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Historic 1848 Claryville One Room Schoolhouse Museum Open Saturday, July 18 1 to 4 p.m.



[Grahamsville, N.Y.] - The historic Claryville One Room Schoolhouse is open Saturday, July 18 from 1 to 4 p.m.. Fun, interactive, hands-on games and activities entertain kids and adults alike in the school's vestibule. Old-fashioned games such as jump ropes, rolling hoops and more are available for play. Admission is by donation. The schoolhouse is located at 946 Claryville Road (adjacent to the Claryville Reformed Church Hall), Claryville, NY. (Contd. Pg. 5)

NRAMA is pleased to announce that Meghan Riley is this year's scholarship recipient



NRAMA Scholarship recipient Meghan Riley, her mother Kathy and Scholarship chair John McHugh

Summer is HERE! And it came in with a bang from scorching heat and humidity to torrential rain and thunderstorms! This has had an impact on events our NRAMA club wanted to participate in. The club always joins the Ellenville 4th of July parade with several club members riding their tractors and others (like me) riding along in our club wagon! The extreme heat and humidity put a damper on our participation in the parade. It was the first time in several years that we did not join in the festivities, but it was agreed the heat was not the best weather for members or tractors! We have already put the parade on our calendar for next year as this is one of the parades our club always enjoys (Contd. Pg. 6)

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On the Front Burner:

Draw nigh unto my soul, and redeem it; deliver me because of mine enemies.
Psalm 69:18

OBITUARIES

Larry A. Bivins of Livingston Manor, New



York a lifelong area resident died Wednesday, July 8, 2026 at the Garnet Health Medical Center, Middletown, NY with his devoted family at his side. He was 74.

The son of the late Kenneth

and Iva Decker Bivins, he was born May 4, 1952 in Liberty, NY. Larry was employed for many years as a Correctional Officer at Eastern Correctional Facility, where he dedicated himself to serving his community with pride and integrity.

In his leisure time, Larry enjoyed traveling, turkey hunting, gardening, and spending countless hours fishing. He was a volunteer with the Livingston Manor Renaissance, and always reached out his hand to all friends, neighbors, and even strangers in need.

Above all else, Larry cherished his family. His greatest joy in life was being a Grandpa, a title he wore with immense pride and love. Affectionately known by his family as the "baby whisperer," Larry had a remarkable way with children. His gentle nature and comforting presence drew people to him, especially the youngest members of the family. He possessed a timeless spirit and a kind heart that made everyone feel welcome and at ease.

Survivors include his loving wife of 53 years, Carolyn Bivins, at home; his daughter, Maria Bivins of Livingston Manor, NY; his son, Christopher Bivins of Utica, NY; his grandchildren, Nathaniel DePaul and his partner Isabel Miller of Des Moines, IA; Jonathan Bivins of Utica, NY and, Alexander Bivins and his fiancée Kylee Nemeyer of Utica, NY; one great-grandchild, Jaedon Anthony Bivins; his brother, Bill Bivins of Willowemoc, NY; his brothers-in-law, Thomas Rowan (Bert), Robert Rowan (Yvonne), John Durkin, Walter Durkin (Lisa), and Thomas Totten; his sisters-in-law, Mary Quinn (Dennis), Patricia Durkin, Evelyn Ruppert (Richard); his good friend and brother, Lem Austin and his wife Rosetta; many nieces, nephews; and he was "Uncle Larry" to Josh, Kayla and Olivia Gardiner.

He is preceded in death by his brother-in-law, Anthony Durkin, and sister-in-law, Betty Totten.

Visitation will be Monday, July 13, 2026 from 3 to 7 PM in the Harris Funeral Home, West St. at Buckley, Liberty, NY.

Memorial contributions in Larry's name may be made to Ride2Survive Sullivan County, Inc, PO Box 282, Youngsville, NY 12791.

Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the Harris Funeral Home, West St. at Buckley, Liberty, NY 845-292-0001 or 845-439-5200 or www.Harris-FH.com

Carolyn Ann Perito, of Rock Hill, NY passed away on July 10, 2026, at Columbia Presbyterian Hospital in New York City. She



was 62 years old. Carolyn was born on June 19, 1964 to Antonio and Lucille (Visconti) Perito in the Bronx. She grew up alongside her beloved brother and within walking distance of numerous uncles, aunts, and cousins in a tightly-knit Italian family

who lived in residence nearby.

Carolyn attended Catholic elementary and high school, and went on to obtain a Bachelor's Degree in Sociology and a Master's Degree in Social Work. She dedicated most of her career to working in the field of eldercare, and she was a fierce and caring advocate for the people she served in agencies such as King's Harbor Multi-Care Center in the Bronx, the Sentinel Assisted Living Community in Port Jervis, NY, and later at New Hope Community in Loch Sheldrake, NY. Carolyn was a skilled administrator and passionate about her work; she went above and beyond her duty to find creative ways of bringing dignity, joy, and meaning to the residents she served. She was known as being the consummate professional with a wealth of knowledge and wisdom - not only about her field of expertise-but about life.

Carolyn was highly educated, yet her intelligence was always at the service of charity, and she never considered herself superior to others. She had a great sense of humor - known as "the life of the party" especially in her younger years. Although she had a strong personality and was not shy about asserting her opinions, at heart she cared deeply for others. She was very well read, enjoyed reading poetry and was well-versed in sacred Scripture and could dialogue with almost anyone about many different topics. Carolyn loved music. Contd. Pg. 4)

DAYS OF YORE... Today's History

July 18, 1956

Miss Hulda Brackman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Brackman of Grahamsville, and Mr. Robert Ferber son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Ferber of Callicoon, were married at the Methodist Church in Grahamsville on Saturday, July 14, 1956 by the Rev. Howard P. West. The bride graduated in June from Tri Valley School in Grahamsville and is now employed by the N.Y. Telephone Co. in Liberty. The groom is employed in the Public Service Garage in Liberty. Upon their return from their honeymoon, they will reside in Grahamsville.

Vernon H. Gridley Jr., a June graduate of the Tri Valley School, has been awarded a Regents scholarship. He plans to attend OCCC in the fall.

July 13, 1966

The first reports concerning the Tri Valley mobile education units indicate the public's enthusiastic and cordial reception to the project. The four staff members, Mrs. Rita Cerato, Mrs. Ruth Scully, Mrs. Phyllis Coombe and Mrs. Carolyn Coombe have traveled to about 15 families in two days. Wherever either unit went the children and parents have warmly greeted the teachers and their station wagon full of books, records, crafts, etc. and reluctantly let them leave.

Anniversary wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Maier celebrating their 13th on the 18th and to Mrs. and Mrs. Frederick Clark, 3 years on the 20th.

July 21, 1976

Airman Jay W. Parrow, son of Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Parrow of Sundown, has been selected for technical training at Sheppard AFB, Texas in the Air Force civil engineering structural paving field. The airman recently completed basic training at Lackland AFB, Texas.

David Friedman celebrated his 85th birthday on July 15th at a dinner given by his son, Lawrence and daughter-in-law, Lucille at their home on Sugar Loaf Rd. Mr. Friedman wishes to thank friends and all those of the Tri-Valley Chapter AARP to which he belongs, for all the lovely cards and their good wishes.

July 31, 1986

Spec. 4 Robert J. Kitchen, son of Blanche Kitchen of Grahamsville and a military police specialist with the 981st MP Company, has been decorated with the Army Achievement Medal in West Germany. The Achievement Medal is awarded to soldiers for meritorious service, acts of courage or other accomplishments.

Household Hint:

Are Deer Devouring Your Garden?

Did you know that cats, dogs, rabbits, fox, raccoon and even deer don't like the scent of vinegar? Soak several rags in full strength vinegar and place them on stakes around your garden. Repeat every 7 to 10 days.

Nature Column - L. Comando

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

A Tree that Still Sheds its Bark

American Sycamore trees can often be easily distinguished from other trees by its camouflage-look bark. The mottled exfoliating bark flakes off in irregular masses, leaving the surface mottled, and creamy-white, gray and brown. The scientific name of the Sycamore tree (often referred to as the American Sycamore) is *Platanus Occidentalis* and belongs to the family of *Platanaceae* which is one of the oldest tree family of the world.

I remember asking Peggy DeWire, "Why do sycamores shed their bark?"

She claimed, "During prehistoric times all trees shed their bark. As they evolved, they began to develop a springiness in their bark that yielded as the tree grew. The Sycamore never learned to do that, and to this day still sheds its bark."

The leaves of a Sycamore are palmate (like a hand) with three or five lobes. The edge of the leaf is wavy, with teeth. The top of the leaf is bright green, and the underside is pale green. They have a long petiole (leafstalk). In fall the leaves turn brown.

Sycamore is a monoecious plant which means that it produces individual male and female flowers on the same plant. Flowers are yellowish-green, arranged in drooping clusters that bloom during the April. Flowers produce nectar which attracts bees, the main pollinators of this species.

In early August, most trees in general will have –nestled in the axils of their leaves—a tiny forming bud which will produce the leaves of the coming year. The sycamore branch apparently has no such buds. Instead there is an enlargement of the petiole which encloses the bud in a tight-fitting case at the base of the petiole.

By fall the fruits of the Sycamore are one inch brown balls which hang on stalks. This fruit is often called, "Buttonballs" that contain seeds which are packed tightly together inside the fruit, called "achenes"—light dry, hairy fruits that can travel far on the wind, or float on water, to grow in new places. The seeds are also dispersed by birds and other animals. Most of the Buttonballs fall, although some stay on the tree through the winter.

The American Sycamore is one of the largest hardwood trees, usually growing 60 to 100 feet tall. They have a large, straight trunk, normally two to four feet in diameter. The record holder today is located in Ashland County in Ohio with a diameter of more than 15 feet and a circumference of 48.5 feet. This giant is 129 feet tall. A Sycamore can survive from 150 to 600 years in the wild. After 200 or 300 years, they become hollow. In colonial times, families used hollow Sycamores as temporary shelter, and a single trunk cavity was known to hold up to 15 men on horseback!

Is there a real answer as to why the Sycamore sheds its bark? One hypothesis is that the thin bark is an adaptation to the floodplain environment. Water conservation, an advantage that thick bark offers, is not necessary with the continual availability of moisture. Thin bark may conversely allow for increased transpiration of water through and out of the tree's system, speeding growth and ultimately leading to exfoliation.

Another idea, pointed out by tree biologist John A. Keslick, Jr. "This tree has a unique cortex that as the outer bark is shed then this tree can photosynthesize even with no leaves on the tree." Perhaps shedding bark is not just coincidental but necessary for the increased photosynthesis along the trunk and branches, generating an increased growing season that contributes to rapid growth and survival.

Knowing that Sycamore trees have a good root system and can help stop erosion, it is no wonder that since flooding in Sundown in 2011 during hurricane Irene, there are many healthy young Sycamore trees growing along the stream where the land had eroded.

Mother Nature seems to have the real answer



LOOKING BACK

Beatrice Akerley
Published June 27 1996

Before telephones were invented, there was a very special glue which held families and friends together – “Letter Writing”. We wrote about the things that mattered most to us. And are we faced with future generations that will never know the joy of writing or receiving letters from family and friends?

When I was a child in the early 1900's, my parents gift to the graduate was a nice box of stationery and a book of postage stamps. This was considered a nice gift in the good old days and very much appreciated.

I have a box of letters which are yellow from age and to me are very precious, written to me by friends of long ago. When I am lonely, I take them out and read them. And I received my messages by telephone I would have forgotten them a long time ago. Am I considered old-fashioned? I still write letters.

OBITUARIES (From Pg. 2)

Carolyn Ann Perito – A musical aficionado, she played the piano and enjoyed sharing her musical talent with the people she served.

Most importantly, Carolyn had a loyal heart – fiercely dedicated to her family. She tenderly cared for her mother and father, honoring them by sacrificing several years of her life to tend to their needs as they aged. She lovingly raised her stepchildren, Milton, Natalie, and Ivan, whom she cherished as her own and of whom she was deeply proud. She adored her brother, Anthony, and his children. Her strong, sometimes gruff, personality could not hide or diminish her steadfastness and loyalty to those she loved.

Carolyn is predeceased by her parents, Tony and Lucille. She is survived by her brother Anthony Perito (Jennifer); her niece, Jacqueline Perito Williams (Matthew) and great-nephew, Zachary; her nephew, Antonio "Tony" Perito (Nicole) and her great-niece Noelle and great-nephew, Giovanni; her beloved stepchildren, Milton Soto, Natalie Soto, and Ivan Inga, and her step-grandchildren Joshua Arroyo, Evan and Jace Gonzalez, and Addison and Jacob Soto; and several aunts, uncles, cousins, friends, and colleagues.

A visitation will take place on Tuesday, July 14th, 2026, from 4-6 pm and on Wednesday, July 15th, from 11 am-12:30 pm at Colonial Memorial Funeral Home, 396 State Route 52 in Woodbourne. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated by Father Bob Porpora on Wednesday, July 15th at 1:00 pm at the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Route 42, Woodbourne, NY. Interment will follow at Grahamsville Rural Cemetery, Route 55, Grahamsville.

Contributions in memory of Carolyn may be offered to the Sullivan County SPCA, PO Box 995, Rock Hill, NY 12775 or <https://sullivanspca.org/> or St. Jude at www.stjude.org.

Arrangements are under the care of Colonial Family of Funeral Homes, 396 State Route 52, Woodbourne, NY. For additional information, contact the funeral home at 845-434-7363 or visit <https://www.colonialfamilyfuneralhomes.com>.

To send flowers or plant a memorial tree in memory, please visit our flower store.

The Quiet Saint in Grahamsville, NY now offers a Salad Bar

– Esta Jacob

The Quiet Saint Restaurant at 7991 State Route 55 in Grahamsville, NY just opened their new Salad Bar on Thursday, July 9, 2026. All salad bar offerings were fresh and delicious, and includes lettuce, sliced tomatoes or whole plum tomatoes, onions, carrots, shredded cheese, beets, mini corns, chickpeas, croutons, macaroni salad, pineapple, and multiple salad dressings.



Because you make your own salad, you can customize it with the offerings you most enjoy. You can also add chicken, steak or shrimp to the large salad, at an additional charge. We ordered shrimp with our salad, which were large in size and plentiful in number.

It is so very nice having a local restaurant that offers a salad bar. The Quiet Saint is designed as an Irish Pub and is absolutely beautiful inside and out. It offers a full bar, hamburgers, steaks, wings, fish and chips, chicken, and special family meal deals on Thursdays. Erik Risher and Catherine Coombe are the owners and operators of The Quiet Saint. You can reach the Quiet Saint at 845-985-



3061 to ask about specials and to check hours of operation.

If you have not yet stopped in for a meal or a drink, it is highly recommended, and your support of this newest local restaurant and pub would be most appreciated.

Historic 1848 Claryville One Room Schoolhouse Museum



(From Pg. 1) The one room schoolhouse which has been preserved since its closing in 1957, looks much as it did when the school closed. The schoolhouse retains many of its original features, including light fixtures, stove, desks, blackboards, books and items on the walls. Drawings, workbooks and personal items from students who attended the school from the early 1900s through the 1950s are displayed. It is an early rural education time capsule- entering is like taking a step back in time!



joined together to open this school, made possible by a substantial donation from Vera Curtis Wranovics, a former Claryville resident. Opened from 1848 through 1956, when the school closed it was given to the Claryville Reformed Church by the school District. Everything was left in the schoolhouse, and has remained so throughout the years, maintained by the church and opened periodically for special occasions.

About the Time and the Valleys Museum: Connecting water, people and the Catskills, the Time and the Valleys Museum has three floors of interactive exhibitions, (including the new exhibit The Great Fear: Frontier Life in the American Revolution) the 1930s Lost Catskill Farm, a local history research center and gift shop with fun and educational gifts, books and locally made crafts. The Museum is open weekends Memorial Day to the end of September, noon to 4 p.m. and other times by appointment. Located at 332 Main Street in Grahamsville (St. Rt. 55), Sullivan County, admission for adults is \$10, children under 16 \$5, and children under six are free. For more information call 845 985-7700, e-mail info@timeandthevalleymuseum.org or visit www.timeandthevalleymuseum.org. To schedule a group tour for children or adults, please call 845-985-7700.

About the Claryville Reformed Church: The Claryville Reformed Church is a member of the Reformed Church in America. Established in 1849, the Claryville Reformed Church has played an important role in the life of this community for over 170 years. The congregation resides in Claryville and the neighboring towns of Denning, Oliveria, Grahamsville, and Neversink. They are passionate about their mission "Serving God in our community and beyond" and are a strong group of individuals who are a caring and welcoming congregation. Call 845 985-2041 or email claryvillechurch@gmail.com for more information.

About the Neversink Association: The Neversink Association is a non-profit social club that was founded in 1964 to preserve the unique character of the upper Neversink River for fishing and other recreational purposes, to conserve the fauna and flora of the Neversink Valley and to promote an appreciation of nature. While the Association itself is not a charity and its dues are not tax deductible, the Neversink Association donates to many local charitable organizations that are similarly dedicated to education about, and protection of, the area's unique environment. New members are always welcomed. To join the association, please send \$10 an individual or \$20 per household to The Neversink Association, P.O. Box 134, Claryville, NY 12725. See more information on Instagram or Facebook (www.facebook.com/neversinkassociation).



(From Pg. 1) **NRAMA** is pleased to announce that **Meghan Riley** is this year's scholarship recipient. Meghan attended our June club meeting, with her mother Karen, to receive her scholarship. She shared with members that she will be attending Suny Delhi majoring in veterinary science and that her goal has always been to work in veterinary services and medicine. Meghan is very active in cat rescue programs, fostering cats and their kittens that have been abandoned. Last year she took on the challenge of fostering and nurturing 14 newborn kittens that were just days old! What a challenge she took on but her success with this just speaks to how dedicated she is to help animals in need. Meghan also just received her certification as a veterinary assistant. Congratulations to Meghan on receiving this year's scholarship and a big thank you to her for all she does to support the animals. NRAMA wishes her well as she moves forward with this next phase of her life at Suny Delhi. We also want to thank the scholarship committee, John McHugh (chair), Walt Zeitschel and Lisa Motluck, for their work in selecting this outstanding candidate.

