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UC Executive Mike Hein Calls for County-wide Legislation to Prevent Animal Abuse



County Executive Mike Hein announces the county will help make The Ulster County Dog Park a reality by the end of summer. Pictured with County Executive Hein are Legislator Hector Rodriguez, Legislator Ken Wishnick, Town of New Paltz Supervisor Susan Zimet, Brian Shapiro New York State Director of the Humane Society of the United States, and Christine DeBoer of For Paws of Ulster, Inc.

New Paltz, NY - At the site of the future home of the Ulster County Dog Park located on the property that includes the Ulster County fairgrounds in New Paltz, County Executive Mike Hein unveiled a new law that will help curtail animal abuse and neglect in Ulster County. The anti-tethering law places limits on the length of time a domestic animal may be tied outside and the manner in which they are tied. The County Executive also used the opportunity to announce that the County, in addition to leasing property to the Town of New Paltz to host a dog park, will also have a fence built to jumpstart the project and make the dog park a reality by the end of summer. (Contd. Pg. 6)

Dr. Mark Craft Receives Appointment to the NYS Board of Chiropractic



Dr. Mark Craft has received appointment by the NYS Board of Regents to the NYS Board of Chiropractic. Having served as an examiner for the National Board of Chiropractic, Dr. Craft recently traveled to Greeley, Colorado as a member of the National Board of Chiropractic's test committee to formulate upcoming national chiropractic clinical practice exams.

Locally, Dr. Craft remains involved with a number of organizations and is currently president of the Ellenville/Wawarsing Chamber of Commerce and a Board member of the Ellenville Regional Hospital Foundation.

Dr. Craft practices at Craft Chiropractic Associates located at 38 N. Main Street, Ellenville NY with his wife Dr. Allise Marter and his father Dr. Richard Craft

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Governor Cuomo Signs Bill to Establish Comprehensive Medical Marijuana Program



Ten year old Amanda Houser, of Suffern, New York stood beside Governor Cuomo as he signed the bill to legalize medical marijuana in New York State, last week. Amanda has suffered from Dravet syndrome, a rare form of epilepsy since infancy. She is among many seriously ill or injured who will benefit from medical marijuana.

Last week Governor Andrew M. Cuomo signed a bill to establish a medical marijuana program for New York State. The new law includes provisions to ensure medical marijuana is reserved only for patients with serious conditions and is dispensed and administered in a manner that protects public health and safety.

"This new law takes an important step toward bringing relief to patients living with extraordinary pain and illness," Governor Cuomo said. "The legislation I am signing today strikes the right balance between our desire to give those suffering from serious diseases access to treatment, and our obligation to guard against threats to public health and safety. I applaud the lawmakers and advocates whose efforts over the past years were crucial in making medical marijuana a reality in New York State." (Contd. Pg. 8)

Premiere Performance of New Play by Canadian Author

Parksville - The Liberty Free Theatre will open its season at CAS in Livingston Manor on Friday, July 11 at 7:30 P.M. with a premiere performance reading of "By the Sea - Anna's Story," a new play by the eminent Canadian writer, Sheldon Currie. The performers are Kate Warren, Janna Comando and Paul Austin. (The July 3 double bill has been rescheduled in Kauneonga Lake for Thursday, July 17.)

"By the Sea - Anna's Story" concerns Italian immigrants in Nova Scotia during WWII, when existing fears of the foreigner became more intense and the government established a policy of internment for many Italian-Canadians.

This little known part of Nova Scotia history is illuminated by Currie's gift of portraying real and fascinating people in vividly real time, place, culture and environment. (Contd. Pg. 8)

Join Us For Some Old Time Fun at the Old Time Fair and BBQ!



The popular Old Time Fair & Chicken BBQ sponsored by the Time and the Valleys Museum, will be held rain or shine on Saturday, July 26th from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Grahamsville Fairgrounds on St. Rt. 55 in Grahamsville, New York.

Old fashioned activities include: Corn shucking and skillet throwing contests; Children's old fashioned games; Hand-cranked ice cream making demonstration and tasting; Entertaining pie auction with emcee Barry Lewis; Great food and music; Fly tying and casting demonstrations; Local history exhibits; And Spinning, quilting and blacksmithing demonstrations

Plenty of free parking and admission is FREE, with only a nominal fee for some games and food. (Contd. Pg. 3)

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ON THE FRONT BURNER: Better is the poor that walketh in his integrity, than is perverse in his lips and is a fool.
Proverbs 19:1

COLLEGE NEWS:

Caroline Bertholf named to Siena College Dean's List for Spring 2014 Semester

Caroline Bertholf has been named to Siena College's Dean's List for the Spring 2014 Semester. Bertholf is a/an Economics major from Loch Sheldrake, NY.

To be named to the Dean's List, a student's grade point average for the semester must be between 3.5 and 3.89. Siena College is a learning community advancing the ideals of a liberal arts education, rooted in its identity as a Franciscan and Catholic college. Located in Loudonville, N.Y., two miles north of the state capital, the 176-acre beautiful, suburban campus is home to 3,000 undergraduates. Siena offers 27 majors in the Schools of Business, Liberal Arts and Science.

Students Named to the Dean's List at The College at Brockport

The College at Brockport, State University of New York, recently honored students who excelled academically by naming them to the Dean's List for the spring 2014 semester.

Allyson Delaney of Woodbourne
Evangelia Fitzpatrick of Parksville
Christopher Mcquillan of Napanoch
Students who earn a GPA of 3.70-3.99 are named to the Dean's List with Honors, while students who achieve a 3.40-3.69 are named to the Dean's List.

DAYS OF YORE....

Today's History

August 4, 1954 - Frank Carlsen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thorvald Carlsen of South Hill Road, will leave Sunday for a week at the Bankers School of Agriculture at Cornell University in Ithaca on a scholarship won last spring. Frank is a F.F.A. student at Tri Valley Central School in Grahamsville and was named an Empire Farmer this past year for his achievements.

Mr. and Mrs. Preston Kortright of Sundown are the parents of a son, Tim Preston, born July 30th at Maimonides Hospital. He weighed 7 lbs. 13 oz.

When the high cost of living
Makes your piggy bank squeal,
Krum's values and quality
Give you a fair deal!
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July 15, 1964 - Miss Phyllis Norton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Norton of Greenwich, New York and Richard Irwin Coombe, son of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Coombe of Ridgewood, Jersey and Grahamsville, were united in marriage at the Centenary Methodist Church in Greenwich on Saturday, July 11, 1964. The bride, a June graduate of Cornell University, will teach Home Economics at Liberty. The groom, who is a graduate of Ridgewood High School and Cornell University will teach at Tri Valley School. He is also associated with his brother in the operation of Thunder View Angus Farm in Grahamsville.

Let's send some anniversary wishes to our friends and neighbors: To Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Walter go special greetings on their 52nd while on the same day, July 17th, their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Dion Garigliano are celebrating their 12th. To Ralph and Madeline Adams go wishes for their 22 years together.

July 24, 1974 - Funeral services were held Sunday in Yurichville, Ohio for Howard Hunter, former Claryville and Liberty resident who died Thursday. He was born in Chillicothe, Ohio on May 28, 1896 to David and Hattie Jones Hunter. Surviving are his wife, Vera Dice Hunter; a son, Glenn of Napanoch; three daughters: Grace Loomis of Everett, Wash., Myrtle Kortright of Woodbourne and Arlene Delemarter of Ulster Heights; one brother, George of Springfield, Mass.

The Sullivan County Times-Press, published in Livingston Manor, ceased publication with its July 4th edition. Inflation and higher production costs were blamed for its demise.

July 26, 1984 - Lena Kraus of Hasbrouck Rd., Woodbourne, a long time area resident, died Saturday, July 15th at Ellenville Community Hospital. She was 88. The widow of William Kraus, she was born January 14, 1896. Survivors include two daughters: Jean LaPolt of Woodbourne and Valerie Brevoort of Mineola, L.I.; seven grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren.

Carol Newman of East Mountain was happy to see her brothers, Lester and Richard Thomas when they arrived here from Miami Beach, Fla. for a family reunion. Carol, Barry and children were among almost 50 members of the Thomas family at the reunion held recently in Livingston Manor.

Ellenville Regional Hospital Recognized as an American Heart Association Fit-Friendly Worksites take steps to decrease health-care expenses, increase productivity

(Ellenville, NY) - For the fourth year in a row, Ellenville Regional Hospital has been recognized as a Gold-Level Fit-Friendly Worksites by the American Heart Association for helping employees eat better and move more.

"Physical activity and employee wellness are important priorities at Ellenville Regional Hospital. We are honored and excited to be recognized by the American Heart Association as a Gold-Level Fit-Friendly Worksites," said Steven L. Kelley, President and CEO. "We're committed to providing the best workplace environment possible. This will benefit our employees' health and produce even more positive results for our worksite overall."

Gold-level employers:

- Offer employees physical activity options in the workplace.
- Increase healthy eating options at the worksite.
- Promote a wellness culture in the workplace.
- Implement at least nine criteria outlined by the American Heart Association in the areas of physical activity, nutrition and culture.

The Fit-Friendly Worksites program is a catalyst for positive change in the American workforce by helping worksites make their employees' health and wellness a priority.

For information on Ellenville Regional Hospital, please call 845 647-6400.

Old-fashioned Rock-n-Roll at Belleayre

It's old-fashioned rock-n-roll on Saturday, July 19 when Southside Johnny and the Asbury Jukes take the stage. Net proceeds from this show will help benefit the ambulance squads from Margaretville Hospital and the Town of Shandaken.

The entertainment takes a 180-degree turn on Saturday, July 26 when the Belleayre Festival Opera presents Gaetano Donizetti's "Lucia Di Lammermoor" under the direction of Donald Westwood.

Shows begin at 8 p.m., with the exception of the Blues at Belleayre Brooklyn Bands shows, which both start at 6 p.m. Tickets are on sale via Ticketmaster. For additional information, please call 800 942-6904, ext. 1344, visit: belleayremusic.org or e-mail: belleayremusicfestival@gmail.com

For information on where to stay, dine, shop or to simply enjoy the great outdoors when you're in town for the Belleayre Music Festival, please visit: www.catskillhigh-peaks.com, www.ulstertourism.info or www.greatwesterncatskills.com. - Belleayre Music Festival concerts are held on the grounds of Belleayre Mountain in Highmount.

Belleayre Mountain is located in the heart of New York's Catskill Mountain region, and is operated by the Olympic Regional Development Authority. The ski resort is located just off Route 28 and is 37 miles west of Thruway Exit 19 at Kingston; 55 miles southeast of Oneonta on Route 28; 40 miles from the Route 17 exit at Roscoe; and 95 miles southwest of Albany and just two hours north of NYC.

A Round About Tri-Valley

-Carol Furman

The local churches were pleased with the turnout for Vacation Bible School this year. Over thirty children registered to attend. This well-organized program, which ran from July 13th - 17th was very successful due to the many wonderful volunteers who helped each evening.

Helen McShane, a Claryville resident on Wildcat Road for many, many years, has sold her Claryville home. She used to spend her summers in Claryville, but her main residence has always been located in Brooklyn. Helen, now in her 80's, taught school in NYC for 50 years, and was a camp counselor at Camp Shadybrook on Glade Hill in Grahamsville when it was run by Nelson Wilde and his wife, Josephine. The Wilde's ran the camp from 1937 until the late 60's. Camp Shadybrook is now the site of the Catskill Mountain Sugar House. We'll miss seeing you, Helen!

Happy Birthday to Virginia Anderson who will turn 93 on July 21st. Please send Birthday wishes to Virginia at the Sullivan County Adult Home, ROOM 160 D 256 Sunset Lake Rd., P O Box 671, Liberty, NY 12754.

Have you visited the "book tent" at the Daniel Pierce Library yet? I stopped by the other day and purchased some great soft-covered books for twenty-five cents each.

Several folks from the area, including myself, went to the Forestburgh Playhouse to see "Mame" starring Loretta Swit. It was fabulous! She was fabulous!

Don't forget to purchase your tickets for the Time and the Valleys Chicken BBQ which will be held on July 26th at the Grahamsville Fairgrounds. The Old Time Fair and BBQ will run from 11:00 am until 5:00 pm.

Kudos to Joshua Kortright of Neversink on winning first place at the International Bowhunting Organization's competition held June 15th in PA. Joshua is a Tri-Valley student.

