bit of paint. Ms. Deirdre suggests you take your painted rock home to keep or to hide it around the community for all to see. All supplies will be provided, just bring your imagination-and maybe wear clothes you don't care if they get a little painted!

On Thursday, July 17 from 6-7PM we will be holding our Frame-tastic Fun glass frame painting program for children in grades 4-6. For this program, children will be tasked with painting what they LOVE onto the glass frame, so while all painting supplies will be provided, bringing a picture of your beloved person, pet or thing may be helpful.

On Thursday, July 22 from 6-7PM our teens (children entering 7th-12th grades) will meet to "Color Our World" with Bleach Art. Everyone attending will learn how to turn an ordinary T-shirt into a masterpiece only using bleach! No prior experience is necessary for this hands-on activity, just bring your creativity (and wear clothes that can get messed up, just in case!).

Our summer programs will culminate with our famous Entertainment Night, held on Thursday, July 24 at 6PM. This year we will be hosting Skyhunters in Flight, a thrilling and educational experience! Come to the fairgrounds for this awesome program presented by Brian and Teddy, Master Falconers with over 30 years of experience, featuring live, trained birds of prey in action. For your comfort, please



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"If it grows by day, have it cut & split by Knight"

bring chairs or blankets to sit on. In addition to the fantastic program, children will also have the opportunity to leave with a brand new book!

To really make the library colorful this year, we're asking everyone (no matter your age) to participate in our Rolling with Pierce all-summer program. It's pretty simple-stop by the library and use our materials to paint a rock, or one from your own backyard...either way please spray your completed artwork with a clear coat sealant to protect it from the elements...and leave it at the library. There is a sign right out front where Pierce the Python will grow with each added rock. Just add your rock next to the one before so we can really see how long he can grow.

Another new program was just added. Honeybees: Planting to Attract & Feed Honeybees, will be held on Thursday, August 7 from 6-7PM. Please join us with Master Beekeeper, Bill Boyle, as he educates us on the floral preferences of honeybees. He'll also go over the importance of these fascinating creatures, information on plantings and the impact it has on other pollinators and a breakdown of native plants.

Coinciding with our SRP, RCLS has revamped their summer road trip program. Join the RCLS Road Trip 2025 by visiting the DPL and picking up your road trip materials. There's a lot of opportunities to enter raffles along the way.

Also, we are still accepting donations for the book tent. Please speak with Michelle before dropping off your donations and visit the book tent often throughout the summer as we keep adding to it.



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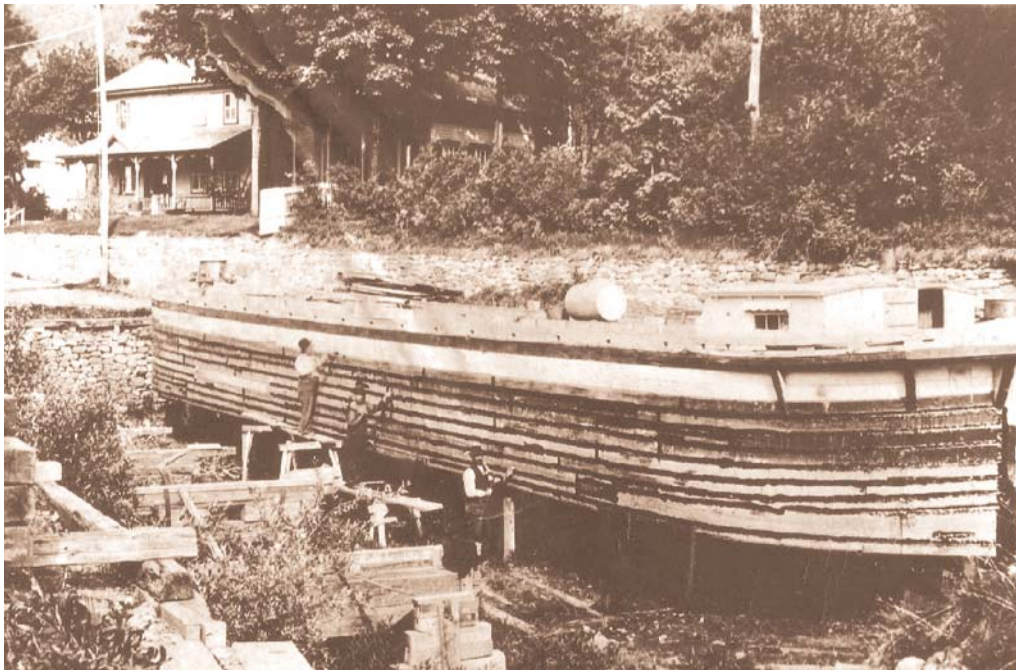
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Right where the Interpretive Center can now be found, this view shows the Boothroyd Drydock along the D&H Canal in Summitville. (One of Bill Merchant's historic images of the Canal)

This free event kicks off at 2 p.m., but feel free to come early to enjoy light refreshments and take in all of the fascinating displays the Interpretive Center has to offer. Advance registration is suggested, as space is limited. Email scparks@sullivanny.gov or call 845-807-0287 to register.

The D&H Canal Interpretive Center is open every weekend on Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays, through September 1. Hours are 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, and noon-5 p.m. Sundays.

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"D&H Canal and Gravity Railroad in Postcards" at Sullivan County's D&H Canal Interpretive Center and Linear Park, 16 Bova Road, Summitville.

Merchant is Deputy Director for Collections, Historian and Curator of the D&H Canal Historical Society Museum in High Falls. He also serves as President of the Delaware and Hudson Transportation Heritage Council. Over the years, Merchant has collected a vast amount of incredible postcards that will give you a visual tour of the feats and operations of the D&H Canal and Gravity Railroad.



A boat pulled by a team of mules (and their young guardian) leisurely floats down the D&H Canal in Wurtsboro. (One of Bill Merchant's historic images of the Canal)

<https://www.sullivanny.gov/Departments/ParksRecreation/DelawareHudson>.

Hope Alive 845 Hosts All-Day Summer Bash with Music Fest, Bike Run, and Volleyball Tournament at Morningside Park

Hurleyville, NY - Hope Alive 845 is turning up the heat this summer with a full-day celebration at Morningside Park in Hurleyville, NY, on Saturday, July 19, 2025. The event will feature a high-energy Volleyball Tournament, a scenic Bike Run, and a live Music Fest-all packed into one unforgettable community day.

Volleyball Tournament - Start the Day Strong

The day kicks off bright and early at 9:00 AM with the Volleyball Tournament on the courts at Morningside Park. Teams from across the region will battle it out in a fun, competitive atmosphere. Expect fast serves, big hits, and a lot of community spirit.

Bike Run - Ride for a Cause

At 10:00 AM, riders will gather at the Quickway Diner in Bloomingburg, NY for a scenic Bike Run through the Hudson Valley. The route winds its way to Morningside Park, welcoming riders just in time to catch the day's main festivities. It's a ride with a purpose-supporting Hope Alive 845's efforts to uplift and serve local families.

Live Music Fest - All Afternoon

Starting at 12:00 PM, the park comes alive with music. A lineup of local artists and bands will hit the stage, delivering everything from rock and country to hip-hop and soul. Bring a blanket, grab some food, and enjoy an afternoon of nonstop live performances under the summer sun.

Food, Fun, and Family Activities

Alongside the main events, there will be food trucks, games, vendors. Whether you're competing, riding, or just soaking it all in, there's something for everyone at this all-ages event.

A Day That Brings People Together

This isn't just a summer party-it's a chance to show up for each other. Proceeds and partnerships from the event help fuel Hope Alive 845's outreach and advocacy work, supporting youth programs and families in need throughout the region.

Event Schedule - Saturday, July 19, 2025

9:00 AM: Volleyball Tournament begins

10:00 AM: Bike Run departs from Quickway Diner, Bloomingburg

12:00 PM: Music Fest kicks off at Morningside Park

All Day: Food trucks, games, vendors, and community activities

Follow@HopeAlive845 on social media or visit www.HopeAlive845.com for updates and event details.

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Ulster County Advances Affordable Housing Initiative at Elizabeth Manor Property in Kingston

Maeda Construction Team Selected as Development Partner
KINGSTON, NY - County Executive Jen Metzger today announced the selection of a development team - including Maeda Construction, GA/GA architects, Community Preservation Corporation, and RUPCO - for the development of affordable housing on the site of the County-owned Elizabeth Manor property in Kingston. This significant step brings the County closer to its goal of providing much-needed affordable housing opportunities for local families.

The team's project proposal envisions a new 15-unit housing cooperative for affordable homeownership, with one-, two- and three-bedroom units for households earning 60% or less of Ulster County's Area Median Income (AMI). The building, designed to be consistent with neighborhood character, would replace the former boarding house building.

"This is an exciting project that helps meet a major need for deeply affordable homeownership in Kingston, and it would be the first cooperative ownership structure in the County," said County Executive Jen Metzger. "We also very much wanted a project design consistent with the character of the neighborhood, and Maeda and team have developed a beautiful concept for this property. We look forward to working with the City and with Elizabeth Street neighbors as we move this project forward."

Legislator John Gavaris, Chair of the Ulster County Housing Development Corporation stated "the HDC is pleased to be able to continue its role in the County's affordable housing efforts and will work with the County and project team to ensure that the project can move forward."

Planning Board and Neighborhood Engagement

Ulster County and its partners will now engage with the City of Kingston Planning Board and the local neighborhood to present and seek feedback on the project. This engagement is a crucial next step to ensure the development is well-integrated with and beneficial for the community.

21 Elizabeth St. Project Highlights

- o **Project Scope and Units:** The development at 21 Elizabeth Street will replace an existing vacant building that has been difficult to renovate due to multiple environmental hazards. The project includes a total of 15 units and includes a mix of studios, 1-bedroom, 2-bedroom, and 3-bedroom units, including four (4) ADA-accessible units, to serve a diverse population.

- o **Innovative Design and Construction:** The project will utilize modular construction, a method expected to offer greater quality control, speed, and efficiency in construction. The design is intended to be contextual to the neighborhood, replicating the structure, material, and color of the area's three-bay homes while conforming to the City of Kingston's Form-Based Code.

- o **Sustainability and Health:** The building is designed to be fully electric and will employ double framing and high-quality insulation to perform at passive house levels. It will also include a next-generation heat pump with internal energy recovery ventilation, aiming for long-term savings. Using an architectural style that promotes health and well-being, the project features floor-through units with ample windows for cross-ventilation and natural light. It includes spaces for both privacy and gathering, recognizing post-pandemic needs for healthy indoor environments and community interaction.

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- o **Long-Term Affordability Model:** A core element of the proposal is the formation of a limited equity housing cooperative. This model is designed to ensure immediate affordability at the 60% AMI level and maintain affordability in perpetuity, while also allowing owners to accrue equity and move on to other local housing opportunities over time.

- o **Community Integration and Amenities:** Units will be entered via gracious front porches and communal stairwells, fostering social interaction. The ground floor will be fully accessible to prioritize residents with disabilities and elderly individuals. The rear of the building will feature two community rooms for gathering and a children's room, along with ample building storage.

- o **Parking Solution:** Recognizing potential street parking burden, an agreement is being sought with the Kingston City School District to allow for an easement to use a portion of the adjacent school's parking lot, providing one parking space for every unit and simultaneously increasing spaces available to the school.

- o **Timeline:** The overall process, from design and permitting to homeowner marketing, is anticipated to take approximately 30 months.

Project Team

Maeda Construction has assembled a strong team of trusted partners, including GA/GA Architects, the law firm Goldman Hall (for legal and innovative financing structures), the Community Preservation Corporation (CPC) (as lender and advisor), and RUPCO (for marketing, targeting, and vetting future homeowners, as well as development guidance). Jesse McCormick is also a policy consultant contributing to the innovative ownership model.

Further updates on the 21 Elizabeth St. project will be shared as the planning and engagement processes move forward.

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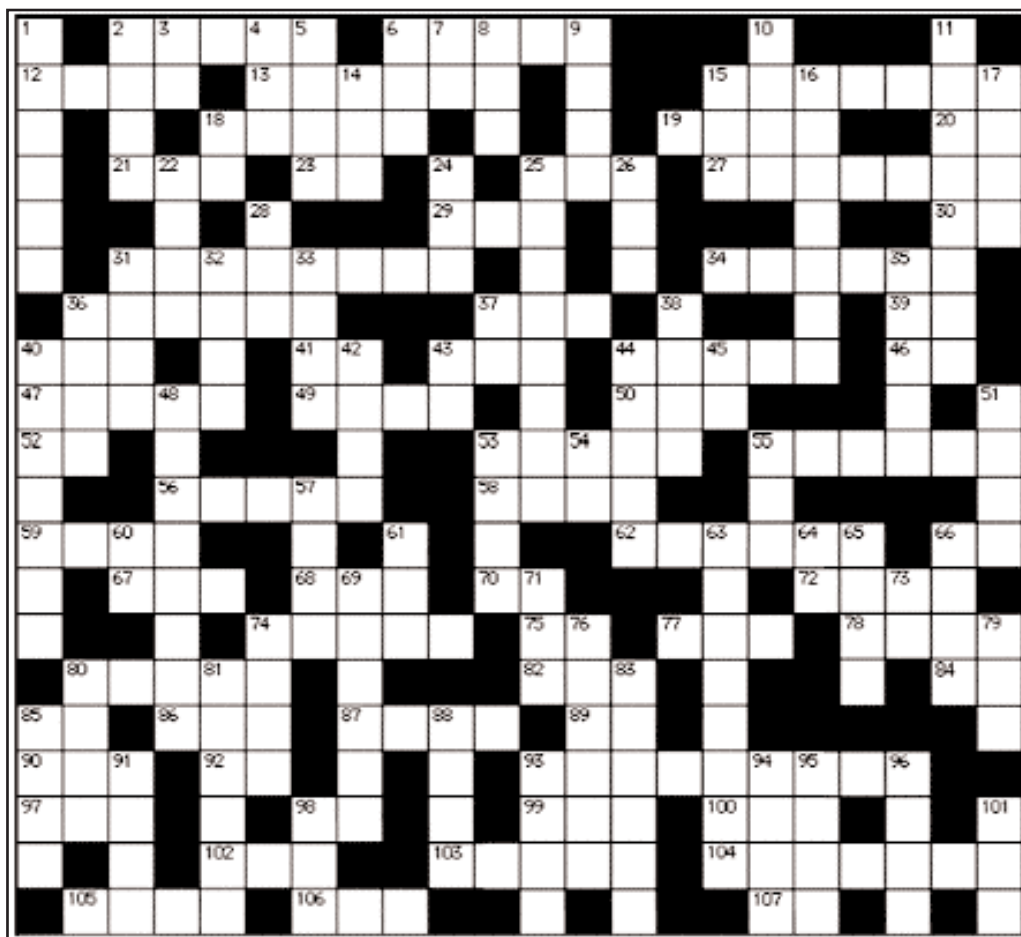
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63 Plant that attracts Monarch butterflies
64 Either
65 Good fortune
66 Store
69 Vitality
71 Polite way to address

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73 Senior
74 Kernel
76 Soft film on the surface of bronze
79 Elongated seed vessel
80 Fermented grape drink
81 Capital of Russia
83 Lilies, beetles and Swallowtails, to name a few

85 Seaweed
88 Detergent
91 Extinct flightless bird
93 Small mouse-like rodent
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Bacon Wrapped Garlic Scapes

A garlic scape is the slender bright green flower shoot that has shot up from the stem of a garlic bulb

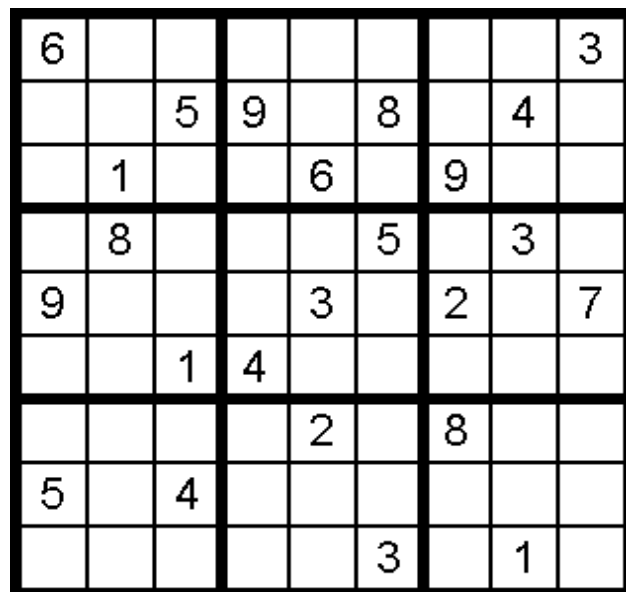
12 six to eight inch long tender pieces of garlic scapes, peeled
12 pieces of thin-cut bacon

Tightly wrap each of the scapes with one piece of bacon, spiraling down the scape as you go. When all the scapes have been wrapped, heat a heavy skillet over medium heat and then add the scapes.