While we were unable to participate in the 4th of July Parade, the club still has several events that we will be participating in this year. We will be joining the Tri-Valley school for their Bear Bash on August 5th from 4 pm - 7 pm. This fun event will be held at the school track and NRAMA has been asked to attend for their "Touch a Truck" where the kids get to experience what its like to sit on a tractor! All club members are invited to attend with their tractors, big or small. Just remember that the purpose of this is to allow the kids to sit on the tractors, so if your tractor is a "prize possession" you may want to think twice about showing it at the Bear Bash! Let me know if you want to join Paul, Walt and others at the Bear Bash and I will get the details to you!

We are looking forward to being a part of the Skip Chambers Tractor Parade on September 5th in Montgomery. This parade has hundreds of tractors joining in the festivities, and NRAMA always has several of its members participating. We will also be at the Grahamsville Little Worlds Fair again this year, with members displaying some of their prized tractors. The fair is August 14th - 16th. Need more information on these events let me know. NRAMA would love to have a great showing at both events.

Speaking of big events, we cannot forget NRAMA's biggest event---our annual tractor show!!!! Our show will be on September 19th with a rain date of September 20th. We have several happenings at the show, including the cruise-in, the tractor parade, the live entertainment and beer garden, the vendors and yard sales and so much more! And what is a show without great food including the Grahamsville Fire Dept. famous chicken BBQ!! This year we are excited to have Doodle Byrds joining us with their delicious ice-cream!!! And Nate Gilmore will be back with his sweet and juicy watermelons. It's going to be a great show this year, and I will be sharing more detailed information in the next Townsman update! In the meantime, any questions, give me a shout out at cherwoehl@gmail.com or 845-985-2401. And we are always looking for tractors, hit & miss engines, and antique machinery for displaying in our antique museum, and vendors of all kinds to join us. If you are interested in being a part of our show, let me know!

I am closing this article on a very sad note. Our long-time member Dominic Pellici passed away. Dom and his wife Cathy have been very active in our club, always attending the meetings and always participating in the annual show. Dom will be sorely missed. Our condolences go out to Cathy and the family on their loss.

I will continue providing updates on NRAMA and the tractor show in our Townsman. And you can obtain information on our Neversink Rondout Antique Machinery Association (NRAMA) Facebook page.

Thanks everyone---Be safe, stay healthy and be happy.

Cher Woehl, NRAMA Communications



Illegal Holdings

Mysterious Book Report No. 410

by John Dwaine McKenna

Published July 16, 2020

Serendipity is the ability to make fortunate discoveries by accident . . . which is what happened here at the MBR when our mailbox, (P.O. Box 2406, Colorado Springs, CO 80901) yielded up an unsolicited new publication from a small independent press in

Seattle, Washington, which brought a unique new character and a superb writer to our attention.

Illegal Holdings, (Coffeetown Press, PB, \$14.95, 228 pages, ISBN 978-1-60381-591-8) by Michael Niemann, features a fraud investigator from the United Nations Office of Internal Oversight Services named Valentin Vermeulen. In this, the third book of the series, he's sent to Maputo, Mozambique, (Naw, me either, but if you think of the African continent as a clockface, it's down in the five o'clock position, by the Indian Ocean) where he's going to audit a NGO by the name of Global Alternatives – the not-for-profit, Non Governmental Organization that's been set up and funded by a hedge fund billionaire named Vincent Portallis to revolutionize development aid – to see if they're spending their UN grant money as promised. It's a boring, ho-hum assignment to the far reaches of the world . . . made brighter only by the fact that his globe-trotting lover Tessa, will be there at the same time, reporting on foreign land acquisitions in Africa. But as soon as he hits town, Vermeulen discovers a five-million dollar discrepancy in the accounts of Global Alternatives local partner Nossa Terra, who claims that the money . . . supposedly transferred from GA to them . . . was never received. Vermeulen at first gets excuses – never saw, never got, never before and the like – which sets his alarm bells to ringing at full tilt. When the chief accountant and defacto second in command at Nossa Terra disappears on the following day, the case for his guilt seems evident to everyone. But soon after his body washes up on the beach, and there's no doubt he's been murdered. It's only the first act in a chain of violence and criminality that Vermeulen is powerless to stop, as he digs in and desperately tries to solve an increasingly complex series of crimes and evermore vicious events before he, or Tessa, or both of them are killed. Valentin Vermeulen is a hero you can believe in, an ordinary, brave and honest man, who's doing an almost impossible job in the toughest of places. He's a character you'll like, and maybe even love, and definitely want to read more of!

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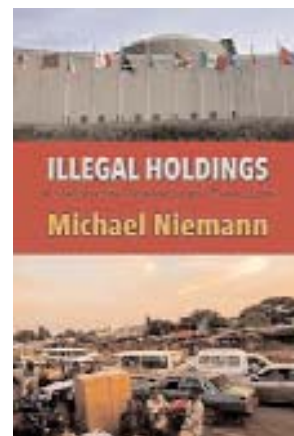
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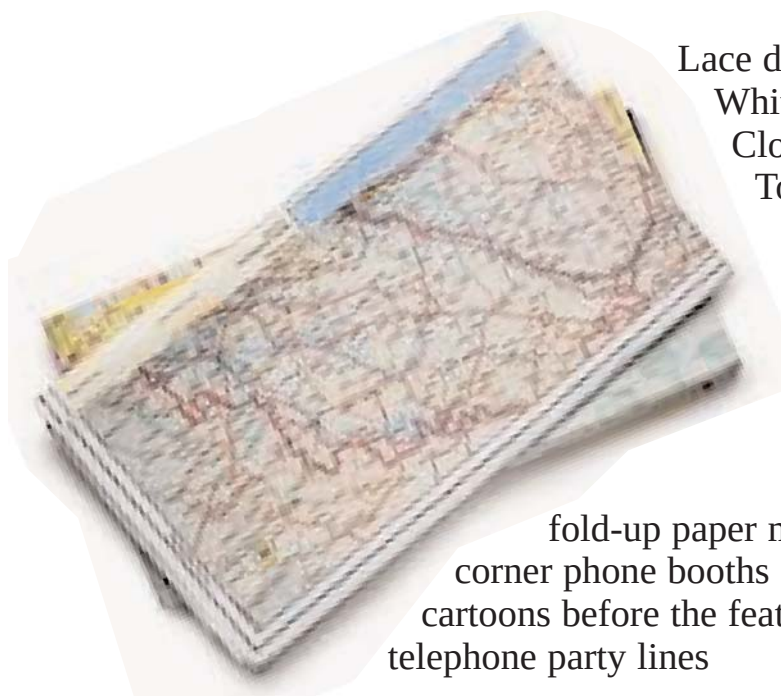
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Two weeks ago, I wrote about things that are disappearing, or are totally gone, from today's everyday life. I challenged readers to come up with more. Here are just ten of many I received.

The topic serves to remind me of how fast technology and society is changing. Here are ten more disappearing objects:



Lace doilies on furniture

White gloves

Cloth diapers & rubber pants on babies

Toy horses to ride outside the grocery store
(put in a dime)

Slide rule

crank down windows in the car

fold-up paper maps that fit in the car glove compartment
corner phone booths
cartoons before the feature film
telephone party lines

And going to the Town Pool every hot day, I remember diving boards. No more!

For those in Olive who want to join me at the Peter Tosi Memorial Pool, here is the information about times and pricing.

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OLIVE POOL

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JULY 6 – AUGUST 13

MONDAY – THURSDAY

ADULT SWIM

8:00 – 9:30 AM

ALL AGES

3:30 – 8:00 PM

Please note: The pool and park are
CLOSED to the public Monday-Thursday
from 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM during Day Camp.

FRIDAY – SUNDAY

ADULT SWIM

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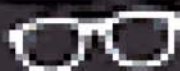
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All-American BINGO Launches 2026 Summer Programming

By Lisa Carroll

GRAHAMSVILLE-A huge "thank you" to all who attended our All-American BINGO game on Friday, July 10. It was a fabulous night and we are so thankful for the continued support the community show us. It was a fantastic way to kick off our 2026 Unearth A Story Summer Reading Programs!

We followed Bingo up with the 3D printing event for students in grades 1-3 on Tuesday, July 14, where the young engineers got a crash course intro in 3D printing. After that, they got their creative juices flowing with artistic ideas and designed their own 3D object.

Coming up, we have our teen program, "Dinosaur Eye," on Thursday, July 16 at 5:30PM for students entering grades 7-12. Teens will get their creativity on molding prehistoric clay masterpieces in this hands-on teen program. Following that, we're holding our felting event for students entering grades 4-6 on Tuesday, July 21 at 5:30pm. If you haven't registered yet, do so. Participants will join felting expert, Christine Adams, for a hands-on workshop where they'll get to create their own felted geode. This is a very popular, fun program. Following Tuesday's event, we're holding our Dinosaur Bones and Foam Party for children ages 0-5 years old on Thursday, July 23 at 5:30PM. It's sure to be the cutest thing ever! Kids are encouraged to wear comfortable play clothes and to be prepared to jump, dance and discover the magic of dinosaurs and foam...lots and lots of foam! And of course, our amazing Entertainment Night on Thursday, July 30 at 5:30PM. We're changing things up a little by bringing the event back to the library. "DINOSAURS ROCK Fossil Adventure is going to be an awesome time! If you haven't registered, please do so for this exciting, interactive, and hands-on experience.

While that sums up the program portion of our SRP, we also have all these amazing reading incentives to get your kiddos on to the path to readership. We have reading logs and BINGO games for children ages 0-5, 6-11, "tweens," teens and adults. We also have our popular bookmark contest, with age-specific categories. Stop by the library and pick up a template along with the rules for participation. The deadline for entry for the bookmark contest is Thursday, July 30.



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News From Time & the Valleys Museum # 23

Lynn M. Priebe

How local places have been named is a fascinating topic, though not easily documented. Many are obviously given names because of observable characteristics, but a few names may trick you. For example, the names for Mutton Hill, Hog Rock, Sundown, Branch, Chestnut Woods, Thunder Hill, South Hill, East Mountain, Blue Hill, Red Hill and Slide Mountain are self-explanatory. But do not assume it is always so. Was Peekamoose named because of an animal sighted there? No! The name of the mountain is said to be an anglicized Algonquin word meaning "broken off smooth or rounded top." It was earlier spelled Peekamose. Frost Valley is not named because of the morning frozen dew, but for an early land owner. Neversink does not mean that the water moves so fast that nothing sinks to the bottom of the river. Instead, the word is a Native term spelled in many different ways with the meaning obscure.

When working on our Revolutionary War exhibit, we encountered a number of unusual names for familiar locations. Some of those Native American names have persisted to the present day, but most have been changed. Some that are rarely used today are Oquaga (Windsor), Packatacan (Arkville), Peenpack (Huguenot), Mombaccus (Kerhonkson), Papacton (East Branch of the Delaware) and Mahackamack (Neversink). Names for these locations were necessary because of the early land grants and the maps showing them. The names, for the most part, were derived from Native American place names. When encountered on early maps or in narratives, the spelling of the words was rarely consistent. That is because they were given to locations orally and spelled as European colonists heard them.

As the years passed and people settled the Catskill region, other names were given by members of the communities. Often, they replaced the earliest names or modified them. The place names became easier to spell and pronounce.

Names can be given for various reasons. A community could be named for an early or first settler. Dewittville was named for Abraham DeWitt a prominent early settler. Curry takes its name from the family that settled in the area from Westchester County shortly after the Revolution. Lows Corners is named for descendants of Pieter Low who settled in 1708. Denning township is named for William Denning who owned much land there. Halls Mills gets its name from the water powered mills erected there by the Hall family. Denman Mountain



is named for William Denman who settled on it in 1795. Hunter Road, which connects Halls Mills with Shin Creek, was named for John Hunter who owned part of Great Lot #5 of the Hardenbergh Patent in the early 1800's. By the way, Shin Creek is now known as Lew Beach, named for a New York State legislator who helped the community get a post office. There is no beach!

Another way places are named is derived from the industries that thrived in them. Ladleton, formerly Pardeesville named for an early family, was renamed because of its wooden scoop and ladle factory. Acadalia was named for the acid factory which made chemicals from wood. Turnwood gained its name because of a wood turning mill which manufactured furniture.

Often a community is named, or has its name changed, by government. Grahamsville was named to honor the Revolutionary War soldier who died in the Battle of Chestnut Woods. When post offices opened in local communities they were asked to submit possible name choices. The local name chosen was accepted or changed depending on whether or not it, or a name too similar, was already in use.

When the tanning industry caused the area near the junction of the east and west branches of the Neversink to thrive, they needed a post office and a name. Legend has it that the men discussing the possibilities heard James Curry and his wife Clary arguing and decided to name the new community Claraville or Claryville in her honor. Eureka supposedly got its name after locals could not seem to agree and finally chose the word of Greek mathematician Archimedes which means "I found it." Montela submitted the name Mount Low for a post office in 1866, but the Federal government changed it. Aden was once called Navoo and submitted that along with Winona and two other choices. Bradley was once called LeRoy's Corners and Cherryport, before gaining its post office name.

The origin of the name for Tri-Valley Central School comes from the three valleys - Rondout, Neversink and Chestnut that make up the district. When a name was chosen for the Honor Society chapter it was called Ronech for Rondout, Neversink and Chestnut.

So many other names could be discussed, but space forbids it. As you drive along local roads, enjoy speculating about how places you pass were named. What fun!



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Farm Arts Collective presents
DREAM ON THE FARM
Johnny Appleseed: An
Historical Fantasia
runs July 30 to August 8 at
Farm Arts Collective

Damascus, PA- DREAM ON THE FARM is Farm Arts Collective's annual flagship summer performance that takes the audiences on a roving theatre experience across Willow Wisp Organic Farm in Damascus, PA. This year's performance Johnny Appleseed: An Historical Fantasia, runs July 30 to August 9, Thursdays to Sundays.

Doors open at 6:30 PM and audience are invited to wander through the Museum of Curious History, an "old timey" side show of historical and mythical exhibits and artifacts installed in the Farm Arts Collective Agri-Cultural Center. The show begins at 7:00 PM and will be performed outdoors. This is the seventh production in the Dream on the Series, a decade long site-specific eco-theatre series that invites audiences to walk the 25 acre farmland and experience an original play, created and performed by the ensemble.

JOHNNY APPLESEED: An Historical Fantasia is directed by Farm Arts Collective artistic director, Tannis Kowalchuk in collaboration with Farm Arts Collective, a local ensemble of actors, writers, designers, farmers, and musicians. The performance has garnered national recognition and support from America 250 National Endowment for the Arts funding for the project. Farm Arts Collective is honored to be a recipient of this highly competitive national arts award.

JOHNNY APPLESEED: *An Historical Fantasia* explores the life and times of Johnny Appleseed. Born John Chapman in Massachusetts in 1774, Chapman went on to walk thousands of miles across America planting apple orchards to sell to expanding pioneer towns across New York, Pennsylvania, and Ohio. He also propagated thousands of unique apple varieties, many that are lost today due to commercial breeding of stable and transportable grocery store varieties.

Themes explored in Johnny Appleseed: An Historical Fantasia is myth versus history and, how a legendary historical figure like Appleseed resonates with our contemporary cultural and national identity today. Unlike legends Paul Bunyon or Pecos Bill, Johnny Appleseed



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was a real person—a unique individual that can be seen at times contradictory, but always entirely unique, visionary, and quintessentially American.

Johnny Appleseed: An Historical Fantasia delves into the myth and history of Johnny Appleseed. Was John Chapman an ascetic saint who walked barefoot spreading his seeds and the New Church bible (he was a disciple of the mystic scientist Immanuel Swedenborg). Or was he a wily entrepreneur who had a nose for making money, always keeping one step ahead of western expansion? Was he an environmentalist and the nation's first nurseryman, or a provider of alcohol and cider to settler villages? Friend to the Native American people and pioneers, Johnny Appleseed was a unique American, and his mythology is the subject of this year's Dream on the Farm performance.

Performances are designed for all-ages and begin July 30 and run to August 9. Prior to the 7 PM performance, doors open at 6:30 PM for spectators to visit the Museum of Curious History, an exhibition in the Farm Arts Collective Agri-Cultural center to engage viewers with an "old timey" side show of historical and mythical exhibits and artifacts.

The production is directed by Tannis Kowalchuk, text by Melissa Bell, Mark Dunau, Doug Rogers; production music is traditional, by Melissa Bell, and Tannis Kowalchuk; actors are Jess Beveridge, Costanza Bugiani, Ginny Hack, Grady Parks, John Roth, Kate Schroeder, Jim Sullivan; foley by Debra Thomas; set design and scenic painting Kit Sailer and Kate Schroeder; puppets and masks by Ace Thomas and Sue Currier; costumes by Ginny Hack and Kar Flood; museum curation and installation by Costanza Bugiani, Juniper McMahon, Grady Parks, Kate Schroeder; chef Alicia Grega; Lenape Scenic installation Shelley DePaul, scenic farmland by Greg Swartz. Performances run Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday July 30 to August 9. Doors open at 6:30PM for museum viewing, show at 7:00 PM. Tickets can be purchased at www.farmartscollective.org. A reception with traditional food will be offered after each performance. Cider provided by Seminary Hill Orchard and Cidery.

Farm Arts Collective is located at 38 Hickory Lane, Damascus, PA 18415. Phone number box office 570-798-9530

This performance is supported by National Endowment for the Arts America 250, Chatlos Foundation, Sullivan Catskills New York, Bernard and Anne Spitzer Charitable Trust, Robert H. Spitz Foundation, Pocono Mountains Visitors Bureau, Wayne County Community Foundation, Seminary Hill Orchard and Cidery, and local business and individual donors.



Save the Date for Genuinely the Best Sale of the Year!!!

It's almost time for our first annual Farm Fest Vintage Fair to benefit the Woodstock Farm Festival and WFF market bucks! If you're not familiar with Market Bucks, it's our in-market currency available to anyone experiencing food insecurity. You can learn more about the program here. <https://www.woodstockfarmfestival.org/market-bucks>

If you've ever attended our smaller sales at the market, you know you're in for a treat. Expect highly curated! highly organized! Vintage gems, shoes, solid everyday wear, housewares ranging from practical to whimsical, and even a few choice furniture pieces. You can get a sneak peek at the Farm Fest Vintage insta - we'll be posting more throughout the week.

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July 17-19

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Also! We could still use a couple folks to help at the sale itself. Our gratitude and free admission on Friday are the perks! It'll also be fun. You can fill out the volunteer form here:

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Liberty Boys & Girls Club Students Explore Mental Health Through Global Learning

*Students learn social-emotional skills
through culture, movement and connection*

[LIBERTY, NY] -Approximately 80 students from the Liberty Elementary Boys & Girls Club recently completed Mental Health Mondays, a 10-session program led by Sullivan 180. The program combined social-emotional learning with virtual travel, movement and cultural exploration.