Along with The Sullivan County Longbeards, Travis Archery will be hosting a charity 3D shoot on July 19th at the Grahamsville Fairgrounds. The shoot is scheduled to begin at 8:00 am. For additional info, call 845-443-3068.

The Smallwood/Mongaup Valley Fire Departments recently hosted a 5K Run/Walk Event. Three cheers to Barry Lewis, who placed 2nd in the walkers division and to Olivia Rehm, who placed 1st in the Female 20 - 29 age group. Both are Town of Neversink residents.

Summer-time is a time to slow down and enjoy the warm weather. The winter months seem to drag on and the summer seems to go by so quickly. Many families are either returning from vacation or planning to leave on one. Whatever your plans, enjoy and stay safe!

A poll result: It takes the average American 2.6 days to feel relaxed on a vacation.

Words of Wisdom: One of the best ways to persuade others is with your ears - by listening to them. (Dean Rusk)

Before repeating anything "a little bird" has told you, make sure it wasn't a "little cuckoo"! (anon)

Come One, Come All to Claryville Heritage Day

Everyone is invited to join the celebration of Claryville's past and present on Saturday August 9 from 10 until 3. Activities for all ages will be centered around the Claryville Reformed Church's Sanctuary, fellowship hall, cemetery and the one room schoolhouse. The famous Cookie Walk will be featured, lunch will be available, and fly fishing demonstrations are planned.

Local artisans will have tables in the hall where you can purchase wares from maple syrup to pottery. The hall will also host historical exhibits sharing Claryville and Denning history with many old photos, a video of a log cabin construction, and history of the Upper Neversink and area hunting camps. A talk will be presented by Carol Smythe about the formerly active tanneries of which only a single chimney remains.

On Sunday, August 10, there will be an old fashioned worship service at 10 AM. The service will follow the pattern from the 1850's when the church and cemetery were founded. It will begin with songs and hymns from that era. The sermon will be on Psalm 100, a beloved Psalm of the historic Dutch Reformed Church. This denomination is America's oldest Christian Church with a continuous history.

Additional activities are still to come. Please plan to spend at least part of August 9 and 10 in Claryville!

Join Us For Some Old Time Fun at the Old Time Fair and BBQ! (From Pg. 1) From 1 p.m. to 5 p.m., enjoy the delicious Miller's Chicken Barbecue. The popular Miller's Chicken is accompanied by baked beans, macaroni salad, corn on the cob and dessert. Dinners are available to eat in or

take out, and are \$10 adults and \$7 children under 8. This is a fund raiser for the Museum to support our educational programming.

The Time and the Valleys Museum is a living and interactive resource that preserves the past, educates the present and ensures the uniqueness of the Rondout and Neversink watersheds for all generations. The Museum is located at 332 Main Street (St. Rt. 55) in Grahamsville and is open to the public from Thursday through Sunday, noon to 4 p.m.. The Museum has three floors of exhibitions, a local history research center (open Thursdays and Sundays 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.) and museum shop.

Current exhibitions are: A History of the Watershed Areas from Geological Times to the 1930's, Tunnels, Toil & Trouble: New York City's Quest for Water and the Rondout-Neversink Story, and an upcoming new exhibition opening in August: Celebrating Catskill Waters: Past and Present. Admission to the Museum is by suggested donation \$5 adults, \$2 children, and children under 6 are free.

For additional information on the Museum or this unique and enjoyable event, please call us at 845 985-7700 or go online at www.timeandthevalleysmuseum.org.

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CWC awards Education Grants to 28 Schools and Organizations

MARGARETVILLE -- Twenty-eight education grants totaling nearly \$170,000 were recently approved by the Catskill Watershed Corporation (CWC) Board of Directors.

Twenty-five awards will go to schools and non-profit organizations serving students and their teachers in the Catskills and in New York City. Three more grants were approved under the Special Program Fund for projects to extend Watershed lessons to general and adult audiences.

The intent of both programs is to heighten awareness and understanding of the New York City Water System and its vast Watershed west of the Hudson River.

CWC grants are provided in partnership with the New York City Department of Environmental Protection.

These funds will allow two schools to send students to the Ashokan Center and to Frost Valley YMCA Environmental Education Center for direct experience at the source of the water supply for nine million people. A grant to Arm of the Sea Theater will allow the eco-logic performance troupe to bring "City That Drinks the Mountain Sky" to seven schools. Another, awarded to Catskill Center for Conservation & Development, will bring the Streamwatch program of hands-on science to five Catskill Region schools.

Three schools will be able to purchase equipment for raising Trout in the Classroom, and one will purchase classroom models to allow them to "see" the impacts of non-point source pollution on surface waters and the way groundwater works. Another school will enjoy a Catskill Tales & Tunes water-related performance.

A series of original water information banners will be designed, produced and erected at New York City venues by students employed by Groundswell to create thematic public art. In the Watershed, DCMO BOCES students will study aquatic macroinvertebrates and produce digital ID cards for widespread use. (Contd. Pg. 4)

Nature Column - Linda Comando

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

Delightful Day Lilies

The Day Lily, of the genus *Hemerocallis*, can be found along roads, disturbed stream banks, railroads, fields, pastures, old cemeteries, abandoned homes, and waste places.

The word *Hemerocallis* is derived from two Greek words meaning "beauty" and "day," referring to the fact that each beautiful flower lasts only one day. To make up for this, there are many flower buds on each



Day Lily flower stalk, and many stalks in each clump of plants. The flowering period of a clump is usually several weeks long.

The Orange Day Lily is con-

sidered old-fashioned, and it is now rarely offered by the horticulture industry. In its place are new hybrid Day Lilies that vary in the height of their foliage, color of their flowers, and length of their blooming period. The Orange Day Lily has been in cultivation for a long time, and it often outlasts the buildings that surround it and their inhabitants. In addition to being long-lived and persistent, this hybrid species is able to naturalize in the wild because the foliage is tall enough to compete for sunlight with other species of plants.

Day Lilies are perennials with stout, fleshy roots, straplike leaves, and tall flower stalks that don't branch below the inflorescence. The flowers are terminal, meaning they are situated on the end of a stalk. The branched stalks are erect, with 3 sepals and 3 petals of dull orange color. The sepals are slightly smaller, spreading, to 3 inches long. Each flower lasts only one day.

The leaves consist of a rosette of basal leaves, coming from the base. They are narrow, straplike, hairless, somewhat folded lengthwise, and grow to about 2 feet long and have a tendency to bend down and outward around the middle, and are somewhat floppy in appearance. It is from this center of the rosette the flower stalk grows. The stout flowering stalks are held erect and are usually much taller than the leaves.

The seed capsules, if any are produced, are 3-celled and contain rows of black seeds. However, these seeds are infertile because the Orange Day Lily is a sterile hybrid. The root system consists of fleshy fibrous roots and rhizomes.

Once established, the Day Lily will spread by its roots and forms dense clumps that usually outcompete other plants. It can be difficult to eradicate, since its leaves resist weedkillers and new plants arise from small portions of roots that can be missed by digging.

Day Lilies tolerate most soils, but do best in rich loam. Generally, neither insects nor diseases bother the plant.

The Day Lily is a native of Eurasia. The common or orange Day Lily was introduced into the United States in the late 19th century as an ornamental and still is a very popular plant favored by homeowners and landscape designers for its showy flowers, hardiness and ability to spread.

According to the USDA, the daylily has gone wild in every state except Alaska, Hawaii, Oklahoma, North Dakota, New Mexico, Arizona, Nevada, and, um, my own state of California.

The blossoms are rich in protein and are eaten in China. They can be fried or broiled much like squash blossoms or used as a flavoring in soups, or just placed on a platter of fruit as an attractive garnish or as a tea.

I find it strange that Day Lilies growing wild next to the roads, are ignored by the deer, but it seems that those that I have planted in my garden are readily eaten by them! First they ate the tender tasty morsels for lunch when the Day Lily plants were about 3 1/2 high. Now that the plant is loaded with buds and ready to flower; the deer are back for dessert!

Household Hints

Say Good-bye to Sun Spots on Your Skin

Simply pour some full-strength apple cider vinegar onto a cotton ball and apply it to the spots for 10 minutes at least twice a day. The spots should fade or disappear within a few weeks.

The Kept Mysterious Book Report No. 154



by John Dwaine McKenna

Sometimes I get feedback from fans and readers that goes something like this . . .

"How come I never heard of the books or authors you talk about in the newspapers?" . . . And my answer is always the same. "Because I'm trying to find your next favorite author for you, instead of the same old, same old bestseller's you've been getting in mass market paperbacks at the grocery store checkout lane." Here's an example:

The Kept, (Harper Collins, \$25.99, 357 pages, ISBN 978-0-06-223673-9) by James Scott is a debut novel with an unequalled sense of time and place, as well as an intricate, compelling and fast-paced plot that will transport the reader in time and space to somewhere unexpected, unexamined and unknown by most of us.

The year is 1897. The place is a remote area of upstate New York in the dead of winter. Elspeth Howell is returning home, trudging through miles of snow and ice, to her remote family farm where her husband and children are waiting. She's been gone for months, working in the city as a midwife, earning the family some much needed cash, which she has hidden in the toe of her boot. As Elspeth crosses the top of the last hill, no lights in the windows and no smoke from the chimney tell her something is seriously wrong and she rushes forward in a panic. Arriving, four of her children and her husband have been murdered: shot dead. Two weeks later she sets out on a chase and revenge mission with her twelve year old son Caleb; a mission which slowly morphs from payback to discovery, as both characters learn aspects of themselves, and the family, that should have stayed buried. The reader will be fascinated, shocked and perhaps even revolted by the twists and turns that come with each chapter, and on what seems like every other page. An interesting, excellent first novel from an upcoming talent and a good one to read during those hot summer days when it seems impossible to cool off.

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CWC awards Education Grants to 28 Schools and Organizations

(From Pg. 3) Time & The Valleys Museum in Grahamsville will develop a field trip experience for visiting student groups. Cornell Cooperative Extension Delaware County received a grant to plan a teacher conference on the topic of climate change. A grant to Farm Catskills will allow the production of a CD of water and food related songs composed by students in a previous CWC grant project orchestrated by "Story Laurie" McIntosh.

Special Program Grants went to Willow Mixed Media for a short video documenting a year in the life of a watershed stream; to Zadock Pratt Museum for an oral history project to document the experiences of 12 local residents in the flood that devastated Prattsville in 2011; and to Greater Fleischmanns Museum of Memories to produce a traveling exhibit on Pepacton Reservoir history.

New York City-based recipients, in addition to Groundswell are Rocking the Boat; PS 57, PS 118, Eltingville Lutheran School, Columbia Secondary School, Pelham Preparatory Academy, Hunters Point Middle School, Bronx Children's School, NYCH20 and the Horticultural Society of New York.

Watershed recipients in addition to those named include Woodstock Day School, Mountaintop Arboretum, Phoenicia Elementary School, Jefferson Central School, Manhattan Country School Farm, and Greater Roxbury Learning Initiative.

Trout Unlimited will receive a grant to assist dozens of schools participating in its Trout in the Classroom Program.

The CWC is a non-profit, Local Development Corporation responsible for several environmental protection, economic development and education programs in the New York City Watershed West of the Hudson River. www.cwconline.org.

Teachers, parents and school administrators will find information on Watershed and environmental education resources and programs at:

www.watershededucators.org.

Ballet...Photos...Printmaking--- Summer Schedule Heats Up at Hasbrouck Old Stone House

Just like summer weather, the schedule of events is heating up at the Old Stone House of Hasbrouck. This month alone includes the season startup of ballet classes for kids, a one-day silkscreen and printmaking workshop, plus a photography project offering free quality portraits of each and every Woodbourne resident.

The "Portrait Project" continues the work of graphics artist Liz Kolansky, who began photographing the local population several years ago. Ms. Kolansky will again be staffing her mobile photo studio at the Old Stone House on Friday, July 11th, and two subsequent Fridays, from 10 am-4 pm.

Area residents are invited to drop in at their convenience, wearing whatever feels comfortable, for a one-on-one professional sitting. Individuals can pick up their own free color prints on Sunday, July 27th, 4-6 pm, during a cocktail party celebrating the project's end.