Cook the scapes until the bacon browns on one side and then turn them. Cover the pan with a lid (this helps to ensure the scapes inside the bacon are well-cooked), removing the lid and turning the scapes as needed until the bacon is brown on all sides.

Remove the bacon wrapped scapes and drain them on a paper towel. Serve immediately.

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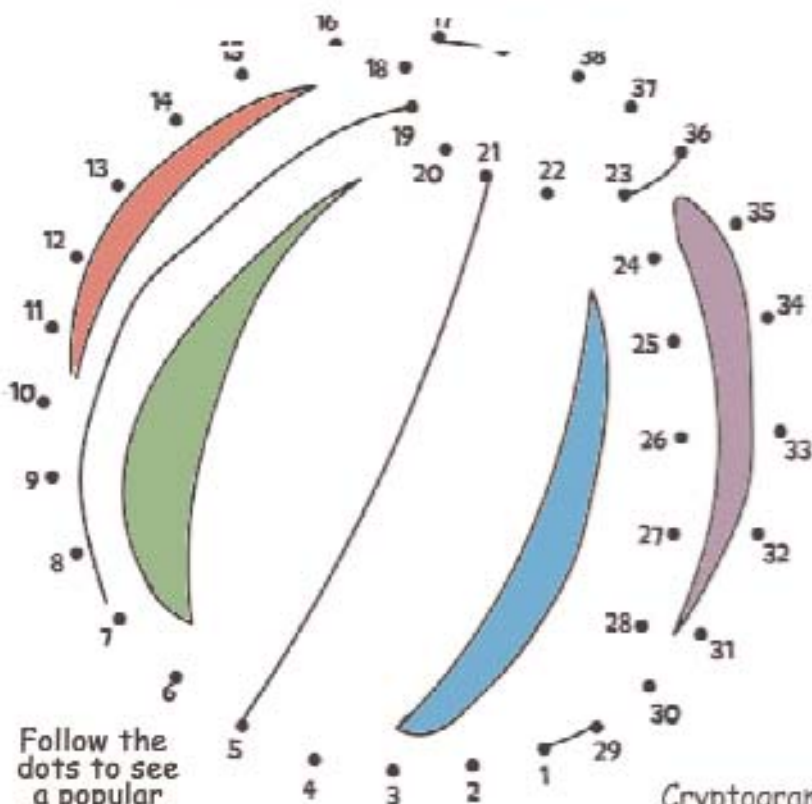
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Can you find 5 differences between the 2 pictures?



Can you help the crab through the beach maze to where the seashells are?



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LEGALS/PUBLIC NOTICES

The Town of
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 will be held on
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LEGAL NOTICE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING TRI-VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, pursuant to Section 6-d of the General Municipal Law of the State of New York, the Tri-Valley Central School District's Annual Reorganizational Board of Education Meeting will be held on Thursday, June 10th, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. prevailing time at the Tri-Valley Central School District Secondary School Lower Level Collaboration Center. This Annual Reorganizational Board of Education Meeting shall be held at the time and place stated herein.

UC Secures \$1,000,000 State Funding for New Paltz Water/Sewer Infrastructure to Support New Housing

KINGSTON, NY - Ulster County Executive Jen Metzger announced today that Ulster County has been awarded one million dollars through the New York State County Infrastructure Grant Program (NYS CIGP) for the Village of New Paltz Water and Sewer Upgrade Project. This significant funding, provided by Empire State Development, will support critical water and sewer improvements that directly support the creation of housing in the Village.

The state grant program created by Governor Hochul is funding \$50 million in grants statewide, with enhanced awards

for projects supporting housing creation. This program specifically targets smaller-scale infrastructure projects identified as county priorities that may otherwise lack stand-alone funding sources. The Ulster County Planning Department put out a call for projects in December 2024 to all Ulster County Town Supervisors and Village Mayors, and the Village of New Paltz project was chosen for the housing-supportive components of the project. The Village's Water and Sewer Upgrade Project, with an estimated total cost of \$2,345,500, meets this criterion and will receive the maximum award. The New Paltz Village Board has formally committed to providing the required 50% match.

"We are thrilled to have secured this significant infrastructure grant for the Village of New Paltz, which has been a real champion in addressing the housing crisis," said County Executive Jen Metzger. "The constraints of the existing water and sewer systems have long presented a barrier to new housing, and we thank Governor Hochul and ESD for supporting this essential investment."

"For years, New Paltz has been diligently pursuing various highly competitive water and sewer grants. Ensuring that our water and sewer services are affordable, safe, and reliable remains one of the most critical responsibilities we hold as local elected officials," said New Paltz Village Mayor Tim Rogers. "This commitment extends directly to our efforts in providing affordable housing, which goes hand in hand with municipal water and sewer infrastructure. Our colleagues in Albany and the Ulster County government have consistently been valuable partners in supporting these infrastructure investments, and they do their utmost to identify opportunities to support New Paltz. Today is indeed one of those days where their dedicated efforts have truly delivered for our community."

Key Project Components and Transformative Impact:

The Village of New Paltz Water/Sewer Upgrade Project consists of two primary locations and initiatives:

- o North Chestnut Street Water Loop will connect two existing dead-end water mains on North Chestnut Street (NYS Route 32) and Huguenot Street with a new 8-inch water main, forming a water loop for this section of the Village's water district. This connection is expected to improve water pressure and quality for existing properties and will significantly reduce the need to shut down the entire northern portion of the Village water system during most water main emergencies. Critically, this Water Loop Project is essential for the development of four major mixed-use development projects along the North Chestnut Street corridor, which are currently at various stages of planning approval or construction. These new projects will collectively add 253 new residential units, including approximately 37 affordable units, to the Village's North Chestnut Street corridor, representing an estimated 10% increase in the Village's total housing units and directly supporting the County government's housing affordability goals.

- o The Wastewater Treatment Facility Entrance Channel Replacement will develop a new entrance channel for sewage to the Village of New Paltz Wastewater Treatment Facility (WWTF) to reduce or eliminate stormwater overflows that occur during rainfall events at manholes on Huguenot Street and Water Street, which has been a concern of NYSDEC. Improvements will also include the installation of an automatic screening system for the entrance channel. This upgrade is critical for supporting the new housing projects in the North Chestnut Street Corridor and future development in the Village.

For several years, the Village of New Paltz has faced challenges with its aging water infrastructure, including "brown water" incidents. Unlike the Village's sewer system, which has received consistent state funding due to a consent order, the water pipes have seen limited grant success. This new grant will address these critical water and sewer infrastructure needs, improving system performance and reliability, protecting the environment, and supporting crucial housing development for current and future residents of New Paltz.

Neversink River Craft Co-op Show

The Neversink River Craft Co-op is showing new work throughout the summer and fall.

Visit, relax, meet the artists, and shop for pottery, wooden bowls, cutting boards, jewelry, paintings, resin art, and more!



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Join us on Sunday, July 13th from 10 AM to 5 PM for the next open day at the Neversink River Craft Co-op. We're located at 2554 Frost Valley Road, (County Rt. 47) four miles from the turn in Claryville, and the members are showing unique, one of a kind, handcrafted pottery, woodwork, jewelry, resin art, paintings, photography and more. Come see what's new, we're looking forward to seeing you! For more information call 845-985-2016.



Monticello Elks Scholarships

(Monticello) Monticello Elks Lodge #1544 has awarded \$1500 to high school seniors who will be attending college. Scholarship Committee Chairman and Past Exalted Ruler Rich Hugel says the winners of this year's scholarships are: \$500 - Hailey Kaplan, \$500 - Hannah Titus, \$250 - Andrew Weiner and \$250 - Dante Tallia. The additional committee members include Elks Trish Cahalan and Chris Cellini. The checks were presented to the students on June 17th. The Monticello Elks support local veterans, scouts, Little League and the Homeless Federation, as well as providing coats and gloves to elementary school children. The Lodge has 356 Members.

Ulster County Board of Elections Announces 5th Annual "I Voted" Sticker Design Contest Online Voting

KINGSTON, NY - The Ulster County Board of Elections is thrilled to announce the six creative finalists in the 2025 "I Voted" Sticker Contest. This year's contest drew a record-breaking 376 submissions from students across Ulster County-the most in the contest's history!

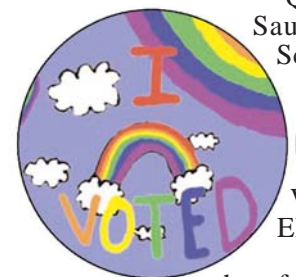
After careful review by the Board of Elections and a panel of volunteer judges from the local arts community, six imaginative designs have been selected. Now, it's up to the public to vote for the winning sticker that will be distributed to voters countywide this November.

Meet the 2025 Finalists:



Evelyn Nystrom (15) - 10th grade, Kingston High School

Design: A whimsical cartoon sock character on a vibrant hot pink background, with "I Voted" crafted from items found in a sewing kit.



Quentin Kemp - Saugerties Central School District

Design: A fierce shark leaping from the ocean, chomping down on an "I Voted" sign with dynamic energy.

Celeste Fleisher (9) - 3rd grade, Woodstock Elementary

Design: A cheerful rainbow-themed sticker with soft clouds and a playful, colorful "I Voted" message.

Scarlett Barnes (10) - 6th grade, Miller Middle School

Design: A charming purple three-eyed monster proudly holding up an "I Voted" sign with a big smile.

Kaylee Slade (13) - 7th grade, Saugerties Junior High School



Design: A festive yellow duck adorned in red and blue stars, with a bold red "I Voted" across the center.

Ryker Darmanin - 6th grade, Grant D. Morse Elementary



Design: A hilarious twist on civic pride-a proud Statue of Liberty holding a slice of anthropomorphic pizza.

Cast Your Vote by August 15!

Voting is now live at:

<https://elections.ulstercountyny.gov/contest/i-voted-sticker-contest-2025/>

You can also find a direct voting link on the Ulster County Board of Elections homepage:

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Voting is limited to one vote per IP address. If your household shares a computer, you can still vote from additional devices like smartphones or tablets. This system is in place to ensure fair voting and prevent manipulation by spam bots.

Celebrating Youth Art and Civic Engagement

"This contest is one of the highlights of our year," said Commissioners Ashley Dittus and John Quigley. "It gives young people a fun and meaningful way to connect with democracy, and their creativity continues to amaze us. We are so grateful to the artists, parents, teachers, and community members who help make this possible."

Special thanks to the Ulster County Information Services Department for their technical assistance in building the secure online voting platform.

For more information or help with voting, contact the Board of Elections at 845-334-5423.



Stefanik Leads Letter Exposing Columbia University's Leadership for Potential Title VI Violations and Betrayal of Jewish Students and Board Members

July 1, 2025 Saratoga, N.Y. - Today, House Republican Leadership Chairwoman Elise Stefanik and Education and Workforce Committee Chairman Tim Walberg (R-MI) sent a letter to Columbia University Acting President Claire Shipman exposing the university for failing to protect Jewish students from antisemitic harassment, requesting clarification on a variety of concerning text and emails sent by Acting President Shipman, and addressing Columbia's potential violations of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act. In the letter, Stefanik and Walberg raised grave concerns about several of Shipman's emails and text messages discovered in Columbia's disclosures that clearly attempt to diminish and trivialize the pervasive culture of antisemitism on Columbia's campus, raising questions about Columbia's compliance with Title VI.

The lawmakers wrote, "The Committee on Education and Workforce (Committee) is continuing to investigate antisemitism at Columbia University (Columbia), including whether there was or is a hostile environment against Jewish students on Columbia's campus and whether the university is fulfilling its obligation under Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (Title VI) to end any harassment, eliminate any hostile environment and its effects, and prevent any harassment from recurring."

The lawmakers said, "Throughout the Committee's investigation, Columbia has continued to be plagued by antisemitic harassment. The Department of Education's Office for Civil Rights has launched three separate investigations into antisemitic discrimination on campus. In May, the Department of Health and Human Services and Department of Education found that Columbia had acted with deliberate indifference toward the severe and pervasive harassment faced by Jewish students at the university. Columbia officials have also repeatedly made shameful statements about the plight of Jewish students on campus, raising questions about their willingness or ability to comply with Title VI."

The lawmakers wrote, "As antisemitism continues to rise across the United States, it is critical that our institutions of higher education have leaders who firmly understand and carry out their obligation to protect Jewish students. The Committee is therefore seeking clarity regarding several messages you sent that appear to downplay and even mock the pervasive culture of antisemitism on Columbia's campus. Obtaining clarity on these statements will aid the Committee in considering whether potential legislative changes, including legislation that specifically creates further accountability for campus leaders, are needed."

The lawmakers added, "On October 30, 2023, you wrote to then-president Minouche Shafik and stated, "[P]eople are really frustrated and scared about antisemitism on our campus and they feel somehow betrayed by it. Which is not necessarily a rational feeling but it's deep and it is quite threatening." Your description—that people feel "somehow" betrayed and that this is "not necessarily a rational feeling," but that it is "threatening"—is perplexing, considering the violence and harassment against Jewish and Israeli students already occurring on Columbia's campus at the time."

The lawmakers continued, "On January 17, 2024, you said, "We need to get somebody from the middle east [sic] or who is Arab on our board. Quickly I think. Somehow." Were Columbia to act on this suggestion and appoint someone to the board specifically because

of their national origin, it would implicate Title VI concerns. The Committee's request for clarification will inform its understanding of Columbia's compliance with Title VI and current approach towards discrimination in appointments. In addition, this statement raises troubling questions regarding Columbia's priorities just months after the October 7th attack, which was the largest massacre of Jews since the Holocaust."