Using the CATCH (Coordinated Approach to Child Health) social-emotional learning platform, students virtually visited Australia, Brazil, the Dominican Republic, India, Italy, Jordan, Senegal and South Africa. Along the way, they learned about each country's culture before participating in traditional dances such as samba, merengue, Bollywood and tarantella.

During each session, students also explored topics that support positive mental health, including emotions, impulse control, listening skills, stress management, relationship building, growth mindset and respect for differences. Understanding the importance of diversity was a recurring theme throughout the program as students learned new things about their peers and themselves. Students filled up their paper "passports" with colorful stamps as they traveled each month, dancing and learning together.

Amanda Langseder, Senior Director of Prevention Programming for Sullivan 180 facilitated the "travel" along with Damola Akinkemi, a professional fitness instructor and motivational speaker. Akinkemi, who has traveled extensively throughout his career, shared stories of being in places where the customs and traditions were much different than his own and sometimes hard to understand. He said that these experiences opened his eyes and heart in meaningful ways. He also shared his love of movement through numerous heart-pounding, Zumba-like dances that were fun for kids and adults alike.



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In addition, Boys & Girls Club staff members participated in quarterly professional development workshops focused on adverse childhood experiences (ACEs), resilience skills, and creating trauma-informed after-school settings. One staff member shared, "It (the workshops) really opened my eyes to be more aware about my own mental health and the mental health of the important people in my life."

Funding for this project came through the New York State Office of Children and Family Services (NYSOCFS) Learning and Enrichment After-School Program Supports (LEAPS) grant administered by the Town of Wallkill Boys & Girls Club.

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“Shorts & Sweets for Fans of Fishing and Other Outdoor Activities” coming to Roscoe Library

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Laure Valentine

Expect some fishing puns along the way as well.

So just for the “halibut,” come out to the show on Friday, July 17 at 5:30 p.m. Enjoy some sweet treats and beverages during and after the show.

The Roscoe Branch of the Livingston Manor-Roscoe Library is located at 85 Highland Ave, Roscoe, NY. Registration is suggested at lmr-library.org, but walk-ins are always welcome. Admission is free!

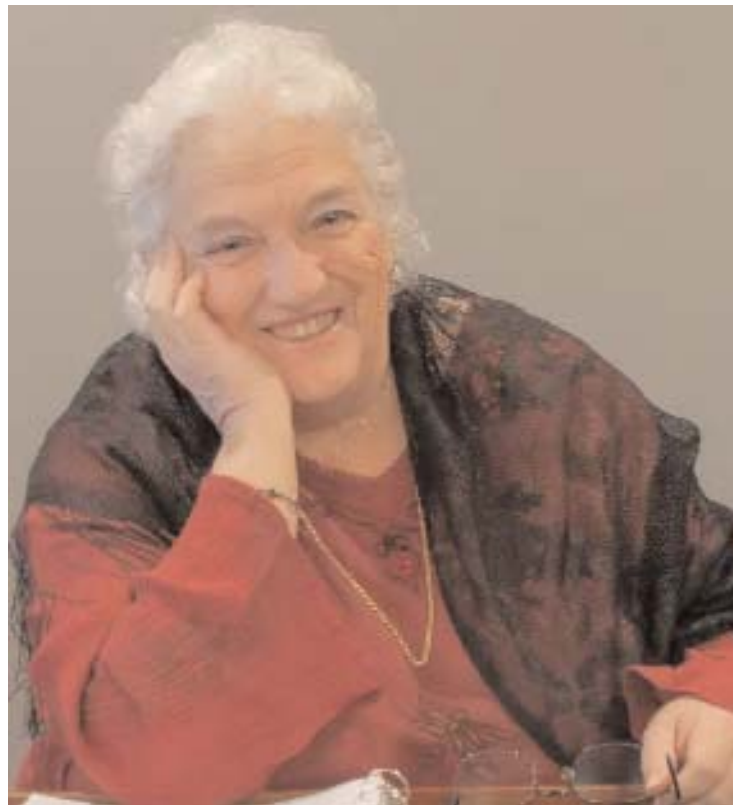
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We're going to have a “whale” of a good time.

On Friday evening, July 17, 2026 at 5:30 p.m., Big Sky Productions will celebrate that legacy at the Roscoe Branch of the Livingston Manor-Roscoe Library with a performance of **“Shorts & Sweets for Fans of Fishing and Other Outdoor Activities.”**

Featuring Livingston Manor resident Laure Valentine and Big Sky's Artistic Director Carol Montana of Grahamsville, this edition of “Shorts & Sweets” will include stories and jokes about fishing fun and fumbles, camping experiences and other outdoor activities.

This will be the third time this year that Big Sky is presenting a show at the Roscoe Library, having performed “S&S for Valentines” and “S&S for April Fools.” We're delighted to be asked back,” said Montana, “We enjoy telling the stories and jokes as much as the audience enjoys hearing them.”



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During Vehicle Theft Prevention Month, Governor Hochul Advises Drivers on How to Protect themselves Against Vehicle Thefts

In First Six Months of 2026, DMV Recovered 140 Stolen Vehicles

During Vehicle Theft Prevention Month, Governor Kathy Hochul today urged New Yorkers to take steps to protect their vehicles from theft. In the first six months of this year, investigators for the New York State Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) recovered 140 stolen vehicles worth \$4.3 million. In addition, DMV also recovered eight stolen auto parts with a value of almost \$13,000.

"For most New Yorkers, their car is one of their biggest investments, and losing one to a thief can cause financial loss and hardship," Governor Hochul said. "We have worked hard in New York to deter car theft, and we urge owners to take some simple steps to protect their own vehicles. Just as we have fought to lower the cost of car insurance, the DMV works with customers to recoup money they have lost due to stolen cars and parts."

According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), more than 650,000 drivers in the US fall victim to this crime every year, with a car being stolen every 48 seconds.

Governor Hochul has actively called for increased efforts to improve public safety and traffic safety by working to reduce theft and to make owning a car more affordable for New Yorkers. This year, the Governor successfully urged the Legislature to address the growing cost of auto insurance by combatting fraud, limiting damages paid out to bad actors, and making sure consumers, not insurance companies, are given priority. (Contd. Pg. 26)

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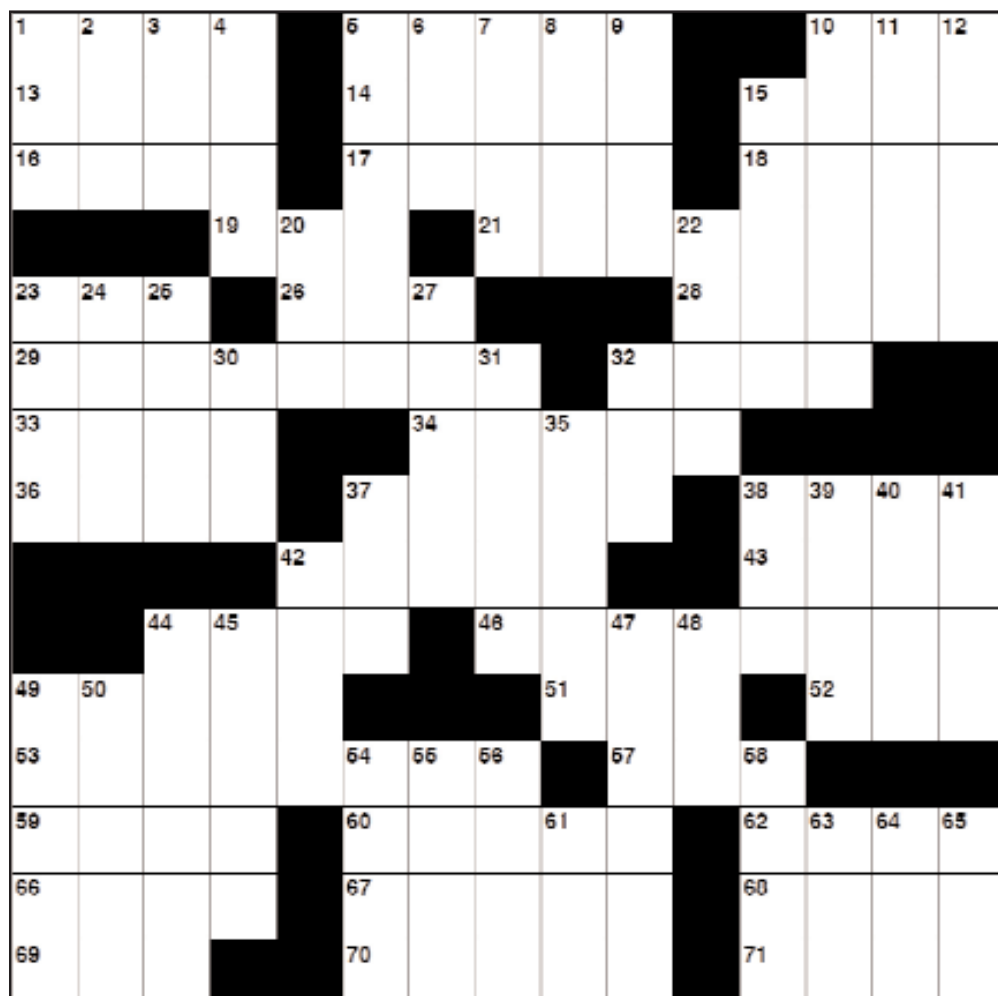
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Summer Tortellini Salad

Dressing:

1/4 c. vinegar
3 tbsp. fresh lemon juice
4 cloves of garlic
1/2 c. sugar
1/2 tsp. salt
1/2 tsp. pepper
4 tbsp. olive oil
Hand full of farm fresh basil

Salad

1 package of frozen tortellini
1/2 lb. farm fresh broccoli
1 cup farm fresh cherry tomatoes
1 can black olives (drained)
2 tbsp. fresh Parmesan cheese

In a blender combine all salad dressing ingredients and blend well. Chill. Cook and cool tortellini. Cook and cool broccoli.. Half tomatoes unless very small. When all ingredients are cool, combine all and serve.

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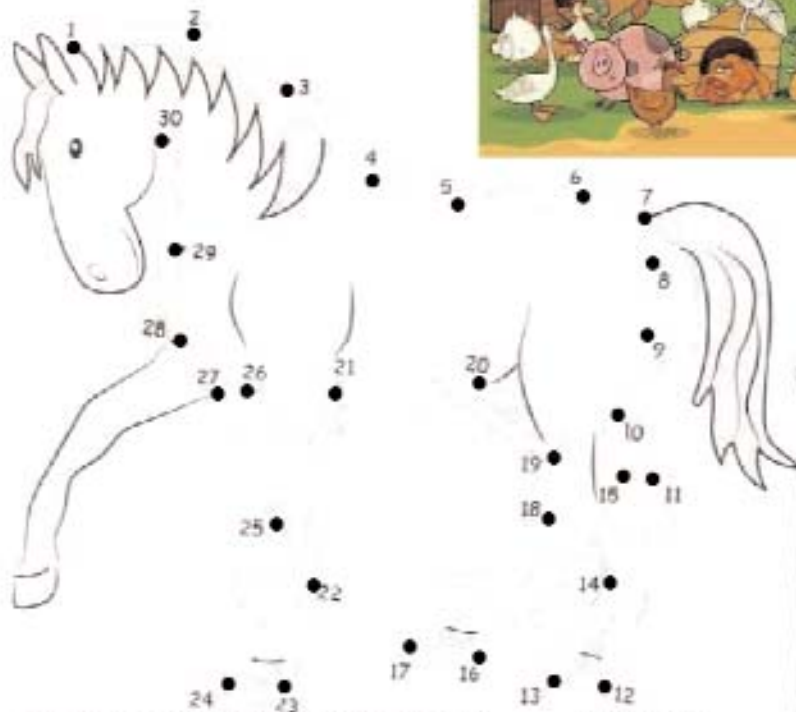
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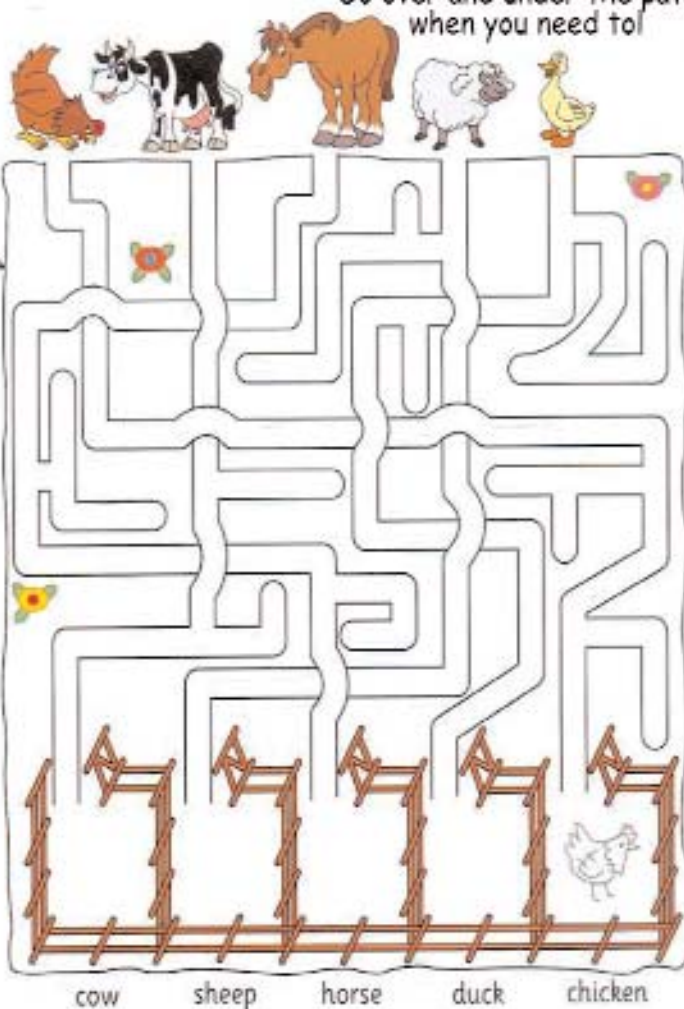
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Can you find 7 differences?

Follow the dots to see a farmer's friend.



It's time to put the animals in their pens. Can you help each one find its way to its own pen? Go over and under the paths when you need to!



Down on the Farm Wordsearch

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SUNDAY EUCHARIST
5:00 PM Saturday Evening
7:30 AM Sunday Morning
10:00 AM Sunday Morning
(Latin) 11:30 AM Sunday Morning*
(Spanish) 1:00 PM Sunday Afternoon
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**July 18th, 2026
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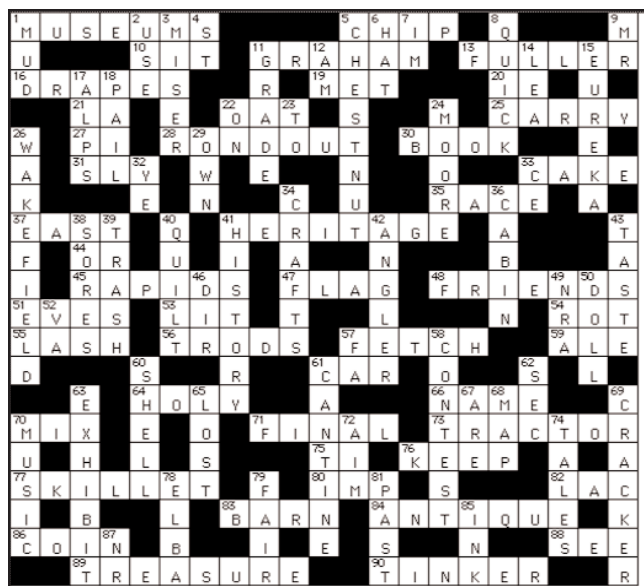
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Ans to last week's Crossword

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Thank you

The Wurtsboro Board of Trade 2026 event dates are as follows:

Duck Race, Thursday August 13th 6pm

Halloweenfest, Saturday October 31st 12-3pm

Joy to Wurtsboro, Saturday November 28th 1-4pm

Music & Farmers Market in the park will run every Thursday, starting June 11-Sept 24 from 5pm-8/8:30pm.



Daniel Pierce Library Hours

Monday - 9:00 - 4:00
Tuesday - 9:00 - 7:00
Wednesday - 9:00 - 4:00
Thursday - 9:00 - 7:00
Friday - 9:00 - 4:00
Saturday - 9:00 - 12:00
Sunday - Closed

\$126 Million in Unclaimed Funds Returned in March Comptroller DiNapoli handing over Unclaimed Funds check

The Office of the State Comptroller returned \$126 million in unclaimed funds to its rightful owners during the month of March. From uncashed payroll checks to forgotten bank accounts, Comptroller DiNapoli is dedicated to putting money back into the pockets of the people and organizations it belongs to.

https://www.osc.ny.gov/unclaimed-funds?utm_content=20260411&utm_medium=email&utm_source=weekly+news

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For information call 845-434-8044.

2026 LOCAL CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- 7/15 **Neversink Rondout Antique Machinery Assoc.** 7:30 pm Grahamsville Fire Department Firehouse
- 7/16 Town of Denning Planning Board Meeting—6:00 pm Denning Town Hall, 1567 Denning Rd, Claryville, NY
- 7/16 Neversink Fire Commissioners' Meeting 7 pm
- 7/21 Town of Neversink Zoning Board of Appeals -7 pm (Application Submission Due Date 7/10/2026)
- 8/4 Claryville Fire District Monthly Meeting 6:30 pm
- 8/5 Town of Neversink Planning Board -7 pm (Application Submission Due Date 7/24/2026) 8/11
- 8/11 Denning Business Meeting 1:00 pm Denning Town Hall, 1567 Denning Rd, Claryville, NY
- 8/11 Denning Town Board Meeting - 6:00 pm Denning Town Hall, 1567 Denning Rd, Claryville, NY
- 8/12 Town of Neversink Town Board Meeting
- 8/19 **Neversink Rondout Antique Machinery Assoc.** 7:30 pm Grahamsville Fire Department Firehouse

SAVE THE DATE!