Portrait subjects may sign releases for their images to be included in bound 11" X 14" volumes, to be donated to both the Sullivan County Historical Museum in Hurleyville, and the Smithsonian Institution in Washington, DC.

Ms. Kolansky will also supervise a one-day silkscreen and printmaking workshop on July 26th, 10am-4pm. Limited to eight people, and costing \$40/ea, supplies included, participants are invited to bring a dish for potluck lunch. Beverages will be provided. For more information, registration, and to set up a private portrait appointment, call her at (845) 434 3147 or email lizoly@yahoo.com.

Ballet classes for youngsters start Saturday, July 19th, 10:30-11:30pm, and continue on the five subsequent Saturdays. Students pay \$10/class, or \$48 for all six sessions (\$42 for a second family member). There's a 20% discount for Old Stone House members.

A second class series is tentatively scheduled for Thursday mornings from 10:30 am, when both kids and adults can study ballet together. All the classes are non-competitive -- students work at their own pace -- and follow classic ballet discipline including floor exercises, barre and center-work, and across-floor practice. Whenever possible, students should wear leotards/tights/tutus and proper ballet slippers.

Classes will be taught by local resident and

certified Dance Therapist Alana Sherman, who brings 30 years of experience to the task. For registration and additional information, contact Ms. Sherman at (845) 436-0070, or email sherman_alana@yahoo.com

The 18th-Century Old Stone House of Hasbrouck -- today a vibrant community arts and education center -- is at 282 Hasbrouck Rd., in the wider community of Fallsburg, NY. It's convenient from Ellenville, Grahamsville, Monticello and Liberty, plus the surrounding area. For more information and directions, visit www.TheOldStoneHouseOfHasbrouck.org.

Catskill Mountainkeeper's Third Annual Mid-Summer Supper at Neversink Farm

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Saturday July 19, 2014, Doors open at 3pm/Supper served at 4 pm. Hosted by Neversink Farm at 635 Claryville Road, Claryville N.Y.

Visit catskillmountainkeeper.org or call (845) 439-1230 to reserve your tickets Early Bird Reservations by July 11: Adults \$50/Child \$15 After July 11: Adults \$60/Child \$20

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The Olive Jar - By Carol LaMonda

Everybody Into the Pool

For a tiny little town, we have an outstanding recreation program, a day camp that meets Monday through Thursday, until the first week in August. Those lucky little campers get to use a pool, the Peter T. Tosi Memorial Pool, during their day.

When the campers go home, the pool is open to residents of the Town of Olive for reasonable cost. Residents can buy an individual membership for \$25, or a family membership for \$75. A day pass is \$3 for adult residents, and \$2 for children. Guests of residents pay \$5. The pool is open Monday through Thursday from 4-8 p.m. On Friday, Saturday and Sunday, the pool is available from 11-8 p.m.

I have been doing an hour a day in laps and treading water there, and as I look around, I am amazed that the facility is not crowded. There is a nice bath house, friendly and attentive life guards, and a pool that boasts lap lanes and a kiddie pool. Bill Melvin does a fine job as pool director.

I am just getting into the "swim" (pun intended) of this summer thing, and I was shocked back into reality when today's paper (the other one) was chock full of circulars with notebooks, backpacks, pens and paper on sale with "Back to School" slogans heading each page.

Summer is too short, and we are heading toward August when the mind set moves from planting flowers to complaining about weeding, when summer clothes go on sale, when we start counting days until Labor Day. Even though I am retired, I feel that turning point when we realize the limited days of summer are numbered. I still look at those sale flyers and feel the urge to shop for that fifty-cent composition book.

Instead, on this nice sunny day, I am packing a bag with sun block, a towel, sunglasses and will be heading to the pool with Pat Tosi, wife of the fine man who worked so hard as Councilman on the Town Board to convince the public to replace the tiny, cold, leaky pool we used to have. He died much too young but would be proud of this fine facility and the enjoyment the pool has brought to Olive.

Mike Hein Calls for County-wide Legislation to Prevent Animal Abuse

(From Pg. 1) "Animal abuse and neglect is unconscionable and must be addressed at the community level," said County Executive Hein. "This law is a tremendous step forward for animal rights and signals that Ulster County is a true 'pet safe' county. This law is not about inhibiting responsible pet owners; it is about providing law enforcement the necessary tools to address animal abuse and neglect. Simply put, the goal of this legislation is to promote responsible pet ownership, and I want to thank Legislators Ken Wishnick and Hector Rodriguez for agreeing to sponsor this law in the County Legislature."

"Dog Parks are a great place for people to socialize while enjoying watching their dogs play, said Ken Wishnick, Ulster County Legislator. "By providing funding for fencing, County Executive Hein has today put the last jigsaw puzzle piece in place to make the Ulster County Dog Park a reality; and a big thank you to Marion DuBois and all others who have worked tirelessly to make this happen!"

"Almost 4 years ago, then Legislator Susan Zimet and I fought hard to designate a County Dog Park in New Paltz. Today that dream comes closer to fruition. County Executive Hein knows the value in community projects and his leadership on this issue is deeply appreciated," said Ulster County Legislator Hector Rodriguez. "I am also pleased to introduce a local law that addresses the practice of tethering dogs and protects them from neglect and abuse. Companion animals are cared for by residents throughout Ulster County and I am pleased to be partnering with County Executive Hein on this important effort."

"The Ulster County Dog Park is a wonderful partnership between the Town, the County and the community," said Susan Zimet, Supervisor of the Town of New Paltz. "The volunteers behind For Paws of Ulster County never lost their passion for creating this dog park. Between their hard work, the contributions of the Town of New Paltz and now, with the help of County Executive Hein, the dog park will finally be a reality. We will have many happy dogs romping around before summer's end. The dog park is a great amenity not only for New Paltz, but for all of Ulster County."

"Tethering not only damages the well-being of the confined dog, but puts everyone in the community at greater risk for dog aggression and bites," said Brian Shapiro New York State Director of the Humane Society of the United States. "Dogs are naturally social beings who thrive on interaction with people and other animals. A dog kept chained in one spot, isolated from positive social experiences with people, can suffer immense psychological damage and this is not what Ulster County wants for its citizens. We applaud County Executive Hein's leadership to make Ulster County a safer community by introducing this important piece of legislation."

"The entire Board of Director of For Paws, Inc. has been working toward the goal of a county-wide dog park for more than four years," said Christine DeBoer, Member of the Board of Directors of For Paws, Inc. "We are proud to be a community partner with the Town of New Paltz and County Executive Hein who made this vision a reality. Not only are we excited that there will now be a safe environment for dogs to interact with each other, but they will enjoy having a place of their own in the community."

The County Executive also took the opportunity to remind everyone about the dangers of leaving pets in unattended vehicles during the summer. Even on a comfortable 80 degree day, the temperature inside a car can easily exceed 131 degrees Fahrenheit.

DEP Announces Schedule of Summer Tours and Educational Programs Throughout the Upstate Watersheds-Fishing, hiking and forestry events included in outings for watershed residents and visitors

The New York City Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) today announced that it will host a series of public programs this summer for watershed residents and visitors, including a hike on recently protected land, an educational walk through biologically diverse wetlands, and a fishing day for children. The summer events begin this week with two programs to mark New York's first-ever Invasive Species Week.

"We hope these family-friendly events will help watershed residents and visitors learn more about New York City's water supply and the amazing natural environments that surround it," DEP Commissioner Emily Lloyd said.

The schedule of summer events includes:

August 2 - Hike on Recently Protected Watershed Land: Join DEP land protection experts for a hike through meadows and forest on a newly protected 240-acre parcel in the Delaware County Town of Bovina. The hike will end at Round Top peak, with an elevation of approximately 3,065 feet, which is part of a New York State Reforestation Area. Hikers will meet at the eastern end of Boggs Road (off Bovina Road) at 11 a.m. This 2-4 mile hike will include woods, roads as well as some limited off trail hiking. The hike includes moderate slopes with short areas of steep climb. Along the way, we'll discuss DEP efforts to protect land throughout the watershed. Participants are encouraged to bring lunch, water, tick repellent and appropriate hiking gear. Those interested in participating should register by calling (800) 575-LAND or by e-mail at Recreation@dep.nyc.gov.

August 16 - Educational Wetlands Walk: Join one of DEP's wetland scientists to explore a wetland in the Delaware County town of Andes. Participants will learn about the basic functions of wetlands, their importance as a habitat for wildlife and for water quality. The tour will take place from 1-2:30 p.m. on DEP land located on County Route 6, about 1.3 miles after the turn off State Route 28. Participants are encouraged to wear boots or sneakers that they don't mind getting dirty. Those interested in participating should register by calling (800) 575-LAND or by e-mail at Recreation@dep.nyc.gov.

September 21 - Kids Fishing Day at Ashokan Reservoir: DEP and the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) will host a fishing event for children and their parents. Poles and bait will be supplied, but feel free to bring your own. As part of the state's "I Fish NY Program," the requirement for a fishing license will be waived for adults who want to join their children at the event. DEP and DEC staff will be available to teach participants how to fish and assist as needed. Adults who don't have a free DEP access permit will be able to obtain one at the event. Ashokan Reservoir is home to many different species of fish, including small-mouth and largemouth bass, yellow and white perch, yellow and brown bullhead, sunfish, and trout. The fishing event will begin at 9 a.m. at the Woodstock Dike. A parking lot is located on a gravel road off Route 28, just east of the West Hurley Post Office. Each of these events is subject to cancellation or postponement based on weather conditions. DEP will provide updates on its Facebook page at www.facebook.com/nycwater and directly to those who register beforehand and provide contact information.

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UC Sheriff Report:

Deputies from the Ulster County Sheriff's Office reports the arrest of Barbie C. Garcia 28 years of age of Main Street in Ellenville.

Garcia was charged with NYS Agriculture and Markets Law 353D, confining a companion animal in a vehicle in extreme temperatures while unattended, a violation.

On July 6, 2014 at 4:59pm Deputies were called to 7500 Route 209, the Walmart in Napanoch for a report of a dog locked in a vehicle in the parking lot. A Deputy arrived on scene and was able to unlock the vehicle and free the animal from the extreme heat inside of the vehicle. Through an investigation and interviews of the witnesses in the area it was determined that the animal was locked in the vehicle unattended for an extended period of time while its owner was inside the Walmart store shopping.

The animal was treated on the scene and evaluated for heat exposure. Garcia was processed for the arrest and released on an appearance ticket returnable to the Town of Wawarsing Court on July 23, 2014 at 1:00pm.

46th Auxiliary Antique and Flea Market

Margaretville - The Auxiliary of Margaretville Hospital/Mountainside Residential Care Center will hold its 46th annual Antique and Flea Market featuring antiques, crafts, and general merchandise on Saturday, Aug. 2 from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. in the Margaretville Village Park, behind the Freshtown Marketplace.

A hospital-sponsored Health Fair will be held during the market offering free blood pressure testing and blood sugar screening. Approximately 75 vendors offer antiques and collectibles, jewelry, tools, artwork, flowers, handmade articles and toys. Free parking. Admission will be \$2 for adults and children over 12 and \$3 for early admission. For additional information, or to inquire about becoming a vendor, Kathy Roberts at 607 326-4136 or e-mail: Kathy.roberts@hahv.org

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Book Talk on Doris Kearns Goodwin "The Bully Pulpit"

Tuesday evening, July 22nd at 7:00 p.m. career educator Tony Nappo will speak on Doris Kearns Goodwin's most recent book: *The Bully Pulpit*: Theodore Roosevelt, William Howard Taft, and the Golden Age of Journalism at the Ethelbert B. Crawford Public Library. Goodwin has written numerous books including *The Fitzgeralds & the Kennedys*, *Lyndon Johnson and the American Dream*, *Wait Till Next Year: A Memoir*, *No Ordinary Time: Franklin & Eleanor Roosevelt: The Home Front in World War II*, and *Team of Rivals: The Political Genius of Abraham Lincoln*. She has received numerous awards including the Pulitzer Prize in history, the Harold Washington Literary Award, the Ambassador Book Award, the Lincoln Prize and the Book Prize for American History. If you would like to read *The Bully Pulpit* or any of Goodwin's other award-winning titles you can pick up a copy at the library or try downloading from the library's digital download page at efiles.rcls.org and search for *The Bully Pulpit* once you sign in.

For information please call (845)794-4660. This program is free and open to the public. To learn more about this and other summer library programs please visit the library website, www.ebcrawfordlibrary.org, and view our July programs and events.

