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Four Generations of Maple Sugar Making



Representing four generations of maple sugar makers, Dot Muthig and son Dennis Muthig can be seen most Saturdays at the Neversink Farmers' Market selling maple syrup, maple cream jelly and candies.

Located near the Neversink Reservoir, the Muthig Farm has been producing maple syrup and maple syrup products since 1958. You will see the Dot and Dennis most Saturdays at the Neversink Farmers' Market selling maple syrup, maple jelly, candies and other maple syrup products. (Contd. Pg. 3)

Senior Games Welcomes Players and Volunteers



Monticello, NY -Sullivan County's Senior Games return this September,

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and while contestants are welcome, organizers are especially seeking volunteers to help put on the popular annual event. A bevy of friendly competi-

tive sports will be on tap at the Ted Stroebele Recreation Center in Monticello, and equally friendly and able folks are needed to assist with setup, organization, and breakdown.

Interested individuals are urged to attend the next Senior Games Committee meeting on Thursday, July 12 at 11 a.m. at the Recreation Center on Jefferson Street, or contact the Office for the Aging at 845-807-0241 if you can't make the meeting.

The Biblical Painters Group Works from the 70's to the present by Tony Siani, Richaxd McBee, Jacob Silberman, and John Bradford

These artists, who met downtown, in the late 60's, were founding members of the Bowery Gallery and the Figurative Artists Alliance. These were spirited meetings held every Friday night for more than twenty years over the issues of subject matter and figuration and were similar to the abstract expressionist's Eighth Street Club-in the Fifties. There was a shared spirit at the Alliance that out of the great triumphs of abstract expressionism a new figurative, even narrative art could address content and still be "formal."

Siani, Silberman, McBee and Bradford were Social Democrats who abhorred what they saw as the insidious influence of the New Left on the culture of the time. They argued at the Alliance meetings that for figuration to be a force in the art world, artists would have to start taking responsibility for both the formal success or failure of their works and the content the works expressed, whether intended by the artist or not. Together with the political theorists Tom Milstein

and Avi Berkowitz, the four held long evenings of open-ended, spontaneous, sometimes absurd, and often exhilarating discussion on art and politics. They drew together from the model and visited each other's studios regularly where the criticisms were devastatingly to the heart of the matter, as only they could be

from trusted eyes. The greatest crime was to not compose the picture; to not develop the idea visually, but instead to illustrate it.

Out of this intensity, over many years, came a transformation of the artists' visual and verbal frame of reference from a critique of Marxism to a shared vision of the seminal role of Jewish Monotheism, on the stage of world history. The awesome starkness of the Biblical narrative became the crucial motif for speaking about their time. They all responded in distinctive ways to the shared discovery that there was an analogy between the discontinuity and reduction of Biblical structure and certain conventions of modernist painting. (Contd. Pg. 9)



A Different Picture at the Blue Hole



This past weekend was astonishingly quiet at the Blue Hole. According to Keiko Sono, coordinator of a new Catskill Waters community art project, there were only about 10 families who visited the Blue Hole on Saturday.

Portraits and Stories is a Catskill Waters project about the people in the NYC watersheds,

As artist, Jenny Lee Fowler, cuts a silhouette portrait of you the staff records the conversation for their podcast. (Contd. Pg. 9)



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ON THE FRONT BURNER: Be thou exalted, O God, above the heavens: let thy glory be above all the earth. Psalms 57:11

OBITUARY:

John Kevin Cloonan 76, of Jekyll Island, Ga., formerly of Grahamsville, entered into eternal rest on June 29, 2018 at Hospice of the Golden Isles, Brunswick, Ga. Kevin was born March 18, 1942 in Kingston, N.Y., son of the late Edmund T. and Julia M. Čloonan.

After high school Kevin attended Manhattan College where he received a Bachelors in Civil Engineering and a Masters degree in Business Administration. Kevin also earned his Professional Engineer designation and was a member of the American Water Works Association. He served the City of New York for more than 36 years including District Engineer for the Delaware Watershed in the Catskill Mountain area of upstate New York and represented New York City on several Federal and State environmental commissions.

Kevin was an active member of St. Francis Savior Church in Brunswick and had formerly served as an Eucharistic Minister at Immaculate Conception Church in Woodbourne, N.Y..

During his time in Jekyll Island Kevin was a member of The Friends of Historic Jekyll Island. He was also a longtime volunteer with the International Seafarers' Center in Brunswick which provides comfort and hospitality for visiting seafarers. Kevin loved his golf and the comradeship of the Jekyll Island Men's Golf League. Many hours and numerous stories were shared around the links on Jekyll. He genuinely appreciated the companionship and hospitality of his good friends, neighbors, and church companions.

Kevin was predeceased by his wife Kathryn Meyer Cloonan. He is survived by his son Jeffrey Cloonan and wife Amanda of Eagle, Colo.; his son, Daniel Cloonan also of Colorado; and brothers, William Cloonan and wife Kathleen of Kingston, N.Y., and Robert Cloonan and wife Barbara of West Hartford, Conn. In addition, Kevin is survived by grandsons, Colton and Jason; granddaughter, Addison; and great-granddaughter, Chavi; as well as numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins.

A service of celebration will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Friends of Jekyll Island, Inc., P.O. Box 13031 Jekyll Island, Ga., 31527; or Daniel Pierce Library 328 Main Street, Box 268, Grahamsville,

Doris Van Aken, 91, passed away into the arms of the Lord on January 13, 2018 in Johnson City, NY where she resided for the past year to be closer to her family. She was a resident of Claryville and Liberty for many years.

She was born in Union City, New Jersey to the late William Hoberg and Lena (Bisso) Hoberg.

Doris was married to the late Harold Van Aken, the love of her life. They were married 69 plus years until he predeceased her in 2015.

Doris was the loving mother of Diana Curry and her husband Donald Curry of Harpursville, NY and Karen Van Aken of Vestal, NY. She is also survived by her beloved grandson, Scott Curry and his wife Colleen. She was predeceased by her brother, Bill. She served for many years as a bus driver for the Tri-Valley School District and as a member of the Claryville Fire Department's Ladies Auxiliary.

Doris enjoyed nature, gardening and maintaining beautiful home. She was a dedicated and loving wife, mother and grandmother who always put family first.

Her true passion in life was caring for and guiding those she loved.

The family would like to thank Dr. David Schwalb for his wonderful care and friendship.

In this world everything comes to an end except a mother's love which starts long before we are born and never ends.

A graveside service will be held Friday July 13, 2018 at 11 am at Claryville Cemetery.

Arrangements under the care of Colonial Ramsay Funeral Home, for further information call 845-292-7160 or visit www.colonialramsaysfuneralhome.com

THANK YOU:

A big 'Thank You' to Ricky Gorr. On Saturday evening I received a call from Ricky telling me that he had just finished mowing the lawn by the Grahamsville Post Office where he had almost run over a debit card that was on the lawn – my debit card! He immediately saw the name on the card, gave me a call and let me know that he had found my debit card. Thank you Ricky for not only finding it, and returning it to me, but also for calling me to let me know even before I knew it was missing. Linda Comando

COLLEGE NEWS: Brandon Worden to Attend SUNY New Paltz

Brandon Worden, a TVCS graduate will be attend-ing SUNY New Paltz in the fall. Brandon recently graduated from SUNY Sullivan with a degree in Communications.

Days of Yore... Today's History

July 21, 1948 -

Åt the July 16th meeting of the Board of Directors of the Ronech Publishing Co. Inc., W. E. Ross was elected Administrative Coordinate of the TOWNS-MAN for the next year, effective September 1. Corporation officers elected for the year 1948-49 were: President, Dr. Karl H. Messinger; Vice President, Sumner W. Krum; Secretary, Mrs. Mabel Jocelyn; Treasurer, Fred A. Cryer. Upon accepting the office, Mr. Ross announced that the TOWNSMAN staff would be reorganized on a two-team basis with two managing editors.

Neversink: The boarding house in the vicinity are

filled to capacity. "America's Stamps" by Maud and Mischa Petersham: This is the book for young and old stamp collectors - experienced and beginners. It is the story of America, vividly illustrated in stamps from the Coffee House Mal and the Early Colonial Posts to the New Mexico Stamp Issue of 1946.

This book can be borrowed from the Daniel Pierce Library in Grahamsville along with many other that will fill the idle hours during the warm summer vacation.

July 16, 1958

Bids covering the Liberty end of the Monticello by-pass will be opened on August 7 to cover 8.05 miles of four-lane divided highway. The new section will run from the western end of the present construction at Monticello to the eastern end of the Liberty bypass at Ferndale. Engineers estimate for the work is \$9,919,000. The Monticello by-pass is scheduled for completion by July 1 of next year and the Bloomingburg by-pass is expected to be finished by early winter.

The reconstruction of the Valley Brook Camp at Sundown was completed Saturday and twenty boys from the city arrived.

The new homes being built by Freddy Costa and Jay Zanetti on South Hill are coming along very nicely.

July 17, 1968

Pvt. Dwayne Smith arrived home on Saturday morning for three weeks' leave, after which he will report to Oakland, California to await transfer to his new duty station in Viet Nam.

The Christian Youth Camp on the Sundown Road, which is under the direction of the Rev. Lloyd Bryant of New York City opened this past week with 18 children from the 1st Bushwick Presbyterian Church of Peace in Brooklvn.

The residents of the Lackawack Hill area wish to express their thanks to Mr. Walter Gruner for his successful efforts of getting a milk route started.

July 20, 1978

Stoddard Porter's Barn on South Hill Road is both the subject and the title of a pointing by Dan Smythe that is presently on exhibiton at the museum of the Hudson Highlands, Cornwall-on-the-Hudson, N.Y. Dan, who is a painter-sculptor, moved his studio from Manhattan to South Hill last year. "Stoddard Porter's Barn" is one of the first paintings of our area.

JULY 12, 2018

A Round About Tri-Valley Carol Furman

Condolences to the friends and family of Kevin Cloonan, formerly of Hastings Drive in Grahamsville, who passed away in Jekyll Island Georgia on June 29, 2018. Kevin was 76 years old.

Welcome to Seung Jin, who will be serving as the Pastor of the Grahamsville and Sundown United Methodist Churches. Pastor Peggy Ann Sauerhoff, the former pastor, has been reassigned to the Reservoir and Phoenicia Methodist Churches. Pastor Peggy and her family will be missed.

Glad to hear that young William Richardson is doing better.

Gladys VanWagner, Donna Van Wagner and Helen Miller had lunch with me at the farm on Friday, June 29th. We spent a nice afternoon catching up on old times. Gladys and her family used to live on Furman Farm, in what is now my home, 60 or more years ago.