The lawmakers said, "In another communication on December 28, 2023, you stated: "This piece was pretty amazing given the moment. Headline terrific... And most critically I think it inoculates us for a while from the capital [sic] hill nonsense and threat." Your reference to "capital [sic] hill nonsense" is disturbing given Congress's role in conducting oversight to ensure universities are fulfilling their obligations to protect Jewish students. Congress's efforts to ensure the safety and security of Jewish students—who make up almost a quarter of your campus population—is not "capital [sic] hill nonsense."

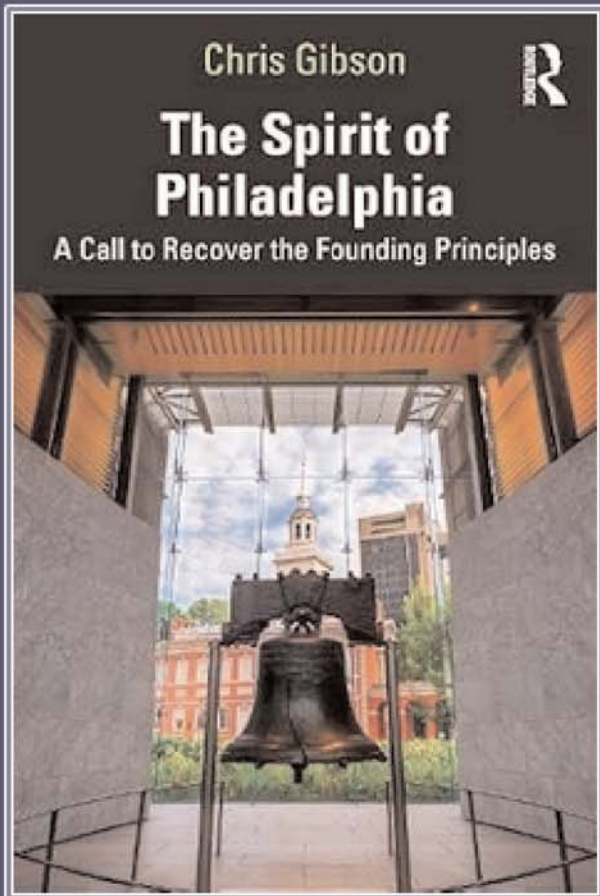
The lawmakers continued, "In the same December communication, you stated, "I do think we should think about . . . how to do some things with Rashid [Khalidi]. Events. That won't be popular in some groups but he is a respected academic." We agree. Columbia further promoting Rashid Khalidi, an individual who has consistently supported and excused terrorist violence—and served as spokesman for a designated terrorist group—would likely not have been "popular" with most Jewish students, who felt and continue to feel fear and hostility on campus after the October 7th attack."

The lawmakers added, "Finally, in multiple communications, you expressed distrust and dislike for Shoshana Shendelman, a Jewish member of Columbia's Board of Trustees and one of its most outspoken members against the bullying, harassment, and intimidation of Jewish students. In a communication on January 25, 2024, you said of Shendelman, "I just don't think she should be on the board." In another communication on April 22, 2024, Wanda Greene, vice-chair of the Columbia University Board of Trustees, asked you—referring to Shendelman—"do you believe that she is a mole?" She added, "A fox in the henhouse?" You agreed, stating, "I do." Greene added, "I am tired of her." You agreed, "so, so tired." These exchanges raise the question of why you appeared to be in favor of removing one of the board's most outspoken Jewish advocates at a time when Columbia students were facing a shocking level of fear and hostility."

The lawmakers concluded, "Congress's oversight powers are derived from the U.S. Constitution and have been repeatedly affirmed by the United States Supreme Court. Under House Rule X, the Committee's legislative and oversight jurisdiction is broad, extending to "education . . . generally" and "laws, programs, and Government activities relating to domestic educational programs and institutions and programs of student assistance within the jurisdiction of other committees." This includes enforcement of Title VI and other antidiscrimination laws by the Department of Education. Further, as set forth in House Rule X, the Committee "shall review and study on a continuing basis the application, administration, execution, and effectiveness of laws and programs addressing subjects within its jurisdiction." The information gathered will also aid the Committee in considering whether potential legislative changes, including legislation to specifically address antisemitic discrimination, are needed."

Read the full letter here.

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LOCAL CALENDAR OF EVENTS

7/12/25 **Town of Denning Republican Caucus - Sundown Church Hall - 9:30 am**
 7/12/25 **Sundown UMC Ladies Weekend Indoor Yard Sale** 9 am - 1 pm **CANCELLED THIS WEEK - NO SALE**
 7/16/25 **Neversink Rondout Antique Machinery Association** Grahamsville Firehouse 7 pm
 7/17/25 Town of Denning Planning Board Meeting 6:00 pm Denning Town of Town Hall
 7/17/25 Neversink Fire District Commissioner Meeting 7:00pm
 7/19/25 **Sundown UMC Ladies Indoor Yard Sale** 9 am - 1 pm Sundown Church Hall
 7/19/25 **Grahamsville UMC Thrift Sale** 9 am - 12 Noon
 8/2/25 **Sundown UMC Covered Dish Supper** 5:30 Church
 8/5/25 Claryville Fire District Monthly Meeting 6:30 pm
 8/12/25 Denning Town Board & Business Meeting 6:00 pm Denning Town Hall
 8/13/25 Town of Neversink - Board Meeting

SAVE THE DATE! July 13, 2025 Matty Bertholf Horseshoe Tournament
 Registration 8:30 am. Tourney begins 9 am.

TOWN OF OLIVE MEETINGS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

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

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

Town of Denning - <http://www.denning.us>
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Weekly Update For The Week of

July 7 - July 11, 2025

Legislative Committee Meetings are Livestreamed at
<https://www.youtube.com/@UlsterCountyLegislature/streams>

Monday, July 7

o 6:00 PM - Public Works & Capital Projects Committee, in the Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston & Via Legislature Livestream

Tuesday, July 8

o **CANCELLED** - Ulster County Board of Health

Wednesday, July 9

o No Meetings

Thursday, July 10

o 4:30 PM - Laws, Rules & Government Services Committee, in the Legislative, Chambers, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston & Via Legislature Livestream

o 4:45 PM (or Immediately Following Laws, Rules & Government Services Committee) - **Ways & Means Committee**, in the Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston & Via Legislature Livestream

o **5:15 PM - Ulster County Resource Recovery Agency Zero Waste Committee**, in the Ulster County Resource Recovery Agency, 999 Flatbush Road, Kingston, & Via livestream at <https://www.youtube.com/@ucra5008>

o **5:30 PM - Ulster County Youth Board**, in the Restorative Justice & Community Empowerment Center, 733 Broadway, Kingston

o **6:15 PM - Ulster County Resource Recovery Agency Regular Board Meeting**, in the Ulster County Resource Recovery Agency, 999 Flatbush Road, Kingston, & livestream at <https://www.youtube.com/@ucra5008>

Friday, July 11

o No Meetings



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Speed Dating Tonight - Opens this weekend! **July 12 at 7pm and July 13 at 2pm**

Composer and songwriter Michael Ching is best known for his opera, *SPEED DATING TONIGHT!* With nearly 130 performances since 2013, it is one of the most popular operas of the 21st century. The DVO production is Directed by our Artist in Residence for 2025, Jonathan Stinson.

If you miss it this weekend you can catch it next weekend July 19 at 7pm or July 20 at 2pm.

Since the first production commissioned, produced, and directed by Dean Anthony at the Janiec Opera of the Brevard Music Center, *SpDT!* has been done over a hundred times. The episodic, inclusive structure of the opera proved very useful during the COVID-19 pandemic of 2020-2021.

AN INTRODUCTION AND ORIENTATION

by Michael Ching (Composer and Librettist) based on a concept by Dean Anthony

SPEED DATING TONIGHT! is what I call a "new numbers opera." Much of traditional opera is based on musical numbers: arias, duets, ensembles, finales. *SpDT!* is similarly structured but with some twists. First connecting material such as recitative is minimized. As for the songs and ensembles themselves, most of the material is not gendered and not limited to one vocal type. Even the order of the pieces is up to the producer. The cast needn't be based on a 50/50 gender balance. (It doesn't need to be binary either.) In the over 130 productions the smallest cast has been four and the largest around fifty. The goal is to have one hundred options, with the idea being that you use only the material you want for your cast. Currently there are 95 options—I count a true duet as two options, for example, but a piece with only a couple of response lines, counts as one option.

The opera starts and ends with a frame and premise that isn't varied. At a local pub, the bartender, server, Dating Coordinator and busboy get ready for the event and greet the daters as they enter. We are introduced to two nervous characters ("I could just die") and Dater #22. He's got a singing birthday card. The actual speed dating starts and the show ends when everyone has had their song, duet, or trio. There are a few subplots to hold the show together. The finale starts with the server commenting in a Brechtian manner about the event ("Daters are a lot like singers"). Dater #22, a failure so far, gives it one more try, and in a parody of the Pappageno/Pappagena duet, finally finds his true love, a fellow cell phone addict. The daters exit and the bartender and server decide to go have a coffee. Alone, the busboy, dances with their broom.

Michael Ching is also known for *BUOSO'S GHOST*, a sequel to *GIANNI SCHICCHI*. Other projects include *RSBE*, *DINNER 4 3*, *THREE PIGS REMIX*, *A MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DREAM*, *ALICE RYLEY*, *ANNA HUNTER*, *SLAYING THE DRAGON*, *CORPS OF DIS-*

COVERY, *KING OF THE CLOUDS*, *OUT OF THE RAIN*, *LEO*, and *COMPLETING THE PICTURE*. Opera and art song consultant at EC Schirmer Music Publishers. Former Artistic Director of Opera Memphis, 1992-2010.

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NY'ers and Visitors Encouraged To Take Simple Steps To Stay Healthy While Enjoying New York's Great Outdoors Governor Hochul Urges New Yorkers to Take Precautions Against Ticks and Mosquitoes

Governor Kathy Hochul today urged New Yorkers and visitors about the importance of protecting themselves against tick- and mosquito-borne illnesses while enjoying time outdoors. Warmer temperatures and changing climate conditions have contributed to a steady rise in tick populations across New York and an increased risk of tick bites - even in areas and seasons where risk was once considered low. Reported cases of Lyme disease and other tick-borne illnesses have continued to climb in recent years.

"New York's parks, mountains, lakes and beaches are the perfect places to spend the holiday weekend, so make the most of your time outdoors by protecting yourself from ticks and mosquitoes and the diseases they can carry," Governor Hochul said. "Remember to use protective clothing and repellent to help keep you, your family and pets safe and healthy."

Tick and mosquito populations can vary with weather conditions, habitat and other environmental factors including elevation. For example, warmer temperatures and rain-fall can create more mosquito breeding habitats and faster development time, leading to higher mosquito populations.

Ticks are active throughout the spring, summer and fall. Lyme disease is the most commonly reported tick-borne disease in the State. Over the last three years, New York State has averaged more than 17,500 new cases of Lyme disease each year, with more than 19,000 cases reported in 2023 alone, the highest in recent history.

Lyme disease is caused by bacteria transmitted by black-legged (deer) ticks (both nymphs and adults) and is spread when an infected tick bites a person and remains attached for 36 hours or more. Bites from the nymphal life stage of this tick lead to most cases of Lyme disease, because the tick is so small - the size of a poppy seed - and is often not detected within that 36-hour window. Nymphal blacklegged ticks are active right now across the State. Lyme disease can affect people of any age. The most common symptom is an expanding rash resembling a bull's eye or solid patch that appears near the site of a bite. Flu-like symptoms such as fever or chills and muscle aches, headache, or fatigue may also occur within 30 days of infection. If these symptoms develop, it's important to seek treatment from a health care provider immediately.

Tick bites can also transmit other diseases. Since 2015, the Department of Health has reported an average of 600 babesiosis infections and an average of 1,300 anaplasmosis infections across New York each year, as well as cases of more rare diseases such as ehrlichiosis, Rocky Mountain spotted fever and Powassan virus disease. (Contd. Pg. 27)

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NY'ers and Visitors Encouraged To Take Simple Steps To Stay Healthy While Enjoying New York's Great Outdoors

Governor Hochul Urges New Yorkers to Take Precautions Against Ticks and Mosquitoes

(From Pg. 26) All of these diseases can vary in severity, and without treatment, they can cause serious illness and even death. Avoiding tick bites and prompt removal of attached ticks are important, as transmission of these diseases can occur more quickly than Lyme disease. Powassan virus can be transmitted within 15 minutes of a tick bite.

Mosquito-borne diseases are also a potential threat to New Yorkers. Cases of West Nile virus infection occur each year with an average of 55 cases reported each year from 2020-2023. Last year, two human cases of Eastern equine encephalitis were reported (the first human cases reported in NYS since 2015). Diseases transmitted by mosquitoes can affect people of any age and may not lead to any symptoms but can also result in mild to severe illness and rarely, can result in death.

New York State Health Commissioner Dr. James McDonald said, "When spending time outside, it's important to take precautions to protect against diseases that can be transmitted by ticks or mosquitoes. New Yorkers should remember that it only takes one bite from a tick or a mosquito to potentially cause illness. Stay healthy and keep pests away this fourth of July weekend by following simple methods to avoid being bitten."

New Yorkers and holiday visitors should continue to take measures to protect themselves, their children, and their pets against all tick and mosquito-borne diseases that are present in New York State.

While hiking, working or spending time outdoors, follow these simple steps to help prevent tick bites:

- o Wear light-colored long pants, long-sleeved shirts and closed-toed shoes.
- o Keep long hair tied back, especially when gardening.
- o Check for ticks often while outdoors and brush them away before they attach.
- o Perform a full body check multiple times during the day, as well as at the end of the day, to ensure that no ticks are attached.
- o Tumble clothes in a dryer on high heat for 10 minutes to kill ticks on dry clothing after you come indoors.
- o Shower soon after coming indoors.
- o Remember to check pets thoroughly for ticks after spending time outdoors and talk to your veterinarian about ways to reduce ticks on your pet.
- o Consider using EPA-registered repellents labelled as effective against ticks containing 40 percent DEET, 20 percent picaridin or IR3535, and follow label instructions. If you are using sunscreen, apply sunscreen first and insect repellent second.
- o Consider wearing clothing treated with permethrin. Permethrin is an insecticide that kills and repels ticks. While it should not be applied directly to skin, perme-

thin-treated clothing provides protection through multiple washings.

If you find an attached tick, use fine-tipped tweezers to remove it right away. Avoid risky removal strategies such as detergent or burning, as these could increase your risk of infection. See the Department of Health's website for a video on proper tick removal technique.