Annual World Breastfeeding Week Celebration & Walk At National Night Out Annual World Breastfeeding Week Celebration & Walk At National Night Out -Tuesday August 5th, 2014 5:30pm at Brian Ingber Park, South Fallsburg

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children, grandparents, service providers; anyone who supports breastfeeding is encouraged to meet together at 5:30pm at the breastfeeding tent, which will be next to the playground.

National Night out features many free children's activities and the Coalition is thrilled to be partnering with the event. The Sullivan County Breastfeeding Coalition has grown out of collaborative efforts between various nonprofit organizations, healthcare providers, county government programs and breastfeeding mothers.


Babies who are breastfed have a lower incidence of sudden infant death syndrome (SIDS), ear infections, diarrhea, certain types of childhood cancers, diabetes and obesity. Mothers who breastfeed also have a lower incidence of breast and ovarian cancers, diabetes, and obesity. The debate is over about how important breastfeeding is to maternal and child health. Come help promote breastfeeding at the Annual Sullivan County Breastfeeding Walk!

To learn more about the efforts of the coalition and for pre-interviews contact WIC Program Coordinator Amanda Langseder at 845-513-2240 or Amanda.langseder@co.sullivan.ny.us.

Peace Corps - Agriculture and the Environment

From Latin America to Africa, Peace Corps has overseas work opportunities in Environment, Agriculture, and other programs as well. Spend part of a summer's evening at Livingston Manor Free Library and discover the benefits of Peace Corps service from returned Volunteers. Join us to learn about the challenging, reward-

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The presentation will take place on Wednesday, July 16th from 6pm-7pm at the Livingston Manor Free Library, located at 92 Main Street, Livingston Manor, NY.

About the Peace Corps: Read more or watch a video about what it's like to be a Volunteer including what Volunteers do, where they go, and the many benefits of Peace Corps service. Or apply now to begin your life-defining experience: <http://www.peacecorps.gov/volunteer/learn/meet/events/11277/>

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Premiere Performance of New Play by Canadian Author (From Pg. 1)

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Sheldon Currie is a Canadian author, critic and professor emeritus of St. Francis Xavier University. His body work includes the novels "The Glace Bay Miners' Museum," "The Company Store" and "Down the Coaltown Road," two collections of short stories, numerous literary articles, plays and a feature film script. He has written two other plays based on his short stories, "Lauchie Liza and Rory," and "Two More Solitudes." "The Glace Bay Miners' Museum" was made into the film, "Margaret's Museum," starring Helena Bonham Carter.

Cuomo Signs Bill to Establish Comprehensive Medical Marijuana Program (From Pg. 1)



Senate Co-Leader Jeffrey D. Klein said, "Today we take the historic step of offering a new level of patient care to the citizens of New York State. Under one of the safest, most tightly regulated medical marijuana programs in the country we will bring much needed relief and effective treatment to thousands of desperate patients suffering across this state each day. This is a common sense, patient-centric program that will continue to stay on the cutting-edge of care to ensure the best possible treatment for New Yorkers in need for years to come."

Speaker Sheldon Silver said, "The Assembly Majority has been passing the Compassionate Care Act for many years, and now thanks to Governor Cuomo's leadership we finally have a law that will deliver much-needed relief to patients in New York. Our goal now will be to get this program up and running swiftly, safely and efficiently so that they can get the treatment they need."

Senator Diane Savino said, "From this day forward New Yorkers will now have access to the same life-changing treatment that other patients across the country have had. This is an historic victory for the countless health care professionals,

physicians, advocates, families and patients who know that the safe and reliable use of medical marijuana is a sensible, compassionate course of treatment for debilitating illness and disease. I stand with the thousands of New Yorkers who now will no longer have to suffer needlessly through their courageous medical battles."

Assembly Member Richard N. Gottfried said, "This is a major victory for patients. If the patient and physician agree that a severe debilitating or life-threatening condition should be treated with medical marijuana, it is cruel for government to stand in the way. Now it's important to work to get the law implemented as quickly as possible."

The Governor's remarks:
"Thank you very much. Good afternoon to all. It is a pleasure. First, Dr. Boufford - thank you very much for opening up this magnificent facility, that is magnificent not just in its physical appearance but in its mission and the way it performs its functions. So, thank you; it is a pleasure to be at the Academy."
"To the Housers who are with us today. First, to Marianne, God bless you for all the work you've done, for your advocacy, for sharing the message. The tireless hours that you spent bringing this information to the legislature and to the powers that be-let's give her a round of applause."
"And to Amanda, who is clearly a superstar-we were chatting before in the back room and she had it all coordinated. She had that beautiful dress on and the paper that coordinates with the dress. I am going to pick that up and learn that from you. I am going to have the same color paper as the suit I wear. What do you think? Let's give a big round of applause to Amanda for doing a great job."
"To my colleagues who are here-Senator Klein, I want to thank him for his leadership on this effort, and Senator Savino. Speaker Silver and Assemblyman Dick Gottfried - 17 years Dick Gottfried carried this bill. That is a long time to carry a bill. It gets heavy after 17 years. But, it has been a tremendous on behalf of the legislature; on both the substance, the drafting of the bill, and also the open-mindedness on the complexities of the bill. Let's give them a round of applause."
"Dr. Zucker who is the acting Health Commissioner and Superintendent of the State Police Joseph D'Amico are both here with us today, as well as Terry O'Leary, Courtney Burke, Alphonso David. They were the team that worked for the execu-

utive to come up with a balance that you see. Public health needs, public safety needs and they did a great piece of work. Let's give them a round of applause."
"New York State has a proud history of being in the forefront of many advancements in medicine. 1904, the first chemotherapy treatment was discovered here in the state of New York by Roswell Institute in Buffalo, which is a state supported institute and that's literally where one of the premiere breakthroughs on cancer treatment came from. The first state college to offer an M.D. degree was Columbia University, at that time called Kings College in 1767. The oldest public hospital in the country, Bellevue, 1736. So, we celebrate our progressivity also in the field of medicine and our advancements also in the field of medicine."
"So, it's only fitting that now that we have identified an advancement in medicine, in medical marijuana, that the State of New York takes that step at this time. There is no doubt that medical marijuana can help people. It's been proven in other states, there's a whole history of information and data and research just on that topic. And, we are here to help people (Contd. Pg. 8) and if there's a medical advancement, then we want to make sure that we're bringing it to New Yorkers. As Ms. Houser said, they were thinking of leaving the state to get this treatment. Not in the State of New York."
"We want to help people. We want to help Amanda who is everything that we

would want her to be and any way we can help her, we want to do that. So it makes total sense for New York State to take this advancement of medical marijuana. However, at the same time, you want to make sure you do it right.

"There have been many situations where government on good intent goes forward and there winds up being bad results. What made this complicated was that it deals with marijuana and marijuana on one hand - it's a great substance for medical advancement. On the other hand, it is illegal for distribution and society has spent a lot of money stopping marijuana from being distributed. It is considered a gateway drug. We spend a lot of time and energy in keeping young people away from drugs. We are dealing with the heroin epidemic now that is highly problematic and frightening in the way it is progressing through society. So that was the complexity.

"You say why 17 years? Why has the assembly passed it every year since 2005 but it hasn't become a reality? Because it is complicated and it required a nuanced approach and government isn't good at nuance. Government is a large vehicle. Over 200 people trying to make a decision. So the complexity and the nuance often are more than government can deal with. In this situation, government actually legislated with nuance and it legislated with balance. So we have the medical benefits of marijuana. We also have public safety and public health concerns that are addressed and that's what this legislation needed to do.

"And that's what this legislation needed to do and that's what made it hard and that's what made it difficult, the medical advancements. But, with situations and conditions that were sure were not going to have good intent and bad results, the piece of legislation puts a tremendous amount of responsibility in the Department of Health, which will go out and license five organization and regulate five organizations that will be producing the marijuana and dispense it to dispensaries around the state. The department of Health will have enough time to get it done and get it done right and not be unduly rushed. There will be significant penalties for physicians or pharmacists that abuse the system. There will be felony penalties if there are abuses and if for some reason the system didn't do what we anticipated, or the system went bad the superintendent of the state police or the acting health commissioner can recommend that we stop it as a public safety or public health risk.

"So, the legislation I feel confident it gets us the best that medical marijuana has to offer in the most protected, controlled way possible. We studied the other states moving forward and we think this is the smartest approach that any state has taken thus far, and for that I credit the open-mindedness and intelligence of the legislature. Again, both on the senate side and the assembly side this was really a job well done. Especially assemblyman Dick Gottfried who has been at this a long, long time and showed the kind of flexibility that was necessary to accomplish both ends of the spectrum. Let's give one more round of applause for their good work and let's sign this bill and let's make it real and let's get help to the people that need it.

As Gov. Andrew Cuomo sat down to ceremonially sign New York's medical-marijuana bill into law, a 10-year-old girl stood by his side. Amanda suffers from Dravet syndrome, a rare form of epilepsy that begins in infancy and causes her to experience multiple seizures a day and adhere to a severely restricted diet.

With Cuomo's signature Saturday, New York became the 23rd state to legalize marijuana for seriously ill or injured patients. And when he needed someone to introduce him for the ceremonial signing Monday in Manhattan, Cuomo turned to Amanda and her mother, Maryanne Houser.

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UC Exec Unveils "Guaranteed Jobs" Training Initiative SUNY Ulster and BOCES-Will offer 10-week curriculum with certification for new manufacturing jobs

After discussions with many Ulster County's manufacturers about their need for a workforce with specific skills, Ulster County Executive Mike Hein created a new manufacturing job training initiative - the Ulster County Guaranteed Jobs Program - a pilot plan designed to train and place Ulster County residents in jobs in the county's manufacturing sector. At the County Executive's direction, SUNY Ulster and BOCES collaborated with the County Executive's Office of Economic Development and Office of Employment and Training to create this pilot training program. Initially, 12 people are expected to participate in this pilot and it is being funded by the Ulster County Industrial Development Agency (UCIDA).

"This is about matching workers with quality jobs. SUNY Ulster and BOCES have created an ideal curriculum," said County Executive Hein, "The way the Guaranteed Jobs Program works is selected participants will complete a 3-week Work Readiness component followed by a one week Closed Job Fair. They will then complete a 6-week Manufacturing Skills Training course and pass the Certified Production Technician Exam in order to graduate. Graduates



are expected to receive guaranteed job offers by Ulster County's private manufacturers. Once this pilot program is complete, we will evaluate its effectiveness in order to create a program that will meet the ongoing needs of our manufacturers."

The Ulster County Industrial Development Agency (UCIDA) has pledged \$48,000 to fund this important initiative. According to UCIDA Chair Mike Horodyski, "The Ulster County IDA is fully supportive of the Guaranteed Jobs Pilot Program. Part of the mission of the IDA is to advance the job opportunities, general prosperity and long-term economic vitality of Ulster County residents by offering assistance to retain and expand existing business. This program fits nicely within our mission and we are pleased to be part of helping Ulster County residents to get good jobs."

"County Executive Hein's Guaranteed Jobs program is an innovative way to help both area manufacturers and the workforce. We're constantly looking for manufacturing employees who have the skills we need in a more technology based manufacturing environment. This is very difficult to find," said Selux Human Resources Director Ellen Anderson. "Creating a pipeline of qualified talent in the manufacturing sector will not just benefit Selux but all manufacturers in Ulster County, allowing us to concentrate on growing our businesses, rather than spending time trying to find qualified talent."

The pilot program will serve 12 Ulster County residents who are unemployed or underemployed in a 10-week training program. The program is expected to start on Monday, September 8, 2014 with a 3-week, 72 hour training in work readiness, computer basics, math basics, machining and blueprint reading. During the week of September 29, 2014, participants will then be interviewed at a job fair being held specifically for them. At this time, employers are expected to commit to hiring or "guaranteeing jobs" for the participants who graduate from the program. In the last phase of the program, beginning October 6, 2014 and lasting six weeks, they will receive an additional 144 hours of training leading to a national certified production technician certification (Contd. Pg. 10)

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Training areas will include safety; quality, practices and measurements; manufacturing processes and production; and maintenance awareness. Once all program requirements are completed, and the participants pass the certification exam, they will be guaranteed employment by the manufacturer for at least one year, assuming their continued performance remains satisfactory.