The Blue Hole is a busy place! I have been told that buses loaded with summer campers have been brought there to swim on some weekdays. Many local residents,who once enjoyed the beauty, peace and quiet at that spot, no longer go there.

My family and I recently enjoyed "The Million Dollar Quartet" at the Forestburgh Playhouse. If you didn't get to see it, you missed a really great show. The actor portraying Jerry Lee Lewis stole the show with his phenomenal piano playing. The actors portraying Johnny Cash, Elvis and Carl Perkins were also outstanding.

There's no denying that there is something special about summer. It's a time when open roads beckon us and families go on vacations. Some like to drive to popular destinations, while others like to camp and sleep out under the stars. Some families choose to have a "staycation" where they relax by their pools and enjoy BBQ's. Whatever you choose to do, slow down and enjoy the warmth and beauty of summer. Also, if you do remain home, remember to check in on your elderly friends and neighbors occasionally. Yes, there is something special about the lazy, crazy days of summer. Enjoy the season to the fullest..it will be over before you know it!

WORDS OF WISDOM: (Some opinions, truths and humorous perspective regarding nature and humanity)

Noise proves nothing; often a hen who has merely laid an egg cackles as if she had laid an asteroid. (Mark Twain) Television is a medium because anything well done is rare. (Fred Allen)

When you go into court you are putting your fate into the hands of twelve people who weren't smart enough to get out of jury duty. (Norm Crosby)

Status quo: Latin for "the mess we're in".

Ninety percent of the politicians give the other ten per-

cent a bad reputation. (Henry Kissenger) Never accept a drink from a urologist. (Erma

Bombeck's father) At the precise moment you take off your shoe in a shoe store, your big toe will pop out of your sock to see what is going on. (Ginsburg)

Too bad people who know how to run the country are too busy driving cabs and cutting hair.(George Burns)

The graveyards are full of women whose houses were so spotless you could eat off the floor. Remember, the sec-

ond wife always has a maid. (Heloise) In spite of everything, I still believe that people are good at heart. (Anne Frank)

Four Generations

of Maple Sugar Making

(From Pg. 1) This Saturday, Maple Syrup will be the theme at Neversink Farmers' Market. You will find a source of educational material including recipes. You will be able to ask questions at a Q/A session and you will be able to sample tasty maple syrup products. Call ahead, at 845-292-7838 or 845-292-7831 and let

Call ahead, at 845-292-7838 or 845-292-7831 and let them know you would like to visit the Muthig Farm where you will also see handmade one-of-a-kind butterfly, bat and blue bird houses as well as ornamental bird houses made from old sap buckets. They are for sale.

Muthig Farm is located at 681 Muthig Road in Parksville, New York

Meeting of Long Term Care Council

The Long Term Care Council is the advisory board for Sullivan NY Connects, the No Wrong Door/Single Entry Point for information on long term services and supports in Sullivan County. The next meeting of the Long Term Care Council will be Wednesday, July 18, from 3:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the Legislative Committee Room (2nd floor) in the Sullivan County Government Center. Meetings of the Long Term Care Council are open to the public and all are welcome to attend.

For further information about the Long Term Care Council, please contact Martha Scoppa,

Point of Entry Coordinator, Sullivan NY Connects, Office for the Aging, 100 North Street, P.O. Box 5012, Monticello, New York 12701 or (845) 807-0257.

Long-Sought Grant Means Sullivan Will Add Routes and New Bus

Monticello, NY - Thanks to those involved in the County's transportation coordination and grantwriting efforts, the State and Federal governments are giving Sullivan County \$125,000 to improve public transportation.

A 20-passenger bus will be purchased with \$78,000 of that funding, while the remaining \$47,000 will help cover operating expenses. Combined with a request for proposals due last month from potential private operators, this will lead to an expanded public transit system.

"The dedicated efforts of the creators of the Countywide Coordinated Transportation Plan - a critical strategic document approved by the County Legislature in August 2015 - have paid off, literally," noted County Manager Josh Potosek. "I thank them and our Grants Administration staff for steadfastly seeking these monies so we can better serve the public."

"New transportation routes will be developed, as will brochures that will be available in English and Spanish," said District 7 Legislator Joe Perrello, chair of the Legislature's Public Works Committee. "This expansion will definitely have a positive impact and enhance the quality of life for everyone. It will dovetail nicely with the new development - and the need for new employees - Sullivan County is now experiencing."

"We hoped for a little over \$117,000 in State and Federal funding toward this effort," explained Transportation Director Ruthann Hayden. "We actually received a total of \$125,000 based on the strength of our program and our application."

The Countywide Coordinated Transportation Plan envisions and prepares for a wider scope of transportation services in Sullivan County. The full report can be viewed at:

sullivanny.us/Departments/PlanningEnvironmental/PlansandStudies/CoordinatedTransportationPlan.

REMINDER: You are Now Required to Obtain a Permit to Access the Blue Hole on Weekends and Holidays

On Wednesday, June 27, 2018 the NYS DEC announced a new no-cost, day use permitting system requiring visitors to obtain a permit to access the Blue Hole, located in the Sundown Wild Forest of the Catskill Park.

The new permitting system is designed to strike a balance between ensuring State lands are open and accessible while reducing environmental damage and enhancing public safety.

Under the new no-cost permit system, visitors are required to obtain a permit on weekends and holidays from May 15 through October 15 every year. DEC will issue up to 40 permits per day and each permit allows entry for up to six individuals, including children, allowing for a maximum of 240 people to access the Blue Hole each day. Permits must be acquired at least 24 hours and no more than one week, in advance. Only advance registrations will be accepted at the site, and walk-in permits are not available.

Visitors will be required to list the names of all members of their party when making reservations, but can update names up to one day in advance. Visitors must have a permit with them at all times.

Rangers are at the Blue Hole main trailhead checking permits and helping to educate Blue Hole visitors. Visitors can find out more information on these and other destinations in the Catskills by contacting or visiting the Catskill Interpretive Center at 5096 Route 28 in Mt. Tremper, NY, 12457 - phone: (845) 688 - 3369, or visit the Catskill Interpretive Center website.

Be sure to properly prepare and plan before entering the backcountry. Visit DEC's Hiking Safetyand Adirondack Backcountry Information webpage for more information.

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

It's a hummingbird! No, a bug!... No, a it is a Hummingbird Moth!

With all the Bee Balm in bloom in our garden we have noticed more hummingbird activity in the garden than at the bird feeder. Also visiting us are Hummingbird Moths who are attracted to the Blackeyed Susans that are waking up to the summer sunshine. At a first glance, you may mistake a Hummingbird Moth for a Hummingbird -they closely resemble each other as they hover over the flowers.

Humming-The bird Moth, unlike most moths, is seen on clear, sunny days. Many people do confuse them with hummingbirds because of their coloration and how they move. Other similarities of hummingbird moths to hummingbirds are their size, foraging behavior, and feeding structures making



this one of the most common cases of mistaken identity in nature.

Flying in the day in meadows, forest edges and flower gardens where they also live, hummingbird moths typically visit one flower for a very short time, then dart away to find another. The the Hummingbird Moth (Hemaris thysbe) uses a long, thin, needle-like mouthpart called a proboscis to eat. The proboscis stays coiled up like a garden hose until it is time to use it. When the moth approaches a flower, it uncoils its proboscis and dips it deep into the flower where the nectar is.

Hummingbird Moths grow up to two inches long. They have an olive-green body with red bands across their abdomen. Tufts of hairs from the end of the abdomen look a lot like little feathers. The wings of this moth are mostly clear, sometimes with some red near the body.

After mating, female moths lay eggs on host plants such as honeysuckle, hawthorns, viburnum, and Black Cherry that will provide food for caterpillars that will hatch from the eggs.. The caterpillars are yellowishgreen with darker green lines and reddish spots on the sides. They also have a yellow tail horn.

When caterpillars are fully grown, they climb down the host plant and into the soil where they will make a coccoon and become a pupa and enter into a resting stage.

If it is early in the season, the adult moths will hatch in a few weeks.

Hummingbird Moths are quite beneficial as they are great pollinators of many species of plants. When brushing against plant anthers while dining, the moths are dusted by pollen and their fuzzy little bodies are excellent pollen carriers.

Adult Hummingbird Moths will feed on nectar from many different flowers, just like hummingbirds. Some of their favorites include: Japanese Honeysuckle, Red Clover, Bee Balm, Black-eyed Susan, Highbush Blueberry, thistles, wild roses, and blackberries.

Predators of Hummingbird Moths include birds, mantis, spiders, bats, and other moth- and caterpillareaters,

To attract Hummingbird Moths to your garden, provide flowers with a strong, sweet scent, They tend to be attracted to lighter color flowers, but they seem to be quite happy around our red Bee Balm and Black-eyed Susan, too.

Just like so many other fascinating creatures dwelling here in the Catskill Mountains, the Hummingbird Moth is well worth a second look

Household Hints

Remove Rings From Collars and Cuffs

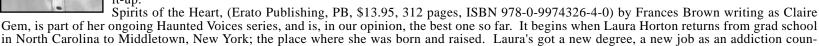
Are you tired of seeing those old sweat rings around your shirt collars? What about the annoying discoloration along the edges of your cuffs? Give them the boot by scrubbing the material with a paste made from 2 parts white vinegar to 3 parts baking soda. Let the paste set for half an hour before washing.

THE TOWNSMAN

Spirits of the Heart Mysterious Book Report No. 342

by John Dwaine McKenna

As the by-line shows, this will be a different-and special-MBR. It's not within our usual purview of crime and punishment, or murder and mayhem, nor even an exploration of the dark side of human nature. Instead, it's a goose-pimple inducing paranormal ghost and romance story which takes place at an addiction treatment center in Middletown, New York. It's a place that was once an institution for the criminally insane. And because it's for all of the ladies in the audience who aren't hardboiled crime enthusiasts, June Lynn McKenna has gallantly offered a woman's perspective . . . so-you-know-who doesn't screwit-up.



selor, and not a dollar to her name. She does have a plan though, to move into a spare room at her high school friend Angie's house, where she lives with her boyfriend, Miller Stanford. Then, after Laura gets a paycheck or two, she'll find her own apartment and move out. But ... as every writer of fiction knows ... the easiest way to make God laugh, is to make plans. When Laura rolls into town flat broke, her car coasting on fumes, expecting a warm reunion with her gal-pal, she's met at the door by a grumpy, half naked and towel wrapped hunk of manhood. Angie, Miller tells Laura, has moved out, and relocated to Tampa, Florida. Laura is devastated, out of options and stuck in a "puke green, two-story house" that sits right beside the cemetery of the old insane asylum, with a man who doesn't want her there. Miller and Laura come to an agreement of sorts, she can stay . . . but . . . it's his house, his rules. Laura tries her best to comply, but their relationship gets more and more strained, as strange, weird and unex-plainable events start to happen on a regular basis. Then, Miller see the ghost of a little girl and thinks he's losing it. But Laura sees her too, in this vivid, suspenseful and romance-filled novel from the award-winning pen of one of the hottest romance and supernatural fiction writers in the country. Claire Gem's Spirits of the Heart will keep you glued to each and every page, until your glasses get too steamed to read!