**Saturday, September 19th • 10 am - 6 pm Neversink-Rondaout Antique Machinery Association's
28th Annual Tractor Show • Grahamsville Fairgrounds**

TOWN OF OLIVE MEETINGS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

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

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

**Town of Denning - <http://www.denningny.gov>
Town of Neversink - <https://townofneversink.org>**

UC Legislative Weekly Update For The Week Of July 13, 2026 - July 17, 2026

Monday, July 13

- o 5:00 PM - Ulster County Community Services Board, at the Ulster County Department of Mental Health, 368 Broadway, Suite 401, Kingston
- o 5:00 PM - County Executive Public Hearing On Proposed Local Law 6 of 2026, A Local Law Amending Chapter 152 Animals, Article III Of The Code Of The County Of Ulster, Regulation Of Pet Sellers, To Align County Law And Enforcement Responsibilities With State Regulation, in the Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston
- o 5:30 PM - County Executive Public Hearing On Proposed Local Law 8 of 2026, A Local Amending Section C-42(A) Of The Ulster County Charter And Section A5-3(A) Of The Administrative Code For The County Of Ulster To Reflect State Public Health Law Regarding The Composition Requirements For Local Boards Of Health, in the Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston

Tuesday, July 14

- o 5:00 PM - Ulster County Board of Health, at the Department of Health, 239 Golden Hill Lane, Director's Conference Room, Kingston
- o 5:30 PM - Democratic Caucus, in Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston
- o 6:00 PM - Ulster County Board of Ethics, at the Ulster County Human Services Complex, 100 Development Court, Building #2, Veterans Services Entrance, Kingston
- o 6:30 PM - Republican Caucus, in the KL Binder Library, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston

**The Following Public Hearings & Legislative Session are held in Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor,
County Office Building, Kingston, & Via Livestream at youtube.com/@UlsterCountyLegislature**

- o 7:05 PM - Public Hearing On Proposed Local Law No. 10 Of 2026, A Local Law Opting Ulster County Into The Partial Real Property Tax Exemption Authorized by Real Property Tax Law § 457-a
 - o 7:10 PM - Public Hearing On Proposed Local Law No. 11 Of 2026, A Local Law Providing Real Property Tax Exemption Of The County Portion Of The Real Property Taxation For Surviving Spouses Of Police Officers Killed In The Line Of Duty In Accordance New York State Real Property Tax Law Article 4, Title 2 Private Property, Section 471
 - o 7:15 PM - Public Hearing On Proposed Local Law No. 12 Of 2026, A Local Law Amending Chapter 276 Of The Code Of The County Of Ulster Entitled "Peddling, Soliciting And Vending" To Permit Vending And Concession Activities At The County Pool Complex Building During Authorized Events
- Immediately Following Public Hearings - Legislative Session

Wednesday, July 15

- o 8:00 AM - Ulster County Workforce Development Board, at the Office of Employment & Training, 521 Boices Lane, Kingston
- o 9:00 AM - Ulster County Industrial Development Agency Regular Board Meeting, in the Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston
- o 10:00 AM (or immediately following the UCIDA Regular Board Meeting) - Ulster County Capital Resource Corporation Regular Board Meeting, in the Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston
- o 5:00 PM - Recycling Oversight Committee, in Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston

Thursday, July 16

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

No Meetings Friday, July 17

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Sullivan County Budget Again Wins National Award

Monticello, NY - For the 11th time in a row, Sullivan County has earned the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award from the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA).



A panel of judges reviewed over 1,900 budgets submitted to the GFOA, including Sullivan County's version for the 2026 fiscal year. They judged the budgets on their excellence as policy documents, financial plans, operations guides and communications devices, deeming Sullivan's to be proficient in all four categories.

"Though this is the 11th time we've earned this award, we never take it for granted," Sullivan County Manager Joshua Potossek affirmed. "A budget as large and as complicated as the County's is challenging not only to put together but to convey to the public. The staff of our Division of Management & Budget remains committed to doing what it takes to ensure transparency and accountability in presenting the County's key financial document."

"It's thanks to the support we receive - from the County Manager's Office to the fiscal officers in every department - that allows us to produce an award-winning document that informs both public and staff about how we spend taxpayers' money," stated Management & Budget Commissioner Anna-Marie Novello. "I'm proud of my staff and the work we do, and we always appreciate this award!"

"Taxpayers deserve to know how their government is spending their money, and I'm grateful and proud to say that County staff make sure budget information is accessible and understandable," said District 3 Legislator Brian McPhillips, who chairs the Management and Budget Committee of the Legislature. "As the staff have now earned this award now for multiple years, this should give the taxpayers confidence of the effort put into protecting their investment and steering the County in the right direction, even during challenging times."

More information is available at www.gfoa.org.

During Vehicle Theft Prevention Month, Governor Hochul Advises Drivers on How to Protect themselves Against Vehicle Thefts

(From Pg. 19)

The governor's push to crack down on vehicle theft has shown results. In 2023, she initiated a five-point plan called the Comprehensive Auto-Theft Reduction Strategy (CARS). As part of that plan, New York State Police has increased patrols in high theft areas and the State launched a vehicle theft prevention website to provide resources and education to help New Yorkers take their own measures to prevent auto theft. From 2024 to 2025, total reported vehicle thefts across New York State are down by about 15 percent.

To support this initiative, DMV and GTSC are running an organic social media campaign this July. There will be 10 posts throughout the month that are estimated to generate over 95,000 impressions. This awareness initiative will leverage social media outreach through Facebook, Instagram and X with important weekly tips to help New Yorkers protect their vehicles and personal items inside from theft.

Here is guidance on how to protect your vehicle from being stolen:

- o When you park, close and lock all windows and doors.
- o Do not leave your key fob in the vehicle.
- o Park in well-lit areas if possible.
- o Do not leave valuables in your vehicle, especially if they are visible.

DMV also offered guidance on steps you can take to avoid unintentionally buying a stolen vehicle.

o Before making a decision to purchase a vehicle, consumers are strongly encouraged to obtain an independent vehicle inspection to examine the Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) found in various locations on the vehicle, get a Vehicle History Report via the National Motor Vehicle Title Information System (NMVTIS) or other available vehicle information resources.

o The US Department of Justice's National Motor Vehicle Title Information System (NMVTIS) at vehiclehistory.bja.ojp.gov is an online system that offers accurate information about a vehicle's title, odometer data, and certain damage history. NMVTIS was designed to protect consumers from fraud and unsafe vehicles and to keep stolen vehicles from being resold. Consumers can expect to pay up to \$4 per report.

o The National Insurance Crime Bureau (NICB) at www.nicb.org maintains a free database that includes flood damage and other information so people can investigate a car's history by its vehicle identification number. Check the VIN before buying a used vehicle to make sure it was not stolen or flooded. By entering the Vehicle Identification Number of the vehicle they are looking to buy, consumers can learn if the vehicle was ever flooded or stolen. People can search up to five VINs per day.

o Look for odometer discrepancies.

o Be cautious about buying a vehicle locally with out-of-state titles or a car being sold with a NY title that has out of state inspection stickers, plates or temporary paper plates.

o The Federal Trade Commission (FTC) provides several used car buying tips on their web site: www.ftc.gov.

In 2024, DMV warned consumers about a surge in online car sales scams and offered guidance on how to protect yourself. Extra caution should be taken when buying vehicles in online private sales.

If your vehicle is stolen, report it to the police and your auto insurance company as soon as possible. The police will enter the information into national and state auto theft computer records. The theft will be noted on your vehicle title record to help prevent someone from selling the vehicle or applying for a title.

Also ask the police to complete a 'Report of Lost or Stolen Motor Vehicle Items' form (MV-78B) for your stolen plates, which you must submit to the DMV. If only your license plates are stolen, you must still submit the MV-78B form to the DMV along with your vehicle registration.

Sundown UMC Ladies' Indoor Thrift & Yard Sale

As a result of so many incredible donations this summer
we will be open **EVERY SATURDAY** through
July 25th, 2026

9 am to 1 pm

Tickets will be for sale at all Indoor Thrift & Yard Sales for the

Annual Chicken BBQ

Sundown Methodist Church Hall

Sat. Aug 29th 4-7 pm

Adults: \$15 • Children: \$10

For a peek at some of the many items
at the Indoor Yard Sale go to:

<http://comando.50megs.com>

and Click on:

Sundown UMC Ladies' Yard Sale



We appreciate donations for our White Elephant table

Sundown United Methodist Church Hall

(Intersection of Sundown Rd, Peekamoose Rd & Greenville Rd, Sundown, NY 12740)

Sundown UMC Saturdays in July Indoor Yard Sale

New items every week -treasures and bargains for all...!



9:00
am
to
1:00
pm

Only two more sales this year
July 18 & 25, 2026



Sundown UMC Church Hall
Corner of Peekamoose & Greenville Roads, Sundown, NY 12740

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Collectibles



Picture Frames

Only two
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July 18 &
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Christmas in July!!!

Sundown UMC Church Hall

Corner of Peekamoose & Greenville Roads, Sundown, NY 12740

9:00 am
to
1:00 pm

Bargains galore... Sundown UMC Ladies' Indoor Yard Sale

Every Saturday from 9 am - 1 pm through July 4th, 2026 at the

Sundown UMC Hall - more items will be added to this flyer as more new items come in every week!



Solid Wood Futon -
just \$100!



Books -old
and new!



Collectibles



Handcrafts



Housewares... and more!



Like New!
Medical
Equipment



New Items Every Week!

Sundown UMC Saturdays in July Indoor Yard Sale
New items every week -treasures and bargains for all...

Rare! *Little Lady Diana Collectible Doll*



Little Lady Diana doll in original box
can be yours! Stop by the Sundown
United Methodist Church Hall
Indoor Yard Sale this
Saturday, July 18
from 9 am - 1 pm
at the corner of
Peekamoose & Greenville Roads
in Sundown, NY 12740.
\$100 or best offer!

Similar Little Lady Diana doll
listed on Ebay for \$349!

Visual matches



eBay

Franklin Mint LITTLE LADY
DIANA doll collection NEW Dol...

Sundown UMC Saturdays in July Indoor Yard Sale

New items every week -treasures and bargains for all...

Is this an Arnel's Pottery Porcelain Pitcher and Washbasin Set?



This vintage-style ceramic wash pitcher and basin set features a distinctive blue and white color scheme and ruffled edge detailing.

The design consists of a predominantly white body with light blue accented edges and detailing. Approximately 16 inches in diameter.

You can still see this beautiful vintage wash basin and pitcher this weekend at the Sundown UMC Indoor Yard Sale.

Make an offer,
and own this lovely set.

All
Auction
Buy It Now
Condition
Item Location
Local

Vintage Arnel's Water Blue & White Pitcher and Wash Basin
Pre-Owned

C \$91.86
or Best Offer
from United States

naven606 99.9% positive (4.2K)

Vintage Arnels Elegant Blue Roses On Blue & Ivory Pitcher With Bowl
Pre-Owned

C \$120.31
Buy It Now
+C \$48.90 shipping
from United States

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Antique Arnels Elegant all White Pitcher and Wash Basin
New (Other)

C \$125.97
or Best Offer
+C \$202.56 shipping

You never know what **treasures** you will find in Sundown at the UMC Indoor Yard Sale! Check it out this weekend - **only 2 more weeks of the Indoor Yard Sale left this year!**

New items every week!

**Sundown UMC Church Hall
Corner of Peekamoose &
Greenville Roads
Sundown, NY 12740**

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Sundown UMC Annual **CHICKEN BARBEQUE**

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Appetizer

Gaby's House Salad

Choice of Entrée

Pollo 5 de Mayo

Egg battered, pan seared chicken breast with capers,
fresh tomato in a reduction of fresh garlic, white wine and lemon juice.

Pernil al Horno

Roast Pork, Gaby's Style.

Quesadilla de Verduras

Flour tortilla stuffed with grilled zucchini, bell
peppers, carrots, eggplant, melted cheese, red & green sauce.

Dessert

Assorted Cookies

Coffee / Tea / Tip Included

Please call ERH Auxiliary Event Chairperson Helene Morris at 845-210-7120 with your selection. Make check out to ERH and mail to Helene Morris, P.O. Box 105, Spring Glen, NY 12483. (Tickets will be given at the restaurant)



Our Spring Open Garden Days wrapped up on June 10th, and we loved sharing the gardens with old friends and many new ones. Thank you for helping spread the word about native plants, and we hope you'll add more of them to your own gardens.

Our Open Garden Days for Summer 2026 will be July 24-26; August 1-3, 21-24 and 28-31; and September 5, 7 and 15. All tours are by appointment.

Reserve your tour now by email at flyingtrillium@gmail.com. Visit Flying Trillium's website for more information.

<https://www.flyingtrillium.com/> Flying Trillium is located near the Neversink Reservoir in Sullivan County, New York.

Neversink River Craft Co-op Opened July 26

On Sunday, July 12th the Neversink River Craft co-op will be open from 10-5 at 2554 Frost Valley Road in Claryville, New York. The exhibit will include handmade woodwork, jewelry, ceramics, stained glass, paintings, photography, fabric art, note cards and more, all from the studios of local artists. Come see what's new this week,

shop for gifts or for yourself or just browse and visit - we would love to see you on the 12th. Bring a friend and enjoy the drive!

Call 845-985-2016 for information and check out our video at Youtube Neversink River Craft Co-op.

Neversink River Craft Co-op 2026

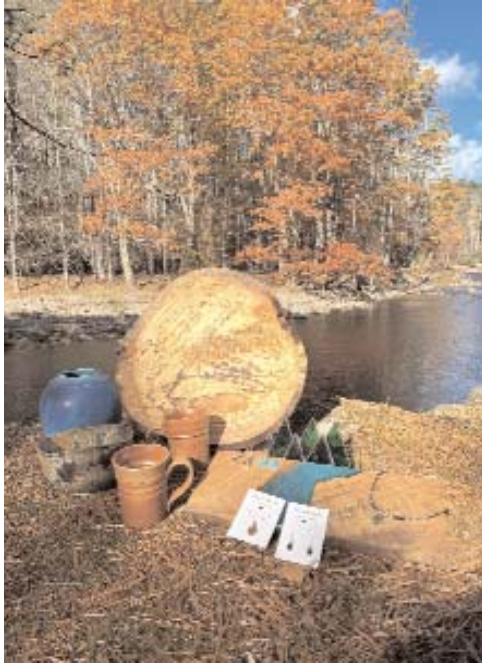
July 26, August 9,

October 10 & 11

10 AM - 5 PM

2554 Frost Valley Road,
Claryville, NY

Directions: From Rt. 55 in
Grahamsville, go up Claryville
Road (County Rt. 19 and just past
the church in Claryville, take Frost
Valley Road (County Rt 47) for four
miles to the Co-op signs and barn.



Last chance to enjoy Jekyll & Hyde: The Musical!

Jekyll & Hyde, the Musical, presented by Sullivan County Dramatic Workshop in collaboration with Epiphany Shakespear Company, is an electrifying tale of passion, power, and the battle between good and evil. The Sullivan County Dramatic Workshop, in collaboration with Epiphany Shakespeare Co., is proud to present this riveting production based on the classic novella Strange Case of Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde by Robert Louis Stevenson. Audiences will experience an unforgettable show of drama, romance and haunting music as this timeless story comes to life on the Rivoli's stage.

The final weekend of performances of Jekyll & Hyde is Friday, July 17 at 7:30 PM, Saturday, July 18 at 7:30 PM and Sunday, July 19 at 2:00 PM. at the Historic Rivoli Theatre, 5243 Main Street, South Fallsburg. General admission is \$18+fees, Seniors, Students, Military \$15+fees.

Sullivan BOCES Celebrates Rubin Pollack Education Center Class of 2026



LIBERTY - Sullivan BOCES proudly celebrated the accomplishments of 35 graduates from the Rubin Pollack Education Center (RPEC) during its Graduation Ceremony held on June 25. Surrounded by family members, friends, educators, and staff, the graduates were recognized for their perseverance, personal growth, and determination as they reached this important milestone.

Group Photo: front row: Arisbeth Padilla-Leon, MCS, Sonale Soto, SWCS, Erin Brown, ECS, Kami Simmons, RCS, and Toni Phillips, RCS. second row: James Anderson, SWCS, Elias Bonilla, MCS, Isaiah Rodriguez, MCS, Walter Bivins, MCS, Elijah Meletiche, LCS, Daniel Morris, FCS, Yadiel Toribio-Torres, MCS, Albert Brown, LCS, and Nathaniel Buschmann, LCS. third row: Charles Keffer III, PJCS, Aiden Lopez, MCS, Mark Sanchez Gomez, LCS, Zachary Narozny, RCS, and Ezekiel Oney, MCS. Back row: Jeremy Jackson, LCS, Madison Sullivan, SWCS, Joshua Jackson, LCS, Jayden Quick, MCS, Aiden Kirchner, RCS, Riley Schreibel, ECS, Kevin Rosales Campos, FCS, Frederick Heins, LCS, Giovanni Knight, PJCS, and Eric Simmons, RCS.

Missing: Dominic Caston, FCS, Elysabeth Doolittle, FCS, Ah'mih Owens Harris, MCS, Aarik Sauer, FCS, Joshua Slater, MCS, and Finnegan Wall, FCS

Sullivan County Court Judge James Farrell delivered the keynote address, encouraging graduates to approach life with honesty, integrity, and determination. He concluded with an inspiring quote from Winston Churchill:

"Success is not final. Failure is not final. It's the courage to continue that counts." Judge Farrell encouraged each graduate to take pride in their accomplishments and wished them continued success.

Graduate Elias Bonilla of the Monticello Central School District served as the student speaker, sharing a heartfelt reflection on how Sullivan BOCES transformed his educational experience. He spoke about how the individualized support he received through the Rubin Pollack Education Center helped him grow academically, socially, and emotionally, and rebuild his confidence.

"BOCES is not a last resort. It is a resource," Bonilla told his fellow graduates. "It is an investment in students who need a different approach in order to succeed. I have grown in so many ways that I didn't think were possible. I've learned how to manage myself, how to take my education seriously, and how to believe in my own potential."

The Rubin Pollack Education Center provides specialized educational programs designed to meet the unique academic, behavioral, and social-emotional needs of students throughout Sullivan County. Through individualized instruction, comprehensive support services, and opportunities such as Career & Technical Education, students are empowered to achieve success in school and beyond.

Sullivan BOCES congratulates the Rubin Pollack Education Center Class of 2026 and wishes each graduate continued success as they begin the next chapter of their educational and career journeys.