BOCES Superintendent Dr. Charles Khoury stated, "Ulster BOCES is pleased to be working with SUNY Ulster on this program to support employment in our county, and provide manufacturers with new employees with the skills necessary to be successful. I applaud County Executive Hein and his staff for making this a priority, and know our staff will do all that is necessary to support the selected students in receiving their Certified Production Technician (CPT) certification."

SUNY Ulster President Don Katt stated, "Having a well-trained workforce is critical to the economic success of Ulster County and having business and education work together is the key to making this happen. The Guaranteed Jobs Program brings business and education together to create direct pathways to jobs. Many students at SUNY Ulster and Ulster BOCES want to work right here in Ulster County, and this program gives them that opportunity."

Ulster County residents interested in enrolling in the program should call the Ulster County Office of Employment and Training's Business Services Representative Bill McDonough at 340-3170. Manufacturers interested in participating should call Office of Economic Development Director Suzanne Holt at 845-340-3556.

Seven ERH Employees Graduate

Ellenville Regional Hospital is pleased to announce that seven of its employees have graduated with over the past few weeks!

Graduating with High School Diplomas are Ryan Razek, Rondout Valley High School graduate, and Vama Patel, Ellenville High School graduate. Both Ryan and Vama work in the Patient Registration Department and will be attending college in the fall.

Three hospital Emergency Department Techs/Nursing Assistants have graduated with their Associates Degree in Nursing, including Virginia Bassinette (Excelsior College), Paul Einfeldt (SUNY Ulster) and Dina Kravtsov (SUNY Ulster). In addition, Eileen Gallagher, Clinic Specialty Services Coordinator, has graduated with her Associates in Biology degree from SUNY Orange.

Daniel Tucker, also a Patient Registrar, graduated from SUNY Binghamton with a Bachelor's Degree in Math, with a focus in Actuary Science.

The hospital is proud of the educational accomplishments of its staff and continues to encourage our staff to accomplish their career goals by accommodating work schedules and providing monetary support to its employees who wish to further their education.

ASK Distinguished Artist, 2014 -Carol Pepper-Cooper Overcomes Physical Challenges to Cap 50-Year Career in Art

Kingston, NY: Arts Society of Kingston has awarded Kingston resident Carol Pepper-Cooper their Distinguished Artist, 2014 title, and with it, a one-woman exhibition in their main gallery at 97 Broadway. The show's opening is August 2, 2014, from 5-8 pm, and runs through August 30. This award is a recognition of significant achievement in the arts. Previous winners include Yale Epstein, Kate McLoughlin, Karen O'Neil, and Thomas Sarrantonio. "It is

humbling to be considered in the same league as great artists like these," Pepper-Cooper says.

But for Pepper-Cooper, this award represents more than achievement in the arts - great though it is. It's also the story of pluck and tenacity in the face of daunting physical challenges.

A year and a half ago, Pepper-Cooper's car was sideswiped and forced into a tree. The bones of her wrist - her right wrist which does the painting - were pulverized. Titanium plates, wires and screws held the wrist together, but the artist no longer could flex it - the motion she felt necessary for her to continue as a painter. She felt she could not even hold a paintbrush. But she did not give up. She decided that if she could not paint, maybe she could draw - after all, she could still hold a pencil and work her fingers. Already enrolled in Meredith Rosier's Abstract Drawing class, Pepper-Cooper redoubled her efforts in it. "For one thing, it gave me something to think about besides the pain, and I wanted to show myself and the world that I could still create." Create she could and create she did - on a level which surpassed much of her previous work - fine though it has been. Hearing her story, a distinguished Rabbi commented, "Hashem closed one door, but opened another."

The coming exhibition will include not only her latest work, but also examples of much older work, showing that this latest amazing artistic spurt comes from seeds that were in her all along.

Ms. Pepper-Cooper would welcome interviews, and has JPEG images of her work, suitable for publication.

The Arts Society of Kingston has been a regional center for the arts since its founding in 1995. Among its 400 members are many talented professional artists, as well as emerging artists and supporters of the arts. Ms. Pepper-Cooper has been a member since its founding.

Free Invasive Species Info & I.D. Available at Extension

LIBERTY, NY - Invasive species affect all New Yorkers - from hikers to highway personnel, from birders to boaters, and from farmers to foresters. The mission of the New York Invasive Species Awareness Week (July 6 - 12, 2014) is to promote knowledge and understanding of invasive species to help stop their spread by engaging citizens in a wide range of activities across the state and encouraging them to take action. Information and free identification services for potential early detection species is available through Cornell Cooperative Extension (CCE) Sullivan County at 64 Ferndale-Loomis Road in Liberty. Community members are urged to contact the CCE Master Gardener (MG) Volunteers if they suspect to have found an invasive species on their property or anywhere in the region.

"Certain species should not be handled so it's always important to contact our office first when you think you've found an invasive species," said Susan Dollard, MG Coordinator.

The CCE Sullivan County MG Volunteers will be available at a table with educational information on Saturday, July 12, from 10 am to 1 pm at the Rock Hill Farmers' Market located at 223 Rock Hill Drive in Rock Hill, NY. More information about invasive species or horticulture in general can be obtained by calling the MG helpline at 845-292-6180 Mondays, Wednesdays, or Thursdays from 9 am to noon, or emailing scmgshelpline@cornell.edu.

Invasive species consist of plants and animals, including insects and pathogens. They have negative impacts on forests, agriculture, wildlife, fish, shellfish, and human health. They also diminish recreational areas. Even though only a small percentage of species introduced to an area become invasive, the damage they cause is significant. The need for a national early detection and rapid response (ED/RR) system has been recognized in order to deal with this

increasing threat.

Cornell Cooperative Extension (CCE) Sullivan County is working with the Catskill Regional Invasive Species Partnership (CRISP) to develop an ED/RR system in the Catskill region. The public in the Catskill region is urged to join in this important task. The more eyes there are looking for these invaders, the easier it will be to deal with them quickly and effectively. A calendar of events on invasive species education can be found at: <http://www.nyis.info/blog/events/>.

CAS Presents : "Yarnslingers: Memoirs" Monthly Storytelling Series

Livingston Manor, NY - The Catskill Art Society will present the storytelling group Yarnslingers for their partnership series "Yarnslingers: Memoirs" at the CAS Arts Center at 48 Main Street, Livingston Manor, NY on Saturday, July 19 at 7pm. Tickets are available for a suggested donation of \$10.

"Yarnslingers: Memoirs" is a year-long collaboration with the Catskill Art Society, featuring storytellers from all walks of life who share pieces of their biographies in monthly performances. From the surprising and heartfelt to the charmingly everyday, the tales of this diverse group reveal their individual idiosyncrasies, while uniting us in their common experiences.

The program is an interactive workshop between its writers and audience members, and all are invited to share their responses to the chapters after the show.

Storytellers include: Isabel Braverman; Lillian Browne; Rebekah Creshkoff; Bill Fellenberg; Ann Finneran; Jonathan Charles Fox; Ramona Jan; and Marion Kaselle

The show runs approximately 90 minutes with one intermission.

Tickets are available for a suggested donation of \$10. Advance reservations are highly recommended as seating is limited. For reservations, call the CAS Arts Center at 845-436-4227 or e-mail info@catskillartsociety.org.

Do you have talent? Let's see!

The Livingston Manor Labor Day Festival and Parade will include a juried talent show this year. All ages are welcome.

Auditions will take place on Friday, August 8 at 3:00 p.m. and Saturday, August 9 at 11:00 a.m. at the Livingston Manor Library, 92 Main Street, Livingston Manor, NY 12758. The Library is located across from the fire department.

The Livingston Manor Labor Day Festival and Parade is Sunday, August 31 from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 pm; the talent show will take place after the parade, at 1:00 p.m. in Renaissance Park.

There is an entry fee of \$10.00 per act, and the winning act will receive \$100. For more information call the Livingston Manor Library at 845-439-5440.

Old Theatre, Old-Fashioned Melodrama

The Sullivan County Dramatic Workshop is delighted to present "Stop Thief!" - a mischievously fun, musically enhanced melodrama by D. Chapelle. Victoria V. Leighton (Smallwood) directs this talented cast: Serena Gildersleeve (Liberty), Ashlyn Nardi (Mountaintale), Melissa McTague (Loch Sheldrake), Edward Berens (Smallwood), Dennis Grow (Loch Sheldrake), Paul Puerschner (Callicoon), Sally Gladden (Woodridge) and Teri Paris (Parksville). Technical Director is Jim Schmidt (Hurleyville). Harold Tighe (White Lake) is Master Carpenter and Fran Schiff (Woodbourne) is Set Designer. Pianist is Jeff Krolick.

Synopsis: A foul cloud has settled

over the peaceful little Catskill village of Strongville. The cloud is none other than Newt Strong, son of Strongville's leading citizen, Agnes Strong. Newt is out for himself and he doesn't care who gets hurt in the process. No one is safe from his evil scheming - not his family, the good people of Strongville who trust the Strong family and their banker Clyde Wooden...not even his own mother Agnes! The only person who can save them all is Ned Strong. But first, he must travel to the Big City to repair the family finances which Newt has ruined. Will Ned return in time to save the day? the family fortune? the Village of Strongville? And most importantly, the sweet and innocent girl next door, Tess Bestheart, whom he loves more than life itself? Will Tess wait for Ned? Will Tess's Aunt Faye Quackenbush ever stop talking? To find the answers to all these questions, don't miss "Stop Thief!"

Performances are Friday and Saturday, July 18 & 19 at 8:00 PM and Sunday, July 20 at 2:00 PM at the Rivoli Theatre in South Fallsburg, NY. For more information, please call 845 436-5336, or go to www.scdw.net or buy tickets at: www.ShowTix4U.com.

Invasive Species Impact Counties Throughout New York: County Association Participates in Invasive Species Awareness Week

This week, the New York State Association of Counties (NYSAC) and its member counties are participating in New York State's first Invasive Species Awareness Week.

An invasive species is a non-native species (plant, animal, insect, or disease) that is accidentally or intentionally introduced into an environment and causes harm to the ecosystem, the economy, or human health.

Invasive species affect all New Yorkers - from hikers to highway personnel, from gardeners and birders to boaters, and from farmers to foresters. Invasive species are harmful because they reproduce quickly, out-compete native species, and adapt to new environments. Economists estimate that invasive species cost the United States more than \$120 billion in damages every year.

The mission of the New York Invasive Species Awareness Week (ISAW) is to promote knowledge and understanding of invasive species to help stop their spread by engaging citizens in a wide range of activities across the state and encouraging them to take action. Nearly 100 events are planned statewide this week - for the full list, see www.nyis.info/blog/events/.

To learn more about invasive species that impact your county and what you can do, visit www.nyis.info. Summer is the perfect time to talk about invasive species as many New Yorkers are camping, boating and enjoying the outdoors, potentially coming face to face with many invasive species. The public can help combat the spread of invasive species if they are aware of how they are spread, and know how to avoid making a bad situation worse.

Governor Cuomo has issued a proclamation recognizing Invasive Species Awareness Week. Many counties have also passed resolutions to draw attention to ISAW and the dangers of invasive species.

"Invasive species have a continual threat to our precious waterways, farmland, forests, and other natural resources throughout New York's Counties," said NYSAC Executive Director Stephen Acquario. "It is crucial that we raise the awareness of this ongoing threat with the public, and that we do all that is possible to keep invasives out of New York State before they have a chance to do serious and costly damage to our environment."

Resources, events, information, and awareness materials are available to counties at www.nyis.info.

For more information, contact NYSAC's Katy Vescio at kvescio@nysac.org or 518-465-1473.

House Passes Maloney-Gibson Amendment To Rein in FERC Bureaucracy -Amendment Limits Implementation and Enforcement of New Capacity Zone in Hudson Valley: Secures Report Language to Reform FERC Decision Making Process

Washington, D.C. - In an effort to fight the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (FERC) reckless approval of a new capacity zone, the House of Representatives passed Representative Sean Patrick Maloney's (NY-18) and Rep. Chris Gibson's (NY-19) joint amendment to prohibit funds from enforcing the new capacity zone. Specifically, the amendment prohibits FERC from implementing, administering, or enforcing the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's decision to create a new capacity zone under Docket No. ER13-1380-000. The House is expected to pass the Fiscal Year 2015 Energy and Water Appropriations Bill later this evening.