And, hey, check out our all-new and exciting feature: INTERVIEW WITH THE AUTHOR Which follows the column.

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INTERVIEW WITH THE AUTHOR:

Hello, to all of you out there in the electronic haze, and Welcome, to our newest feature here at the Mysteriousbookreport.com Author Interviews.

In this space we'll be featuring the insights, thoughts, writing tips and news about forthcoming books from some of the authors whose works have been reviewed in the MBR.

We're excited to have Claire Gem - a lady with a whole lotta moxie, an MFA in creative writing, and six published novels plus an autobiography, in addition to a "How-to" piece on the craft of writing. She's a friend of the MBR, as well as a confidant, confederate, and one hothot-hot composer of supernatural suspense and contempo-rary romance novels. With many thanks to her for taking time to do this interview, here's Claire Gem . . .

What's your name and what genre would you consider your books to be?

I am Claire Gem, and I write contemporary romance and supernatural suspense.

Tell me about your book. How did you come up with that (story, angle, idea)?

I just released my sixth novel, "Civil Hearts," which is a supernatural suspense set in an abandoned antebellum mansion in rural, western Alabama. The heroine is a web designer, a widow from Manhattan who needs a new start. hero is an antiques/furniture store owner who is The epileptic. His condition has already cost him his marriage.

How did you get interested in writing this particular genre

(historical novels, mysteries, sci-fi, children's books, etc.)? I believe in ghosts. I believe that certain people who haven't fulfilled their destinies during their lifetime can get trapped between this world and the next. This is the theme of my Haunted Voices novels.

What kind of research did you do for this book? I actually visited an abandoned, antebellum mansion in western Alabama many years ago. My husband and I were considering a move to the area, and we toured this home, one I call the "Belle Bride" in the novel. The whole time I was in the house, I kept having that feeling of "being watched.'

We never did move to Alabama, and the memory faded until I had a dream about the place earlier this year. The seed of an idea for Civil Hearts was born.

Can you tell me about your Series?

The Haunted Voices Series is one loosely connected by theme. It is NOT sequential, and each book stands alone. Sometimes characters from other HV novels appear in a subsequent book but they can be read in any order.

Do you have a favorite book out of this series? I love them all. Like my children ;-)

What's a typical working day like for you? When and where do you write? Do you set a daily writing goal? I should, but I don't. I still work a full-time job that's

NOT writing, so I have to squeeze in writing time early mornings and evenings. I try to write at least 1000 words a day, but sometimes life gets in the way. Once I get on roll, though, watch out! I can pound out 3-5000 words in a weekend when the muse strikes.

Do you have a new book in the making and if so, what's

the name of your upcoming book?

Funny you should ask! I have about 4-5 novels in var-ious stages of development. I just today sent out an email to my subscribers asking which genre they would prefer I pursue in my next book: contemporary romance or supernatural suspense. So far, the landslide response has been for the latter. So, I have to choose between three titles: "Electricity," "Pigments," or "Sirens of Salt." I've started work on them all. Now it's just seeing which one snags my muse.

How important are character names to you in your books? Is there a special meaning to any of the names

No. I develop the character, do a profile of them, and then they sort of "tell me" their names . . .

What is the hardest part of writing for you? Perseverance when I hit a lull in the inspiration.

What do you think of book trailers? Do you have a trailer

or do you intend to create one for your own book? Yes, Yes, Yes! I love them and design my own. Check out my trailers at https://www.youtube.com/channel/ UCO-vB7WDZhEQ8U4YpC937ng?view_as=subscriber

What do you consider to be your best accomplishment? Winning the New York Book Festival with "Hearts Unloched" in 2016. It was an honor to attend the awards banquet at the historic Algonquin Hotel in Manhattan. An experience I never will forget.

What's the best thing about being an author?

Being in total control of what happens next. It's the only area of life where that is true. Except sometimes, it's not . . . when the characters veer off in a direction all on their own.

Where do you see yourself in 10 years?

As a famous, best-selling author. I want to be the next Nora Roberts. No, seriously . . . don't laugh. That's my goal.

Have you always liked to write?

Yes. I got my first piece of feedback in the seventh grade from my English teacher, Miss Prather, who advised me: "You have an exceptional talent here. Don't let it go to waste.

What writing advice do you have for aspiring authors?

Never give up. If you love to write a particular kind of story, rest assured: There's an audience out there who will love to read your writing. Also read, read, read. You can never read enough books to expand your own writing abil-

Do you read reviews of your book(s)? Do you respond to them, good or bad? How do you deal with the bad? I do read my reviews, and I've been blessed. Most have been good, and the few that do criticize show me where

my writing could improve. I take the good with the bad – with grace.

What is your least favourite part of the writing / publish-

ing process? Formatting. Although with the help of some "cheat difficult as it was in the beginning. What are you working on now?

I've begun work on the second Love at Lake George

novel called "Anchor My Heart." But my fan survey says that most want another Haunted Voices novel. Choices, choices.

Why did you choose to write in your genre? If you write in more than one, how do you balance them?

It's tricky. I have so many ideas, and so little time. My dream is to retire and write full time.

Does writing energize or exhaust vou?

It energizes me when it's going well, exhausts me when I hit a block.

What other authors are you friends with, and how do they help you become a better writer? I belong to a WONDERFUL group called Marketing

for Romance Writers. This Facebook group and forum is made up of some wonderful authors who are all talented, supportive, and inspirational.

f you were writing a book about your life, what would the *title be?*

I already have It was my first published book called "Maternal Threads." I have also written a book about my writing life called "The Road to Publication."

Where can your fans find you and follow??

I'm on Facebook at www.facebook.com/ clairegem. author, on Twitter @gemwriter, also Goodreads, Pinterest, and LibraryThing under Claire Gem. You can find all the links at www.clairegem.com.

Thank you for taking your time to do this interview

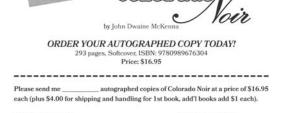
You're welcome, and we wish you much continued success. And, hey, a review of Spirits of the Heart is forthcoming. Stay tuned.

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The Olive Jar- By Carol LaMonda **One Hundred**

One Hundred is a good number. One hundred on a math test is excellent. Finding a hundred dollar bill in a birthday card is outstanding. One hundred bottles of beer on a wall...fantastic. One hundred degree days for a week or more...not so great.

This heat wave found me unprepared. First of all, my husband and I brag about our well-insulated home in the tree tops on the side of the mountain. There is always a nice evening breeze, so no need to put the small air-conditioner I bought a few years back in the bedroom window. This year there was a need. In went the new, hardly used air-conditioner. We plugged it in, and NOTHING.

We resurrected an old air-conditioner that was on a basement shelf. It is older than the house and sounds like

Olive Free Library Director's Message

We are kicking off our Summer Reading Program with LocalFest at the Library on Saturday, July 7, 12-4. There will be food, music, local organizations showing off what they do, a petting zoo, activities and games for kids, and a face painter. Throughout the day we will be registering people for the Summer Reading Program that's open to all ages. Kids ages 17 and under can earn raffle tickets for the prize bags located in the lobby case. Adults can sign-up and get a bingo card to start earning chances to win our grand prize. The Summer Reading Program is sponsored by Community Bank

Reading Program is sponsored by Community Bank N.A. and Reservoir Veterinary Hospital. The Bookmobile will be back at the Shokan Plaza this summer starting Wednesday, July 11, 5:30-7:00 p.m. (weather permitting). Return library materials, pick something up to read, sign-up for summer reading, or just stop by and say hi. We have a nice selection of fiction books to check-out and other items to purchase. We have started a GoFundMe page to hoost our

We have started a GoFundMe page to boost our fundraising efforts for the upgrade of our 47-year-old elevator. Please consider making a donation and shar-ing the link to spread the word about this project.

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Notary public services are available at the library, free of charge! The service is available Tuesday 3-8, Friday 1-5, and other days by appointment. Please call the library to confirm the notary is available and bring your photo ID and unsigned forms. There is no charge for this service, but donations are always accepted.

See you at the library! Chrissy director@olivefreelibrary.org

Upcoming Events at Olive Free Library <u>ADULT_EVENTS</u> Saturday, July 7, 12-4 p.m. *LocalFest at the Library* Monday, July 9, 6:00 p.m. *Mystery Book Club-NEW!!* Tuesday, July 10 & 17, 1-3 p.m.Intro to Computers Class

Wednesday, July 11, 6:00 p.m. Author Talk: Lyme: The First Epidemic of Climate Change by Mary Beth Pfeiffer

Saturday, July 21, 2-4 p.m. The Sky's the Limit Art Exhibition Opening

Wednesday, August 1, 6:00 p.m. Meditation Workshop

Tween/Teen Programs(grades 6 and up) Upcoming Events Thursday, July 12, 5:30 p.m. Movie: *Maze Runner: The* Death Cure (PG-13)

Thursday, July 19, 6:00 p.m. Art Night: Pottery Class

(\$5 materials fee)

Thursday, July 26, 5:30 p.m. YA Book Discussion:

The Princess Bride Kids/Family Programs Saturday, July 7, 12-4 p.m. LocalFest at the Library Saturday, July 14, 1-3 p.m. STEM Saturdays: *Magnetic Tinkering* Tinkering

Wednesday, July 18, 6:00 p.m. Kids Pottery Class (ages 7-11) (\$5 materials fee) Friday, July 20, 5:30 - 7 p.m. <u>Nerf Wars</u> (sponsored by

Belladiel Pizzeria and Restaurant) Saturday, July 21, 6:00 p.m. Family Movie: *Peter Rabbit*

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a helicopter as it spits out cold air in fits and spurts. It must be sucking electricity from the national grid with its efficiency rating of zero. It cools one bedroom. The rest of house has overhead fans and three old fans blowing the hot air around. The dog has found the intersection of the three air streams.

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I actually like a heat wave. It is much more fun to cool off than to feed the dusty wood stove all winter. A heat advisory is license to serve sandwiches for dinner and to sip cold lemonade while one reads a book on the shady part of the deck. Vacuum? Heck, no! Never fear. The girl scout in me is on Amazon Prime

looking at which air-conditioner to order with two-day delivery. You can bet there will be a break in the heat wave now. Save your thanks for the next seventy-five degree day. I will be unpacking my new air-conditioner.