Class of 2026:

James Anderson, SWCS
Walter Bivins, MCS
Elias Bonilla, MCS
Albert Brown, LCS
Erin Brown, ECS
Nathaniel Buschmann, LCS
Dominic Caston, FCS
Elysabeth Doolittle, FCS
Frederick Heins, LCS
Jeremy Jackson, LCS
Joshua Jackson, LCS
Charles Keffer III, PJCS

Aiden Kirchner, RCS
Giovanni Knight, PJCS
Aiden Lopez, MCS
Elijah Meletiche, LCS
Daniel Morris, FCS
Zachary Narozny, RCS
Ezekiel Oney, MCS
Ah'mih Owens Harris, MCS
Arisbeth Padilla-Leon, MCS
Toni Phillips, RCS
Jayden Quick, MCS

Isaiah Rodriguez, MCS
Kevin Rosales Campos, FCS
Mark Sanchez Gomez, LCS
Aarik Sauer, FCS
Riley Schreibel, ECS
Eric Simmons, RCS
Kami Simmons, RCS
Joshua Slater, MCS
Sonale Soto, SWCS
Madison Sullivan, SWCS
Yadiel Toribio-Torres, MCS
Finnegan Wall, FCS

Smoke From Canadian Wildfires and High Temperatures Will Create Unhealthy Air Conditions in New York

Governor Kathy Hochul today warned New Yorkers that smoke from wildfires in Canada and high temperatures will create unhealthy air conditions in New York. The smoke, which will be visible, is set to cross into the western part of the state in the early morning before moving across the rest of the state throughout the day.

"Distant wildfires have impacted New York State in recent years, and this week unfortunately will be no different with expected hazy skies and poor air quality," Governor Hochul said. "We are now closely tracking these conditions and I strongly encourage New Yorkers to stay informed and take appropriate precautions to stay safe. Sensitive groups should take particular caution."

New York State issued an Air Quality Health Advisory for fine particulate matter for today, July 15, 2026, for the Eastern Lake Ontario, Central New York and Western New York counties due to the impact of smoke from wildfires in Canada. While the western regions are expected to see the greatest impact, there will likely be spikes of poor air quality throughout the state. There is the potential for visible smoke and hazy skies across the state and New Yorkers may see temporary spikes in smoke-related pollution.

The New York Department of Environmental Conservation and the Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services will be closely monitoring conditions to make any necessary changes to advisories. New York residents and visitors are reminded to include air quality awareness in their daily warm weather routines.

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) provides daily air quality forecasts to ensure air quality information is available at New Yorkers' fingertips. While New York State has some of the nation's most stringent air quality regulations to reduce air pollution and protect public health and the environment, there are certain days that ozone or particulate matter can impact air quality.

Using data collected from more than 50 sites across the state, DEC and Department of Health (DOH) issue Air Quality Health Advisories when DEC meteorologists predict levels of pollution, either ozone or PM2.5, are expected to exceed an Air Quality Index (AQI) value of 100. The AQI was created as an easy way to correlate levels of different pollutants to one scale, with a higher AQI value indicating a greater health concern.

New Yorkers are encouraged to check airnow.gov for accurate information on air quality forecasts and conditions. Information about exposure to smoke from fires can be found on DOH's website.

AQI Health Guidelines

AQI health guidelines are associated with recommendations to protect impacted populations.

- o 0-50: Good - Air quality is considered satisfactory and air pollution poses little or no risk.
- o 51-100: Moderate - Air quality is acceptable. However, for some pollutants there may be a moderate health concern for a very small number of people who are usually sensitive to air pollution.
- o 101-150: Unhealthy for Sensitive Groups - Members of



sensitive groups may experience health effects. The general public is not likely to be affected. Sensitive groups include people with asthma, heart or lung disease, older adults, children and teenagers, minority populations, and outdoor workers.

- o 151-200: Unhealthy - Everyone may begin to experience health effects. Members of sensitive groups may experience more serious health effects.

- o 201-300: Very Unhealthy - Health alert. Everyone may experience more serious health effects.

- o 301-500: Hazardous - Health warnings of emergency conditions. The entire population is more likely to be affected.

An Air Quality Health Advisory for PM2.5 was issued for July 15 for Eastern Lake Ontario, Central New York and Western New York counties. The advisory remains in effect through 11:59 p.m.

Eastern Lake Ontario includes northern Cayuga, Jefferson, Monroe, Oswego and Wayne counties; Central New York includes Allegany, Broome, southern Cayuga, Chemung, Chenango, Cortland, Delaware, southern Herkimer, Livingston, Madison, Onondaga, Oneida, Ontario, Otsego, Tioga, Tompkins, Schuyler, Seneca, Steuben and Yates counties; and Western New York, which includes Cattaraugus, Chautauqua, Erie, Genesee, Niagara, Orleans and Wyoming counties.

The AQI is forecasted to exceed 100, and in some areas, could go above 150 momentarily. When the AQI is above 100, air quality may be unhealthy for sensitive groups, including children, teens, older adults, people with heart or lung disease, and outdoor workers. An AQI above 150 means the air is unhealthy for everyone. We urge everyone, especially those in sensitive groups, to check their local AQI and take precautions as needed.

Sullivan BOCES Career & Technical Education Students Earn Honor Roll and High Honor Roll Recognition

LIBERTY: Sullivan BOCES proudly recognizes the outstanding academic achievements of students enrolled at the Career & Technical Education (CTE) Center who earned placement on the Honor Roll and High Honor Roll for the recent marking period.

These students demonstrated exceptional dedication, strong work ethic, and a commitment to excellence while balancing rigorous academic expectations with hands-on technical training. Sullivan BOCES CTE programs prepare students for college and careers by blending real-world skills with academic achievement, and this recognition highlights the determination and focus of these learners.

Executive Principal Jeffrey Molusky praised the students for their accomplishments, stating, "Congratulations to our Honor Roll and High Honor Roll students on this well-earned recognition. Finishing the school year strong is a testament to your hard work, determination, and commitment to excellence. Your success reflects not only your dedication, but also the support of your families and the guidance of our outstanding teachers. We are incredibly proud of all that you have accomplished this year and wish you continued success in the future."

For more information about Sullivan BOCES Career & Technical Education programs, visit www.scbores.org/CTE

High Honor Roll

Allied Health
Elionna Bell, (Ell CS)
Tyiese Mack, (FCS)
Jayden Edwards, (FCS)
Maliea Agapito, (LCS)
Aaliyah Hyman, (MCS)
Peyton Murran, (MCS)
Izabella Loiacono, (MCS)
Arnold Cherubino, (RCS)
Olivia Donmoyer, (TVCS)

Animal Science
William Pennell, (LCS)
Kylee Curry, (LCS)
Audrey Krum, (LCS)
Elecssia Kruszka, (MCS)

Auto Technology
Kenji Rodriguez Santillan, (MCS)
Jaycob Torres Barreto, (MCS)
Jacob Tucker, (RCS)
Chase Graham, (TVCS)

Broadcasting/Music Production

Raedyn Boatright, (MCS)
Jose Ybanez, (SWCS)
Roy Leach, (TVCS)
William Blume, (TVCS)
Dexter Hannold, (TVCS)

Construction

Patrick Nolan, (Ell CS)
Tyler Damms, (Ell CS)
Hector Jami Cocha, (FCS)
Olivia Tyler, (LCS)
Justin Nunez, (MCS)

Thomas Macias Olarte, (MCS)
Radek Evans Machacek, (MCS)

Cosmetology

Blanca Flores, (FCS)
Madelin Gonzaga Moreno, (FCS)
Naiara Alvarado Piedy, (LCS)
Aniyah Ridley, (MCS)
Nicky Cole, (MCS)
Marie Hlavacek, (MCS)
Katricia McLennon, (TVCS)
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Neversink River

CRAFT CO-OP

WHERE:

2554 Frost Valley Rd. Claryville, NY

2026 DATES:

June 28
July 12
July 26
August 9
October 10 & 11

HOURS:

10am - 5pm

For more information, call 845-985-2016

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

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



DIRECTIONS: From Napanoch or Liberty, take Rt. 55 to Grahamsville. Turn up Claryville Road. Just past the church in Claryville, turn left on Frost Valley Road and continue for four miles until you see our sign!

Sullivan BOCES Career & Technical Education Students Earn Honor Roll and High Honor Roll Recognition

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Culinary Arts

Angelika Foley, (ECS)
Kenya Palandra, (Ell CS)
Gustavo Leon, (LCS)
Randy Romero-Bello, (LCS)
Dakota Avellino, (LCS)
Cameron Degroat, (LCS)
Belen Leon Martinez, (LCS)
Kariana Reyes, (LCS)
Mallory Tesseyman, (LCS)
Allisson Diaz Lopez, (LCS)
Jvaughn Dawson, (MCS)
Veronica Parrilla Beach, (MCS)
Lana Gardner, (RCS)
Serenity Conklin, (SWCS)

Early Childhood & Development

Grace Francis, (Ell CS)
Skylar Wright, (FCS)
Angele Osorio Ramirez, (LCS)
Gabriella Alger, (RCS)
Amelia Morton-Curry, (TVCS)

Health Occupations

Isabela Rosario, (ECS)
Adryana Kozachuk, (FCS)
Kimberlin Mejia Alvarado, (LCS)
Giada DeFrank, (LCS)
Kerice Barrett, (MCS)
Jimmy Benjamin, (MCS)
Fiolla Gjonbalaj, (MCS)
Irianys Rodriguez Mendez, (MCS)
Ava Williams, (MCS)
Anayah Falu, (MCS)
Raven Morin, (MCS)
Ava Hovis, (MCS)
Karen Dutan, (MCS)
Vicente Maldonado Cortes, (MCS)
Alicia Graham, (MCS)
Charm Smith, (MCS)
Ashley Diehl, (SWCS)
Kaylan Welton-Erdman, (SWCS)
Arianna Kautz, (SWCS)
Julia Mathews, (SWCS)
Marbella Santiago Guzman, (TVCS)

Innovative Design

Paul Amoroso, (ECS)
Treyvon Hayden, (FCS)
Fabio Narkaj, (FCS)

Alison Granados-Fuentes, (FCS)
Mathias Atkins, (LCS)
Jordan Smith, (LCS)
Jaidon Simmons, (LCS)
Amari Blanchette, (MCS)
Dylan Newell, (SWCS)
Kaedyn Freeman, (TVCS)

Public Safety Services

Brae Goodell, (ECS)
Carmen Montes Velasco, (FCS)
Brooke Bull, (LCS)
Colin Dole, (LCS)
Jesse Gonzalez Santos, (MCS)
Eileen Tobon Gil, (MCS)
Jayleen Molina, (MCS)

Welding

Logan Ey, (ECS)
Trai Kaufmann, (ECS)
Nicholas Mohan, (ECS)
Leah Oliver, (Ell CS)
Allen Conklin, (Ell CS)
David Cole, (FCS)
Coben Pittaluga, (FCS)
Gavin Storms, (FCS)
Camryon ONeal, (LCS)
Lige Young, (LCS)
Joshua Decker Jr, (LCS)
Hudson Danzilo, (LCS)
Juan Lucero Morales, (LCS)
Joshua Ross, (LCS)
Lucio Ponce Vazquez, (LCS)
Leland Brooks, (MCS)
Jakob Cutway, (MCS)
Bryan Rivera, (MCS)
Julio Santiago, (MCS)
Jesus Correa, (MCS)
Jack Groom, (MCS)
Luis Parrilla Beach, (MCS)
Sincere Embry, (MCS)
Howard Kiefer, (MCS)
Ronald Brigman, (MCS)
Mario Cruz III, (RCS)
Calianne Harasemovech, (RCS)
Michael Kirchner, (RCS)
Kaleb Maldonado, (RCS)
Michael Misner, (RCS)
Kareem Wall, (RCS)
Adam Hoag, (RCS)
Coleton Faulkner, (RCS)
Landen Ryder, (RCS)
Marc Nieves, (RCS)
Alexander Jimenez, (SWCS)
Aliya Rivas, (SWCS)
Nevaeh VanSickle, (SWCS)
Gianna Lingle, (SWCS)
Fredric Schutte, (SWCS)
Robert Stauch, (SWCS)
Titus Donmoyer, (TVCS)
Devin Miller, (TVCS)
Laura Contrys, (TVCS)
John Mingo, (TVCS)

Honor Roll

Allied Health

Sarai Miranda, (LCS)
Kayla Alarcon Lara, (MCS)
Jhoana Mercado, (MCS)
Jessica Stanton, (MCS)
Tyrese Shaw, (MCS)
Michael Carman, (MCS)
Alivia Garcia, (RCS)
Abigele Lawrence, (TVCS)

Animal Science

Bethany Carvajal, (FCS)
Jayden Johnson, (FCS)
Allyson Houser, (LCS)
Jafet Aguilera Hernandez, (MCS)
Michelle Van Lowe, (MCS)
Reiley Schloicka, (MCS)
Alexis Boone, (MCS)
Skyla Millan, (MCS)
Emma Rausch, (MCS)
KloudSophi Walsh, (MCS)

Auto Technology

RJ Marchesin, (ECS)
Holden Gillespie, (ECS)
Dannys Maradiaga Diaz, (FCS)
Virginio Jeronimo Sanchez, (FCS)
Inmer Santos Morales, (FCS)
Mariah Edwards, (LCS)
Jeffrey Greve, (LCS)
James Letohic III, (LCS)
Christian Curry, (LCS)
Christopher Van Lowe, (MCS)
Dalbert Lalane Paredes, (MCS)
Christopher Blanco Jr, (MCS)
Brodén Ibarra, (MCS)
Jacob King, (MCS)
Stephan LaTouche, (MCS)
Leon Martinez, (MCS)
Senecere Wall-Thomas, (MCS)
Leland Oefelein, (SWCS)
Alvaro Aca Hernandez, (TVCS)
David Hermann, (TVCS)
Mathew Huggler, (TVCS)

Broadcasting / Music Production

Robert Blake Jr, (FCS)
Maiya Davis, (FCS)
Amir George, (LCS)
John Palacios Medrano, (LCS)
David Flores da Silva, (MCS)
Molli Leibowitz, (MCS)
Macy Miros, (MCS)
Aliya Anderson, (RCS)
Brody Day, (RCS)
Onyx Richards, (TVCS)
Joshua Chaney Jr, (TVCS)
Jacob Van Etten, (TVCS)

Construction

Nelson Sosa Cerrato, (FCS)
Rodrigo Zacapexpan Reyes, (FCS)
Juan Rivera, (LCS)
Alan Barragan Luna, (MCS)
Kent Johnson-McKnight, (MCS)

Richard Krauss, (SWCS)
Thomas Fidecaro, (TVCS)

Cosmetology

Briana Wagner, (ECS)
Autum Lahoda, (ECS)
Jayla Lewis, (Ell CS)
Angelina Rodriguez, (Ell CS)
Nydia Lopez, (Ell CS)
Kylee Clark, (FCS)
Heysel Mejia Corcio, (FCS)
LeonJahnae Skye Fountain, (FCS)
Jordyn Cerone, (FCS)
Glenda Mendoza Dominguez, (FCS)
Belkis Cruz Guevara, (LCS)
Yahaerah Lopez-Gonzalez, (LCS)
Quelin Molina Gavilan, (LCS)
Esther Santos Lomeu Leite, (LCS)
Sydania Foster, (LCS)
Vida Luna Jeronimo, (LCS)
Jenifer Jadan Panama, (LCS)
Yuritzy Martinez Ramirez, (LCS)
Eriany Diaz Morales, (MCS)
Isabella Rossi, (MCS)
Tatiana Dalley, (MCS)
Laylah Negron, (MCS)
Christina Kritikos, (MCS)
Zanasia Banks, (MCS)
Isabella Carpinone, (MCS)
Emily Rivera Nunez, (MCS)
Cosmetology cont.
Tessa Tedesco, (MCS)
Isobel Baez, (MCS)
Saniyah Woods, (MCS)
Angelia Raykoff, (TVCS)

Culinary Arts

Cameron Ferguson Leek, (ECS)
Miranda Howard, (ECS)
Avi Friedberg, (FCS)
Joshua Rosales, (FCS)
Olivia DeGraw, (FCS)
Derick Aliers Amparo, (LCS)
Kent Clarke, (LCS)
Tianna Wilson, (LCS)
Jensen Rivera, (LCS)
Pheobe Wilson, (LCS)
Christopher Samuel Jr, (LCS)
Joseph Arias Jr, (LCS)
Serenity Moore, (LCS)
Danilo Paz, (LCS)
Riley Santiago, (LCS)
Santo Sarita, (LCS)
Brionna Jones, (MCS)
Shelby Simmons, (RCS)
Ryan Miller, (SWCS)
Leonard Ramirez Guzman, (SWCS)
Daniel Clark Jr., (TVCS)

Sullivan BOCES Career & Technical Education Students Earn Honor Roll and High Honor Roll Recognition

(From Pg. 36) Honor Roll

Early Childhood & Development

Kyleigh Avery, (FCS)
Yanelis Aguilar Reyes, (LCS)
Carol-Ann Bivins, (LCS)
Jose Moreno Reyes, (LCS)
Brooklyn Brown-Johnson,
(MCS)
Mackenzie Cole, (RCS)
Taliah Aguayo, (RCS)
Savannah Kiefer, (RCS)

Electrical Trades

Patrick Bangs, (ECS)
Justin Abreu, (ECS)
Aaron Ross, (ELL CS)
Justin Yautentzi Reyes, (FCS)
Jonathan Dias Paredes, (FCS)
Jansel Rosa Gonzalez, (FCS)
Michael Avelar Martinez,
(FCS)
Bryan Avelar Martinez, (FCS)
Dominic McPherson, (FCS)
Fraidy Rosenberg, (Hebrew
Day)
Marcus Curry, (LCS)
Jared Quiroz Gomez, (LCS)
Cesar Chavarria Palacios,
(LCS)
Kevin Leon Gavilan, (LCS)
Tayler Schwartz, (LCS)
Jake Cross, (LCS)

Alan Cruz, (LCS)
Adrian Estrada Ruiz, (LCS)
Phoenix Johnson, (LCS)
Shevaun Mcleod, (MCS)
Steven Acevedo Huerta, (MCS)
Jefferson Rivera Perez, (MCS)
Liam Brasington, (MCS)
Jason Dubovici, (MCS)
Andre Hill, (MCS)
Kollin Raymond, (MCS)
Jeffrey Ruiz Morazan, (MCS)
Nicholas Soemann, (MCS)
Anthony Hicks, (RCS)
Logan Thomas, (RCS)
Benjamin Johnston, (RCS)
Logan Schmeiser, (RCS)
Zachary Conklin, (SWCS)
Jack Carman, (SWCS)
Ethan Spagnoli, (SWCS)
Joseph Reimer, (SWCS)
Leo McCann, (TVCS)
Bryan Rogerson, (TVCS)
Kerian Sanders, (TVCS)