Governor Hochul Announces Admission Tickets and Parking Vouchers for the 2025 Great NY State Fair Now On Sale

- ***The Great New York State Fair to Begin Wednesday, August 20 Through Labor Day, September 1***
- ***Great New York State Fair Offers New Yorkers a Family-Friendly, Affordable Way to Get Offline and Get Outside This Summer***
- ***Daily Passes Available and the Frequent Fairgoer Option Returns for Fair Superfans***
- ***Centro's Park-N-Ride Direct Shuttles from Downtown Transit Hub, Long Branch Park, and Destiny USA to Return to The Fair***

Governor Kathy Hochul today announced that admission and parking for The 2025 Great New York State Fair went on sale today. Packed with value, a single admission ticket costs \$8 and includes access to all grounds entertainment and the Chevrolet Music Series, while parking costs \$12. In addition, a Frequent Fairgoer ticket option is available for \$25. Admission remains free for those aged 65 and older along with children 12 years old and under, continuing to ensure that The Fair is one of the most affordable fairs in the nation, providing an accessible space for the whole family to get offline and get outside.

For those superfans who are planning to be at The Fair at least four days over its 13-day stretch, the Frequent Fairgoer option again allows the ticket holder to enter The Fair once a day, every day during The Fair. A Frequent Fairgoer ticket is non-transferable and is available exclusively online.

"The Great New York State Fair is a time-honored tradition and a cornerstone of our summers here in New York State," Governor Hochul said. "People shouldn't have to break the bank to have fun. As of today, tickets for this affordable, family-friendly event are now on sale. New Yorkers - get your tickets today and I'll see you at The Fair this summer!"

New York State Agriculture Commissioner Richard A. Ball said, "Summer means one thing - it's time for The Great New York State Fair! I encourage everyone to get their tickets now and start planning their trip to learn about New York agriculture, sample some delicious foods, check out some fantastic entertainment, and so much more."

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Governor Hochul Announces Admission Tickets and Parking Vouchers for the 2025 Great NY State Fair Now On Sale

(From Pg. 27)

Fair admission includes the ability to watch dozens of national recording acts in the Chevrolet Music Series, including Grammy winners, Rock and Roll Hall of Fame performers, and so many more. There will be a daily 1:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. concert at Chevy Court (located near Gate 1) with an extra show at 9:00 p.m. on Friday nights, as well as a daily 8:00 p.m. concert at Suburban Park (located on the western end of the Fairgrounds, beyond the Midway).

Updated concert schedules are available on The Fair's website at pages dedicated to Chevy Court and Suburban Park.

HOW TO PURCHASE TICKETS AND PARKING TO THE GREAT NEW YORK STATE FAIR

There are three ways to buy admission tickets and/or parking: online, over the phone, and in-person from August 20 through September 1.

- o Online: The link to purchase admission tickets and parking will go live at 9:00 a.m. on Monday, July 7, at The Great New York State Fair's website.

- o Over the Phone: Starting July 7, tickets and parking may also be purchased over the phone by calling Etix toll-free at 1-800-514-3849 from 9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Monday through Saturday, and 12:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Sunday.

- o At the Gate: Beginning Wednesday, August 20, kiosks positioned at all gates will be available for electronic ticket purchases. To minimize waiting time for the kiosks, large signs featuring QR codes will also be available at all entrances and in parking lots so fairgoers can use their smartphone to purchase tickets.

Including fees, the total cost for fairgoers will be:

- o Admission: \$8.32 per ticket (\$8 admission, ticket fee of 14 cents, credit card processing fee of 18 cents)

- o Frequent Fairgoer: \$25.70 (\$25 Frequent Fairgoer pass, ticket fee of 14 cents, credit card processing fee of 56 cents; note that the Frequent Fairgoer passes are available exclusively online)

- o Parking: \$12.41 per vehicle (\$12 parking, ticket fee of 14 cents, credit card processing fee of 27 cents)

Upon arrival to The Fair, drivers must show their parking ticket to lot attendants electronically on their phones or through a printed copy. Please note that again this year, EZPass Plus is not an option for parking. Parking passes may be purchased with a credit card at the lots. Please note that cash is not accepted.

There will be no cash sales at The Fair's entrance gates or in parking lots. Machines that can convert cash into a usable card will be positioned at The Fair's Main Gate for those fairgoers bringing cash to the grounds.

HOURS OF OPERATION

The Great New York State Fair begins on Wednesday, August 20 and continues through Labor Day, September 1. The Fair's hours of operation are from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. every day, except for Labor Day, when The Fair closes at 9:00 p.m. Gates open to the public at 9:00 a.m. and close at 9:00 p.m. every day except for Labor Day, Monday, September 4, when no entry will be permitted after 8:00 p.m.

Parking Hours: The Orange parking lot opens at 9:00 a.m. daily, with the Brown and Pink lots opening daily at 6:00 a.m., and the Gray lots opening daily at 8:30 a.m. The Willis Ave parking lot opens at 10:00 a.m., but will only be accessible only on Friday, Saturday, Sunday, and Labor Day.

Trams: For the convenience of fairgoers, trams will run continuously on the Fairgrounds, stopping at 10 stops from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.* every day. Plus, a dedicated ADA shuttle runs between the Gray Accessible Parking lot, located outside Gate 10, to Tram Stop #3 at the rear entrance of the Horticulture Building from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.* each day.

*Note, on Monday, September 1, the trams stop running one hour earlier.

CENTRO'S PARK-N-RIDE DIRECT SHUTTLE SERVICE TO AND FROM THE FAIR

Centro's Park-N-Ride direct shuttle service will provide passengers with transportation from the Centro Transit Hub Downtown, Long Branch Park, and Destiny USA to and from the Fairgrounds with drop-off and pick-up points to the left of the Main Gate. To ride the shuttle one way, the fee is \$1 for adults, and 50 cents for senior citizens, children six to nine years old, and those who are living with disabilities. The last shuttle leaves the Fairgrounds each day at 11:15 p.m. Shuttles will run on a limited schedule after 9:00 p.m. on September 1 as The Fair closes earlier that day.

WADE SHOWS MIDWAY: TICKETS ON SALE SOON

Advance tickets for The Fair's famous Midway, operated by Wade Shows, will go on sale in the coming weeks. Stay up-to-date with The Fair's social media and website to be the first to hear when these tickets are available for purchase.

ABOUT THE GREAT NEW YORK STATE FAIR

Founded in 1841, The Great New York State Fair showcases the best of New York agriculture, provides top-quality entertainment, and is a key piece of the state's CNY Rising strategy of growing the Central New York economy through tourism. It is the oldest fair in the United States and is consistently recognized as being among the top five state fairs in the nation.

The New York State Fairgrounds is a 375-acre exhibit and entertainment complex that operates all year. Audiences are encouraged to learn more about The Great New York State Fair online, browse photos on Flickr, and follow the fun on Facebook, X (formerly Twitter), and Instagram.

Governor Hochul, Mayor Adams and NYCHA Announce Completion of Elevator, Heating and Facade Improvements Serving Nearly 39,000 NYCHA Residents Made Possible by \$12 Billion in State Funding

- *Additional Capital Investments Currently Under Construction, in Design or Procurement Will Bring Improvements to a Total of 75 Developments, Benefitting 122,996 Residents*
- *Under Governor Hochul's Leadership, Total State Capital Funding Provided to NYCHA for Critical Capital Upgrades Reaches \$1.6 Billion Since 2019*

Governor Kathy Hochul, New York City Mayor Eric Adams and New York City Housing Authority (NYCHA) CEO Lisa Bova-Hiatt today announced the completion of 125 elevator replacements, 17 heating system upgrades, and 36 building facade renovations, benefitting 38,974 NYCHA residents at 24 developments across the five boroughs, made possible by \$1.2 billion in funding that has been provided by the State of New York through the Dormitory Authority of the State of New York (DASNY). Additionally, State capital funding is also supporting an additional 126 elevator replacements, 105 heating systems upgrades, and 29 building facade renovations all currently under construction, and an additional 172 elevator replacements and 59 building facade renovations in design and procurement. In total, these capital investments are expected to benefit nearly 123,000 residents across 75 developments. As part of the FY25 and FY26 budgets, Governor Hochul allocated an additional \$365 million to NYCHA, bringing the total state capital funding allocation to \$1.6 billion since 2019.

“With this important milestone, NYCHA has completed major building improvements, leveraging \$1.2 billion in state investment to improve the homes and lives of tens of thousands of NYCHA residents,” Governor Hochul said. “NYCHA residents deserve access to a safe, affordable, and quality place to live - and these improvements are critical to making that reality. I am proud to partner with NYCHA, its residents, and local and state officials to support NYCHA communities.”

New York City Mayor Eric Adams said, “We are proud to call ourselves the most pro-housing administration in New York City history and that includes public housing. From unlocking over \$4.7 billion for capital repairs through the PACT program to delivering free internet to over 150,000 NYCHA households through our Big Apple Connect initiative, we are putting public

housing first every day. These renovations will help tens of thousands of NYCHA residents stay safe, stay warm, and stay healthy. Thank you to the state for funding these critical upgrades and to all our NYCHA leaders for their tireless advocacy on behalf of our public housing tenants.”

NYCHA CEO Lisa Bova-Hiatt said, “Since 2019, NYCHA has worked diligently to address the pillar areas of the HUD Agreement and make tangible quality of life improvements for NYCHA residents. The Authority has made tremendous progress in the face of decades of federal disinvestment, and the support of our partners at the State has been integral as we continue working to improve building infrastructure and make much needed capital improvements across the portfolio. We deeply appreciate the State's ongoing dedication to all the New Yorkers that call NYCHA home.”

Dormitory Authority of the State of New York President and CEO Robert J. Rodriguez said, “Governor Hochul's commitment to public housing is making a real difference for NYCHA residents. DASNY is proud to support this work by disbursing critical resources that help advance essential upgrades - from modern elevators to reliable heating systems. These improvements reflect the quality of life all New Yorkers deserve, and we're honored to partner with the State and NYCHA on this transformative effort.”

New York State Homes and Community Renewal Commissioner RuthAnne Visnaukas said, “This \$1.2 billion investment of state funds has helped make significant improvements to NYCHA properties that will improve the quality of life for nearly 39,000 residents throughout the five boroughs. This investment reflects Governor Hochul's continued commitment to ensure NYCHA residents have a safe and affordable place to call home.”

Nearly 39,000 residents will benefit from 125 elevator replacements, 17 heating system upgrades, and 36 building facade renovations at 24 developments. Since Governor Hochul has taken office, NYCHA has received a total capital funding allocation of \$1.2 billion from the State through three funding agreements: \$450 million for boiler and elevator upgrades in November 2021; \$300 million for additional elevator upgrades in April 2022; and \$485 million for facade restoration and additional heating system upgrades in December 2023.

As part of the FY25 and FY26 budgets, Governor Hochul secured \$140 million to fund additional facade and heating system upgrades and \$225 million to fund additional capital improvements, including \$25 million for vacant NYCHA units and \$200 million other capital work, providing vital support to this essential housing stock and critical quality of life improvements for the residents who call it home. This builds on the Governor's ongoing commitment to public and subsidized housing, including her dedication of \$391 million in additional state Emergency Rental Assistance Program (ERAP) and other funding in her FY24 budget to help ensure public housing residents who fell behind on their rent due to the COVID-19 pandemic received payments. An estimated 58,000 households have been assisted as a result to date. In June 2022, Governor Hochul previously signed legislation creating the New York Public Housing Preservation Trust, aimed at addressing overdue repairs, rehabilitation, and modernization of up to 25,000 NYCHA apartments.

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New Comedy KING JAMES at SHADOWLAND's Studio Theatre

Ellenville, NY - June 2025 - SHADOWLAND STAGES, a cultural cornerstone of the Hudson Valley now in its 40th Anniversary Season, proudly announces the cast of KING JAMES by Pulitzer Prize finalist Rajiv Joseph. Running July 5-20, this acclaimed new play will be staged at SHADOWLAND's intimate black box venue, The Studio Theatre, in downtown Ellenville, NY.

Set against the backdrop of NBA superstar LeBron James' transformative years with the Cleveland Cavaliers, KING JAMES is a funny, moving, and deeply human story about friendship, loyalty, and the ties that bind. Hailed as "one of the funniest and most moving plays about friendship in years" by TheatreMania, the play follows Shawn and Matt-two strangers who forge an unlikely bond through their shared obsession with 'King' LeBron.

Over the course of 12 years-from LeBron's rookie season to his first NBA championship-their relationship evolves alongside their beloved team's highs and lows, offering a poignant look at the power of sports to unite, divide, and ultimately transform lives.

The cast features SHADOWLAND alum Matthew Zimmerman (last seen in Miss Bennet: Christmas at Pemberley) and SHADOWLAND newcomer Ithamar Francois. Returning to direct is Jammie Patton, who helmed last season's surprise hit The Garbologists.

The production begins with a preview performance on July 5th at 2 PM, leading up to the official opening night on July 5th at 8 PM. Opening night festivities will include a pre-show birthday party celebrating Shadowland Stages' 40th year and revealing the newly named Bill and Shelley Collier stage, honoring these long-time board members and theatre supporters. The public is invited to enjoy a complimentary bubbly tasting at 7:00 PM in the Studio Lobby. There will also be a post-show gathering at Common Good in Ellenville after the performance. The play will run Thursdays through Saturdays at 8 PM and Sundays at 2 PM until July 20th.

Tickets for KING JAMES are now on sale and can be purchased online at shadowlandstages.org or by calling the box office at (845) 647-5511. Evening show tickets are priced at \$43, while matinee tickets are \$39. SHADOWLAND STAGES' Studio Theatre is located at 14 Market in Ellenville, NY.

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DEC Forest Rangers - Week in Review

Recent Statewide Forest Ranger Actions

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

In 2024, DEC Forest Rangers conducted 362 search and rescue missions, extinguished 122 wildfires covering nearly 6,500 acres, participated in 60 prescribed fires that served to rejuvenate more than 1,155 acres of land, and worked on cases that resulted in more than 1,200 tickets and arrests.

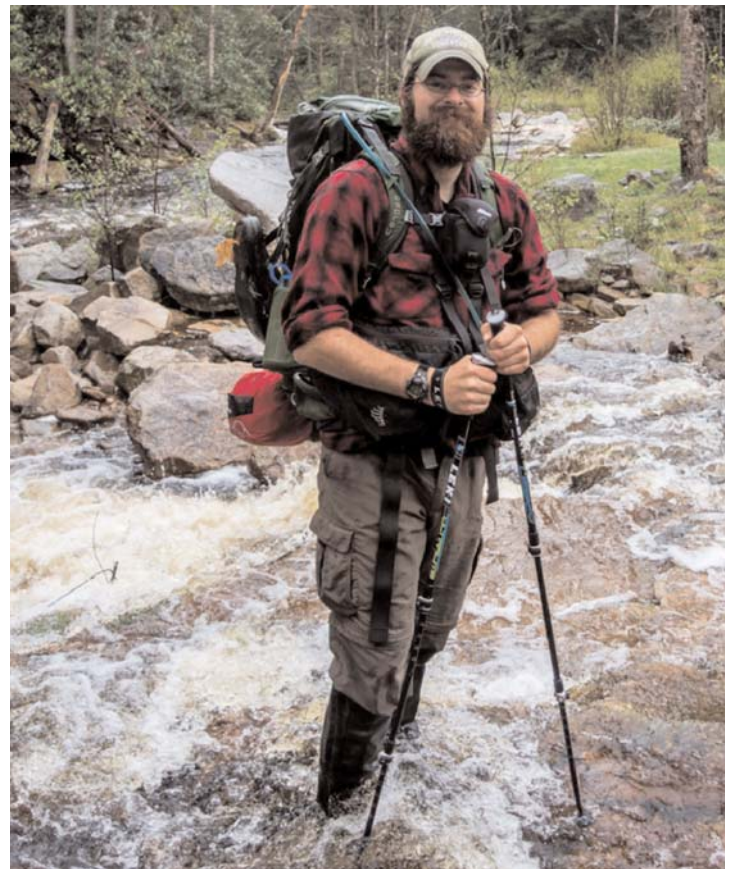
“DEC's Forest Rangers bravely protect State-owned and managed lands, as well as the people who use them. Whether conducting a search and rescue call or responding to a wildfire burning out of control, Rangers are always ready when emergencies strike,” DEC Commissioner Amanda Lefton said. “Every day and in all conditions, Forest Rangers demonstrate their expertise and leadership in protecting the public and State lands, serving as role models for the next generation of environmental stewards. DEC encourages interested New Yorkers to visit DEC's website to learn how to become the next New York State Forest Ranger.”