Tuesday, July 24, 6:00 p.m. Snapology: Lego City

Saturday, July 28, 1-3 p.m. STEM Saturdays: Stream Wal

Weekly Ongoing Programs

Gentle Yoga Mondays 7:00 p.m Wednesdays 9:00 a.m. Saturdays 9:00 a.m. – No gentle yoga class July 4 Kathy Carey is the instructor of this series. This is an

hour long beginner level class. Gentle Yoga is the perfect start for those new to yoga, providing the gentle and healing benefits of yoga. \$48 for 12-class card or \$6 drop-in fee. **Preschool Story Hour** Tuesdays 10:00 a.m. Come join the fun! Each week we do a craft activity,

read some books, sing, make music together, and everyone plays an instrument in a parade through the library. All are welcome

Tai Chi for Health

Beginner Level Tuesdays 6:00 p.m. Intermediate Level Wednesdays 10:30 a.m. Tai Chi is a great form of exercise. Suitable for people who have pain or limited mobility due to arthritis. Kathy Carey is the instructor of this series. Wear comfortable, loose clothing and shoes with little to no tread. This is an hour long beginner level class. Students will be standing for the whole class, but chairs will be available. \$48 for 12-class card or \$6 drop-in fee.

Singing Circle Wednesdays 1:30 p.m.

We sing the most fun songs from a wide time span! Open to all ages and free. Participants can request a song or bring a song, and be willing to join in with others. Reading music is not necessary.

Musician Julia Haines is a music therapist and educator. She plays piano, accordion, and harp, among other things. (This is Julia leading the merriment at our Summer Reading kickoff carnival).
 Catskill Ukulele Group Wednesdays 6:00 p.m. Pull up a ukulele and learn a song! This is a friendly group who welcomes all new comers. If you do not have a subula hat would like to pretion to you con such a subula bat would like to pretion to you con such as the sum on a subula bat would like to pretion to you con such as the sum of th

ukulele but would like to participate, you can check one out from the library. This group stays connected to other players through Meetup.com under the name Catskill Ukulele Group

Flow Yoga (open level) Fridays 9:00 a.m. Christina Steen will be

teaching an open level Flow Yoga class. Participants should have some prior yoga experi-ence and be familiar with terminology and basic poses. There will be options offered for poses in order to embrace individual ability and physical limitations. \$48 for 12-class card or \$6 drop-in fee.

Thursday Night Movie Series Movies start at 6:00 p.m. 8 Speaker Surround Sound, Overhead Projector Classics Movie Month July

12 You Can't Take it With You

Sweet-natured Alice Sycamore (Jean Arthur) falls for banker's son Tony Kirby (James Stewart). But when she invites her snooty prospective in-laws to dinner to give their blessing to the marriage, Alice's peculiar extended family -- including philosophical grandfather Martin Vanderhof (Lionel Barrymore), hapless fledgling ballerina sister Essie (Ann Miller) and fireworks enthusiast father, Paul (Samuel S. Hinds) -- might be too eccentric for the staid Kirbys.



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July 19 Roman Holiday PG-13

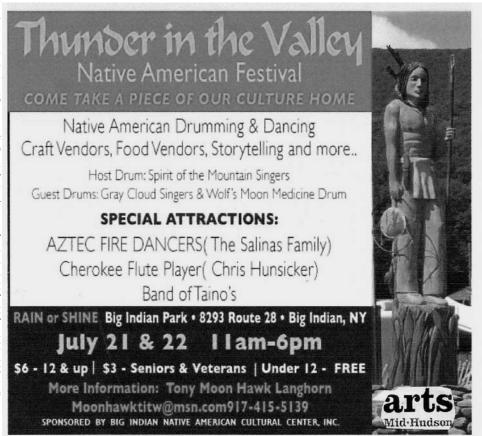
Overwhelmed by her suffocating schedule, touring European princess Ann (Audrey Hepburn) takes off for a night while in Rome. When a sedative she took from her doctor kicks in, however, she falls asleep on a park bench and is found by an American reporter, Joe Bradley (Gregory Peck), who takes her back to his apartment for safety. At work the next morning, Joe finds out Ann's regal identity and bets his editor he can get exclusive interview with her, but romance soon gets in the way.

July 26 *Singin' in the Rain* G When the transition is being made from silent films to 'talkies', everyone has trouble adapting. Don and Lina have been cast repeatedly as a romantic couple, but when their latest film is remade into a musical, only Don has the voice for the new singing part. After a lot of practice with a diction coach, Lina still sounds terrible, and Kathy, a bright young aspiring actress, is hired to record over her voice. Monday, July 16, 6:30 p.m. *Beekeeping Group*

Whether you are brand new to beekeeping or a seasoned beekeeper you will find a welcoming knowledgeable community of people sharing information and learning together. Saturday, July 21, 4:00 p.m. Book Discussion Group *The Invisible Bridge by Julie Orringer* Paris, 1937. Andras Lévi, a Hungarian-Jewish architec-

ture student, arrives from Budapest with a scholarship, a single suitcase, and a mysterious letter he promised to deliver. But when he falls into a complicated relationship with the letter's recipient, he becomes privy to a secret that will alter the course of his—and his family's—history. From the small Hungarian town of Konyár to the grand opera houses of Budapest and Paris, from the despair of Carpathian winter to an unimaginable life in labor camps, The Invisible Bridge tells the story of a family shattered and remade in history's darkest hour.

We have extra copies of the book at the library. All are welcome to join the discussion! Thursday, July 26, 5:30 p.m. YA Book Club (Contd Pg. 7)



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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 local author has been busy guesting at book clubs who have chosen this local memoir as their book choice. Each year, as summer approaches, the story of a carefree vacation in the Catskills should be added to your summer "mustread" list. The memoir is available at Amazon or Barnes and Noble on-line

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Upcoming Events at Olive Free Library (From Pg. 6) Some books just need to be talked about!! Meet up with other tweens/teens to share your thoughts about this month's selection while feasting on some yummy snacks. Open to anyone grades 6 & up! Refreshments will be provided. This month's selection is The Princess Brideby William Goldman. We have extra copies of the book at the library

Community Spotlight Olive Day Saturday, September 8 Mark your calendar Olive Day 2018 is right around the corner.

are lots of vegetables available during the growing season. Library Hours Monday 10-8; Tuesday 10-8; Wednesday 1-8; Thursday 1-8; Friday 1-5; and Saturday 10-4 Olive Free Library is located on Rt. 28a in West

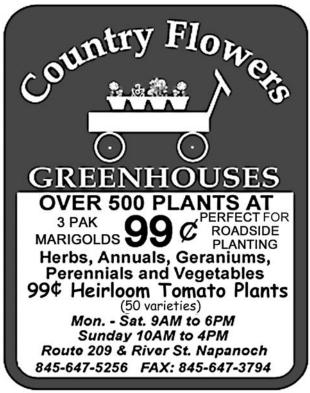
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Olive Free Library's Juried Summer Exhibition – The Sky's the Limit – Opens July 21!

- Opens July 21! The Olive Free Library Association is pleased to pres-ent its summer juried art exhibition, titled The Sky's the Limit. It runs from July 21 to September 8, 2018, with an opening reception on Saturday, July 21, from 2 to 4 pm. "We are excited to have Robert Langdon, of Emerge Gallery in Saugerties, as our juror," said Elaine Ralston, co-curator of the show with Linda Lynton. "He has a great are and knows the local artist community well."

eye and knows the local artist community well." Featuring the work of 44 different regional artists, and covering all styles and media, the exhibition is hung in the library's spacious Community Gallery. The artists participating are:

Judie Appleby, Jacinthe Battaglino, Linda Barash, ML Bonforte, Dennis Bressack, Nancy Campbell, Linda Champanier, Diane Christi, Carey Conaway, Anne Crowley, Carol Davis, Susan DeSanna, Josh Dorman, Crowley, Carol Davis, Susan DeSanna, Josh Dorman, Mary Edmundson, Stacie Flint, Travis Fox, Patti Gibbons, Katherine Gray, Cathy Hand, Martha Hill, Wendy Hollender, Pat Kelly, Maryann King, Claire Lambe, Pat MacDonald, Joanne Martignoni, Alan McKnight, Wilma Miller, Paul Mindell, Meredith Morabito, Ann Morris, Hannah Moskowitz, Astrid Nordness, Lois Ostapczuk, Susan Paroubek, Roberta Sickler, Ana Silva, Jan Sosnowitz, Judy Stanger, John Verner, Joyce Washor, J Weiss, Susan York, and Renee Zhang. (Contd. Pg. 11)



Frost Valley YMCA Shares 6 Tips To Keep Children Cool **During The Hot Summer Months**

Claryville - During the hot summer months, Frost Valley YMCA is prepared to keep its campers cool and hydrated. The year-round camp and retreat center offers tips to help keep your children cool while playing



outside this summer. 1. Keep Clothing Light - Wearing lightweight, breathable fabrics like cotton help keep children cooler. It's also helpful to wear lighter color clothing like white, pastel pink, and pastel yellow, which absorb less heat. 2. Keep Hydrated - When the temper-ature heats up, children lose more fluids through perspiration. Drinking plenty of water is essential during the day, especially during the peak hours of 10 am - 4 pm when the sun is at its highest point in the sky. Scheduling during times of high activity like playing games outside is crucial. By the time a child

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The Biblical Painters Group

(From Pg. 1) Politically, they came to understand that there was an unacknowledged debt that modernity owed to Judaism. If their art was their way of at least paying interest on that debt, the return, to them, was exponential. In their efforts over the years to find plastic equivalencies for the anti-naturalism of Biblical

structure, the artists experimented with myriad formal and stylistic approaches. It was logical for them to move from cubist conventions, to chiaroscuro, to tessellation, to multiple panel painting, to action painting, and back again. The driving principle was to compose and narrate simultaneously. A particular style was adopted or dropped as a consequence of its usefulness, never as an end in itself, It was in the willing submission to the authority of both the Biblical source and the bounded flat format on which they were composing that the artists found reason and courage to rethink the same subject, often the same painting, again and again.

These paintings, meetings, ideas, and friendships were the catalysts for numerous solo and group shows from the Seventies to the present. Most significantly, like-minded artist Harry Zirlin. participated in the meetings and opened Gallery 120 in 1980. He promoted the Biblical Painters Group for five spirited years.

Inevitably, the artists went in different directions in their art and lives. But, as this show indicates, each was sustained, over many years, by the energy of a vibrant ongoing discussion.