Health Occupations

Sierra Velazquez, (FCS)
Katherine Alvarado Castro,
(FCS)
Sarai Miranda, (LCS)
Kayla Alarcon Lara, (MCS)
Jhoana Mercado, (MCS)
Jessica Stanton, (MCS)
Tyrese Shaw, (MCS)
Michael Carman, (MCS)
Alivia Garcia, (RCS)
Abigele Lawrence, (TVCS)
Bethany Carvajal, (FCS)
Jayden Johnson, (FCS)
Allyson Houser, (LCS)
Jafet Aguilera Hernandez,
(MCS)

Michelle Van Lowe, (MCS)

Innovative Design

Emma Rausch, (MCS)
KloudSophi Walsh, (MCS)
RJ Marchesin, (ECS)
Holden Gillespie, (ECS)
Dannys Maradiaga Diaz, (FCS)
Virginio Jeronimo Sanchez, (FCS)
Inmer Santos Morales, (FCS)
Mariah Edwards, (LCS)
Jeffrey Greve, (LCS)
James Letohic III, (LCS)
Christian Curry, (LCS)
Christopher Van Lowe, (MCS)

Natural Resources

Dalbert Lalane Paredes, (MCS)
Christopher Blanco Jr, (MCS)
Broden Ibarra, (MCS)
Jacob King, (MCS)
Stephan LaTouche, (MCS)
Leon Martinez, (MCS)
Senecere Wall-Thomas, (MCS)
Leland Oefelein, (SWCS)
Alvaro Aca Hernandez, (TVCS)
David Hermann, (TVCS)
Mathew Huggler, (TVCS)
John Simonsen IV, (ECS)
Mykaela Pereira, (ELL CS)
Angelo Appollonia, (FCS)
John Trujillo-Henderson Jr, (FCS)
Tais Delgado, (MCS)
John DeSimone, (MCS)

New Vision

Kamron Nietzel, (MCS)
Tristin Revell, (MCS)

Plumbing /HVAC Technician

Reiley Schloicka, (MCS)

Alexis Boone, (MCS)
Skyla Millan, (MCS)

Public Safety Services

Braeden Fairfield, (MCS)
Matthew Crawford, (RCS)
Carter Feeney, (RCS)
Robert Blake Jr, (FCS)
Maiya Davis, (FCS)
Amir George, (LCS)
John Palacios Medrano, (LCS)
David Flores da Silva, (MCS)
Molli Leibowitz, (MCS)
Macy Miros, (MCS)
Aliya Anderson, (RCS)
Brody Day, (RCS)
Onyx Richards, (TVCS)
Joshua Chaney Jr, (TVCS)
Jacob Van Etten, (TVCS)
Nelson Sosa Cerrato, (FCS)
Rodrigo Zacapexpan Reyes,
(FCS)
Juan Rivera, (LCS)
Alan Barragan Luna, (MCS)
Kent Johnson-McKnight,
(MCS)
Richard Krauss, (SWCS)

Welding

John Simonsen IV, (ECS)
Mykaela Pereira, (ELL CS)
Angelo Appollonia, (FCS)
John Trujillo-Henderson Jr,
(FCS)
Tais Delgado, (MCS)
John DeSimone, (MCS)
Kamron Nietzel, (MCS)
Tristin Revell, (MCS)
Braeden Fairfield, (MCS)
Matthew Crawford, (RCS)
Carter Feeney, (RCS)

Rubin Pollack Education Center Announces Honor Roll

LIBERTY - Sullivan BOCES has announced the students who earned academic honors at the Rubin Pollack Education Center. The recognition celebrates students whose hard work, perseverance, and commitment to academic excellence allowed them to finish the school year on a high note.

Middle School Students:

Castle Figueroa - LCS
Nicholas Darcy - FCS
Harvey Olsen - SWCS
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- ✦ Comprehensive Teacher's Guide which takes a deeper look into the topics and includes activities and student worksheets
- ✦ Interactive learning components including matching games, a 1779 Code Book spy activity and Revolutionary War reproduction items
- ✦ Video - meaning behind the words in Yankee Doodle!



George Washington
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Mid-Summer Magic is Here at Woodstock Farmers Market!

Whether you're filling your kitchen with the season's freshest ingredients or grabbing dinner on your way home, this week's market is bursting with local flavor.

The Harvest is in Full Swing

The farms are overflowing with the very best of summer. You'll find baskets of sweet berries, juicy cherries, currants, summer squash, crisp cucumbers, zucchini, leafy greens, fresh herbs, onions, garlic so much more. Remember to stop by Sustainable Sorcerer's tent for maple syrup, honey and beautiful gourmet mushrooms, the perfect addition to everything from omelets to pasta, risotto, or a simple weeknight stir-fry.

A Taste of the Hudson Valley

Celebrate the season with Wild Inside Goods, where local fruit is transformed into small-batch jams bursting with fresh flavor. These handcrafted spreads are perfect on toast, biscuits, yogurt, cheese boards, or even as a glaze for grilled meats and vegetables. It's a delicious way to take a little taste of the Hudson Valley home with you.

Fresh-Baked Favorites

Challah Pixie will be back with their beautiful handmade challah, rugelach, babka, and other irresistible baked treats. Kingston Bread has a beautiful selection of artisan breads, bagels, crusty baguettes, flaky pastries, and other freshly baked favorites. Whether you're stocking up for the week, building the perfect sandwich, or simply treating yourself to something from the bakery table, you'll find plenty to love!

Gluten-free & Vegan

Happy Belly Hudson returns with their delicious lineup of breads, pastries, brownies, donuts, and baked goods that everyone can enjoy.

Try Something New: Shishito Peppers

If you've never tried shishito peppers, this is your sign! These thin-skinned Japanese peppers are incredibly easy to cook and make the perfect summer appetizer or side dish.

Simply toss them in a little olive oil, blister them in a hot skillet or on the grill for a few minutes, sprinkle with flaky sea salt, and serve with a squeeze of fresh lemon. Most are mild and slightly sweet...but every once in a while you'll get a spicy surprise!

They're a delicious side or folded into tacos, served with hummus, or enjoyed straight from the pan as a snack. Look for them at the Clove Valley Farm tent this week and discover a new favorite. Dinner at the Market

Grab a loaded hot dog from Yeah Dawg, savor authentic handmade tamales and Mexican favorites from Land of the Tamal, or enjoy the bold, comforting flavors of Manolo's Cuban Café. Whether you're craving something smoky, spicy, or packed with Caribbean-inspired flavor, there's a delicious dinner waiting for you. Pick up a meal, relax with live music, and make your Wednesday evening at the market one to savor.

Vegan Options

Plenty of options are available including dinner, ice cream, baked goods, fresh fruits, vegetables and loads of mushrooms and maple syrup!

Every Wednesday May 13th - October 14th

3 PM - 7 PM, Rain or Shine

Mountainview Lot, Rock City Road, Woodstock
SNAP, FreshConnect, and Market Bucks accepted!

This week at the Market

Live Music by: Gerry Arias

Gerry Arias is a singer-songwriter rooted in Americana and folk rock, whose music feels pulled straight from the back roads -

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Every Tuesday at 7 PM
46 North Street in Monticello

For information
contact Past Exalted Ruler Ronni Scannell
at (845) 701-0695

blending blues, soul, and rhythm-driven storytelling with lived-in emotion. A longtime drummer turned front-man, his songs are grounded in groove, human connection, and a road-worn honesty that resonates across generations.

Gerry's performances are warm, unpretentious, and deeply human, pairing original music with a timeless, roots-forward sound that fits naturally into outdoor festivals, farm settings, local markets, and gatherings built around community and shared experience.

This year would mark his fifth appearance at Woodstock Farm Festival, continuing a longstanding connection with the festival's audience and spirit.

Face Painting by Jozie

We're excited to announce that Jozie will be back this week!!

Six year old Jozie is using her talents to raise money for local families in need so stop by the Kid's tent and brighten up your day while supporting Jozie's efforts.

You don't have to be a child to be a kid!!

Final week to donate!

Drop off adult clothing at the info booth, 3-7pm. Take a peek in your closet and we'd gratefully accept any great items you're ready to part with! Please no shoes, housewares or kids' clothes at this time.

Volunteers Needed

We're also looking for volunteers for the sale itself - all types of help is needed, from set up/break down to working the sale itself. You can find all the info here.

And of course, come support WFF at the sale! There will be all manner of vintage and secondhand gems, housewares, shoes, and much more! Follow us on insta for a preview!

Make sure you're following us for the latest updates!



**Bring a
covered dish
to share
Enjoy good food
and fellowship**

Covered Dish Supper

**Saturday
August 1, 2026
5:30 pm**

Sundown United Methodist Church Hall

**(Intersection of Sundown Rd. Peekamoose Rd.
& Greenville Rd., Sundown, NY 12740)**



**Be sure to check out the tables
with a variety of collectibles,
household items and more
that will be available for sale**



COME JOIN US FOR THE
THE NEVERSINK-RONDOUT ANTIQUE MACHINERY ASSOCIATION's
26th ANNUAL TRACTOR SHOW

ON

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 19th from 10 am-6 pm

(rain date Sept. 20th) at the

GRAHAMSVILLE FAIRGROUNDS, 8230 State Rt. 55, Grahamsville NY

*Featured Tractors this year are the **CASE, OLIVER & MOLINE***

***BUT ALL** tractor makes and models are welcome to participate.*

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

Also featured will be the

Ulster Heights Rod & Gun Club with the Sportsman's Vendor Barn,
the Catskill Region AACA Car Club CRUISE-IN (all vehicles welcome)
and Knife Sharpening by the Buley Family.

Join us for a day of family fun with antique tractors and machinery; classic cars; demos of sawmills, shingle mills & hit & miss engines; crafts, yard, machinery and sportsman's sales; food including the

Grahamsville Fire Dept. BBQ, beer garden served by Bridge & Tunnel:

live entertainment with Jon Zanger & DJ Mark Hyzer; hayrides, kids pedal tractors, Timmy the Train, Tractor Parade & MORE

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

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

*For More Info contact: **Cher Woehl @ 845-985-2401** & check us out on our NRAMA Facebook page*

NEVERSINK-RONDOUT



ANTIQUE MACHINERY ASSOCIATION

★ Antique Tractor Show – Saturday Sept 19th (rain date 20th) ★

Grahamsville Fairgrounds, Grahamsville NY

★ *Join the Cruise-In* ★



HOSTED BY:
CATSKILL REGION
AACA CAR CLUB

— *All vehicles welcome!* —

We tell folks if they have a special vehicle they want to show off come to the cruise-in – or you can come up with something clever.. its for all vehicles not just cars..



★ LIVE ENTERTAINMENT ★

— *Jon Zanger* —
PERFORMING LIVE!



ALONG WITH
DJ MARK
HYZER



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— *Serving up their beer!* —



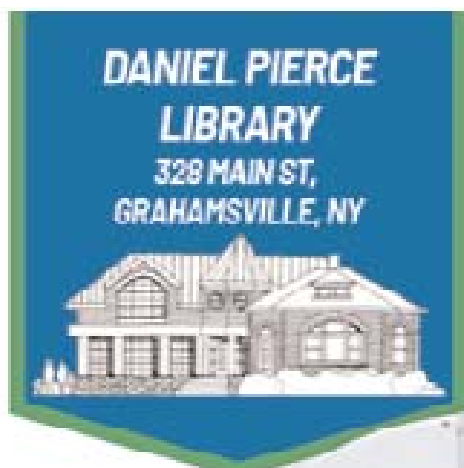
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ACCESS TO RESOURCES, AND LINKAGES TO CARE



SCREENINGS & EDUCATION

- Nutrition & Body Composition
- Hypertension & Diabetes
- Drug, Alcohol, & Tobacco
- Cancer Screening Assessment
- Hand Grip Strength Test
- Fall Risk Assessment

ACCESS TO RESOURCES

- NYS Quit Line & Nicotine Replacement Therapy Aides
- Medication Lock Boxes & Pill Cases
- Prescription Deconstruction Kits
- Hygiene Kits
- Substance Use Disorder Support

LINKAGES

- Apply for SNAP
- Apply for Health Insurance
- Referral to Primary Care Providers
- Community Resource Referrals

DANIEL PIERCE LIBRARY

AUGUST 14TH 10:00 AM-4:00PM

QUESTIONS?

Contact Christina Elwyn at
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**ELLENVILLE REGIONAL
RURAL HEALTH NETWORK**

Join Us to Celebrate Our Nation's 250th Anniversary!

This July is the 250th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence. The Time and the Valleys Museum is honoring our area's contribution to the struggles for independence by creating two new interactive exhibitions on the Revolution in 2026.

Celebrate With Us ~ Become a Museum Member ~ It's Easy!

Membership is only \$25 for a FULL YEAR

- ♦ Free admission to all in-person and virtual programs, exhibits and the Catskill Farm
- ♦ Invitations to all special member openings and events
- ♦ *Around the Reservoirs* Newsletter and monthly historical and informative emails
- ♦ 10% discount in the Museum Shop
- ♦ FREE ADMISSION to over 30 New York State Museums, and more!



Join now by going to timeandthevalleymuseum.org/support/membership, or send a check (\$25 for Individual, \$40 for Double and \$50 for Family) to the Museum at the address below. You will receive membership cards, a newsletter and special gift by return mail.

2026 and beyond is sure to be exciting ~ be part of the excitement by becoming a member today!



Time and the Valleys Museum P.O. Box 254, Grahamsville NY 12740
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Free Rabies Clinics

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Call to Pre-Register
845-292-5910

Thursday, August 13, 2026, 6:00-7:30pm
Hanofee Park Pavilion
136 Sunset Lake Rd. Liberty, NY

Wednesday, October 7, 2026, 6:00-7:30pm
Monticello Fire Station
23 Richardson Ave, Monticello, NY



REQUIREMENTS

- ✓ Sullivan County residents (ID required)
- ✓ Pets must be 3 months or older
- ✓ Pets must be on a leash, in a carrier, muzzled if aggressive
- ✓ Please bring proof of previous vaccination
- ✓ Dogs, cats, and ferrets accepted



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Sábado, 11 de Julio del 2026, 2:00- 3:30pm

Pabellón del Parque Hanofee
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Jueves, 13 de Agosto del 2026, 6:00- 7:30pm

Pabellón del Parque Hanofee
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Miércoles 7 de Octubre del 2026, 6:00-7:30pm

Estación de bomberos de Monticello
23 Richardson Ave, Monticello, NY



REQUISITOS

- ✓ Residentes del condado de Sullivan (se requiere identificación)
- ✓ Las mascotas deben tener 3 meses o más
- ✓ Las mascotas deben ir con correa, en transportín y con bozal si son agresivas
- ✓ Traiga comprobante de vacunación previa
- ✓ Se admiten perros, gatos y hurones

Our book tent is officially open for business!



Something for everyone:

- ▶ Hardcover: \$1.00
- ▶ Softcovers: \$.50
- ▶ Children's Books: \$.50
- ▶ DVDs & CDs: \$1
- ▶ Vinyl Records: \$1
- ▶ Puzzles & Games: \$1

Please DO NOT leave book donations
under the book tent.

The Primetimers of Temple Sholom

Monticello, NY sponsoring

Summer Bus Trips

On-your-own day trip to

New York City

New York City trip is via Leprechaun Lines

Wednesday, August 19th

The drop-off location will be 48th St. & 8th Ave.
Donation is \$55.00 pp round trip, including gratuity.

Reservations must be received by August 12th

The bus leaves the Temple parking lot on
East Dillon Road at 8:15 AM

The bus will leave the City at approximately 5:00 PM.

Bus trip to Wind Creek Casino/Outlets

Bethlehem, PA

Wednesday, August 5th

Enjoy an exciting day of gaming, dining and shopping at outlet stores.

The Casino Trip is a good deal –2 hour ride in the country

Pay \$50 per person –get \$30 back in free play.

Many outlet stores and food venues.

Reservations must be received by July 27th

Checks should be made out to Primetimers.
Call Paula for further information
and reservations at 561-504-7192.



BIG INDIAN NATIVE AMERICAN CULTURAL CENTER

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CULTURAL EVENT

➤ ➤ **JULY 25, 2026** << <

🕒 **11:00 AM – 5:00 PM** | 📍 **PINE HILL COMMUNITY CENTER**
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Experience traditional songs, dances, storytelling, and cultural demonstrations.



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HEALTH & SAFETY EXTRAVAGANZA!

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50 Community Lane

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Friday, July 24, 2026

12 - 3pm

2-3pm Sensory Friendly

Back to School Tdap and Meningitis Vaccination Clinic

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Child Passenger Safety

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Summer & Animal Safety Education

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Games and Fun!



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Daniel Pierce Library
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Summer Reading Program | Grades 1-3
3D Printing Event

Tuesday, July 14, 2026
 5:30 to 6:30 pm

Get ready for an awesome 3D printing adventure!

We'll kick things off with a fun, easy-to-understand intro to 3D printing so you can see how this amazing technology brings ideas to life. Then it's your turn to get creative! You'll pick and customize your own filament colors and watch as a real 3D printer uses them to create a one-of-a-kind, multi-color miniature just for you to take home.

But that's not all! Each student will also get a super cool 7-inch articulated dinosaur to paint and decorate using washable acrylic paints. Make it bright, bold, silly, or realistic—the choice is yours!

Create it, watch it, paint it... and take it home!

Open to Tri-Valley residents. Register online @ danielpiercelibrary.org

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UNEARTH A STORY

Summer Challenge Bookmark Contest

Calling ALL Aspiring Artists

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

Students are invited to submit an original design for the library's Summer Reading Program Bookmark! Winning designs will be selected and printed to be the official 2026 DPL Bookmark.

Follow the official guidelines and rules on our website.
The deadline for ALL entries is Thursday, July 30, 2026

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

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

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UNEARTH A STORY
 Summer Reading Program
Grades 7-12

DINOSAUR EYE

Create realistic or imaginative dinosaur eye!
Thursday, July 16, 2026
5:30 - 6:30 pm

- ◆ Create your own prehistoric masterpiece in this fun, hands-on teen program! Design and build a realistic (or wildly imaginative) dinosaur eye using clay, texture and creative materials. Whether you love fierce T-Rexes or gentle herbivores, you'll bring your dino to life one detail at a time.
- ◆ Just bring your creativity!

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Daniel Pierce Library
Entertainment Night
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DINOSAURS ROCK®
Fossil Adventure

Thursday, July 30, 2026
 5:30 pm
 for all young explorers and their families

Join us for a Jurassic Journey! Step back in time and explore the world of dinosaurs with this exciting, interactive & hands-on experience!