Honoring Assistant Forest Ranger Jackson:

Earlier this month, Assistant Forest Ranger Brendan Jackson passed away while camping. Since joining DEC in 2008, Brendan served as a remarkable steward of natural resources focused on educating and assisting New Yorkers seeking to connect with nature, particularly in the remote Adirondack wilderness. With his most recent service as Assistant Forest Ranger in the High Peaks, Brendan put the public's safety above his own when responding to rescues, suppressing fires, patrolling trails, and helping maintain backcountry facilities. He continued much of this work into the winter as a trusted interior caretaker at Marcy Dam and Colden and, early in his career, as an intern at DEC's Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, repeatedly demonstrating his commitment to educating New Yorkers about the importance of protecting our natural resources. A Division of Forest Protection Honor Guard served at the funeral last week. We offer our condolences to his friends and family. Brendan was 42 years old.



Brendan Jackson and his friend, Owen the dog



Brendan Jackson

Town of Denning Ulster County

Wilderness Rescue: While on patrol June 25 at 2:40 p.m., Forest Ranger Stratton was flagged down by a member of the public reporting that a hiker fell on the rocks at the Blue Hole and was bleeding from the head. Ranger Stratton found the 39-year-old from Brooklyn and cleaned and dressed the wounds. Neversink EMS responded and transported the patient to Ellenville Hospital.

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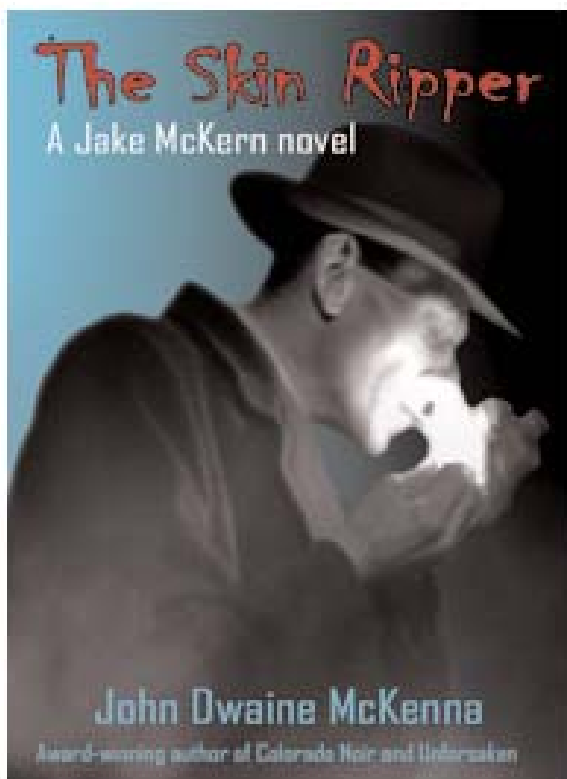
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WCAA Artists' Studio Tour

The Wayne County Arts Alliance is excited to invite all to attend our 2025 WCAA Artists' Studio Tour on July 11, 12, 13 at eighteen studio locations around Wayne County plus our Tour Headquarters at our WCAA Gallery, 959 Main St. Honesdale. Free and open to the public July 11, 12, 13 10am - 6pm each day. The Tour Preview Exhibit at our WCAA Gallery is on display now. Stop by to see a sneak preview of artwork from each of this year's Tour Artists at the WCAA Gallery, 959 Main Street, Honesdale.

This is our 22nd Artists Studio Tour. The tour provides an opportunity to meet Wayne County's established and emerging artists in their studios. Something for everyone! Paintings, ceramics, sculpture, glass, photography, multi-media and more original artwork of all kinds. The Tour Preview Exhibit at 959 Main Street will also be open for three weeks prior to the tour, beginning June 20 - gallery hours are Thursday-Sunday 11am-4pm.

Our Studio Tour Artists for 2025 are: Susan Cottle Alberto, Patricia Blauth, Burton Bulles, Elizabeth Castellano, Phyllis Chekenian, Denis Folz, Chelsea Herron, Heather Hogan-Spencer, Beth Ellen Johnson, Nancy Lopez, Hana Marritz, Linda Murphy, Nancy Palubniak, Victor Salib, Michael Sergi, Ellen Silberlicht, James Spencer, Kevin Storms, Raul Vega, and Bill Westmoreland.

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The Artists Studio Tour is the premier event which was the catalyst for establishing the WCAA. The Tour gives the public a rare opportunity to visit with some of the professional and emerging artists who call this area their home. Here is your chance to meet the artists and discuss their philosophies, inspiration and working techniques while viewing their most recent collections of artworks. And if you see something you want to own, take advantage of the artist's studio pricing. Don't miss this opportunity to visit Wayne County's diverse and talented artists right in their own studios.

Our 2025 WCAA Studio Tour Brochure with map and detailed artist information is available at WCAA 959 Main Street, Honesdale, Visitor's Centers and other area businesses and online at waynecountyartsalliance.org.

Basic Info:

Artists Studio Tour is Friday, Saturday, Sunday, July 11, 12, 13 10am - 6pm each day

WCAA 2025 Artists' Studio Tour

20 Artists at 18 Studio Locations plus Tour Headquarters at 959 Main Street, Honesdale PA.

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Environmental Conservation Police on Patrol

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation's (DEC) Division of Law Enforcement enforces the 71 chapters of New York State's Environmental Conservation Law (ECL), protecting fish and wildlife and preserving environmental quality across New York. In 1880, the first eight Game Protectors proudly began serving to protect the natural resources and people of New York State. In 2024, the Division of Law Enforcement fielded more than 105,717 calls, resulting in Environmental Conservation Police Officers (ECOs) and Investigators across the state responding to more than 30,109 complaints and working on cases that resulted in 15,755 tickets or arrests for violations ranging from deer poaching to solid waste dumping, illegal mining, the illegal pet trade, and excessive emissions violations.

"DEC Environmental Conservation Police Officers (ECOs) and Investigators protect New York's air, water, wildlife, and public safety, while also working to connect New Yorkers with the outdoors," Commissioner Amanda Lefton said. "As we tackle environmental threats on all fronts, I applaud the critical work DEC's ECOs and Investigators are undertaking to enforce New York's Environmental Conservation Law and ensure a cleaner, greener, safer, and more resilient New York State."

Snake in the House - Delaware County

On May 24, ECO Osborne responded to reports of a snake inside a residence in the town of Kortright, Delaware County. Officer Osborne, a member of DEC's Division of Law Enforcement Wildlife Response Team, arrived at the home and observed a three-foot-long milk snake in the living room. The Officer safely removed and relocated it back into the wild away from the residence. The eastern milk snake (*Lampropeltis triangulum triangulum*), a non-venomous snake native to the northeast, is often mistaken for a rattlesnake due to the light and dark blotches on its skin and rapid shake of its tail when approached by a potential predator.

Get Outdoors and Get Together - Nassau County

On June 14, ECOs Francis, Ruffle, and Smith participated in the New York State Parks "Get Outdoors and Get Together Day" at Hempstead Lake State Park in Nassau County. Celebrations were held across the State for the annual event encouraging people of all ages, abilities, identities, and backgrounds to get together with family and friends for outdoor fun at DEC facilities and State Park lands as part of Governor Hochul's "Get Offline, Get Outside" initiative.



ECOs and Park Police hold an albino boa constrictor during Get Outdoors and Get Together Day in Nassau County

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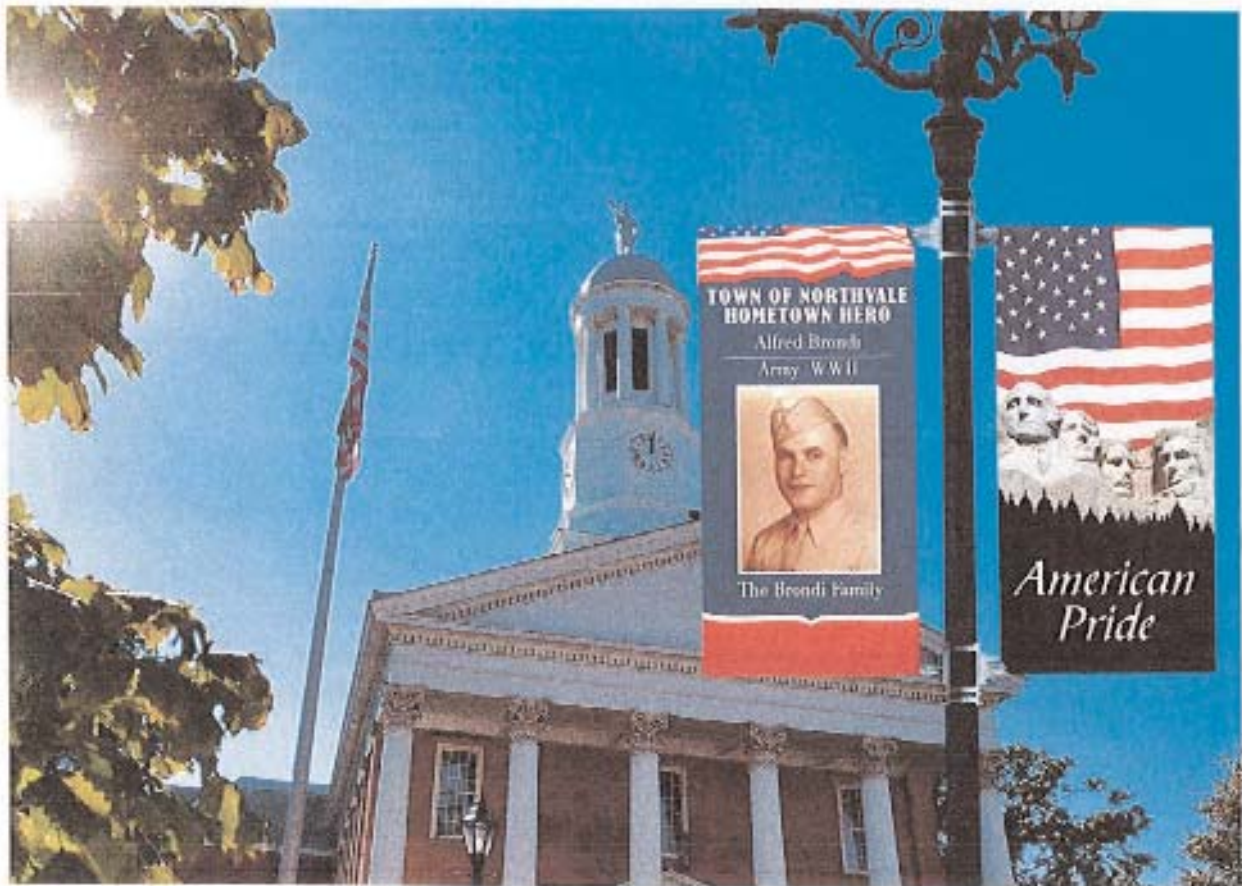
Peregrine Falcon Rescue - Westchester County

On June 17, ECO Franz responded to a report of an injured bird on the shore of the Kensico Reservoir in the town of Harrison. Officer Franz located the Peregrine falcon on a rock just off the shoreline, apparently unable to fly or flee. ECO Franz did not observe any noticeable injuries but safely transported the bird to a local wildlife rehabilitator for an assessment out of an abundance of caution. The falcon, initially lethargic, recovered quickly once with the rehabilitator and was released back to the wild after a brief stay.

The scientific name for a peregrine falcon is *Falco peregrinus*, which means "wandering falcon," derived from the bird's migration patterns where they may travel great distances, as much as 15,500 miles. They are also the fastest animal on earth, reaching speeds of more than 200 miles per hour in a hunting dive called a stoop in pursuit of other birds, their preferred prey.



ECO Franz prepares the peregrine falcon for transport to a local wildlife rehabilitator



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SHOW TIME 10:00 AM TILL 5:00 PM JUDGING 1:00 PM TROPHIES GIVEN OUT AT 4:00 PM PRICE \$15.00 PER VEHICLE TROPHIES WILL BE TOP 20; KIDS CHOICE; JUST BECAUSE; BOARD OF TRADE CHOICE; CLUB PICK AND BEST OF SHOW. RAIN OR SHINE.

SUNDAY 8/10/25 MONTICELLO BAGEL FEST

ANY MAKE ANY MODEL CAR CLUB SHOW, BROADWAY MONTICELLO, NY 12701 ENTER FROM RTE. 17 EXIT 105 TO PLEASANT ST. MAKE RIGHT TURN ONTO BROADWAY. OPEN TO ALL TYPES & YEARS OF WHEELED VEHICLES.

SHOW TIME 9:00 AM TILL 4:00 PM JUDGING 12:30 PM TROPHIES GIVEN OUT 3:30 PM PRICE \$15.00 PER VEHICLE TROPHIES WILL BE: TOP 5 2005 AND NEWER; TOP 35 2004 AND OLDER; KIDS CHOICE; JUST BECAUSE; CLUB PICK; CHAMBER CHOICE; BEST FIRE TRUCK; BEST OF SHOW

DASH PLAQUES FOR FIRST 40 VEHICLES; GOODY BAGS; RAIN OR SHINE

SATURDAY 9/13/25 OUTPOST BBQ. SHOW RAIN DATE SUNDAY 9/14/2025

6611 ROUTE 209 KERHONKSON, NY IN LARGE FIELD BEHIND BBQ BUILDING.

OPEN TO ALL TYPES & YEARS OF WHEELED VEHICLES.