New Art – Old Testament is on exhibit at the Claryville Art Center where a permanent collection of pieces of famed Russian-American artist Alexander Kaletski is housed.

The show is dedicated to the memory of Tony Siani whose creativity and intellectual gen-erosity galvanized the group and gave them the courage to travel, artistically, far from where they had begun.

The opening reception of this exhibit, New Art – Old Testament was held on Sunday, July 8 at the Claryville Art Center located at 1471 Denning Road, Claryville, NY 12725 in cooperation with Anna Zorina Gallery, Chelsea, New York.

For more information on this exhibit contact info@annazorina-gallery.com or info@bluehilllodgecafe.com

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The Biblical Painters Group

(From Pg. 1) Politically, they came to understand that there was an unacknowledged debt that modernity owed to Judaism. If their art was their way of at least paying interest on that debt, the return, to them, was exponential. In their efforts over the years to find plastic equivalencies for the anti-naturalism of Biblical

structure, the artists experimented with myriad formal and stylistic approaches. It was logical for them to move from cubist conventions, to chiaroscuro, to tessellation, to multiple panel painting, to action painting, and back again. The driving principle was to compose and narrate simultaneously. A particular style was adopted or dropped as a consequence of its usefulness, never as an end in itself, It was in the willing submission to the authority of both the Biblical source and the bounded flat format on which they were composing that the artists found reason and courage to rethink the same subject, often the same painting, again and again.

These paintings, meetings, ideas, and friendships were the catalysts for numerous solo and group shows from the Seventies to the present. Most significantly, like-minded artist Harry Zirlin. participated in the meetings and opened Gallery 120 in 1980. He promoted the Biblical Painters Group for five spirited years.

Inevitably, the artists went in different directions in their art and lives. But, as this show indicates, each was sustained, over many years, by the energy of a vibrant ongoing discussion.



New Art – Old Testament is on exhibit at the Claryville Art Center where a permanent collection of pieces of famed Russian-American artist Alexander Kaletski is housed.

The show is dedicated to the memory of Tony Siani whose creativity and intellectual gen-erosity galvanized the group and gave them the courage to travel, artistically, far from where they had begun.

The opening reception of this exhibit, New Art – Old Testament was held on Sunday, July 8 at the Claryville Art Center located at 1471 Denning Road, Claryville, NY 12725 in cooperation with Anna Zorina Gallery, Chelsea, New York.

For more information on this exhibit contact info@annazorina-gallery.com or info@bluehilllodgecafe.com

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The Scene Too

- Jane Harrison KARABAS'S BARABAS. Ya. OK. I've been including this band name on live music schedules now for months but I had never gone to see them so it was time, if for no other reason than to find out about the name.

First let me say that Cabernet Frank's in Parksville is a venue where one can always hear great fun music. They are very discern-ing in their bookings and they book a wide range of locally fine talent as well as pulling bands from the city. Down and dirty Blues to Bluegrass to Pop to Jazz, whatever group is booked there, one can be guaranteed to not only entertained but find yourself wanting to go back soon. This is where I saw KARABAS'S BARABAS on Friday night.

And they captivated me. Their first song evoked the sounds of an old time colliope worked beautifully into the rhythm of the song and little did I realize that this sets the tone of the band itself. The three man group (guitar, bass and drums) are as tight musically as I've ever seen and they really have a good time playing live...and the show itself "goofs" on themselves and their audience. My companion, a world traveler, and I spent some time trying

to figure out where in the British Isles the lead singer's accent was from. He thought perhaps it was some kind of Cockney, where I leaned more toward Northern England. Turns out is was neither. The lead singer had used the effected accent as a goof for the night but his regular fans already knew this. But he had fooled both myself and my friend. Brilliant! It's not often someone can do this.

And yes, even though the band hails from Brooklyn, the down-stairs of Cabernet Frank's was filled. With adults. Their very suc-cessful daytime gig is children's music as ROLIE POLIE GUA-

CAMOLE, music you can find easily on Youtube. I never did find out about the name but I will be talking to them again! The Fourth of July nonwithstanding, Heartbeat, the Musical Hall of Grahamsville opened for it's 3rd Open Mic with perform-ances by John Houseman, Patty Legg, Walter, and Laura Garone. I got a chance to speak briefly with Laura. You can catch her most recollent down and distubling with Southern Fried Soul on Eriday July 27th starting at 7:30 at Cabernet Frank's in Parkville. Until next time...

Olive Free Library's Juried Summer Exhibition -

(From Pg. 7)"Linda Lynton and Elaine Ralston, co-curators of "The Sky's the Limit" and members of the Olive Free Library's Exhibition Committee, in collaboration with juror Robert Langdon, owner of Emerge Gallery, have put together an exciting exhibition of local artworks in various media," says Nathalie Andrews, Olive Free Library board member and Exhibition Committee co-chair. She continues, "The call for art resulted in more than 140 submissions of which 44 were chosen offer-

ing the community a great way to purchase works by local artists (within a 50-mile radius) at affordable prices. At the Opening Reception one artist will be awarded a \$100 prize for Best in Show, and there will also be two Honorable Mentions." The Olive Free Library has created a platform to show and sell the art of regional artists, both established and emerging. This provides art enthusiasts a way to view, appreciate, and purchase local and regional artworks. The rural town of Olive does not have a cultural center, so the library converted its spacious, light community room into a gallery space. The response from both artists and the community has been overwhelmingly positive. http://olivefreelibrary.org

Bird Whisperer to Speak at Catskill Exotic Bird Club Dinner Glenn Sorino, better known as The Bird Whisperer, will be the featured speaker at the 31st annual Catskill Exotic Bird Club dinner, to be held Thursday, July 26th , at the scenic Eagle's Nest in Bloomingburg, New York.

Recently profiled in the New York Times and a self-described parrot "pied piper," Mr. Sorino, 60, has been assuaging owner frustrations, coaching, grooming and evaluating behavioral issues in birds for the past 20 years. He has had extraordinary success in solving intractable problems with par-

rots as well as just improving the relationship bacecoss in solving inductive problems with par rots as well as just improving the relationship between parrots and their owners. As one of his many grateful clients said, "We consult Glenn with everything. He can take the most difficult situation with a parrot and make it seem natural, like breathing." This a rare chance to see him and his own, very-well-adjusted parrot outside of his practice in the New York City area.

The dinner is open to the public but seating is limited and reservations are required. The dinner is just \$40 and is all-inclusive from appetizers, choice of entrees, dessert and gratuity and includes valet parking. There will be a silent auction of a wide-variety of high-quality donated merchandise

as well. The meet-and-greet begins at 6PM and the program and dinner begins at 7PM. This is a popular event so early reservations

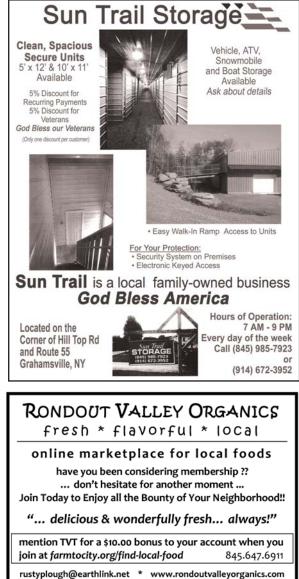
are encouraged. Call club president Richie Chiger at (845) 794-7966 or club vice-president Matt Frumess at (845) 747-9370 for reservations or for more information.

Pack Your Sandwiches - A New Public Pavilion opens at Catskill Interpretive Center

The ribbon has been cut on a beautiful new pavilion at The Catskill Interpretive Center in Mt. Tremper, NY. The 1,762 square feet of covered space is furnished with wooden benches and is open for public usage. The newly constructed outdoor pavilion will provide visitors with a pic-nicking location, a venue for educational programs, and a place for groups to meet up and begin their Catskill advantures.

meet up and begin their Catskill adventures. Catskill Interpretive Center Director, Sarah McGinnis said, "We are thrilled to have a beautiful new pavilion on the property of the Maurice D. Hinchey Catskill Interpretive Center. It will be open daily, offering a lovely shaded spot for visitors to picnic, or gather with friends. It will also give us the opportunity to host large events, both our own Catskill Center nature, art and out two procramping on yould accomputed in perturbing with and culture programming as well as community events in partnership with other area organizations.

A part of Governor Andrew M. Cuomo's Adventure NY Initiative to connect more New Yorkers with nature, the pavilion is one leg of multiple improvements slated for the Interpretive Center, including a full-sized fire tower (scheduled to be built in 2019), a ranger station (scheduled to be opened in 2019), and an interior refreshed with interactive exhibits (scheduled to be



installed in winter 2018).

The structure was constructed with an exposed lam-inated arch beam with stone fascia on posts. The enclo-sure walls were designed to complement the existing CIC building. The pavilion includes interior and exterior lighting and electrical convenience outlets. The pavilion was recently completed by Maeda Construction Inc. from Staatsburg, New York, at a cost of \$282,828. Funding was provided by the state's Environmental Protection Fund. DEC staff constructed 12 tables to be used with the pavilion.

Located in Ulster County, the Maurice D. Hinchey Catskill Interpretive Center is a joint project of the Catskill Center and the DEC and serves as the gateway for visitor and residents to learn about the Catskill Park. The center showcases the Catskills' natural resources and recreational opportunities by providing informa-tion about the 700,000-acre park, New York City's one million-acre Catskill/Delaware drinking watershed, and ways to recreate and enjoy these treasured natural resources

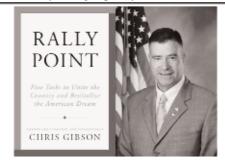
Executive Director of the Catskill Center, Jeff Senterman said, "The opening of the new pavilion represents another step in the development of the Catskill Interpretive Center site, first started many years ago when Representative Maurice D. Hinchey called for the creation of a visitor center for the Catskill Park. The Catskill Center is honored to have such a strong part-nership with the NYSDEC at the CIC to realize Representative Hinchey's dream for the Catskills. We look forward to the strengthening of this partnership and the growth of the CIC as we look towards the installation of new exhibits later this year and a Fire Tower next year. These collective efforts all help inter-pret the Catskills for tens of thousands of visitors and residents alike and offers a true gateway to the outdoor recreation and communities of the Catskill Park." Founded in 1969, The Catskill Center is a non-prof-

it charged with the mission to protect and foster the environmental, cultural and economic well-being of the Catskill Region. The pavilion's opening served as a double celebration. At the ribbon-cutting, a cake was presented to founding member Sherret Chase in cele-bration of his 100th birthday.

For more information, contact the Catskill Center at 845-586-2611 email hphelpsor lipton@catskillcenter.org

ABOUT THE CATSKILL CENTER Since 1969, the Catskill Center has protected and fostered the environmental, cultural and economic well-being of the Catskill region.