What to Expect: See and touch life size, authentic museum exhibit pieces. Learn from a DINOSAURS ROCK expert. Go on a real fossil dig.

Bonus: Every child receives a FREE book!

What to Bring: Chairs or blankets for your comfort.

Location: Daniel Pierce Library

We can't wait to see you there!
 Open to Tri-Valley residents. Please register online @ danielpiercelibrary.org

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All You Can Eat Pancake Breakfast



Sunday, July 19th

Serving 8:00 until 12 Noon

Adults: \$13

Senior Citizens (age 65 +): \$11

Children Ages 5-11: \$5

Under 5 Yrs. Free

Take-outs: \$13

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We accept cash and checks only

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The Great Fear: Frontier Life in the American Revolution

Celebrating our Nation's founding by exploring
the American Revolution in our own backyard!

Patriots, Loyalists, Settler Life, Battle of Chestnut Woods,
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Opening 4th of July

Weekends through September - 12 to 4 p.m. and by appointment

Private tours for groups of 15 or more



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Sullivan BOCES Celebrates Career & Technical Education Class of 2026

LIBERTY - On June 23, Sullivan BOCES celebrated the accomplishments of 370 Career & Technical Education (CTE) students during its Graduation Recognition Ceremony, honoring the hard work, dedication, and achievements of the Class of 2026.

Surrounded by family, friends, educators, and community partners, graduates were recognized for completing their CTE programs and preparing for careers, higher education, apprenticeships, and military service.

Executive Principal Jeffrey Molusky reminded graduates that their success extends beyond the technical skills they developed and the certifications they earned. He encouraged them to continue showing up, learning, building strong character, and recognizing the impact they can have on others.

"Being successful isn't just about talent," said Molusky. "It's about being dependable, being prepared, following through, and doing what you said you were going to do." He reminded students that reliability, accountability, integrity, and respect are qualities that will continue to open doors throughout their careers.

The ceremony also featured student speaker Gavin Storms, a Fallsburg Central School District graduate, Co-President of SkillsUSA, and Welding Program graduate. Reflecting on his experience at Sullivan BOCES, Storms shared how stepping outside of his comfort zone helped him grow both personally and professionally.

"When I first decided to join BOCES, I was honestly hesitant," said Storms. "But looking back now, I can confidently say that joining BOCES was one of the best decisions I've made."

Storms encouraged his classmates to remember that their experience at Sullivan BOCES taught them much more than a trade. "We didn't just learn a trade; we learned how to show up, handle the stress, and get the job done," said Storms. "The real value of BOCES isn't just the certificates we're taking home-it's the fact that we now know how to handle the heat when things get difficult."

As the Class of 2026 begins the next chapter of their lives, they leave Sullivan BOCES with career-ready skills, confidence, resilience, and the foundation to make a positive impact in their communities.

Congratulations to the Sullivan BOCES Career & Technical Education Class of 2026!

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Elionna Bell, ELL
Addison Bury, LCS
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Arnold Cherubino, RCS
Shenequelle Dent, MCS
Olivia Donmoyer, TVCS
Vanaya Dudley, LCS
Jayden Edwards, FCS
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Aaliyah Hyman, MCS
Abigele Lawrence, TVCS
Izabella Loiacono, MCS
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Leah Sherwood, TVCS
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Meet the Cast of 'Brighton Beach Memoirs' Opening this Week!

Laughter echoes through the halls of a Brooklyn home as Shadowland Stages brings Neil Simon's beloved BRIGHTON BEACH MEMOIRS to life - a heartfelt coming-of-age comedy where family bonds, youthful dreams, and life's everyday struggles become an unforgettable theatre experience.

Part one of Neil Simon's autobiographical trilogy is a hilarious and heartwarming portrait of the writer as a young teen in 1937, living with his family in a crowded, lower middle-class Brooklyn walk-up. This bittersweet memoir evocatively captures the life of Eugene Jerome, coping with the mundane existence of his family life in Brooklyn: formidable mother, overworked father, and his worldly older brother, Stanley. Throw into the mix his widowed Aunt Blanche, her two young (but rapidly aging) daughters, and you have a recipe for hilarity, despite tough times and the looming threat of WWII.

"Mr. Simon has written more than 30 plays...But this one works on every level, all the time." - Frank Rich, *The New York Times*

CLICK HERE TO PURCHASE TICKETS

https://shadowlandstages.easy-ware-ticketing.com/eventsByMovie/A000000227?mc_cid=cf7a5a0983&mc_eid=138a9b9d06

The cast includes Kimberly Faye Greenberg (Danny & Sylvia: The Danny Kaye Musical - Off Broadway), Jordan Kaplan (American Conservatory Theater), Danny Meglio (Commonwealth Shakespeare Company), Julia Anne Cohen (The Sound of Music: Broadway National Tour), Harrison Zraly (Shadowland Stages' The Reservoir), Thea Beth Strehlow (Royal Welsh College of Music & Drama), and Victoria Vogrincic (CenterStage). Brendan Burke (Artistic Director of Shadowland Stages) directs the production.

Performance Schedule & Tickets

Performances take place at the MAINSTAGE at
SHADOWLAND STAGES, at 157 Canal Street, in downtown Ellenville, NY.

Regular performances run

Thursday, Friday, and Saturday evening at 8 PM, Saturday and Sunday matinees at 2 PM.

"Pay What You Can" preview performances are offered on the first Friday (7/17) at 8 PM
and the first Saturday (7/18) at 2 PM

Tickets can be purchased online at shadowlandstages.org, by calling the box office at 845-647-5511, or in person starting two hours before showtime. Season subscribers save up to 30%, and groups of 10 or more receive substantial discounts. For group packages, contact the box office directly.

With free parking, excellent local dining, and a deep commitment to accessibility and affordability, SHADOWLAND STAGES remains "one of the region's treasures" (*Times Herald-Record*).

CLICK HERE FOR OUR 2026 SEASON VIDEO!

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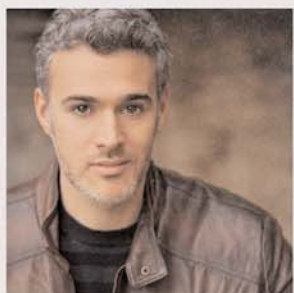
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JULY 17 - AUG 9



2nd Annual Sullivan County **VOLUNTEER FAIR**

Get involved. Have some fun.
Make a difference. Make new friends.
Connect in the community.



Explore volunteer opportunities and meet people from a variety of local organizations to find a volunteer match that works for you!

Wednesday, July 29, 2026
10 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Monticello Firehouse
23 Richardson Avenue
Monticello, NY

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:

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Historic Claryville Schoolhouse Museum

Experience a One Room School from Long Ago



Debbie Scanlon, Museum Educator

Meet 1930s Schoolmarm
Elsie Harshey
on June 6th
Don't be late for school!

Interactive exhibits, games and activities for kids

2026 Open Hours

Saturdays, 1 to 4 p.m.

June 6, July 18,

August 15, September 19,

October 17

Admission by donation



Claryville Schoolhouse Museum

946 Claryville Road, Claryville NY (next to the church hall)

info@timeandthevalleymuseum.org 845 985-7700

A collaborative project of the Claryville Reformed Church, Neversink Association and the Time and the Valleys Museum



1700s Frontier Exhibit Opening in May & We Need Your Help!

Do you have any of these items below to loan to the
Time and the Valleys Museum through September, 2028?

- Mannequins with heads (man and woman)
- Taxidermied deer, beaver, opossum, hedgehog, racoon, fox, wild cat, rabbit and especially wolf
- Any items (real or replica) from the 1700s

We are also seeking someone with graphic design skills
to enhance photos and create graphics.

If so, please call or email

Time and the Valleys Museum, Grahamsville
director@timeandthevalleymuseum.org 845 985-7700

All loans will be gratefully acknowledged in the exhibition

Thank you so much!



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Summer Challenge 2026

Reading Logs

Children Ages 0-5 Years and 6-11 Years

Read all summer, log the number of books and minutes read to receive prizes!

"Tweens". Teens and Adults

Log the number of books and minutes read and for every 4 books you read you will be entered into our SRP drawing!

Book BINGO

Book BINGO: Ages 6 - 11 years, "Tweens" Grades 5-8, Teens Grades 9-12 and Adults.

Read. Play. Win. To join our Book BINGO challenge, read books that fit the categories listed on the BINGO card for a chance to win free books!

Print out reading logs & BINGO cards from the DPL website

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or pick them up from the library!

HAVE FUN!



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Your voice and stories are crucial to my work as your Representative. Whether it's talking to you at a community event or when you call my office, I immensely value hearing from each and every one of you.

Here's some of how I fought for you and a more affordable, safe, and free Hudson Valley for us all this week:

KEEPING UP THE FIGHT AGAINST A POTENTIAL ICE FACILITY IN NEWBURGH

For months, I have been fighting against a mass detention center being built in the Hudson Valley. When reports of a Trump Administration plan to build a mass detention center in Chester broke in January, I immediately joined the community in raising the alarm. My petition opposing the site amassed more than 25,000 signatures, which I submitted directly to the Department of Homeland Security (DHS). I am proud to say that, because our community refused to back down, we stopped this proposal from moving forward. Together, we showed that when the Hudson Valley stands united, our voices cannot be ignored.

Now, I am reigniting the fight to keep ICE out of the Hudson Valley - in Chester, Newburgh, or anywhere else.

From the very beginning, the Trump Administration - particularly ICE and DHS - have refused to be transparent with our community. We've made it clear: we strongly reject a mass detention center or any ICE facility in the Hudson Valley. I'm urgently seeking answers to figure out exactly what their plan is. If the Administration thinks they can quietly build this without the force of our community fighting back, they've got another thing coming.

When they tried to build a facility in Chester, we rallied with one voice to stop it. Together, the Hudson Valley is standing on the side of justice, accountability, and humanity - and whether in Newburgh, Chester, or anywhere else, we won't stand idly by while ICE moves into our community, terrorizes our neighbors, and makes us all less safe.

Oppose an ICE facility in Newburgh? Make YOUR voice heard: <https://bit.ly/newburghICE>

Read more: <https://patryan.house.gov/media/press-releases/congressman-pat-ryan-raises-alarm-reports-potential-ice-facility-newburgh>

FIGHTING FOR THE WEST PARK POST OFFICE AT OUR COMMUNITY RALLY

For many communities in the Hudson Valley, the U.S. Postal Service is a lifeline.

That's especially the case in West Park where it's one of the few meeting places in town. The way this community has jumped into action has been so inspiring.

In just a few days since launching the petition, I've heard from seniors worried about picking up their medication, small business owners who rely on the shipping services, and most of all from neighbors, worried about losing this center of their community. We need to make sure USPS understands just how vital this post office is to the West Park community.

The crowd gathered last week speaks for itself. USPS owes the Hudson Valley better, and our community will keep fighting to save the West Park post office and ensure our neighbors don't get left behind.

If you live in West Park, NY, sign my petition to save the post office: https://iqconnect.house.gov/iqextranet/EForm.aspx?__cid=NY19PR&__fid=100063

Read more: <https://patryan.house.gov/media/press-releases/congressman-pat-ryan-rallies-west-park-community-postal-workers-save-west-park>

ANNIVERSARY OF THE FOURTEENTH AMENDMENT

On July 9, our nation marked 158 years since the ratification of the 14th Amendment.

We only experience the fullness of democracy so long as each and every one of our fellow Americans does.

Every day, we must recommit to the fight for equality.

CELEBRATING LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AND AMERICA 250 AT CRAWFORD NATIONAL NIGHT OUTTAYING COOL THIS SUMMER

Had a great time celebrating America's 250th Birthday with local law enforcement, first responders, and community members at the Town of Crawford's National Night Out last week!

Thank you to Chief Blasko for organizing & inviting me to join.

STANDING WITH HUDSON VALLEY FARMERS

The freeze this spring was absolutely devastating to our Hudson Valley farmers & growers.

Seeing the damage firsthand makes clear we need urgent action. Many of our apple growers told me they lost nearly 100% of their crop.

It's time for USDA to step up & do their job - now.

For weeks now, we've been pushing at every level an official Disaster Designation that would unlock millions of dollars in emergency grants and resources to help farmers and growers begin to recover from the estimated \$30 million loss.

I'll keep fighting tooth and nail to make sure Secretary Rollins understands the on-the-ground impacts and acts with urgency.

Read more: <https://midhudsonnews.com/2026/07/08/farmers-and-electeds-push-for-usda-disaster-declaration-in-wake-of-april-freeze-2/>

DELIVERING FUNDING FOR CLEAN DRINKING WATER IN WAPPINGER

I'm incredibly proud to secure nearly \$750,000 in federal funding for the Town of Wappinger to update their water filtration systems & improve water quality.

We're ensuring that everyone in our Hudson Valley community - especially our kids - has access to safe, clean drinking water.

Whether by delivering funding to fight contamination on the ground, holding corporations accountable for polluting our communities, or by fighting tooth and nail against harmful EPA or DoD policies rolling back our progress, I'll keep working to end this public health crisis once and for all.

Read more: <https://patryan.house.gov/media/press-releases/congressman-pat-ryan-secures-landmark-federal-investment-town-wappinger>

REMEMBERING COTTEKILL FIRE CHIEF DAVID GAGNON

Our Hudson Valley community is mourning the loss of Cottekill Fire Chief David Gagnon.

An Army veteran, 9/11 first responder, and father, Chief Gagnon gave his life in the line of duty.

Our first responders are heroes of the highest order. We owe them an immense debt of gratitude.

My thoughts are with his family & community at this unimaginably difficult time. (Contd. Pg. 62)

Pat Ryan (From Pg. 62)

Read more about Chief Gagnon's legacy of service:
<https://www.dailyfreeman.com/2026/07/08/late-cottekill-fire-chief-gagnon-remembered-for-leadership/>

SPENDING TIME AT DUTCHESS COUNTY'S OFFICE FOR AGING SENIOR PICNIC

Great to spend some time in Beacon at Dutchess County's Office for Aging Senior Picnic last week!!

Special thanks to Beacon High School for lending their gym.

SIGN UP FOR MY SECOND ANNUAL SUMMER READING CHALLENGE!

Summer reading keeps kids curious, confident, and connect-ed - it's how we make sure every child comes back to school ready to learn, grow, and thrive.

I am consistently so impressed with Hudson Valley students, and I think My Summer Reading Challenge is a great way to recognize them and their commitment to education. So, whether you're enjoying the nice weather in one of our beautiful parks or making a splash at a Hudson Valley pool this summer vacation, make sure you bring a book!

Students who want to participate should fill out the form linked below. Participating K-8 students who read five or more books between June 23rd and August 31st will receive a Congressional Certificate of Achievement.

Sign up for my Summer Reading Challenge:

<https://patryan.house.gov/media/press-releases/congressman-ryan-launches-second-annual-summer-reading-challenge-hudson-valley>

BRINGING MY OFFICE TO YOU

If you need help enrolling in Medicare, getting your IRS tax return, and more; Join my team at one of the next July CARES Van events for one-on-one assistance with federal programs.

If you need help navigating a federal agency, but can't join an event, please call my team at (845) 443-2930.

U.S. SERVICE ACADEMY NOMINATION APPLICATIONS NOW OPEN

At West Point, I learned to live a life grounded in Duty, Honor, & Country. It's a privilege each year to nominate the best of the Hudson Valley to our US Service Academies. If you're interested in finding YOUR path to service, reach out to my office!

Learn more here: <https://patryan.house.gov/media/press-releases/congressman-pat-ryan-opens-application-window-us-service-academy-nominations-0>

SIGN UP FOR MY AMERICA 250 ESSAY CONTEST!

Our community was on the forefront of American independence 250 years ago, and that revolutionary spirit lives on today - especially in our next generation of leaders.

That's why I'm so excited to launch my America 250 Essay Contest, and hear from the exceptional young people of the Hudson Valley.

The Hudson Valley has a profoundly rich history of Patriotism and service to this great country.

As we celebrate the first 250 years of American history, we must also look forward to the next 250.

GRANTS CORNER

Featured Funding Opportunities

FEMA's Nonprofit Security Grant Program (NSGP)

Through FEMA's NSGP, nonprofit organizations can receive funding for security enhancements, like security cam-

eras, additional warning and alert systems, gates and lighting, access control systems and training programs for staff. Last week, FEMA published the FY 2026 NSGP funding opportunity, making \$300 million in NSGP funding available to nonprofit organizations across the country.

To apply for NSGP funding, nonprofit organizations must submit an application to their State Administrative Agency. In New York, this is the Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services (DHSES). Eligible nonprofit organizations include houses of worship, educational facilities, medical facilities, senior centers/care facilities, community/social services, shelters/crisis centers, event venues, science organizations, camps, and museums. DHSES will announce when applications are due in the coming weeks.

NYS Clean Green Schools Initiative

Recently, Governor Kathy Hochul announced more than \$100 million is now available to make clean energy upgrades in public schools through the Clean Green Schools Initiative, which provides funding to implement modern, energy efficient solutions from pre-kindergarten through grade 12 (P-12) educational buildings.

The initiative is open to public school districts that are designated as Priority Districts, or if the public school buildings and Boards of Cooperative Educational Services (BOCES) buildings are located in a disadvantaged community, as defined by the New York Climate Justice Working Group. Incentive amounts start at \$500,000 for qualifying projects and proposals are due on August 18, 2026 by 3 p.m.

NYS DEC's Urban and Community Forestry (UCF) Grant Program

\$10 million in funding is now available through Round 17 of DEC's UCF Grant Program. Of the \$10 million dollars available for this round of grants, \$3 million is set aside for communities with populations of 65,000 or less. Maximum grant awards are limited to \$2.5 million and minimum awards are of \$50,000.

Applications are due 2 p.m. on Wednesday August 12, 2026.

HFFI Food Access and Retail Expansion Fund (HFFI FARE Fund)

The HFFI FARE Fund is a program under America's Healthy Food Financing Initiative, a program of USDA Rural Development.

The HFFI FARE Fund will fund projects that create or expand the following types of business models:

SNAP Authorized food retailers located in eligible underserved areas that will sell an assortment of Staple and Perishable foods directly to consumers

Post-harvest food retail supply chain enterprises that will distribute Staple and Perishable foods to SNAP authorized food retailers located in eligible underserved areas

Funding Levels:

Grants from \$20,000 - \$250,000 for planning and implementation projects

Technical Assistance up to \$75,000 per project for early-stage planning, predevelopment, and business assistance contractual soft costs

Funding Inquiries are due no later than 11:59 PM ET, July 31, 2026.