SHOW TIME 10:00 AM UNTIL 5:00 PM JUDGING 12:30 PM TROPHIES GIVEN OUT 4:00 PM

PRICE PER VEHICLE \$15.00 TROPHIES WILL BE: TOP 2 RACE VEHICLES; TOP 5 2005 & NEWER; TOP 20 2004 & OLDER; KIDS CHOICE; JUST BECAUSE; CLUB PICK; OUTPOST BBQ CHOICE AND BEST OF SHOW. DASH PLAQUES FIRST 40 VEHICLES



**THE NEVERSINK RONDOUT ANTIQUE MACHINERY ASSOCIATION
IS CELEBRATING ITS**

SILVER ANNIVERSARY

**WITH 25 YEARS OF OUR
ANNUAL TRACTOR SHOW**

ON

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 20th from 10 am-6 pm (raindate Sept. 21)

At the

**GRAHAMSVILLE FAIRGROUNDS
8230 State Route 55, Grahamsville NY**

**SHOW OFF
YOUR
VEHICLE**

**JOIN THE
CAR CRUISE**

**This year we are featuring MASSEY-HARRIS, FERGUSON & MASSEY-FERGUSON Tractors
BUT ALL tractor makes and models are welcome to participate.**

Trophies will be awarded to working Tractors, Hit & Miss Engines and Garden Tractors

**Joining us this year will be the Ulster Heights Rod & Gun Club, the
Catskill Region AACA Car Club with a CAR CRUISE (all vehicles welcome)
and Knife Sharpening by the Buley Family.**

Join us for a day of family fun with antique tractors and machinery; classic cars; demos of sawmills, shingle mills & hit & miss engines; crafts, yard, and machinery sales; food including the Grahamsville Fire Dept. BBQ, beer garden served by Bridge & Tunnel; live entertainment with Jon Zanger & DJ Mark Hyzer; antique household & farm machinery museum; hayrides, kids pedal tractors, Timmy the Train & MORE

Get your tickets for our 50/50 Raffle. \$5 a ticket with the drawing at the show.

NRAMA is a 501-c3 non-profit organization. All proceeds benefit our Scholarship Program.

For More Information contact: Paul Kelly @ 845-985-0081 or Cher Woehl @ 845-985-2401

Or check us out on FACEBOOK @ <http://www.facebook.com/groups/399517618394690>

SAVE A LIFE! DONATE! SHARE OUR STORY!



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

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

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

More about our warrior Nick....

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

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

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

For any other questions
845.798.2077 nickneedsokidney@gmail.com

 Follow Nick
[@nickneedsokidney](https://www.facebook.com/nickneedsokidney)



The Ever Evolving

Art of Quilting



A New Exhibition

Open Hours:

June 1 through the end of September, weekends, 12 - 4 p.m.
or by appointment

Sunday June 22, 2 p.m.: History of Quilting Then and Now

Join long time quilter Penny Coombe for an illustrated talk on the story of quilts and quilters, past and present.

Sunday, August 10, 2 p.m.: A Quilter's Gathering

Talk with experienced quilters about their work, their inspiration and their creative style.

Time and the Valleys Museum

332 Main Street (St. Rt. 55) Grahamsville NY 12740

845 985-7700 info@timeandthevalleymuseum.org



Please Help Save Our School!

**The Claryville Reformed Church and the Time and the Valleys Museum
are working together to preserve and open
the historic 1848 Claryville One Room School, and we need your help.**

A donation of ANY amount will go directly to the 1848 Claryville School and help:

- inventory the many historical items.
- purchase acid-free storage supplies for artifacts, photos and documents.
- repair the building and restore the one room school interior.
- open the school to the public on a regular basis.
- provide programs for children and adults.

PLEASE make a tax-deductible donation today using the form below or go to www.timeandthevalleysmuseum.org. This historic building is an important part of our fading past and should be preserved and enjoyed by all - your donation will make that happen!

Thank You!

Yes! I would like to make a donation to preserve and open the 1848 Claryville School.

_____ \$25 _____ \$50 _____ \$100 _____ \$250 _____ \$500 _____ \$1,000 _____ Other

Please mail your check to:

Time and the Valleys Museum

P.O. Box 254, Grahamsville, NY 12740

or go online:

[www.timeandthevalleysmuseum.org/
support/donate](http://www.timeandthevalleysmuseum.org/support/donate)

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____

Thank you so much for your donation.

Your donation is tax deductible to the extent allowed by law.

COLOR
OUR
WORLD

Rolling with Pierce: Paint a Rock, Grow our Snake!

Don't hide your painted rocks, bring them to
the Daniel Pierce Library!

All ages are welcome
July & August

This summer, we're inviting YOU to paint & grow our very own
Pierce the Python Rock Snake.

Here's how you can get involved:

Paint a Rock at Home

Pick a rock and use your creativity! Paint anything you like — a book character, a fun design or something that inspires you! Be sure to paint your initials on the bottom, so you can easily identify and collect your rock(s) at the end of the summer.

Bring It to the Library

Once your rock is painted and protected by applying a clear coat sealer to weatherproof it, bring it to the library. Add it to our ever-growing Pierce the Python!

Watch Pierce the Python Grow!

Every time you add a new rock, you'll help our snake grow longer and more colorful — just like our summer reading community!



Daniel Pierce Library

328 Main Street | P.O. Box 268
Grahamsville, New York 12740-0268 | 845-985-7233
www.danielpiercelibrary.org

Mike Beiling and the Bertholf Family and Friends Present

Matty Bertholf's Annual Horseshoe Tournament

Sunday, July 13th, 2025
Neversink Firehouse

Times

Registration 8:30 am

Tourney Begins 9:00 am

Entry Fee \$25

Contests

50-50 drawings

Beverages

Bring your own

Non Players all donations appreciated**

**Proceeds will Benefit the Scholarship
Fund at TVCS in Matty's Name**

•• If you would like to donate but are unable to attend you may do so by mailing a check made payable to "Matthew R. Bertholf Scholarship Fund" to the Community Foundation of Orange and Sullivan, 30 Scott's Corners Drive, Suite 203, Montgomery, NY 12549. Attention: Stacey

All donations are tax decuctible



SULLIVAN COUNTY DMV

mobile unit
on location 10:00am - 3:00pm

2025 Summer Schedule

You can also Schedule an Appointment at sullivanny.gov | County Clerk Russell Reeves

JEFFERSONVILLE

Tues July 8

Tues August 5

Tues September 2

License & Registration Appts

19 Legion St
Jeffersonville, NY

WURTSBORO

Thurs July 24

Thurs August 21

Thurs September 18

Registration Appts Only

29-10 US 209
Wurtsboro, NY

NARROWSBURG

Tues July 22

Tues August 19

Tues September 16

Registration Appts Only

280 Bridge St
Narrowsburg, NY

HORTONVILLE

Thurs July 17

Thurs August 14

Thurs September 11

Registration Appts Only

10-1 Lower Main St
Hortonville, NY

LIVINGSTON MANOR

Tues July 15

Tues August 12

Tues September 9

Registration Appts Only

95 Main St
Livingston Manor, NY

GRAHAMSVILLE

Thurs July 10

Thurs August 7

Thurs September 4

License & Registration Appts

273 Main St
Grahamsville, NY

LIBERTY

Tues July 29

Tues August 26

Tues September 23

License & Registration Appts

75 Sullivan Ave
Liberty, NY

BLOOMINGBURG

Thurs July 31

Thurs August 28

Thurs September 25

License & Registration Appts

13 North Rd
Bloomingburg, NY

Color
our
World

Frame-tastic
Fun

Glass Frame Painting Event

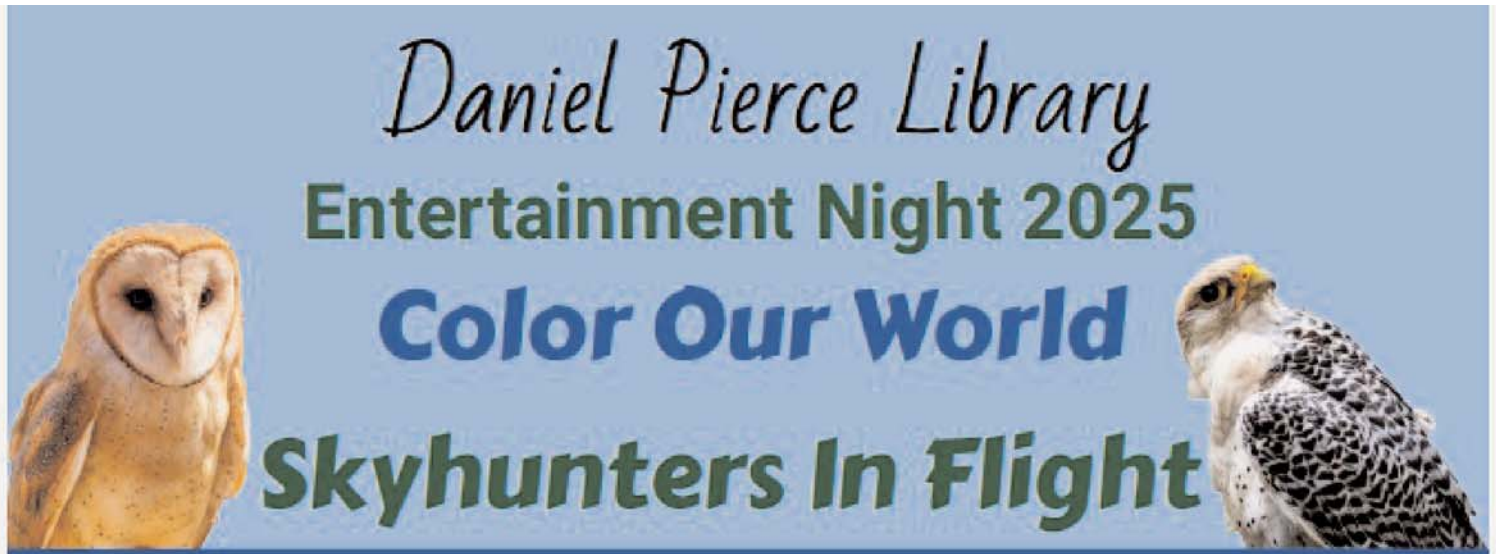
Summer Reading Program

Entering Grades 4-6

Thursday, July 17, 2025

6 - 7 pm

Daniel Pierce Library



A thrilling and educational adventure, Skyhunters In Flight brings the majestic world of raptors to life!

Thursday, July 24, 2025

6:00 pm

Grahamsville Fairgrounds

Under the Pavilion

For children of ALL ages and their families

Come to the fairgrounds rain or shine for a Live Birds of Prey Experience!

Presented by Brian and Teddy, Master Falconers with over 30 years of experience, this dynamic program features live trained birds of prey in action. You'll have the rare opportunity to witness these powerful hunters up close, learn about their natural behaviors and discover the ancient art of falconry.

Perfect for all ages—

come be inspired by the beauty and skill of nature's aerial predators!

There will be a free book for every child who attends. For your comfort, please bring chairs or blankets. We look forward to seeing you at the fairgrounds!

Open to Tri-Valley residents. Please register online @ www.danielpiercelibrary.org



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Flea Market/Craft Fair

Saturday, July 12th, 10am-4pm
Big Indian Park
Route 28, Big Indian, NY

- ▶ Food - Ice Cream - Local Treats
- ▶ Local Vendors
- ▶ Fun for all!
- ▶ Raffle and prizes!
- ▶ Come out and support your local Fire Co!



Vendors Wanted

- \$25.00 per space
- Bring your own tables, tents, chairs
- Clean out your closets, garages and sell all those unwanted items!

Vendors - Fill out the below and return with your \$25.00 Fee:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

What you are selling: _____

Make check out to: BIOFC Ladies Aux

Mail to: Mary Lou Stapleton, Box 85, Big Indian, NY 12410

Questions to: marylou.stapleton@aol.com



Shady United Methodist Church
Summertime Fair
& Yard Sale
Saturday, July 12
9AM - 1PM
Breakfast & Lunch

**Bake Table, Craft Table,
Quilted Items, Plants,
White Elephant & Great Food!**

**Quilted Items, Wall Hangings, Table
Runners, Placemats, Mugmats, Trivets etc.!**

Shady United Methodist Church
Church Road, Shady
5 miles West of Woodstock on Rt. 212



Happy 4th of July!

As we celebrate the Fourth of July, we remember the bold vision our Founders set in motion 249 years ago, a nation built on individual liberty, limited government, and the rule of law. On July 4, 1776, they signed the Declaration of Independence that changed the course of history and secured the freedoms we cherish today.

That legacy lives on in the hardworking families, farmers, veterans, and service members of NY-24, who embody the resilience and spirit that make America exceptional. This Independence Day weekend, and every day, let's honor those who came before us by defending and supporting the freedoms they risked everything to secure.

We hope you and your family have a safe, meaningful, and patriotic Fourth of July. God Bless America!

Passing President Trump's One Big Beautiful Bill

House Republicans kept our promise to the American people by passing the One Big Beautiful Bill Act by a vote of 218-214 this past week. This historic legislation preserves and builds on President Trump's Tax Cuts and Jobs Act, which I voted for in 2017. The bill provides a significant tax cut to lower-income seniors, most of which rely on Social Security benefits that they earned through a lifetime of hard work while also eliminating taxes on tips and overtime. This bill not only lowers taxes for working families but provides tax incentives for small businesses and family farms. It also prevents the largest tax hike in American history, delivers an average \$1,300 tax cut, and paves the way for a nearly \$14,700 increase in take-home pay for New York families.

This legislation protects our farmers and small businesses by preserving and strengthening the small business pass-through deduction and permanent relief from the death tax. It also restores 100% immediate capital expensing, which is a critical tool that will empower investment and drive job growth across NY-24. This bill will secure our borders by funding ICE and CBP, finishing the wall, and stemming the flow of taxpayer-funded benefits like Medicaid to illegal immigrants. This bill will also unleash American energy and end our reliance on foreign sources of energy while lowering costs for consumers and businesses.

The One Big Beautiful Bill also includes many standalone bills that I championed, including H.R. 1103, the

New Markets Tax Credit Extension Act, and H.R. 1752, the Technology for Energy Security Act. The New Markets Tax Credit fosters private investments into economically distressed communities, particularly in rural areas, and has led to billions of dollars in investments into rural communities like NY-24. The Technology for Energy Security Act extends the credit for fuel cells and linear generators, helping to solidify America's role as the leading manufacturer of these emerging technologies.

The One Big Beautiful Bill restores economic freedom, strengthens our national security, and puts hardworking Americans first. This is a major victory for the American people and a significant step in restoring prosperity, security, and strength for all Americans across our great nation.

As your representative in Congress, my top priority is championing legislative initiatives that benefit you and your families. Each week, I review numerous bills and letters, engaging in thorough discussions with members of our community to determine which actions to support and address your needs. Below are a few bills I recently cosponsored.

H.R. 4207, the No WHO Pandemic Preparedness Treaty Without Senate Approval Act: This bill would explicitly require any new pandemic preparedness treaty to be submitted to the Senate for ratification. This would preserve the Senate's vital role in ratifying treaties and prevent future Democratic Presidential administrations from skirting around the Senate by arbitrarily declaring this new radical treaty to be an "executive agreement", which does not require Senate ratification. This commonsense bill upholds the Constitution and will stop the WHO's attempts to infringe on our national sovereignty.

H.R.4242, the De-Escalate Tax Modernization Act: Our courageous law enforcement officers deserve access to the most effective tools to protect themselves and the communities they serve. This bill updates outdated and burdensome laws to ensure new nonlethal technologies, like the TASER 10, are treated appropriately under U.S. law and not treated as firearms. This clarification will allow these nonlethal technologies to be utilized by our law enforcement officers to de-escalate dangerous situations without resorting to deadly force.

H.R. 4254, the Iranian Campaign Medal Act: This legislation authorizes the Secretary of Defense to establish and award a United States military decoration to service members who served in Iran in direct support of Operation Midnight Hammer. On June 22, 2025, American service members flawlessly executed Operation Midnight Hammer and struck key Iranian nuclear sites in Fordow, Isfahan, and Natanz. This Medal would recognize these service members valiant contributions to U.S. national security and provide the Department of Defense a new way to honor these soldiers' contributions.