MER ARMY COLONEL AND CONGRESSMAN CHRIS GIBSON SATURDAY, JULY 14, 2018

NO HIS BOOK ABOUT REVITALIZING THE AMERICAN DREAM RALLY POINT

TWO LOCATIONS IN BULLIVAN COUNTY 10 A.M. – 12 NOON SULLIVAN COUNTY MUSEUM 265 MAIN STREET HURLEYVILLE, NY 12747

2 P.M. – 4 P.M. Town of Highland Schior Center 725 State Rte 55 – Eldred, NY 12732

BOOKS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE AT BOTH LOCATIONS

242 Years of Independence, Freedom and Constitutional Government (From Pg. 8) We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pur-

suit of Happiness. - That to secure these rights, Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed, - That whenever any Form of Government becomes destructive of these ends, it is the Right of the People to alter or to abolish it, and to

institute new Government, laying its foundation on such principles and organizing its powers in such form, as to them shall seem most likely to effect their Safety and

Happiness. Prudence, indeed, will dictate that Governments long established should not be changed for light and transient causes; and accordingly all experience hath shewn that mankind are more disposed to suffer, while evils are sufferable than to right themselves by abolishing the forms to

which they are accustomed. But when a long train of abuses and usurpations, pursuing invariably the same Object

evinces a design to reduce them under absolute Despotism, it is their right, it is their duty, to throw off such

Government, and to provide new Guards for their future security. - Such has been the patient sufferance of these Colonies; and such is now the necessity which constrains them to alter their former Systems of Government. The his-

tory of the present King of Great Britain is a history of repeated injuries and usurpations, all having in direct object

the establishment of an absolute Tyranny over these States. To prove this, let Facts be submitted to a candid world.

He has refused his Assent to Laws, the most wholesome and necessary for the public good.

He has forbidden his Governors to pass Laws of immediate and pressing importance, unless suspended in their operation till his Assent should be obtained; and when so suspended, he has utterly neglected to attend to them. He has refused to pass other Laws for the accommodation of large districts of people, unless those people would relinquish the right of Representation in the Legislature, a right ines-

timable to them and formidable to tyrants only. He has called together legislative bodies at places unusual, uncomfortable, and distant from the depository of their Public Records, for the sole purpose of fatiguing them into compliance with his measures.

He has dissolved Representative Houses repeatedly, for opposing with manly firmness his invasions on the rights of the people.

He has refused for a long time, after such dissolutions, to cause others to be elected, whereby the Legislative Powers, incapable of Annihilation, have returned to the People at large for their exercise; the State remaining in the mean time exposed to all the dangers of invasion from without, and convulsions within.

He has endeavoured to prevent the population of these States; for that purpose obstructing the Laws for Naturalization of Foreigners; refusing to pass others to encourage their migrations hither, and raising the conditions of new Appropriations of Lands.

He has obstructed the Administration of Justice by refusing his Assent to Laws for establishing Judiciary Powers.

He has made Judges dependent on his Will alone for the tenure of their offices, and the amount and payment of their salaries.

He has erected a multitude of New Offices, and sent hither swarms of Officers to harass our people and eat out their substance.

He has kept among us, in times of peace, Standing Armies without the Consent of our legislatures.

He has affected to render the Military independent of and superior to the Civil Power.

He has combined with others to subject us to a jurisdiction foreign to our constitution, and unacknowledged by our laws; giving his Assent to their Acts of pretended Legislation:

For quartering large bodies of armed troops among us: For protecting them, by a mock Trial from punishment for any Murders which they should commit on the Inhabitants of these States:

For cutting off our Trade with all parts of the world:

For imposing Taxes on us without our Consent:

For depriving us in many cases, of the benefit of Trial by Jury:

For transporting us beyond Seas to be tried for pretended offences:

For abolishing the free System of English Laws in a neighbouring Province, establishing therein an Arbitrary government, and enlarging its Boundaries so as to render it at once an example and fit instrument for introducing the same absolute rule into these Colonies

For taking away our Charters, abolishing our most valuable Laws and altering fundamentally the Forms of our Governments:

For suspending our own Legislatures, and declaring themselves invested with power to legislate for us in all cases whatsoever.

He has abdicated Government here, by declaring us out of his Protection and waging War against us.

He has plundered our seas, ravaged our coasts, burnt our towns, and destroyed the lives of our people.

He is at this time transporting large Armies of foreign Mercenaries to compleat the works of death, desolation, and tyranny, already begun with circumstances of Cruelty & Perfidy scarcely paralleled in the most barbarous ages, and totally unworthy the Head of a civilized nation.

He has constrained our fellow Citizens taken Captive on the high Seas to bear Arms against their Country, to become the executioners of their friends and Brethren, or to fall themselves by their Hands.

He has excited domestic insurrections amongst us, and has endeavoured to bring on the inhabitants of our frontiers, the merciless Indian Savages whose known rule of warfare, is an undistinguished destruction of all ages saves and conditions

undistinguished destruction of all ages, sexes and conditions. In every stage of these Oppressions We have Petitioned for Redress in the most humble terms: Our repeated Petitions have been answered only by repeated injury. A Prince, whose character is thus marked by every act which may define a Tyrant, is unfit to be the ruler of a free people.

Nor have We been wanting in attentions to our British brethren. We have warned them from time to time of attempts by their legislature to extend an unwarrantable jurisdiction over us. We have reminded them of the circumstances of our emigration and settlement here. We have appealed to their native justice and magnanimity, and we have conjured them by the ties of our common kindred to disavow these usurpations, which would inevitably interrupt our connections and correspondence. They too have been deaf to the voice of justice and of consanguinity. We must, therefore, acquiesce in the necessity, which denounces our Separation, and hold them, as we hold the rest of mankind, Enemies in War, in Peace Friends.

We, therefore, the Representatives of the united States of America, in General Congress, Assembled, appealing to the Supreme Judge of the world for the rectitude of our intentions, do, in the Name, and by Authority of the good People of these Colonies, solemnly publish and declare, That these united Colonies are, and of Right ought to be Free and Independent States, that they are Absolved from all Allegiance to the British Crown, and that all political connection between them and the State of Great Britain, is and ought to be totally dissolved; and that as Free and Independent States, they have full Power to levy War, conclude Peace, contract Alliances, establish Commerce, and to do all other Acts and Things which Independent States may of right do. - And for the support of this Declaration, with a firm reliance on the protection of Divine Providence, we mutually pledge to each other our Lives, our Fortunes, and our sacred Honor.

Signed: John Hancock (president of the Continental Congress), Josiah Bartlett, William Whipple, Matthew Thornton, Samuel Adams, John Adams, Robert Treat Paine, Elbridge Gerry, Stephen Hopkins, William Ellery, Roger Sherman, Samuel Huntington, William Williams, Oliver Wolcott, William Floyd, Philip Livingston, Francis Lewis, Lewis Morris, Richard Stockton, John Witherspoon, Francis Hopkinson, John Hart, Abraham Clark, Robert Morris, Benjamin Rush, Benjamin Franklin, John Morton, George Clymer, James Smith, George Taylor, James Wilson, George Ross, Caesar Rodney, George Read, Thomas McKean, Samuel Chase, William Paca, Thomas Stone, Charles Carroll of Carrollton, George Wythe, Richard Henry Lee, Thomas Jefferson, Benjamin Harrison, Thomas Nelson, Jr., Francis Lightfoot Lee, Carter Braxton, William Hooper, Joseph Hewes, John Penn, Edward Rutledge, Thomas Ĥeyward, Ĵr., Thomas Lynch, Jr., Arthur Middleton, Button Gwinnett, Lyman Hall, and George Walton.

Looking to Travel? You May Need a New ID

Monticello, NY - While those content with their standard New York State driver's licenses won't have to change their renewal habits, either a "Real ID" or an "Enhanced Driver's License" (EDL) will be required to board a domestic flight, enter a military base or access a federal building after October 2020.

"It will be a bit of an inconvenience at first for most licensed drivers," acknowledged County Clerk Daniel Briggs. "To get a Real ID or EDL, you will need to go to a DMV Office. You cannot get those online, by phone, or through the mail."

Real IDs and EDLs are not mandated for driving purposes. But those who wish to keep their standard driver's licenses will have "Not for Federal Purposes" stamped on their licenses.

"I agree with this new initiative geared towards our safety," remarked Legislature Chair Luis Alvarez. "I understand that people will think of this as another annoying bureaucratic mandate, but I believe that this can be a stepping stone towards increasing our homeland security."

Citizens need to ensure they bring the correct required documentation to qualify for a Real ID or EDL. This includes proof of U.S. citizenship, date of birth, Social Security card and two proofs of legal address, like a utility bill, tax bill and/or a mortgage statement. If a resident has changed their name, they must also bring their marriage certificates, divorce decrees, or court orders.

For more details, visit https://dmv.ny.gov/driverlicense/federal-real-id or contact the Sullivan County DMV Office at 845-807-0700.

Monitoring & Managing Ash Trees with CRISP

LIBERTY, NY-An invasive species is a species that is nonnative and whose introduction causes or has the potential to cause harm to the environment, economy, or human health. Invasive species spread quickly and aggressively because they are hardy, they reproduce rapidly, and they lack natural predators or biological controls. Invasive species can compete with natives for resources, prey on natives, alter the environment to make it undesirable for natives, interfere with human infrastructure and activities, carry and transmit diseases, and make the landscape more prone to natural disasters such as floods and wildfires. (www.yates.cce.cornell.edu)

Cornell Cooperative Extension Sullivan County (CCESC) has partnered with Catskill Regional Invasive Species Program (CRISP) to offer Monitoring and Managing Ash (MaMA) Trees workshop Monday, July 16, 2018 from 1:00 to 4:00 pm. This FREE program will be held at the Extension Education Center on 64 Ferndale-Loomis Road in Liberty.

Jonathan Rosenthal and Dr. Radka Wildova of the Ecological Research Institute will present how to establish ash mortality monitoring, how to report and track emerald ash borer, and when to treat or cut down trees. The program will include two hours in-class instruction and a one hour field survey demonstration. Tools and resources will be shared with participants.

Cornell Cooperative Extension Sullivan County offers FREE invasive species identification services throughout the year.

This workshop is FREE. Registration is required by calling CCESC at 845-292-6180, emailing sullivan@cornell.edu, or visiting www.sullivancce.org. Additional donations forCCESC programs are appreciated.