"Stopping this new capacity zone has been a top priority - I've never seen an agency so unaccountable or encountered bureaucrats so callous to the damage they could inflict on hardworking families and businesses," said Sean Patrick Maloney. "Congressman Gibson and local officials like County Executive Molinaro have been a tremendous partners in fighting this runaway bureaucracy, and we'll continue working together to reverse this reckless decision."

"We will not relent in our efforts to prevent this agency from doing further damage to the families and the economy of the Hudson Valley, where people are already struggling to make ends meet because they are saddled with huge electric bills," said Congressman Gibson. "We need to hold FERC accountable to the citizens it represents. Federal regulators can do a far better job finding ways to improve our energy infrastructure. We must reject the premise that the only way to lower electric rates is to raise them."

In addition, Maloney and Gibson fought to secure specific language in the report that requires FERC to reexamine and reform the way that they conduct this type of decision-making to ensure that the Commissioners hear and consider the concerns of local ratepayers. The Report states: "The Committee urges the Commission to be more proactive in addressing the concerns of ratepayers. In particular, when the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission considers a request for approval of a new capacity zone, the Committee expects the views of local and state officials, regulators, and business leaders to be taken into account during the process. Further, the Committee also expects that the process will include considerations such as costs to ratepayers in addition to electrical reliability and availability."

Schneiderman Announces Agreement with Barnes & Noble to Strengthen Protections for Breastfeeding Mothers National Chain To Pay \$10K To Support Rockland County's Breastfeeding Promotion And Support Program - Schneiderman: Breastfeeding Mothers Are Afforded Equal Protection Under Our Laws

NEW YORK - Attorney General Eric T. Schneiderman today announced an agreement with Barnes & Noble, Inc. that will protect the rights of nursing mothers seeking to breastfeed at its stores in New York. The Attorney General's Civil Rights Bureau opened an investigation into the national chain following a March 16 incident in which a woman was asked to cover up or leave the company's Nanuet, New York, store while breastfeeding her infant son.

Under New York State law, a mother may breastfeed her baby in any location, so long as she otherwise has the right to be there, regardless of whether she is covered while nursing. This year marks

the 20th anniversary of the law's passage.

"All New York residents, including breastfeeding mothers, must be afforded equal protection under the law," Attorney General Schneiderman said. "No mother should endure harassment for breastfeeding her baby in public. There is one set of rules for everyone in New York, and I applaud Barnes & Noble for taking steps to ensure that moms are not harassed or discriminated against."

Under the agreement, Barnes & Noble will strengthen its customer complaint resolution procedures with respect to the handling of complaints received from breastfeeding mothers, train all New York store employees and managers on its breastfeeding policy, which prohibits employees from interfering with a mother's right to breastfeed at its stores, and display the international symbol for breastfeeding at the entrances to its New York stores. In addition, the company will pay \$10,000 to Rockland County to support the activities of its Breastfeeding Promotion and Support Program.

Barnes & Noble operates 42 stores in New York State: 13 in New York City, eight in the Mid-Hudson region; seven on Long Island; six in Western New York; three in the Southern Tier region; two in the Capital Region; two in Central New York, and one in the Mohawk Valley.

Dr. Susan Vierczhalek, chairperson of the New York Statewide Breastfeeding Coalition, said, "Mothers who choose to breastfeed their children must not be discouraged from doing so when in public. We applaud Attorney General Eric Schneiderman for bringing attention to this very important issue and for working to remove barriers to breastfeeding."

Donna Lieberman, executive director of the New York Civil Liberties Union, said, "Health care providers and the law make clear that families who choose to breastfeed their children should be able to do so whenever and wherever necessary. We thank the Attorney General's Office for taking steps to ensure that women seeking to exercise their right to breastfeed in New York State are able to do so."

The Civil Rights Bureau of the Attorney General's Office is committed to combating unlawful harassment and discrimination and protecting reproductive rights across New York State. To file a complaint, contact the Attorney General's Civil Rights Bureau at (212) 416-8250, civil.rights@ag.ny.gov or visit www.ag.ny.gov.

This matter is being handled by Assistant Attorney General Dariely Rodriguez of the Attorney General's Civil Rights Bureau, which is led by Bureau Chief Kristen Clarke. The Executive Deputy Attorney General for Social Justice is Alvin Bragg.

House passes crucial job training legislation- Congressman Gibson cites improvements to federal workforce development programs

Washington, DC - Congressman Chris Gibson (NY-19) announced the House of Representatives passed the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act, improving federal job training programs that serve Upstate New Yorkers.

The bipartisan bill, which has the support of labor unions, home builders, retailers, and the hospitality industry, was approved July 9 by a vote of 415-6. An amended version of the bill was recently adopted by the Senate 95-3.

"This legislation makes it easier for New York to provide the training programs we need to put people to work rebuilding our energy and transportation infrastructure, producing our food, and providing care for our loved ones," said Congressman Gibson. "We cannot grow the Upstate economy and keep our young people closer to home without

making strategic investments in career and vocational education."

The Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act, H.R. 803, reauthorizes the Workforce Investment Act and streamlines training services by eliminating 15 duplicative programs, reducing administrative costs for states, and improving transparency and accountability by creating new performance standards.

The legislation also calls on states to consult with local officials to identify where programming is needed, target assistance for youth who face barriers to employment and education, and strengthen Job Corps contract requirements.

Additionally, H.R. 803 reauthorizes the Adult Education and Family Literacy Act and the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 to improve employment outcomes and job skills among adults and people with disabilities.

Supporters of the legislation include the following: NEA, AARP, Society for Human Resource Management, American Hotel and Lodging Association, Associated Builders and Contractors, and Associated General Contractors of America.

Dear Friend,

I hope you had a wonderful 4th of July. I am writing to update you on a few significant legislative victories for Upstate New Yorkers.

This week the House passed an amendment I offered with Congressman Sean Patrick Maloney (NY- 18) that prohibits the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (FERC) reckless approval of a new capacity zone that will raise electric rates on thousands of families and businesses in the Hudson Valley that are already struggling with high energy costs. The amendment to the 2015 Energy and Water Appropriations bill prohibits FERC from implementing, administering, or enforcing the decision to create the new capacity zone, which is opposed by elected officials at every level in New York.

We need to hold FERC accountable to the citizens it represents. Congressman Maloney and I were able to secure specific language in the Energy and Water Committee report that requires FERC to consider the concerns of local consumers before making decisions that could raise our utility bills. This is good news for the Hudson Valley, to be sure, but we will continue to do all we can in Congress to improve and expand generating and transmission capacity without creating new hardships for the people of our region.

Also this week, the House passed the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (H.R. 803), improving federal job training programs that serve the 19th District. The bipartisan bill, which has the support of labor unions and the business community, makes it easier for states to provide the training programs we need to put people to work.

H.R. 803, which also passed the Senate, reduces administrative costs, makes the system adaptable to changes in the workforce, gives local stakeholders a say in workforce development, and allows reasonable flexibility for Governors to adequately direct federal workforce funds. We cannot attract new employers and keep our young people closer to home without making strategic investments in career and vocational education. H.R. 803 puts us on stronger footing as we work to grow the Upstate economy.

Finally this week, the House approved H.R. 4718, a tax-relief bill that makes permanent a provision in the Internal Revenue Code that allows business owners and farmers to deduct half the cost of critical asset purchases in the year they are made. This bill incentivizes future investments and helps create jobs. This weekend, I'm looking forward to spending time at community events in

Pawling, Copake, Athens, Millbrook, Kerhonkson, and Hancock, among others. I will also help celebrate the 25th anniversary of the Winnakee Land Trust in Staatsburg. Congratulations to this outstanding organization, which safeguards our rural landscape for future generations. Please feel free to stop and visit with me during my travels. Have a great weekend!

Sincerely,
Chris Gibson
Member of Congress

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TO HAVE A GOVERNMENT THAT IS BY THE PEOPLE, FOR THE PEOPLE, AND OF THE PEOPLE, "ALL OF THE PEOPLE, NOT JUST THE PEOPLE WITH THE MONEY..."

... we must promote an informed and unprejudiced populace. Make many of the lazy, "pay for me, I was born group," get off their arses and drugs and get a job! No excuse- the Mexicans don't seem to have a problem getting a job. You want to fight the immigrant invasion of New World Order and send them back to Mexico? Do it by cleaning up your life, health, and by making sure we hold all the politicians feet to the fire, and take back our country from the unscrupulous purveyors of death in their feudalistic rampage of murdering, and raping America, and its people. We must take a stand and make sure we have fair elections and courts, free of the corruption of political influence. These precepts are the foundations of a functional democracy that is promoting freedom for all.

Corruption is why heroin runs rampant in our streets. Killing our youth, turning them into worthless predators with only one goal- to devourer all like consumer gluttonous pigs. Our masses are now technically trained instead of educated; trained by the military industrial complex and drugged into submission by fear and chemicals not healthy for humans consumption. GMO's, and other chemicals are destroying testosterone as fluoride does, giving the masses the mentality of a herd of cows. Regulations and unions must be supported again. This is paramount to getting our freedoms back. EVERYONE MUST DO THEIR PART More, next week.

This space is also for you, To have your comments and/or questions, space allowing, and townsman guidelines adhered to, as listed in the masthead, Email politicalslant@yahoo.com

DENNING DEMS FOR DEMS THAT WANT TO WORK FOR THEIR FAMILY COURT CANDIDATES ULSTER COUNTY

The UC Democratic Committee has not endorsed any candidate for the New Family Court Position.

As soon as possible we expect to have blank copies of each candidates petitions at the UC Democratic Committee Headquarters, 32 John Street In Kingston.

They will be contacting committee members and other Democrats to carry their petitions and you can decide who you will carry for. The period is very short for signing the Family Court Petitions and they must be filed by the candidate no later than 5 pm on Thursday July 24th.. The Four candidates and their email addresses are:

Gilda Riccardi while she is at work is Donn Avalone - 246-8890 or email kaatman@aol.com
Contact for Jon Katz is Debbie Robbins - 475-7307 or email deborahlynn.robins@gmail.com
Contact for John Beisel is 399-9644 or email: jb3@hvc.rr.com
Contact for Kevin Bryant is Jay Mahler 706-2996 or email: mahler.jay@gmail.com

Grahamsville UMC Celebrates the Memorial Window Restoration

- Wanda Terwilliger

The circumstances prompting a long ago congregation to put a memorial window in the Grahamsville United Methodist Church and the reason for honoring the persons who are named, the Rev. J.N. Bryers and wife and Andrew Currey and wife still is a mystery.

I've spent a day this past week reading through old ledgers and minute books that represent our church's history and I found very sparse information. What do we know?

From an article in the Liberty Register and his Obit- we know that the Rev. J.N. Bryers was born in Ireland in 1822 and came to American when he was 18 years old. Early on he became a local pastor and served through the Ulster and Sullivan county towns. When he served here from 1864 to 1867 our church was called the Grahamsville Methodist Episcopal Church- and according to church history would not have been in the present building, but up in the open field past where Doug and Jona Hamilton live, and was called the Union Tabernacle which apparently housed the Grahamsville M.E. Congregation. They moved the building to the village in 1879. The Reverend and Mrs. had six children. One of their daughters, Jenny, married Gabriel Currey, brother of Andrew.

We also know from a response in the minutes of a quarterly church conference meeting during his term that the pasator was missing because he was away servin in the Civil War.

Both Pastor and Mrs. Bryers died in 190s and are buried down at our cemetery. In their retirement they came back here to call Grahamsville their home.

And Andrew Currey? He was a farmer. Born and raised in this community and fathered 16 chil-

dren, five of them are listed in the local cemetery records as having died as infants. The others grew up to raise families in the surrounding area. Andrew was the Grandson of Stephan Currey, Jr. and his wife Anna Vail who came from Westchester County to the unpopulated area of Neversink in 1795. According to Phillip Horne, in his book, The Curreys of the Hudson Highlands, the family came in an ox cart with two young chilren and all their household possessions. Andrew died in Grahamsviile in 1906. Andrew's story of his family can be found in a book at the Time and the Valley Museum Research Room.

Through out the years this family branched out to help populate the Towns of Neversink and Denning. Many famiies living in our community today can claim to be related to Andrew Currey; the Curreys of course - Wrights, Denmans, Grants, Benson, Evans, Furmans, Moores, Leroy's, Morelys, Devores, Gillette and Husons to remember a few. I too can claim Stephan Currey, Jr. as my fifth great grandfather.