Happy Independence Day!

I hope everyone is able to spend some time with family today as we celebrate our great nation. I don't want to take up too much of your time, so I'll keep this brief.

CELEBRATING THE FOURTH OF JULY IN THE HUDSON VALLEY

Today we celebrate both the birth of our nation as well as the brave soldiers who fought for their freedom, and for the freedom of every American to this day. You can't tell the history of Independence Day without the Hudson Valley.

It was here that President Franklin D. Roosevelt was born and first articulated his four freedoms. It was at West Point, my alma mater, that Patriots defended the Hudson River from invading British forces during the Revolutionary War.

This Independence Day, I am holding fundamental American freedoms and values close. As you celebrate this weekend, as Americans and as Patriots, please remember what makes this the greatest country in the history of the world.

Happy Fourth of July, Hudson Valley!

VOTING AGAINST TRUMP'S BIG, UGLY BETRAYAL

This week, I voted strongly against Trump's agenda, which is a betrayal of my constituents and the American people. The bill is fundamentally unfair and un-American; and I am furious that it is now law. This 'Big Ugly Betrayal' is a triple-whammy: it makes devastating cuts to healthcare and food programs while driving up costs for everyone; gives massive tax breaks to big corporations and the ultra-rich instead of the middle class; and irresponsibly adds nearly \$4 trillion to the national debt.

Families will lose health care. Hospitals will close. Kids will go hungry. Energy prices will go up. All so the wealthiest 0.1% can get even richer. That's not why I came to Congress.

I believe that sick kids should have access to affordable, high-quality health care.

I believe that seniors should never fear going hungry.

I believe that every child deserves to drink clean water and breathe clean air, and I believe that we have a duty to fight for our veterans, just like they fought for us.

I believe that these aren't Democratic or Republican values, but values shared by every freedom-loving

American. This bill is an affront to those values. People will die without health care. Our economy will suffer.

At every step and on every level, we have to be fighting for the people and against anyone who would do them harm.

Read my full statement, and more about Trump's Big, Ugly Betrayal: Congressman Pat Ryan Votes Against Republican "Big Ugly Betrayal" That Drives Up Costs, Rips Healthcare From Hudson Valley Families to Fund Record-Breaking Tax Cuts for Billionaires

<https://patryan.house.gov/media/press-releases/congressman-pat-ryan-votes-against-republican-big-ugly-betrayal-drives-costs>

DIRECT, ONE-ON-ONE ASSISTANCE, RIGHT IN YOUR HOME TOWN

Every person in the Hudson Valley, no matter where they live, deserves access to high quality services in their own home town.

We're marshaling every tool at our disposal to help folks with our C.A.R.E.S Van. Now more than ever, people need support.

Whether you need help navigating your Social Security benefits, have questions about your taxes, or are worried about your health care, my team is here to help.

Check out the C.A.R.E.S. Van events for July: After Voting Against GOP Bill That Drives Up Costs and Takes Healthcare From Hudson Valley Families, Congressman Ryan's C.A.R.E.S. Van Continues to Provide Direct Assistance Across the Hudson Valley in July.

<https://patryan.house.gov/media/press-releases/after-voting-against-gop-bill-drives-costs-and-takes-health-care-hudson-0>

And learn more about the C.A.R.E.S. Van: Spectrum News: Hudson Valley residents seek answers on Medicaid, Social Security

<https://spectrumlocalnews.com/nys/hudson-valley/news/2025/05/20/congressman-pat-ryan-s-c-a-r-e-s-van-visits-plattekill-library>

U.S. SERVICE ACADEMY NOMINATION APPLI- CATIONS NOW OPEN

At West Point I learned how to live a life grounded in duty, honor, and country.

They're the same values I carry with me today, especially as we celebrate American freedom and independence today.

Each year, it is my great honor to nominate exceptional young people to attend our nation's prestigious service academies, including the Military Academy at West Point, the Naval Academy, the Air Force Academy, and the Merchant Marine Academy.

Interested in finding your path to service? Learn more by scanning the QR code or visiting my website:

<https://patryan.house.gov/services/military-academy-nominations>

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Pat Ryan (From Pg. 54)

GRANTS CORNER

APPLICATIONS OPEN FOR:

The Cooling Assistance Benefit provides for the purchase and installation of an air conditioner or a fan to help your home stay cool. Call your HEAP Local District Contact to apply!

National Fish and Wildlife Foundation Request for Proposals Acres for America 2025

Acres for America is the NFWF's premier land conservation program and was established to provide urgently needed funding for projects that conserve important large-scale habitats for fish, wildlife, and plants through voluntary land acquisitions and perpetual conservation easements.

This Request for Proposals will gather pre-proposals nationwide. NFWF will then choose a few applicants to submit full proposals. Applicants are encouraged to contact their regional NFWF office before submitting a pre-proposal to discuss project concepts and ideas.

Invite-Only Full Proposal Due Date: July 9, 2025, by 11:59 pm ET

NYS Water Infrastructure Improvement (WIIA) Program and Intermunicipal Water Infrastructure Grants (IMG) Program

The WIIA Program provides competitive grants to help municipalities affordably undertake critical wastewater and drinking water infrastructure projects.

The IMG Program is available for both drinking water and wastewater projects that serve multiple municipalities, such as a shared water quality infrastructure project or the interconnection of multiple municipal water systems.

Applications are due by 5 p.m. on September 12. EFC will hold a webinar at 10 a.m. on July 11 to share information about this round and how to apply. Advance registration is required.

Any community that needs assistance with its water infrastructure is encouraged to contact the Community Assistance Teams.

Fiscal Year 2025 Grant Opportunities from the Office on Violence Against Women

The Office on Violence Against Women (OVW) provides federal leadership in developing the nation's capacity to reduce violence against women and administer justice for and strengthen services to victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking. Below are a sample of the open opportunities:

Enhancing Investigation and Prosecution of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking (EIP) Initiative
Closes July 10, 2025

Rural Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking Program

Closes July 10, 2025

Grants to Enhance Community-based Services for Survivors of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking Program

Closes August 5, 2025

National Endowment for the Arts Grants for Arts Projects

Grants for Arts Projects provides funding for public engagement with the arts and arts education, for the integration of the arts with strategies promoting the health and well-being of people and communities, and for the improvement of overall capacity and capabilities within the arts sector.

Grants.gov Submission deadline: July 17, 2025, 11:59pm ET

NEA Applicant Portal Opens to applicants: July 22, 2025, 9:00am ET

NEA Applicant Portal Submission deadline: July 29, 2025, 11:59pm ET

Notification of recommended funding or rejection: Early to mid-April 2026

Earliest project start date: June 1, 2026

NY Building Recreational Infrastructure for Communities, Kids and Seniors (NY BRICKS)

Governor Hochul has announced that funding is available from the NY BRICKS capital grant program to support municipalities and nonprofit organizations in building or renovating community centers that promote physical health, mental well-being, and community connections for youth and older adults.

NY BRICKS will offer grants of up to \$15 million to fund design, construction, renovation, and land acquisition for these centers. Priority will be given to projects in underserved communities, as well as those offering affordable services like childcare, eldercare, and mental health counseling.

The application period for the NY BRICKS capital grant program will open on July 14, 2025 and applications must be submitted by August 15, 2025.

Awards are expected to be announced no earlier than November 1, 2025.

If you want to stay up-to-date on all of that my office is doing, I encourage you to follow along on our social media channels: Facebook and Twitter .

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

I look forward to hearing from you soon!



Welcome to Kirsten's New York Minute!

Here's what she's been up to this week:

1. Happy 4th of July!

Happy 4th of July, New York! As we celebrate our country's independence, I'm reflecting on America's enduring promise of democracy, freedom, and equality for all. On this holiday, let's celebrate the progress we've made and recommit ourselves to the work that must still be done to build a more just and inclusive nation.

Wishing you all a wonderful holiday filled with fun, family, and good food.

- Kirsten

2. Fighting President Trump's Big Beautiful Betrayal

President Trump and congressional Republicans are cutting health care and food assistance for working families just to give massive tax cuts to the wealthiest Americans.

Earlier this week, during a marathon vote-a-rama, Kirsten joined other Senate Democrats in trying to amend President Trump's budget bill to protect Medicaid and SNAP. Despite their best efforts, the bill ultimately passed.

The GOP bill is an outrageous betrayal of the American people, and Kirsten will continue to do everything she can to fight back.

Read Kirsten's statement on the bill here.
<https://www.gillibrand.senate.gov/news/press/release/gillibrand-statement-on-senate-passage-of-trumps-big-beautiful-betrayal-of-the-american-people/>

3. Securing funds for New York airport upgrades

As the top Democrat on the Transportation, Housing and Urban Development (THUD) Subcommittee of the Senate Appropriations Committee, Kirsten is committed to ensuring that air travel infrastructure is safe, strong, and reliable.

This week, she announced over \$40 million in feder-

al funding to upgrade airport facilities at sixteen airports across New York State. This federal funding was secured through the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law that Kirsten fought to pass, and it will help fund projects that modernize terminals, improve safety, and enhance passenger experience.

Read more.

<https://spectrumlocalnews.com/nys/watertown/news/2025/06/28/new-federal-funding-coming-to-upgrade-airports-across-new-york-state>

4. Helping New Yorkers leave Israel

When a constituent in Manhattan with serious medical conditions needed help to secure required travel documents for his wife in Israel, he contacted Kirsten's office for help. Kirsten's team contacted the U.S. Embassy in Jerusalem and promptly secured an appointment with agency staff.

Individual casework is Kirsten's top priority. If you need help with any federal agency, contact her here.

<https://www.gillibrand.senate.gov/help/help-for-new-yorkers/>

Governor Hochul Announces Tickets and Parking Vouchers for the 2025 Great NY State Fair Are On Sale

- The Great New York State Fair to Begin Wednesday, August 20 Through Labor Day, September 1
- Great New York State Fair Offers New Yorkers a Family-Friendly, Affordable Way to Get Offline and Get Outside This Summer
- Daily Passes Available and the Frequent Fairgoer Option Returns for Fair Superfans
- Centro's Park-N-Ride Direct Shuttles from Downtown Transit Hub, Long Branch Park, and Destiny USA to Return to The Fair

Governor Kathy Hochul announced that admission and parking for The 2025 Great New York State Fair went on sale today. Packed with value, a single admission ticket costs \$8 and includes access to all grounds entertainment and the Chevrolet Music Series, while parking costs \$12. In addition, a Frequent Fairgoer ticket option is available for \$25. Admission remains free for those aged 65 and older along with children 12 years old and under, continuing to ensure that The Fair is one of the most affordable fairs in the nation, providing an accessible space for the whole family to get offline and get outside. (Contd. Pg. 57)

Governor Hochul Announces Tickets and Parking Vouchers for the 2025 Great NY State Fair Are On Sale

(From Pg. 56) For those superfans who are planning to be at The Fair at least four days over its 13-day stretch, the Frequent Fairgoer option again allows the ticket holder to enter The Fair once a day, every day during The Fair. A Frequent Fairgoer ticket is non-transferable and is available exclusively online.

“The Great New York State Fair is a time-honored tradition and a cornerstone of our summers here in New York State,” Governor Hochul said. “People shouldn't have to break the bank to have fun. As of today, tickets for this affordable, family-friendly event are now on sale. New Yorkers - get your tickets today and I'll see you at The Fair this summer!”

New York State Agriculture Commissioner Richard A. Ball said, “Summer means one thing - it's time for The Great New York State Fair! I encourage everyone to get their tickets now and start planning their trip to learn about New York agriculture, sample some delicious foods, check out some fantastic entertainment, and so much more.”

New York State Fair Director Julie LaFave said, “The 2025 Great New York State Fair is just 43 days away, so now's the time for fairgoers to start planning a day (or 13!) of unforgettable summer fun. From animals, to hundreds of commercial attractions, scores of exciting midway rides, and dozens of big-name entertainers, The Fair has something in store for the whole family and so many great memories waiting to be made. We strongly encourage fairgoers to make their ticket and parking arrangements before arriving at the grounds. With close to 100,000 people in the vicinity of the Fairgrounds daily, purchasing in advance helps to keep lines to a minimum and ensure fairgoers move through the gates as quickly as possible to experience all the fun that The Fair has to offer! From our Fair family to yours - we can't wait to see you soon!”

Fair admission includes the ability to watch dozens of national recording acts in the Chevrolet Music Series, including Grammy winners, Rock and Roll Hall of Fame performers, and so many more. There will be a daily 1:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. concert at Chevy Court (located near Gate 1) with an extra show at 9:00 p.m. on Friday nights, as well as a daily 8:00 p.m. concert at Suburban Park (located on the western end of the Fairgrounds, beyond the Midway).

Updated concert schedules are available on The Fair's website at pages dedicated to Chevy Court and Suburban Park.

HOW TO PURCHASE TICKETS AND PARKING TO THE GREAT NEW YORK STATE FAIR

There are three ways to buy admission tickets and/or parking: online, over the phone, and in-person from August 20 through September 1.

- o Online: The link to purchase admission tickets and parking will go live at 9:00 a.m. on Monday, July 7, at The Great New

York State Fair's website.

- o Over the Phone: Starting July 7, tickets and parking may also be purchased over the phone by calling Etix toll-free at 1-800-514-3849 from 9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Monday through Saturday, and 12:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Sunday.

- o At the Gate: Beginning Wednesday, August 20, kiosks positioned at all gates will be available for electronic ticket purchases. To minimize waiting time for the kiosks, large signs featuring QR codes will also be available at all entrances and in parking lots so fairgoers can use their smartphone to purchase tickets.

Including fees, the total cost for fairgoers will be:

- o Admission: \$8.32 per ticket (\$8 admission, ticket fee of 14 cents, credit card processing fee of 18 cents)

- o Frequent Fairgoer: \$25.70 (\$25 Frequent Fairgoer pass, ticket fee of 14 cents, credit card processing fee of 56 cents; note that the Frequent Fairgoer passes are available exclusively online)

- o Parking: \$12.41 per vehicle (\$12 parking, ticket fee of 14 cents, credit card processing fee of 27 cents)

Upon arrival to The Fair, drivers must show their parking ticket to lot attendants electronically on their phones or through a printed copy. Please note that again this year, EZPass Plus is not an option for parking. Parking passes may be purchased with a credit card at the lots. Please note that cash is not accepted.

There will be no cash sales at The Fair's entrance gates or in parking lots. Machines that can convert cash into a usable card will be positioned at The Fair's Main Gate for those fairgoers bringing cash to the grounds.

HOURS OF OPERATION

The Great New York State Fair begins on Wednesday, August 20 and continues through Labor Day, September 1. The Fair's hours of operation are from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. every day, except for Labor Day, when The Fair closes at 9:00 p.m. Gates open to the public at 9:00 a.m. and close at 9:00 p.m. every day except for Labor Day, Monday, September 4, when no entry will be permitted after 8:00 p.m.

Parking Hours: The Orange parking lot opens at 9:00 a.m. daily, with the Brown and Pink lots opening daily at 6:00 a.m., and the Gray lots opening daily at 8:30 a.m. The Willis Ave parking lot opens at 10:00 a.m., but will only be accessible only on Friday, Saturday, Sunday, and Labor Day.