Second Saturday Makers: Creative Felt Storyboards

LIBERTY, NY-Youth and adult leaders wishing to channel their creative energies toward an array of "do-it-yourself" projects can engage in a hands-on Second Saturdays Makers Series continuing July 14, 2018 with "Felt Storyboards for Kids". Cornell Cooperative Extension Sullivan County (CCESC) is offering this educational 4-H Youth Development program series on the second Saturday of each month through October 13 from 1:00 to 3:00 pm. 4-H programs are always open to non-members.

The goal of the program is to assist leaders in learning methods, practicing skills, and building confidence to be able to share these projects with a larger youth audience. The workshops will take place at the Extension Education Center on 64 Ferndale-Loomis Road in Liberty. Some projects may need participants to bring additional supplies.

Karen Mariner, Barbara Olsen, and other CCESC volunteers will lead the following projects:

July 14: Felt Storyboards for Kids

- August 11: Artistry of Wood Burning
- September 8: Silk Scarf Dyeing

October 13: Halloween Tin-Punch Fun

There is a suggested donation of \$5 per class to support the program. Participants take home their creations.

Registration with payment is required in advance by visiting www.sullivance.org, emailingsullivan@cornell.edu, or calling CCESC at 845-292-6180. Payment can be made in advance by check, cash, or credit. In the event of special needs, the public should contact the CCESC office.

Any Sullivan County youth ages 5-18 can apply to enroll in 4-H for free, all year long. Program fees support the cost of instructors, refreshments, materials, and facilities. Additional donations for CCESC programs are appreciated.

Cornell Cooperative Extension's 4-H Youth Development program empowers any youth ages 5-18 to reach their full potential, working and learning in partnership with caring adults. 4-H members have opportunities to connect to Cornell University resources and gain career readiness skills through hands-on activities and "learning by doing".

Thursday

Prayer 7 pm

Buckle up, folks! Some serious family bonding is on the

New York State was made for road trips. Summer is the perfect season to cruise along New York's scenic drives and byways with your windows down and the tunes up high. This summer, we've released five different road trip ideas for families with all interests. Stock up on the snacks, fill up that gas tank, and start exploring!

On Saturdays and Sundays, hop aboard a train ride back in time at the Delaware and Ulster Railroad, a unique round-trip voyage between Arkville and Roxbury, two towns on Route 30. When the weather permits, you can ride in the open-air cars or in the glass-domed cars where they serve lunch inspired by the railroad glory days. On select Saturdays between June and September they offer a special twist on the ride: a mock highway train robbery!

Visiting small towns' "World's Largest" accolades is what road-tripping is all about so make sure you visit the Emerson Kaleidoscope. This 56-foot-tall and 38-foot-wide farm siloturned-kaleidoscope is big enough for the whole family to step inside. Feel totally immersed in this colorful experience that's even set to an original musical score.







JULY 12, 2018

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ADVERTISEMENT FOR BID

PROJECT INFORMATION

Notice to Bidders: bidders may submit bids for project as described in this Document. Submit bids according to the Instructions to Bidders.

Project Identification: Catskill Watershed Corporation Headquarters. Project Location: County Road 38, Arkville, New York.

Owner: Catskill Watershed Corporation, 905 Main Street, Margaretville, New York 12455.

Architect: Keystone Associates, Architects, Engineers and Surveyors, LLC, 58 Exchange Street, Binghamton, New York 13901.

Project Description:

Construction of new Headquarters Building, which includes, site work, general construction, plumbing, mechanical and electrical work.

Construction Contract: Bids will be received for the following Work:

- Single Contract Project consisting of the following prime contracts:

- Contract No. 1 Site Construction. Contract No. 2 General Construction. Contract No. 3 Roofing Construction. Contract No. 4 Plumbing Construction. Contract No. 5 Mechanical Construction.

- Contract No. 6 Electrical Construction.
- **BID SUBMITTAL AND OPENING**

Owner will receive sealed lump sum bids until the bid time and date at the location given below. Owner will consider bids prepared in compliance with the Instructions to Bidders issued by Owner, and deliv ered as follows:

- Bid Date: Wednesday, July 25, 2018.
- Bid Time: 4:00 p.m.

Location: Catskill Watershed Corporation, P.O. Box 569, 905 Main Street, Margaretville, New York 12455.

Bids will be thereafter publicly opened and read aloud.

BID SECURITY

Bid security shall be submitted with each bid in the amount of 5 percent (5%) of the bid amount. No bids may be withdrawn for a period of 45 calendar days after opening of bids. Owner reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive informalities and irregularities.

DOCUMENTS

Procurement and Contracting Documents: Obtain copy of said documents by contacting Dataflow, Inc., 19 S Washington Street, Binghamton, New York 13903 (Phone 607-772-2001/ Fax 607-772-3595)

• Digital Download: Bid documents can be downloaded for a \$50.00 non-refundable fee payable by credit card from *www.godataflow.com*Hard Copy Documents: One (1) set of hard copy bid documents may be obtained by Prime

Bidders only.
Deposit: \$100.00, made payable to Owner.
Shipping: Documents will be sent UPS Ground upon receipt of a separate, non-refundable shipping and handling payment of \$25.00 for each set payable to Dataflow, Inc. Bidders have the option to provide Dataflow with Bidder's UPS or FedEx shipping account number to expedite delivery of documents.

Online Procurement and Contracting Documents: Obtain access by contacting Dataflow, Inc., (607) 772-2001. Online access will be provided to all registered bidders and suppliers.

Viewing Procurement and Contracting Documents: Examine at the locations below:

- Associated Building Contractors of the Triple Cities, Inc., 15 Belden Street, Binghamton, NY 13903; (607) 771-7000.
- Catskill Watershed Corporation, 905 Main Street, Margaretville, New York 12455. ConstructConnect Co., 30 Technology Parkway, Suite 100, Norcross, GA 33092; (800) 424-3996.
- Construction Contractors Association of the Hudson Valley, 330 Meadow Ave, Newburgh, NY

- Construction Contractors Association of the Hudson Valley, 330 Meadow Ave, Newburgh, N 12550; (845) 562-4280. Dataflow, 19 S Washington Street, Binghamton, NY 13901; (607) 772-2001. Dataflow, 71 Fuller Road, Albany, NY 12205; (518) 463-2192. Dodge Documents can be viewed at *www.dodgeprojects.construction.com*. Eastern Contractors Association, 6 Airline Drive, Albany, NY 12205; (518) 869-0961. Keystone Associates Architects, Engineers and Surveyors, LLC, 58 Exchange Street, Binghamton, NY 13901; (607) 722-1100. Mohawk Valley Builders Exchange, Inc., 10 Main Street, Suite 202, Whitesboro, NY 13492; (315) 736-2441
- (315) 736-2441 . Syracuse Builders Exchange, 6563 Ridings Road, Syracuse, NY 13206; (315) 437-9936.
- Bidders who have paid the aforesaid deposit for an entire hard copy set of Bidding and Contract Documents; have submitted a Bid with required bid security; and return such sets including all addenda, to Dataflow, Inc. in GOOD CONDITION within thirty (30) days after the opening of Bids, shall receive a refund of the full amount of such deposit for one (1) set.
- TIME OF COMPLETION

Successful bidders shall begin the Work within fifteen (15) calendar days of the Notice to Proceed and shall complete the Work within the contract time.

BIDDER'S QUALIFICATIONS

Bidders must be properly licensed under the laws governing their respective trades and be able to obtain insurance and bonds required for the Work. A Performance Bond, separate Labor and Material Payment Bond and Insurance in a form acceptable to Owner will be required of the successful Bidder.

NOTICE OF COMPLETION OF TENTATIVE ASSESSMENT ROLL

(Pursuant to Sections 506 & 526 of the Real Property Tax Law) NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Assessor of the Town of Neversink, County of Sullivan, has completed and Re-filed Tentative Assessment Roll for the current year and that a copy has been left with the Town Clerk at the Neversink Town Hall, where it may be seen and examined by any interested party until July 17, 2018.

Grievance Day will be held on July 17, 2018 at Neversink Town Hall, 273 Main Street, Grahamsville, NY. The hours are 4:00 PM until 8:00 PM. The Tentative Assessment Roll will be available at the Neversink Town Hall during regular business hours or you may call for an Appointment.

The law requires complainants to file a written statement, under oath, specifying the respect in which the assessment com-plained of is illegal, or erroneous by reason of over valuation or inequality (Real Property Tax Law, Sec. 512 subdivision 1). The complaint must also state the amount of reduction sought. The complainant may file the complaint with the Assessor prior to Grievance Day.

A publication is available at the Assessors Office which explains how to file a complaint on your assessment along with the forms. 7/12

I, Bryan Delaney, Sole Assessor for the Town of Neversink, do (severally) depose and swear that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, I have set forth in the Tentative Assessment Roll attached hereto or filed herewith, all the real property situated in the assessing unit in which I am sole assessor and with the exception of assessments made by the State Board of Equalization and Assessment, have estimated the value of each such real property at the sums which I have determined to be in accordance with the provisions of Section Three Hundred Five (305) of the Real Property Tax Law. Signed:

Bryan Delaney, Sole Assessor 7/12

I, Bryan Delaney, Sole Assessor for the Town of Neversink have completed the assessment roll will be based. It is available for public inspection Monday through Friday 8:30 until 4:30 pm at Town Hall, 273 Main Street, Grahamsville, New 'York. Appointment can also be made for Bryan Delaney, Sole Assessor on Tuesday and Thursday evening by calling (845) 985-2262 Ext. 323.

Bryan Delaney, Sole Assessor

7/12

NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH SEWER DISTRICT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that at a regular meeting held on the 3rd day of July, 2018, the Town Board of the Town of Denning, New York (the "Town") duly adopted a resolution follow-ing a public hearing, an abstract of which follows, which resolu-tion is subject to a permissive referendum pursuant to Town Law Article 7. If a permissive referendum is sought for this district for-mation, the petition requesting a permissive referendum must be filed with the Town Clerk within 30 days from the date of this notice.

The purpose of Resolution No. 37 of 2018 is to establish a sewer district for the Hamlet of Claryville in the Town of Denning. The general boundaries of said proposed district are as follows: those properties located in the Hamlet of Claryville located within the Town of Denning delineated on the proposed Service Area Map on file with the Town Clerk.

The improvements and/or services proposed to be made are as follows: the repair, replacement and/or maintenance of the individual septic system and/or services that serve the residents within the sewer district. The Engineer's Report and Plan are on file with the Town Clerk.

Town will not incur any expense in the formation of the pro-posed district. The operation and maintenance of the septic systems will be funded with funds being provided by the Catskill Watershed Corporation ("CWC") as part of a septic maintenance district fund. The income earned each year from this fund will be used for operation, maintenance and replacement/repair of the systems within the Septic Maintenance District.