If invited to submit, full applications are due no later than 11:59 PM ET, October 30, 2026. Award notifications will be made no earlier than January 2027.

Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS Office) Fiscal Year 2026 Notices of Funding Opportunities (NOFOs) (Conatd. Pg. 64)

Pat Ryan (From Pg. 62) The released NOFOs include the COPS Hiring Program (CHP) and several other grant programs that:

Support the hiring and retention of sworn law enforcement officers,

Keep school students safe,

Promote the health and safety of our nation's law enforcement personnel,

Keep communities safe by providing active shooter training

Applications are due starting Thursday, July 23, 2026. Review the NOFO for additional information.

New York Providing Local Access to Essential Sustenance (NY PLATES) Capital Grant Program

Governor Kathy Hochul announced that funding is available from the new \$10 million NY PLATES Capital Grant Program. This funding will support food banks and other organizations that provide emergency food assistance in building the modern facilities, equipment, and infrastructure needed to serve more families across the state.

The application period for the NY PLATES capital grant program will open on July 8, 2026, and applications must be submitted by August 20, 2026. Awards are expected to be announced no earlier than October 20, 2026.

National Park Service: Outdoor Recreation Legacy Partnership (ORLP) Program

The ORLP Program supports the creation and improvement of local parks and outdoor recreation spaces in qualifying urban areas of 25,000+ residents or in areas administered by Federally recognized Tribes.

ORLP funds: Land acquisition, New Park development; and Renovation of existing outdoor recreation facilities. Awards range from \$300,000 to \$15 million.

Applications are due to NPS each year by November 1 at 11:59 PM ET.

The Trust for Public Land is working in partnership with the NPS to launch a new, no cost ORLP Technical Assistance Program. In 2026, TPL will provide potential applicants with:

ORLP application support webinar series

One-on-one ORLP applicant support

Self-serve resources for ORLP applicants

Additional Resources:

Hudson Valley Regional Council Grants Guide

Each month Hudson Valley Regional Council publishes its Grants Guide focused on federal, state, and local funding opportunities related to economic development, water, clean energy, resilience, and sustainability. Each grant listing features the deadline, eligibility, and a short description including the amounts municipalities are eligible to apply for and any required match. To view past Grants Guides, click here. To subscribe to the grants guide, please email elaferriere@hudsonvalleyrc.org.

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

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

I look forward to hearing from you soon!



Holding Canada Accountable for Targeting American Alcohol Producers

Canada should not be allowed to punish American wineries, breweries, and distilleries over unrelated political disputes. Yet nearly all of Canada's provincial liquor boards have restricted or banned the sale of American alcoholic beverages, hurting producers across the country, including many outstanding wineries in New York's Finger Lakes. To fight back, I introduced the CANADA Act, which directs the U.S. Trade Representative to investigate these discriminatory trade practices and determine whether enforcement action is warranted under Section 301. As we prepare to renegotiate USMCA, our trading partners must play by the rules. I will always fight to protect American producers, support our workers, and ensure fair treatment for U.S. businesses.

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

H.R. 7, the No Taxpayer Funding for Abortion and Abortion Insurance Full Disclosure Act of 2025: This bill would permanently prohibit federal funding for abortions and abortion coverage. Taxpayer dollars should never be used to fund abortions, and long-standing federal policy has generally restricted such funding through annual appropriations riders. This legislation makes those protections permanent and promotes greater transparency for consumers regarding abortion coverage in health insurance plans

H.R. 9387, the REAL Butter Act: This bill would require synthesized butter to be labelled as "lab-created butter" or "contains lab-created butter". For too long, lab-created products have abused the names of real dairy products, undermining our dairy farmers and deceiving consumers who think they are buying real dairy products. This bill will help consumers better understand what they are purchasing and ensure that products manufactured in a lab are never confused with healthy, nutritious dairy products like butter.

H.R. 425, the Repealing Big Brother Overreach Act: This bill would repeal the Corporate Transparency Act and eliminate its beneficial ownership reporting requirements. Specifically, it would remove the requirement that many small businesses report information about their beneficial owners to the Department of the Treasury's Financial Crimes Enforcement Network (FinCEN), while ensuring that financial criminals can still be investigated. The Corporate Transparency Act mandates that small businesses disclose sensitive information in a federal database accessible to state and federal law enforcement without a subpoena. Small businesses should not be forced to comply with unnecessary federal reporting mandates that impose burdensome reporting costs. This legislation helps reduce regulatory burdens on American businesses while ensuring that financial criminals may still be held accountable.



Welcome to Kirsten's New York Minute! Here's what she's been up to this week:

1. Fighting for seniors in assisted living facilities

Seniors and their families deserve protection and peace of mind when seeking care in assisted living facilities.

This week, a Government Accountability Office report commissioned by Kirsten showed that assisted living facilities are subject to little federal oversight to guarantee resident safety despite receiving at least \$12 billion a year in taxpayer funding. In the wake of this report, Kirsten is demanding stronger regulations to protect seniors.

Read more. <https://www.fingerlakes1.com/2026/07/07/gao-report-finds-federal-oversight-gap-in-assisted-living-spending/>

2. Supporting 9/11 survivors

Honoring our promise to 'never forget' means protecting healthcare for 9/11 first responders and survivors. That's why Kirsten is leading the bipartisan push to reinstate Dr. John Howard to another term as the administrator of the World Trade Center Health Program.

Dr. Howard has dedicated his career to ensuring that 9/11 heroes get the specialized care they need to cope with the long-term health effects of toxic exposure. Ahead of the 25th anniversary of the attacks, the Trump administration must reappoint Dr. Howard to guarantee that survivors keep the care and stability that they deserve.

Read more.

<https://www.newsday.com/long-island/politics/world-trade-center-health-rtb497sp>

3. Working to prevent civilian casualties during war

Kirsten is demanding reform following a new report finding that President Trump's Department of Defense risked civilian lives and potentially violated federal law by gutting the programs designed to prevent harm to civilians.

President Trump's and Defense Secretary Hegseth's incompetent leadership has endangered our troops, jeopardized our national security, and threatened civilian lives. They must fully restore the programs and public servants that mitigate civilian harm.

Read

more.

<https://www.gillibrand.senate.gov/news/press/release/gillibrand-colleagues-press-hegseth-on-pentagon-gutting-civilian-protection-efforts-amid-war-in-iran/>

When a Monroe County constituent faced a stressful 15-month bureaucratic delay while trying to change her life insurance plan, she turned to Kirsten for assistance.

After Kirsten's team contacted the Office of Personnel Management on her behalf, the change was made and the constituent was reimbursed for overpaid premiums.

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

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

5. Keep up with Kirsten

Interested in staying up to date on Kirsten's legislative efforts? Follow Kirsten on social media!

Gillibrand Calls on Department of Homeland Security to Reinstate Temporary Protected Designation for Haiti

Following the Recent Supreme Court Decision, Haitian Nationals on Temporary Protected Status (TPS) Will Lose Work Authorization on Saturday
The Senator Recently Joined Colleagues to Introduce S. 4814 to Require the Secretary of Homeland Security to Designate Haiti for TPS

New York, NY - U.S. Sen. Kirsten Gillibrand (D-N.Y.) today called on Department of Homeland Security Secretary Markwayne Mullin and U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Joseph Edlow to reinstate Temporary Protected Status (TPS) for Haiti.

The push follows a recent U.S. Supreme Court decision permitting the Trump administration to terminate Haiti's TPS designation. Affected Haitian nationals will lose their work authorization after today, July 10. New York is home to a large Haitian community, with vibrant populations in New York City, Spring Valley, and across Long Island.

In her letter, Gillibrand noted that given the ongoing social unrest and humanitarian crisis in Haiti, TPS should remain in place, especially since USCIS has not "credibly shown that these conditions have abated [...] Beyond humanitarian interests, allowing Haitian nationals' work authorization to suddenly expire will deal a yet another blow to American employers who rely on these individuals to fill essential roles supporting New Yorkers," Gillibrand wrote.

The expiration of TPS will have severe consequences across the state and nation, particularly for the U.S. health care workforce. Gillibrand pointed out that hospitals, emergency rooms, senior care facilities, and home care services continue to face severe staffing shortages. The Senator noted that, "Across New York State, Haitians are deeply integrated into our local economies as small business owners, teachers, and civic leaders. In Spring Valley and throughout Rockland County, they form a core part of our local care infrastructure."

Senator Gillibrand's office has received extensive outreach from communities across New York concerned that the lapse in Employment Authorization Documents (EADs) will disrupt vital services. She wrote that the EAD lapse "would result in a sudden loss of trusted caregivers for some of New York's most vulnerable citizens. These are community members who depend on stable relationships to live safely, with dignity, and as independently as possible."

Gillibrand concluded by urging Mullin and Edlow to reverse the decision while Congress pursues legislative solutions, including S. 4814, a bill she recently co-sponsored to mandate Haiti's TPS designation.

The full text of the letter can be found here.

<https://www.gillibrand.senate.gov/wp-content/uploads/2026/07/Letter-to-DHS-USCIS-re.-Haiti-TPS.pdf>

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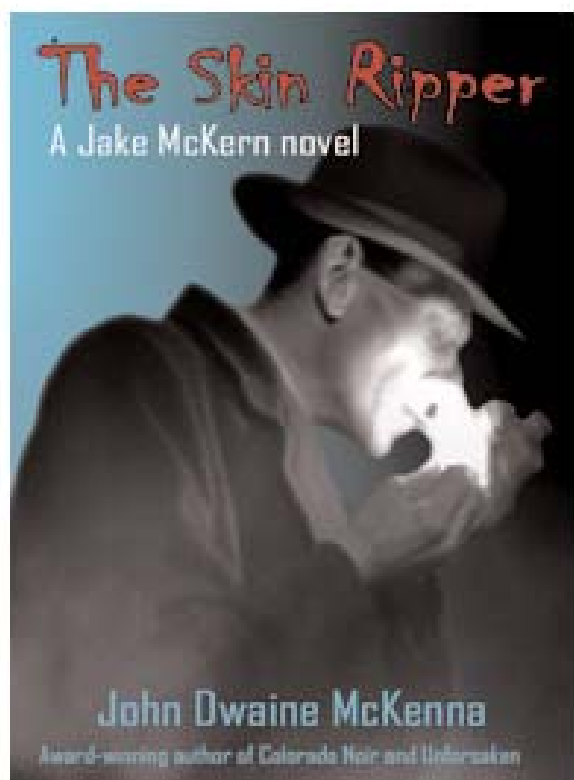
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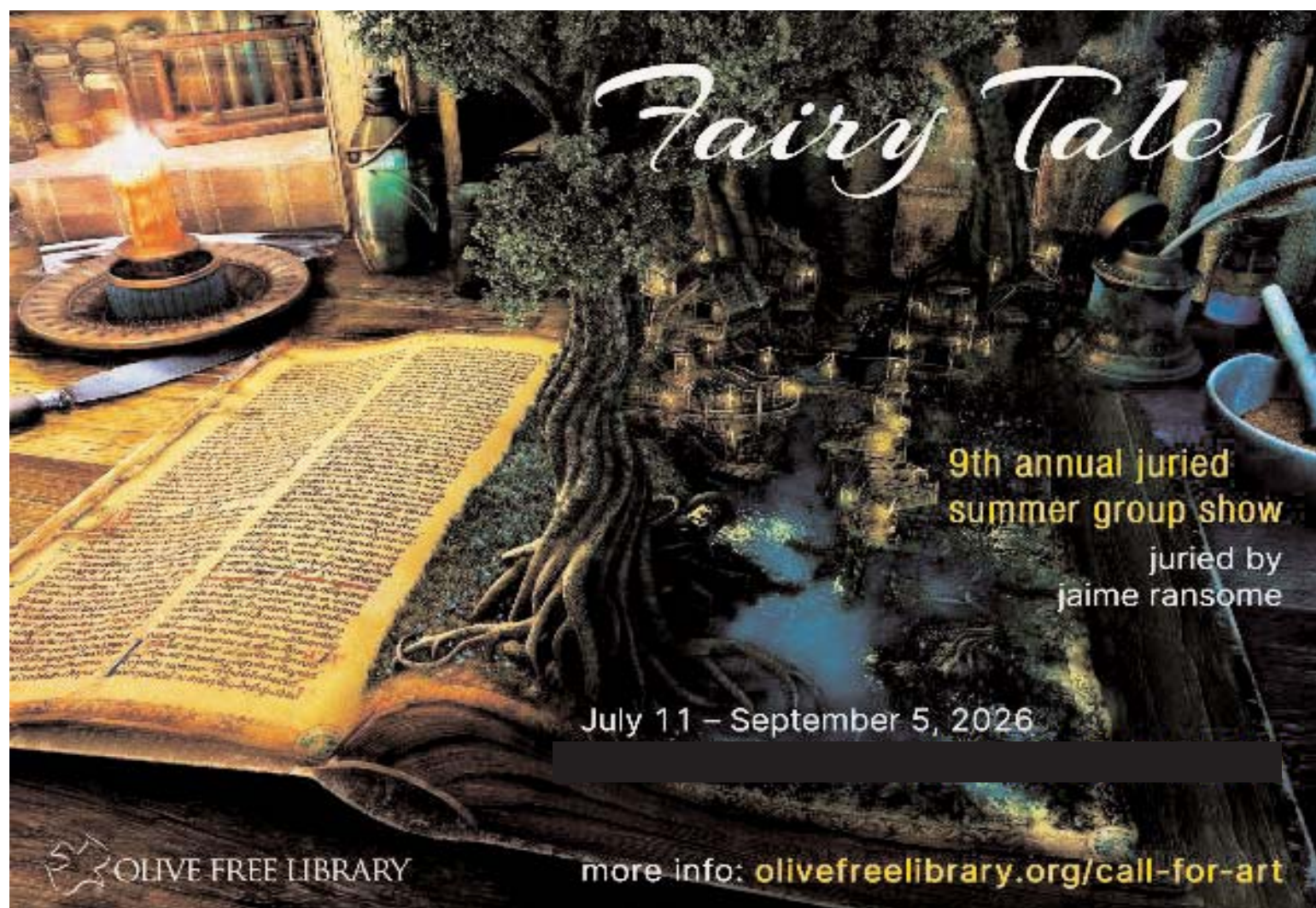
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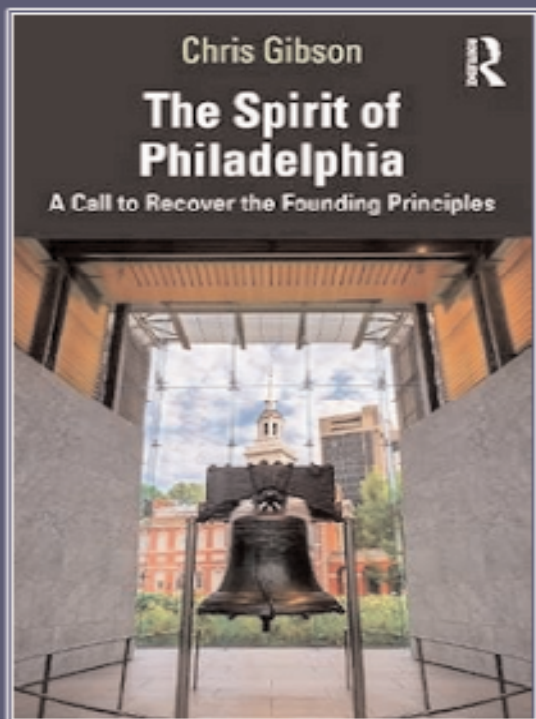
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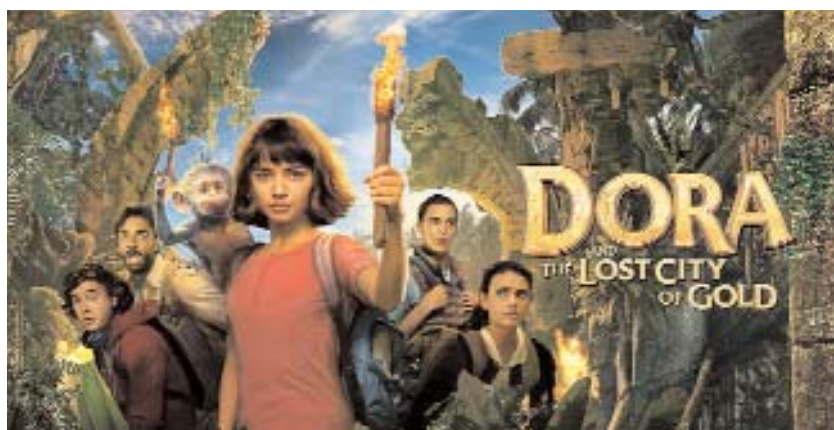
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**DORA THE EXPLORER
IN DORA AND
THE LOST CITY OF GOLD**

Deep in the Peruvian jungle, 6-year-old Dora Márquez (Madelyn Miranda), daughter of jungle explorers Cole (Michael Peña) and Elena (Eva Longoria), spends her days going on adventures with her monkey friend Boots, her 7-year-old cousin Diego (Malachi Barton), and imaginary friends *Backpack* and *Map* while thwarting Swiper (voiced by Benicio del Toro) the thieving fox.



One day, Diego and his family leave to Los Angeles while Dora and her parents remain searching for the hidden Inca city of gold. This live-action adaptation of the *Nickelodeon* cartoon has no right to be as funny and as clever as it is. It helps that newcomer Isabela Moner is a delightful lead as Dora, but there's also a delightfully self-aware tongue-in-cheek tone to this film—one that's funny without ever taking itself too seriously.

It's a sweet family adventure movie that works equally for parents and little ones. Directed by James Bobin. Produced by Kristin Burr. Screenplay by Nicholas Stoller. This is a Matthew Robinson story by Tom Wheeler, Nicholas Stoller, based on *Dora the Explorer*, by Chris Gifford, Valerie Walsh Valdes, Eric Weiner; Starring Isabela Moner, Eugenio Derbez, Michael Peña, Eva Longoria, Danny Trejo, and Benicio del Toro; Music by John Debney; Germaine Franco; Cinematography Javier Aguirresa-robe; Edited by Mark Everson; Production Company—Paramount Players, Nickelodeon Movies, and Walden Medi MRC

Answer to last week's Knarf's Trivia Question:
True

This weeks' Trivia question: Liam Neeson and Jim Carey played in the same Dirty Harry flick together? *True or False*