As I read the history of the church I found Andrew to be a name that came up frequently. He was called a leader with a capital "L" who was responsible for the probationary membership classes and he was Sunday School Superintendent.

So we come to the window. The question is when and why Rev. Bryers and Andrew were given the honor. As to when, the only clue I have is from a statement in a

1910 Liberty Register newspaper that said, "The entertainment to be held at the Odd Fellows Hall on March 7th is to support the fund for the memorial window at the M.E. Church." In my memory at this church, this window has blown out on two occassions. It was restored once before quite a few yers ago. We were fortunate that this time around the people who picked up the pieces had the foresight to save all the little pieces, allowing us to rearrange them to discover the names. If anyone has more information about the window or the persons please share it with our historians, Ruth Phillips or Louise Dubois or call pastor at 985-2283.

Today we celebrate the restoration of ths beautiful window. We are thankful for this gift of restoration given by Dawn Gorton's family in her memory. We express our appreciation to Anne Maus of Jeffrsonville for her patience and skill in doing this restoration project.

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PUBLIC NOTICES/LEGALS:**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:**

The Town of Denning Code Enforcement Officer who is also the FEMA designated Flood Plain Manager will hold an informational meeting regarding the Town of Denning FLOOD PLAIN.

On Saturday, July 12th, 2014 to be held at the Town of Denning Town Hall, 1567 Denning Road, Claryville, NY 12725 set to begin at 1:00 pm.

Karl Von Hassel
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Letter to our Readers:

Dear Friends,

We are having our second annual food and supply drive to benefit the poor, homeless animals at the Sullivan County SPCA in Rock Hill. We are looking for donations of food (wet and dry - cat and dog - the shelter uses purina but will accept any), treats, old blankets and towels, toys, collars and leashes, bleach and non clumping cat litter (they say they are in real need of cat litter - the cheap non clumping kind).

We will be collecting until August 5th. If you would like to donate you can drop off your donations at Sundown Camp and Bait in Sundown, Travis Archery in Neversink or call Sherri Reynolds at 985-0013 to arrange for drop off at a different location or to arrange for us to pick up.

Please help us to help all of these poor homeless animals! The animals thank you in advance!

Thank You,
Becca Reynolds
Halie Travis

Sullivan County Historical Society presents "Sunday Matinee At The Museum"

Classic Movies from the past - Show Time Sunday afternoon 1:00 P.M. at The Sullivan County Museum, 265 Main St. Hurleyville, NY

Free Admission - Donations appreciated

July 20 'The Great Escape'. Based on a true story and starring Steve McQueen, James Garner and Richard Attenborough

For Information 434-8044 or www.sullivancountyhistory.org

Sullivan County Seeks Input for Development of Transportation Services Plan

As part of an effort to coordinate and improve the level of transportation services currently provided by Sullivan County agencies and private carriers, the County's Division of Planning is encouraging all residents, those who work in the county and visitors to complete a Transportation User Survey. The survey is being distributed through large employers, government agencies and transportation service providers and is also available online via a link from the County's website (www.co.sullivan.ny.us) or at the website of the County's technical consultant, LSC Transportation Consultants, Inc. (www.lscs.com/surveys/sullivan/trans_survey.php).

Broad input will also be sought at a community meeting on Thursday, July 24, at 7PM at Monticello High School.

The public is invited to attend and learn more about options for coordinating transportation services and to provide ideas for development of the plan. Additional community meetings will be held in September and October when the consultant team will present its preliminary recommendations.

The consultant team will use information gathered through the survey and meetings to identify transportation priorities and help shape programs that better respond to the community's needs. It is therefore important to hear from as many voices as possible. Businesses, human service agencies and community groups that have not been contacted but would like to assist in distributing the surveys are encouraged to contact Ethan Cohen at the Sullivan County Division of Planning by Email (Ethan.Cohen@co.sullivan.ny.us) or phone at (845) 807-0527. Paper copies are available and, if needed, assistance in administering the survey to various user groups can be provided. Individuals may access and complete the survey online or pick up copies at the Sullivan County Government Center.

The survey is one part of a Coordinated Transportation Human Services Plan currently underway, funded through a grant from the U.S. Department of Agriculture Rural Development program. It is a cooperative effort among many County departments, engaged citizens, non-profit human service agencies and private-sector employers, and it builds on the work of the Long Term Care Council Transportation Subcommittee that started in 2012. The plan will include an inventory of all transportation services in Sullivan County and an evaluation of transportation needs. Interim work products from the plan are posted on LSC's website at http://www.lscs.com/projects/sullivan_ny/

For additional information or questions, contact Ethan Cohen of the Sullivan County Division of Planning by email:

(Ethan.Cohen@co.sullivan.ny.us) or phone at (845) 807-0527.

Sullivan County Museum Exhibits and Programs

Summer Art Classes 2014- Instructor: Laurie Kilgore

- July 15th - August 7th - Tuesdays and Thursdays Children's Art Classes Ages 8-12 11-12:30pm - 4 sessions \$80
- July 15th - August 7th - Tuesday and Thursdays Adult Art Classes, Drawing from Observation 1:30-3:30pm - 4 sessions \$100
- July 15th - August 19th - Tuesday Evening Painting Classes 6-8:30pm, 6 sessions \$200 Learn techniques in watercolor, acrylic and oil painting
- August 22nd - Vaudeville, 7pm
- August 23rd - Vaudeville, 7pm
- August 24nd - Vaudeville, 2pm
- November 1st - Woodsong Coffee House, 6:30pm
- December 6th - Holiday Exhibit

Call the Sullivan County Museum for ongoing exhibits and programs 845-434-8044 or www.sullivancountyhistory.org

Taste of Sullivan Co Benefit Drawing

- The Friends of the Ethelbert B. Crawford Public Library fundraising with help from Sullivan County restaurants.

Enter to win "A Taste of Sullivan County" from the Friends of the Ethelbert B. Crawford Public Library. Winners of three prizes packages will be drawn at the Monticello Bagel Festival on August 17. Each package will include gift certificates to a variety of restaurants in Sullivan County. The first prize package is valued at over \$500, second prize at over \$200,

and the third prize package is valued at over \$100.

Tickets are \$5.00 each or six tickets for \$20.00. Tickets will be sold until the Bagel Festival on August 17, 2014. Winners will be announced at the conclusion of the Bagel Festival. You need not be present to win. You may get a list of participating restaurants and purchase tickets at the Ethelbert B. Crawford Public Library at 393 Broadway in Monticello, or from Friends of the Library members.

Funds from the Taste of Sullivan County benefit drawing will go towards furnishings and supplies for the children's room in the new library. For details about the Taste of Sullivan County benefit drawing, and information about Friends' meetings and programs, 'like' the Friends of the Ethelbert B. Crawford Public Library on Facebook.

The Cragmoor Conservancy Presents Alan Bennett's Talking Heads at Shadowland Theater - Local actors Laura Hughes and Jeff Woodman to star in benefit performance

July, 2014, Cragmoor, NY...On Saturday, July 26 at 5:00 pm at the Shadowland Theater in Ellenville, The Cragmoor Conservancy will host a benefit performance of Alan Bennett's Talking Heads to raise funds for land preservation. Talented actors Laura Hughes and Jeff Woodman will be performing two of the rarely seen monologues by the famous British playwright (History Boys, The Madness of King George). Following the hour-long performance, there will be a "meet the actors" reception at ArtsWave, 7 Market Street, in Ellenville. Tickets are \$25 if purchased in advance online at www.cragmoorconservancy.info (click on Events) through PayPal or by calling 845-647-4716. The price will be \$35 at the door.

"Thanks to the generosity of the Shadowland Theater and its Artistic Director, Brendan Burke, and the donation of the professional skills of our two actors, The Cragmoor Conservancy will be able to raise much needed funds," states Jeffrey Slade, President of the organization.

The New York Daily News wrote that The "Talking Heads" Monologues "...brought joy to the season" and the New York Times called them "Diamond cut monologues...several instantly became cult classics."

In addition to performances both on- and off-Broadway, Cragmoor residents Hughes and Woodman have appeared on television in episodes of Law & Order, Person of Interest and Sex & The City. Ms. Hughes has also appeared in the feature films Joe Gould's Secret and Cold Fever. Jeff Woodman is an award winning audiobook narrator and the voice of Watson, IBM's Jeopardy!-winning supercomputer.

The Cragmoor Conservancy is a non-profit all-volunteer organization established in 2001 to preserve the natural and cultural resources of Cragmoor on the Shawangunk Ridge. For more information and membership details, go to www.cragmoorconservancy.info.

Southside Johnny Show Proceeds to Boost Local Ambulance Services

Highmount, NY - Jersey rockers Southside Johnny & the Asbury Jukes promise a high-energy show at the Belleayre Music Festival on Saturday, July 19 at 8 p.m.

As a special gesture from the Belleayre Conservatory, a portion of the net proceeds from the show will benefit the Town of Shandaken Ambulance Service and the Margaretville Hospital Ambulance. Southside Johnny & The Asbury Jukes are a Jersey Shore band. They have been recording albums since 1976 and are closely associated with Bruce Springsteen & The E Street Band. They have recorded and/or performed

several Springsteen songs, including "The Fever" and "Fade Away". Springsteen has also performed with the band on numerous occasions and in 1991 guested on their Better Days album. During the band's formative years Steve Van Zandt acted as the band's co-leader, guitarist, songwriter, arranger and producer while other E Streeters including Clarence Clemons, Max Weinberg, Garry Tallent, Ernest Carter, Patti Scialfa and Soozie Tyrell have all performed, toured and/or recorded with the Jukes.

The band's horn section - The Miami Horns - has also toured and recorded with Springsteen. More than 100 musicians can claim to have been members of The Asbury Jukes, including Jon Bon Jovi who toured with the band as a special guest during 1990.

Bon Jovi has also cited the band as an influence and Jukes' Bobby Bandiera and Jeff Kazee have also toured with Bon Jovi. Other notable band members include Mark Pender and Richie "La Bamba" Rosenberg who have played regularly with The Max Weinberg 7 on both Late Night with Conan O'Brien and The Tonight Show with Conan O'Brien. La Bamaba is now on Conan, O'Brien's current show on TBS.

Tickets range from \$66-\$46 and \$26 for lawn seating. Tickets are on sale via Ticketmaster. For additional information, please call 800 942-6904, ext. 1344, visit: belleayremusic.org or e-mail: belleayremusicfestival@gmail.com Opera up next

The entertainment takes a 180-degree turn on Saturday, July 26 when the Belleayre Festival Opera presents Gaetano Donizetti's "Lucia Di Lammermoor" under the direction of Donald Westwood. The acclaimed Catskill Mountain

Jazz Series will begin a run of five shows on on Friday, Aug. 1 with the Django Reinhardt Festival. Up next will be The Cookers All-Star Jazz Band featuring Billy Harper, Eddie Henderson, Gary Bartz, David Weiss, George Cables, Cecil McBee and Billy Hart on Saturday, Aug. 2. Both of these shows will be in the intimate setting of the Belleayre Jazz Club.

Three Hot Latin Nights start on Thursday, Aug. 7 at 8 p.m. headlined by Mexico's Alberto Solis and Gil Gutierrez. On Friday, Aug. 8, Cuba's Pedrito makes a return engagement following last year's blistering performance.

The jazz action returns to the big stage on Saturday, Aug. 9 with a night of scintillating Bossa Nova & Tango music and dancing to the sounds of the Romero Lubambo Quintet and the Pablo Aslan Tango Orchestra.

Broadway's Leading Man Norbert Leo Butz brings his Tony award-winning talents to Belleayre on Saturday, Aug. 16, 8 p.m.

The focus turns to laughs when Saturday Night Live alum Colin Quinn headlines Comedy in the Catskills III on Saturday, Aug. 23.

The 2014 season wraps up in ultra-cool style with a full day of Brooklyn Bands taking the stage on Saturday, Aug. 30. The Hold Steady headlines with other bands including Big Data, Lily & the Parlour Tricks, Joni Fatora and more to be announced. This concert begins at 6 p.m. and will be held on several stages.