Dated: July 3rd, 2018

By Order of the Town Board of the Town of Denning Joy Ann Monforte, RMC, Town Clerk

(Legals/Announcements Contd. Pg. 15)

JULY 12, 2018

Town of Neversink Parks & Recreation Call for info: (845) 985-2262 extension 312

www.townofneversink.org



2018 Upcoming Events 7/13 Free Water Fun at Grahamsville Fairgrounds 7/18 Albi Concert Neversink Town Park 5 to 7 pm

8/4 NY Renaissance Fair Saturday, September 15 from 9 am to 5 pm there will be something for everyone at the Grahamsville Fairgrounds. The day will include:

1) Neversink Rondout Antique Machinery Association Tractor Show & Swap Meet

2) Grahamsville Rod & Gun Club Sportsman Flea Market in the Fair Building

3) Neversink Parks & Rec Community Yard Sale, Craft & Vendor Fair

4) Any Make Any Model Car Club Cruise In meet 9:30 am at Tri Valley School to cruise to the Fairgrounds at 10 am.

9/29 Garlic Festival

10/13 Jack O Lantern Blaze

10/27 Look for our Trunk at the **PTO Trunk or Treat** 11/3-11/4 Kalahari Indoor Water Park Sleepover 12/1 Transportation to NYC

Daniel Pierce Library

hours of operation Tuesday: 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Wednesday: 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Thursday: 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Friday: 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Saturday: 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Sunday and Monday: Closed If you have any questions, please call the library at 985 7233.

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

AL-ANON MEETINGS- http://www.al-anon.alateen.org Mon- 7:00 p.m. United Methodist Church, 170 N. Main

Street, Liberty • Thurs- 7:00 p.m. Immacu-late Conception

Church Annex, 6317 Rt 42, Woodbourne

Sat- 8:00 p.m. United Methodist Church, 170 N. Main Street, Liberty

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Town of Denning Planning Board Meeting - 7 pm Neversink Farmers' Market 11am -3 pm (Rt 55 & Shumway Rd/Parking Lot of Neversink General Store)

Neversink Parks & Rec Albi Concert Neversink Town Park 5 to 7 pm (Bring a chair or blanket to sit on)

Neversink Chamber of Commerce Meeting - 7 pm Community Room (lower level) Daniel Pierce Library

Thrift Sale and Luncheon - Grahamsville UMC: Thrift Sale 9:00am-12 noon; Luncheon 10:45am-12:30pm

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SHOPRITE

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

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

LEGALS/ANNOUNCEMENTS (From Pg. 14)

ANNOUNCEMENT

The following position is available at Tri-Valley Central School for 2018-2019:

Teacher Aide 10-Month Position (September - June) Salary and benefits as per TESSA Bargaining Agreement

Interested parties should send letters of interest to:

District Office/Teacher Aide Tri-Valley Central School District 34 Moore Hill Road Grahamsville, New York 12740 (845)985-2296

Cut-off date for accepting letters of interest: July 13, 2018

7/5; 7/12

TOWN OF NEVERSINK EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY: TEMPORARY PART-TIME CLEANER

This part-time position consists of cleaning duties at the Town Hall located at 273 Main St. in Grahamsville. The duties would have to be performed at hours other than during the time the Town Hall is open to the public and/or in use for meetings.

The position is available starting immediately at an hourly rate of \$14.88 per hour not to exceed 8 hours per week. General Statement of Duties: Performs routine building and cleaning work and related work as required.

Letter of Interest and applications must be received by July 16, 2018. Applications are available at the Town Hall and on the Town's website, www.townofneversink.org. Please send letter of interest and application to Chris Mathews, Supervisor, Town of Neversink, PO Box 307, Grahamsville, NY 12740 or drop it off at the Town Hall. Please address any questions to Chris Mathews, Supervisor at (845)985-2262, ext. 301.

Fall Stop Move Strong

Fall Stop Move Strong is a fall prevention education and exercise program. It will be held at St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church, 24 Chestnut St., Liberty, NY 12754 beginning Sunday, July 15 at 11:00 am. All adults are welcome to this free 8-10 week program held each Sunday at 11:00am. (Free will offerings)

If you have any questions, please contact the instructor, Gale Haynes, at: teachergale@yahoo.com or call the church at 845-292-4626. Hope you are able to come to this important program!

Important program!

The Green Amendment in Livingston Manor

Livingston Manor, NY Saturday, July 14th at 4:00pm, the public is invited to Morgan Outdoors for a discussion and signing of the book The Green Amendment: Securing our Right to a Healthy Environment with its author Maya K. van Rossum, the Delaware Riverkeeper, Wes Gillingham, Associate Director of Catskill Mountainkeeper, will introduce Maya. Van Rossum is a veteran environ-

Van Rossum is a veteran environmentalist and licensed attorney who joined the Delaware Riverkeeper Network in 1994 as executive director and since 1996 has served as the Delaware Riverkeeper, championing the rights of people to a free-flowing, clean, and healthy Delaware River and its tributary streams.

"In the decades long fight for a cleaner environment, we've been fighting a losing battle. The sad truth is our laws are designed to accommodate pollution rather than prevent it. People feel powerless when it comes to preserving the quality of their water, air, public parks, and special natural spaces. The solution", argues van Rossum in her book, "is to bypass the laws and turn to the ultimate authority: our state and federal constitutions."



2018 Dept. of Motor Vehicles Schedule - Neversink Town Hall



Van Rossum is currently advancing The Green Amendment movement, seeking to inspire and secure constitutional protection for environmental rights across the nation. The Green Amendment includes a powerful foreword authored by Mark Ruffalo. The book will be for sale and a book signing will immediately follow the program.

Maya grew up in the Delaware River watershed, playing in Ithan Creek, a tributary to the Darby, which is a tributary to the Delaware. After law school she returned to the Delaware River watershed to take on the role of fighting to protect it, along with each and every tributary stream including her beloved Ithan Creek.

the role of fighting to protect it, along with each and every tributary stream including her beloved Ithan Creek. RSVPs required. Simply call (845) 439 5507 or send an email to info@morganoutdoors.com. Morgan Outdoors is located at 46 Main Street in Livingston Manor. Hours are 10 - 6 Monday to Saturday and 10-4: Sunday. www.morgan-outdoors.com

THE TOWNSMAN

Claryville Fire District Meeting 6:30 pm Grahamsville Fire District Meeting 7 pm Grahamsville Firehouse Town of Neversink Zoning Board of Appeals 7:30 pm

Third Saturday Thrift Sale - Grahamsville UMC - 9 - 12 noon

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

Town of Denning Board Meeting 7:00 pm - Sundown Church Hall

Town of Denning Board Business Meeting 7 pm Denning Town Hall

Town of Neversink Planning Board Meeting -7 pm

Town of Denning Planning Board Meeting 7 pm

Town of Neversink Board Meeting

Neversink-Rondout Antique Machinery Association Meeting - 7:30 pm

Neversink Fire District Board of Fire Commissioners Meeting 7:30 pm

Claryville Fire Department All You Can Eat Pancake Breakfast - 7 am to Noon

Tri-Valley booster club- C.A.S.T meeting 6:30 pm TVCS Secondary School Library



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Updated mother-daughter home on 1.55 acre corner lot in quiet, established Grahamsville neighborhood two miles from Tri-Valley Central School. 3-car+ garage (used as woodshop), paved driveways, separate utilities and entrances for house and apartment. Total 5 bedrooms, 3 1/2 baths, offices (2), mudroom, utility rooms (2), full kitchens (2), large family/dining rooms (2), rec & bonus rooms, three decks. 8K Solar electric system, indoor wood-boiler that supplements oil boilers (2), large insulated concrete crawl space for storage, three outbuildings, fenced organic garden and greenhouse. Town of Neversink. See photos on Zillow.com. Asking \$399,000. Call 845-707-3569. p6/21-7/19

FOR SALE

FOR SALE: Harman XXV Pellet Stove Excellent Condition - \$1,900. Phone 845-434-7626 & Leave a message

HELP WANTED

Part-time Help needed for Special Events at the beautiful Claryville Event Center. Experience in restaurant service helpful. Ideal for teachers or college students over summer Call 845-985-0247. vacation.

Pizza Chef at Blue Hill Lodge & Cafe. For interview call 845-985-0247 and leave a message. We will get back to you.

Looking for a job that makes a difference this summer? Frost Valley YMCA is hiring for senior counselor, leadership staff and camp driver positions in our exciting day camp program. mid-June through August. Weekdays, Qualifications: 18 years or older, desire to work with children. Email daycamp@frostvalley.org or call 845-985-2291 x305 with questions. Apply online at frostvalley.org. 7/12; 19;26; 8/2

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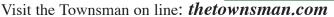
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"Knarf's Classic Movie Trivia" ON TCM JULY 12, 2018



STARTING AT; 10:15 PM "ANATOMY OF A MURDER" (Drama, 1959) A small-town lawyer gets the case of a lifetime when a military man avenges an attack on his wife. Dir: Otto Preminger Cast: James Stewart, Lee Remick, Ben Gazzara. B/W - 161 min TV-PG Closed Captions 1:15 AM "SOME CAME RUNNING" (Drama, 1958) A

veteran returns home to deal with family secrets and small-town scandals. D: Vincente Minnelli. Frank Sinatra, Dean Martin, Shirley MacLaine, Martha Hyer,

Arthur Kennedy, Nancy Gates. Slick adaptation of James Jones' novel about disillusionment in a small midwestern town in the late 1940s; more character study than narrative. MacLaine is especially good as luckless floozie who's stuck on Sinatra; Elmer Bernstein's music score also a stand-

out. CinemaScope. Closed Captions 3:45 AM "THE FRONT PAGE", (Comedy, 1931) D: Lewis Milestone. Adolphe Menjou, Pat O'Brien, Mary Brian, Edward Everett Horton, Walter Catlett, Mae Clarke, George E. Stone. First filming of Hecht-MacArthur play is forceful, funny, and flamboyantly directed, with Menjou and O'Brien a good pair as battling editor and reporter in Chicago. Stands up quite well alongside remake HIS GIRL FRIDAY, B/W - 101 min. TV-G CC

OUIZ: In "SOME CAME RUNNING"

1. Who plays Bama Dillert? *2.* Who plays Ginny Moorhead?

What's Going on in The Gnome Gneighborhoodtm

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

GRAHAMSVILLE

July 18th **Albi Concert Neversink Town Park** 5 to 7 pm. (Bring chairs or blanket to sit on)

July 21st Third Saturday Thrift Sale 9:00 a.m. - 12 noon

July 31st - Grahamsville United Methodist Church Thrift Sale 9-12 & Luncheon 10:45-12:30.

CLARYVILLE

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

NEVERSINK

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

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