Trams: For the convenience of fairgoers, trams will run continuously on the Fairgrounds, stopping at 10 stops from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.* every day. Plus, a dedicated ADA shuttle runs between the Gray Accessible Parking lot, located outside Gate 10, to Tram Stop #3 at the rear entrance of the Horticulture Building from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.* each day.

***Note, on Monday, September 1, the trams stop running one hour earlier.**

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Governor Hochul Announces Tickets and Parking Vouchers for the 2025 Great NY State Fair Are On Sale (From Pg. 57)

CENTRO'S PARK-N-RIDE DIRECT SHUTTLE SERVICE TO AND FROM THE FAIR

Centro's Park-N-Ride direct shuttle service will provide passengers with transportation from the Centro Transit Hub Downtown, Long Branch Park, and Destiny USA to and from the Fairgrounds with drop-off and pick-up points to the left of the Main Gate. To ride the shuttle one way, the fee is \$1 for adults, and 50 cents for senior citizens, children six to nine years old, and those who are living with disabilities. The last shuttle leaves the Fairgrounds each day at 11:15 p.m. Shuttles will run on a limited schedule after 9:00 p.m. on September 1 as The Fair closes earlier that day.

WADE SHOWS MIDWAY: TICKETS ON SALE SOON

Advance tickets for The Fair's famous Midway, operated by Wade Shows, will go on sale in the coming weeks. Stay up-to-date with The Fair's social media and website to be the first to hear when these tickets are available for purchase.

ABOUT THE GREAT NEW YORK STATE FAIR

Founded in 1841, The Great New York State Fair showcases the best of New York agriculture, provides top-quality entertainment, and is a key piece of the state's CNY Rising strategy of growing the Central New York economy through tourism. It is the oldest fair in the United States and is consistently recognized as being among the top five state fairs in the nation.

The New York State Fairgrounds is a 375-acre exhibit and entertainment complex that operates all year. Audiences are encouraged to learn more about The Great New York State Fair online, browse photos on Flickr, and follow the fun on Facebook, X (formerly Twitter), and Instagram.

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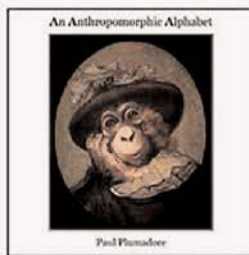
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Good Trouble Lives On A celebration of the life and legacy of Congressman John Lewis

Liberty, NY- Date - On Thursday, July 17th Join We Are One Sullivan, NAACP Chapter 2187-B, the Committee for Equity and Justice and Rural and Migrant Ministry for a joyful celebration of the courage and commitment of Congressman John Lewis on the fifth anniversary of his passing. The event, part of a national day of nonviolent action, will take place from 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm at Hanofee Park in Liberty, NY. Speakers will include Emmy award-winning journalist and historian Janus Adams, the Reverend Douglas Bowman of Grace Lutheran Church and Maria Christina Martinez, an experienced organizer who currently serves on the National Advisory board of Project Groundwork.

Congressman Lewis famously asked us to get into "good trouble, necessary trouble to help redeem the soul of America." He spent the final years of his life fighting to protect the right to vote. This is our moment to carry the torch, continue his legacy, and pass it forward to future generations. Voter registration and voter information will be available at the event.

About John Lewis:

Born in 1940, Lewis was inspired to work for equal rights by the Montgomery Bus Boycott in 1955-56. He learned about non-violent protest at Baptist Theological Seminary in Nashville, organized sit-ins and participated in the Freedom Rides of 1961. As chairman of the Student Non Violent Coordinating Committee (SNCC), Lewis helped to plan the 1964 March on Washington and at that march, he spoke powerfully by saying "We all recognize the fact that if any radical social, political and economic changes are to take place in our society, the people, the masses, must bring them about." In 1965, Lewis and Hosea Williams led the now-famous march across the Edmund Pettus Bridge in Selma, Alabama, where he was brutally beaten and suffered a fractured skull at the hands of the Alabama State Troopers. The day became known as Bloody Sunday and, along with other protests and events, led to the passage of the Voting Rights Act of 1965 which outlawed discriminatory voting practices common to the South and the established federal examiners to enforce the Act. It required federal preclearance of any changes to voting laws, ensuring the right to vote for many. He continued organizing through work with the Field Foundation, and his leadership in the Voter Education project led to millions of new voter registrations. Lewis became a US Congressman in 1987 and served

until his death in 2020. After the Supreme Court gutted provisions of the Voting Rights act in its decision in *Shelby County v Holder*, some states began to enact discriminatory voting laws, particularly after the 2020 elections. The John R. Lewis Voting Rights Advancement Act was first introduced in 2021 and has been re-introduced each year since then. It would restore and modernize the protections of the 1965 Voting Rights Act.

Stefanik Votes for President Trump's One Big Beautiful Bill to Deliver for New York

WASHINGTON, D.C. -House Republican Chairwoman Elise Stefanik released the following statement:

"Promises made, promises kept. I was proud to stay in Congress to vote to pass the One Big Beautiful Bill to deliver on President Trump's historic mandate to enact the largest tax cut in American history, turbocharge economic growth, secure our borders, restore energy dominance, cut wasteful spending, and deliver peace through strength.

As the Dean of the New York Republican Delegation, I was proud to help lead the successful effort to increase the State and Local Tax deduction cap to \$40,000 - the largest tax cut for New Yorkers ever. This is in stark contrast to NY Democrats led by failed Governor Kathy Hochul who support the largest tax increase on hardworking families in history.

Some additional provisions include:

- Largest tax cut in American history
- No tax on tips
- No tax on overtime pay
- Largest tax cut for seniors in history
- Largest tax cut for NY families by raising SALT cap
- Expands access to affordable childcare
- Doubles the child tax credit
- Creates newborn baby investment accounts
- Provides over \$175 billion to reduce crime in sanctuary cities by deporting criminal illegal immigrants
- Supports hiring 10,000 new ICE officers to deport illegal aliens from sanctuary cities
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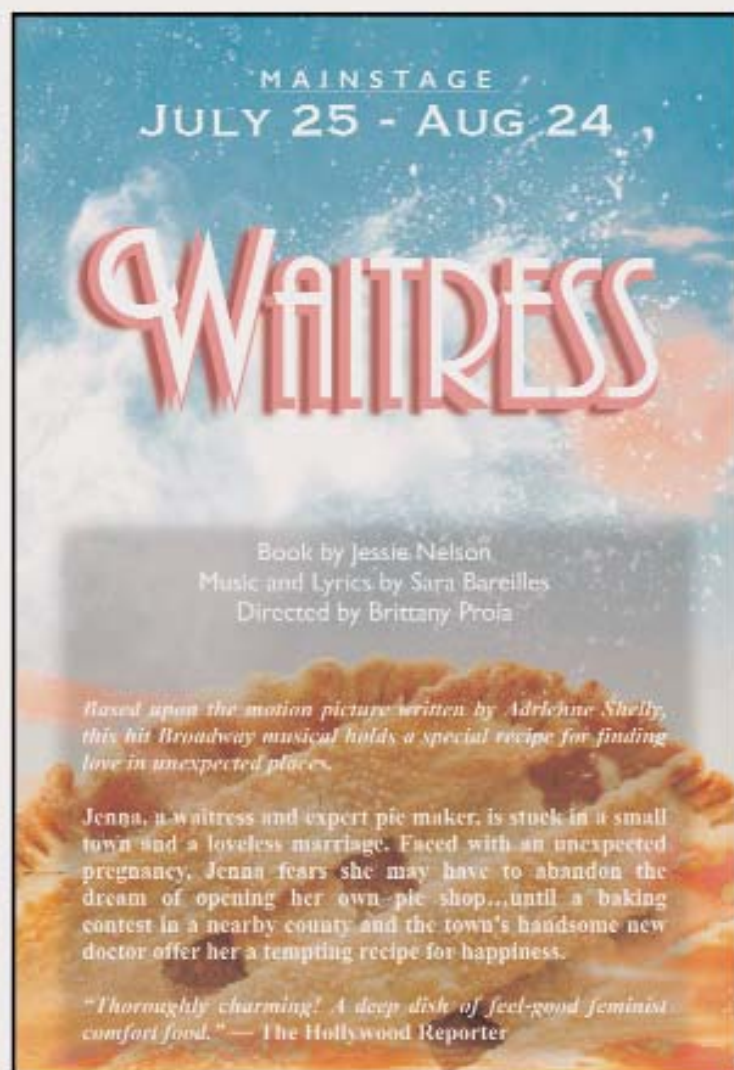


A TASTE OF BROADWAY IV "WAITRESS"

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Lunch at Gaby's Café before the Show

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Make sure to stop by the library and grab your reading log!

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YOUTH SUPPORT GROUP

JOIN US!

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

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

EVERY 1ST & 3RD
WEDNESDAY
@ 6:30 PM

VOICESUNITED4CHANGE'S VIRTUAL




PARENT SUPPORT GROUP


JOIN US!

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

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

EVERY 2ND & 4TH
WEDNESDAY
@ 6:30 PM



Daniel Pierce Library Color Our World

Summer Reading Program | Grades 1-3

Rock Painting Event

Come paint your world, one rock at a time!


Tuesday, July 15, 2025
6 - 7 pm

Join us for a creative and colorful evening where young artists will transform ordinary rocks into extraordinary masterpieces! Let's spread kindness, creativity and color throughout our world—starting with a brush and a bit of paint!

Take your rock home or hide it around the community to brighten someone's day!
All supplies provided—just bring your imagination!

Let's paint, laugh and make the world a little brighter—together!

Open to Tri-Valley residents.
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Summer Reading Program | Grades 4-6

Frame-tastic Fun

Glass Frame Painting Event

Thursday, July 17, 2025
6 - 7 pm



Get ready to paint what you **LOVE!**
Whether it's your favorite furry friend, person, place or thing, you'll bring it to life on a glass frame to keep forever!


Bring your creativity, your imagination — and maybe a photo of your pet or favorite thing for inspiration!



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Summer Challenge Bookmark Contest 2025

Calling ALL Aspiring Artists



Three Categories:
Ages 5-7 years, 8-11 years and 12-18 years

Students are invited to submit an original design for the library's Summer Reading Program Bookmark! Winning designs will be selected and printed to be the official 2025 DPL Bookmark.

Follow the official guidelines and rules on our website.
The deadline for ALL entries is Thursday, July 24.

1 winner will be picked from each category.
Winners will receive a \$50 Amazon gift card.

Open to Tri-Valley residents. **Good luck!**

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Entertainment Night 2025

Color Our World

Skyhunters In Flight



A thrilling and educational adventure, Skyhunters In Flight brings the majestic world of raptors to life!

Thursday, July 24, 2025
6:00 pm
Grahamsville Fairgrounds
Under the Pavilion
For children of ALL ages and their families


Come to the fairgrounds rain or shine for a Live Birds of Prey Experience!

Presented by Brian and Teddy, Master Falconers with over 30 years of experience, this dynamic program features live trained birds of prey in action. You'll have the rare opportunity to witness these powerful hunters up close, learn about their natural behaviors and discover the ancient art of falconry.

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come be inspired by the beauty and skill of nature's aerial predators!

There will be a free book for every child who attends. For your comfort, please bring chairs or blankets. We look forward to seeing you at the fairgrounds!

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2025 EVENT CALENDAR

Sunday, June 22, 2025, at 3:00pm

The Economic Impact of the D&H Canal on Sullivan County
presented by John Conway

Saturday, July 12, 2025, at 2:00pm

Post Cards of the D&H Canal
presented by Bill Merchant

Saturday, August 16, 2025, at 2:00pm

The D&H Canal: Port Jervis to Phillipsport
presented by Cliff Robinson

Additional presentations to be announced!

These events are FREE!

Advance registration is required as space is limited,
email SCParks@sullivanny.gov or call 845-807-0287 to register.

These events are in celebration of the
200th anniversary of the groundbreaking
of the D&H Canal!



845-807-0287 | SCParks@sullivanny.gov
<https://sullivanny.gov/Departments/ParksRecreation>

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Parkinson's Support Group

Registration is preferred but walk-ins are welcome!



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4:00 PM - 5:30 PM

April 9 May 14

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July 28th

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Ages 12 - 18 1pm - 4pm

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STAGE COMBAT

students can join any or all of the hour long classes!

Ages 6-11 10am - 11am Waitress: Song and Dance 11am - 12pm Get Your Move On! 12pm - 1pm Stage Combat	Ages 12-18 1pm - 2pm Waitress: Song and Dance 2pm - 3pm Get Your Move On! 3pm - 4pm Stage Combat
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to register call (845) 210-4848
 or email ben@shadowlandstages.org

THE ACADEMY AT SHADOWLAND STAGES SUMMER 2025

SUMMER THEATRE INTENSIVE FOR PERFORMERS AGE 6-18

TUESDAY, JULY 29 - FRIDAY, AUGUST 1
AGES 6-11 10AM - 1PM
AGES 12-18 1PM - 4PM
 WITH A PERFORMANCE ON SATURDAY, AUGUST 1

THIS INCLUDES SNACK BREAK - PLEASE BRING OWN SNACK EACH DAY.

AGES 6-11 UNDER THE BIG TOP

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AGES 6-11 10AM - 1PM
AGES 12-18 1PM - 4PM
 WITH A PERFORMANCE ON SATURDAY, AUGUST 8

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THE ACADEMY AT SHADOWLAND STAGES SUMMER 2025

FREE MASTERCLASS MONDAY!

August 4th

Ages 6 - 11 10am - 1pm
Ages 12 - 18 1pm - 4pm

WAITRESS SONG & DANCE

STAGE COMBAT

Tik Tok Take Over for Shadowland Stages

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Ages 6-11 10am - 11am Waitress: Song and Dance 11am - 12pm Stage Combat 12pm - 1pm Tik Tok Filming Fun!	Ages 12-18 1pm - 2pm Waitress: Song and Dance 2pm - 3pm Stage Combat 3pm - 4pm Tik Tok Filming Fun!
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Are you a parent struggling with your family?
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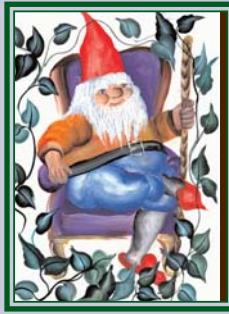
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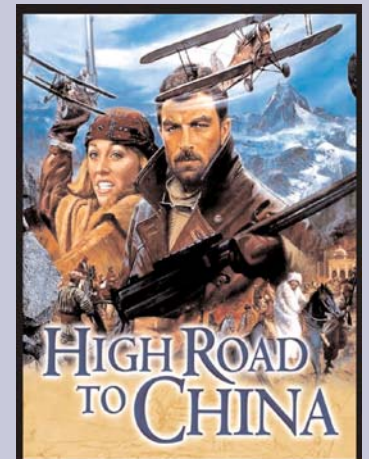
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Gnome*Answer to last week's Trivia Question: ***La Bamba*****This weeks' Trivia question:** Name the film in which Angelina Jolie is told by a fortuneteller in the street that she'll die within a week.