Shows begin at 8 p.m., with the exception of the Blues at Belleayre Brooklyn Bands shows, which both start at 6 p.m. For information on where to stay, dine, shop or to simply enjoy the great outdoors when you re in town for the Belleayre Music Festival, please visit: www.catskill-highpeaks.com, www.ulstertourism.info or www.greatwesterncatskills.com. Belleayre Music Festival concerts are held on the grounds of Belleayre Mountain in Highmount.

Belleayre Mountain is located in the heart of New York's Catskill Mountain region, and is operated by the Olympic Regional Development Authority. The ski resort is located just off Route 28 and is 37 miles west of Thruway Exit 19 at Kingston; 55 miles southeast of Oneonta on Route 28; 40 miles from the Route 17 exit at Roscoe; and 95 miles southwest of Albany and just two hours north of NYC.

Town of Neversink Parks & Recreation Department

www.townofneversink.org

Call for info: (845) 985-2262 extension 312

July 12 - **Community Yard Sale, Craft & Vendor Fair.** Reserve your spot now. \$15. Grahamsville Fairgrounds

July 26 - **Saratoga Casino & Raceway.** Leave Town Hall 8 am return 8:30 pm. 20 Free Play, voucher for Garden Buffett and motor coach transportation. Must be 21 years old. \$28 Neversink resident/non-residents. **Must be paid by June 3.**

Aug 2 - **The Great Escape & Splashwater Kingdom at Six Flags Theme Park, Lake George.** Leave 7 am and return approx 8:30 pm. \$12 Neversink Residents and Tri-Valley Students/\$47 non-residents. **Must be paid by June 3.**

Aug 6 - **Wayne County Fair** - Leave 10 am return approx 7 pm -. \$5 Neversink Residents/Tri-Valley Students - \$20 non residents. **Must be paid by June 3.**

August 23 **New York Renaissance Faire**- Leave 8:30 am return approximately 6:30 pm. \$21 Neversink Residents and Tri Valley Students/\$32 non-residents. **Must be paid by Tuesday, June 24.**

Sept 6 **Hudson Valley Wine & Food Festival**- Leave Town Hall 9:30 am Neversink Residents \$25 non-residents \$38. **Must be paid by July 8**

FREE FUN every FRIDAY afternoon 1- 4 pm in the upstairs meeting room in the Neversink Town Hall.



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

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

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

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

VETERANS always **Free** search of the Archives for family or history of Sullivan County at the **Sullivan County Museum**, 265 Main St., Hurleyville, NY. For information call 845-434-8044.

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

NEVERSINK LADIES AUXILIARY

PENNY SOCIAL

Saturday

July 19, 2014

Doors Open at 5:00 pm

Calling Starts at 6:30 pm

Neversink Fire House

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- 7/17/14 Neversink Fire District Meeting at 7 p.m.; Public Meeting at 7:30 p.m.
- 7/19/14 Grahamsville United Methodist Church Thrift Sale 9am-1pm
- 7/20/14 **Matty Bertholf's Annual Horseshoe Tournament** Neversink Firehouse -Info: dberth53@hotmail.com
- 7/20/14 Claryville Fire Dept **All You Can Eat Pancake Breakfast** 7 am - Noon
- 7/21/14 Grahamsville Fire Dist. Board of Fire Commissioners - 7:00 pm
- 7/22/14 Grahamsville United Methodist Church Thrift Sale (9-1) & Luncheon (11-1)
- 8/2/14 Sundown Methodist Church **Covered Dish Supper** - 5:30 pm Church Hall
- 8/5/14 Town of Denning Board Meeting - 7:00 pm - Sundown Church Hall
- 8/6/14 Town of Neversink Planning Board Meeting- 7:00 pm
- 8/10/14 Time and the Valleys Museum **Denning Afternoon of History** 2pm Community Room Daniel Pierce Library
- 8/12/14 Town of Denning Town Board Business Meeting 7:00 pm Town of Denning Town Hall
- 8/13/14 Town of Neversink Town Board Meeting
- 8/14/14 Dept. of Motor Vehicles Neversink Town Hall 10:00 am - 2:30 p.m
- 8/14/14 Claryville Fire District Meetings 6:30 pm -Regular Meeting/Budget Preparation - Claryville Firehouse
- 8/14/14 Town of Denning Planning Board Meeting - 7 pm Denning Town Hall
- 8/19/14 Town of Neversink Zoning Board of Appeals - 7:30 pm
- 8/20/14 Neversink Rondout Antique Machinery Association Monthly Meeting 7:30 pm

Save the Date!

July 20, 2014 **Matty Bertholf's Annual Horseshoe Tournament** Neversink Firehouse - Info: dberth53@hotmail.com

July 26, 2014 **Time and the Valleys Old Time Fair & Chicken BBQ** 11-5 Grahamsville Fairgrounds

August 9th **Claryville Heritage Day** - Featured will be tours of the Schoolhouse Museum, a Cookie Walk, music, crafters, lunch and more. Watch for further information soon.

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

- VALERO MINI MALL (Loch Sheldrake) •
- WOODBOURNE - CITGO STATION • MO'S GAS STATION • P.D. SMITH ENTERPRISE
- LIBERTY - LIBERTY FITNESS • CHARLIE'S PIZZA • AGWAY (Liberty) • J.B. MAK (Liberty)
- JAMES NAPANOCH GROCERY
- DR. LONSTEIN'S OFFICE
- MATTHEW'S PHARMACY
- ELLENVILLE CITGO
- ELLENVILLE REG HOSPITAL
- NAPANOCH APPLIANCE
- PETER'S MARKET
- SUNDOWN CAMP & BAIT SHOP
- GRAHAMSVILLE DELI
- EUREKA MARKET & CAFE
- CANNIE D'S
- BLUE HILL LODGE
- 3 GOLDENS
- Joma Cafe (West Shokan) • Boiceville IGA • Boiceville Florist • Reservoir Music • Snyder's
- Phoenicia Hardware • Phoenicia Pharmacy • Phoenicia Deli • Mama's Boy • Brio's • Emerson Resort
- Big Indian Market & Deli • Colonial Inn Pine Hill • Pine Hill Community Center

LOCATIONS in the TOWN OF OLIVE & SHANDAKEN

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.

Ticket to Work Employment Network at ULSTER WORKS assists SSI and SSDI benefit holders with job training and employment options

Ulster County Office of Employment and Training holds monthly workshop for SSI and SSDI consumers to increase their income

Kingston New York: On Wednesday, July 23, 2014 at 2:00 PM, The ULSTER WORKS One-Stop Center and the Ulster County Office of Employment and Training will hold a workshop for SSI and SSDI consumers on how to return to the workforce. A trained counselor will offer tools for finding employment, job training and the best ways to gain self-sufficiency in the workplace. The workshop is open to the general public, professionals, and agencies who work with SSDI and SSI recipients. All are encouraged to attend who are interested in learning about the Social Security Work Incentives and the Ticket to Work Program.

The workshop will explore work incentives available in the Ticket to Work Program established by the Social Security Administration that allow SSI and SSDI benefit holders to increase their income and avail themselves of training opportunities. The trained counselor has a network of key employers who are willing and able to provide jobs, with a goal towards self-sufficiency in the workplace.

St. John's Episcopal Church, Ellenville Potluck Dinner and Discussion with Nadia Maczaj

Topic: "What's Happening in Ukraine?"
Time: Thursday, July 24th, 6:00 pm, in the undercroft
Nadia is a member of Holy Trinity Ukrainian Catholic Church and Co-owner with her husband (Oleh) of Rusty Plough Farm.

This program is scheduled for Wednesday, July 23, 2014 at 2:00 PM, at the One-Stop at 601 Development Court (Albany Avenue) in Kingston. Reservations are required. Job seekers should contact: Troy Snyder, Disabilities Resource Coordinator of the Ticket to Work Program at the Ulster Works OneStop Center on Albany Avenue at 845-331-7202.

Only 20 Seats Left for "Moses" Bus Trip

St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Narrowsburg, NY, is sponsoring a trip to see "Moses" at the Sight & Sound Theatre in Strasburg, (Lancaster County) PA on Thursday, September 25th. Only 20 seats remain. Deadline to reserve your seat is July 31st. Tickets are: Adults \$110, Teens (13-18) \$95, Children (12 and under) \$75. Ticket price includes: bus transportation; ample smorgasbord buffet lunch at the Shady Maple Restaurant (and if there's time, a stop at Bird-in-Hand Farmers Market); 2:45 pm show at the theater; brief stop enroute home for a snack you can purchase

The bus will leave St. Francis-Xavier Roman Catholic Church (Narrowsburg) parking lot promptly at 7am Thursday morning, September 25th, make a stop in Honesdale, PA, and will return at approximately 9:30pm. For more information and reservations contact Loretta Kratz (845-887-9943). Checks should be made out to Loretta Kratz with "Moses" in the memo line. Only 20 seats remain. Please send payment to Loretta Kratz, 185 Kratz Road, Callicoon, NY 12723. Tickets are limited. Deadline to purchase your ticket is July 31st.

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Concerts in the Park

The Napanoch Public Interest Group presents its annual free concert series every Wednesday at 6:00 pm during the month of August, This year a fifth concert has been added on July 30. The following groups will perform:

- July 30: SIDEFX
- August 6: CARL RICHARDS BAND
- August 13: BREAKAWAY
- August 20: PONYTAILS
- August 27: RIVERS EDGE

All concerts are held at Southwyck Square located at the Shawangunk Senior Center, 70 Main Street, Napanoch. In the event of rain, concerts will take place at the Elks Pavilion, Church St., Napanoch. Bring your own chair or blanket. Refreshments and rest rooms are available. For more information please call 647-7015.

All Aboard!

Join the Fun!

Play Mexican Train

FREE FUN every FRIDAY 1- 4 pm in the upstairs meeting room at the Neversink Town Hall

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Mc Cline's Professional Cleaners is seeking a reliable responsible candidate for per diem work in the Grahamsville area. Must have reliable transportation & valid Driver's License 845-313-3316 rtf5/15

Neversink Campgrounds Certified Life Guard fill in/Part Time \$13 per hour. 845-434-8926.

NEW BUSINESSES IN TOWN!

Congratulations and Good Wishes to the three new businesses in town! **Girls on Grill Weenie Wagon, Paws and Ponies** and **The Thrill of the Chill Hard Ice Cream** at **Cannie D's**.

See their ads on page 8 & 9!

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- **NEW** 64 acs including level meadows, apple trees, woodland, stream, on delightful country rd \$230,000
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- Architectural Digest home on 300+ acres with private library, adjacent to State land. \$995,000 **Accepted Offer**
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Knarf's "Classic Movie Trivia" THE GHOST GOES WEST (Comedy, 1936)



This is Mr. "C's" favorite fun ghost story starring that great character actor Eugene Pallette. You have seen him as Friar Tuck, with Errol Flynn in **ROBIN HOOD**, or as the sackclothed cleric in Zorro, or Mrs. "C's" favorite, the rich Dad in the **BRIDE CAME C.O.D.** or as a political gangster in **"MR. SMITH**

GOES TO WASHINGTON," the loveable Pallette gets more than he bargained for with ghosts and a ton of laughs, as an American millionaire moves a Scottish castle to Florida, not realizing it's haunted. Directed by René Clair Cast: Robert Donat, Jean Parker, Eugene Pallette. *See this film on TCM, 6:30 PM, on Monday, July 21, 2014, BW-82 min, Quiz: 1. Who played Murdoch Glourie/Donald Glourie? 2. Who played Miss Shepperton?*

What's Going On In The Gnome Neighborhoodtm This Week? -

GRAHAMSVILLE

OLD TIME FAIR AND BBQ • GRAHAMSVILLE FAIRGROUNDS • 11 A.M. TO 5 P.M. SATURDAY, JULY 26, 2014. Held RAIN or SHINE, at the GRAHAMSVILLE FAIRGROUNDS on State Route 55. This year's **Time and the Valleys Museum Old Time Fair** includes old fashioned activities such as **corn shucking and lady's skillet throwing contests; children's games; ice cream making demonstration and tasting; Barry Lewis and the pie auction;** local history exhibits; as well as **black-smithing, spinning, and fly tying** demonstrations. Plenty of **FREE** parking and admission is **FREE**, with only a nominal fee for some games and food. **-FROM 1 P.M. TO 5 P.M., ENJOY THE DELICIOUS MILLER'S CHICKEN BARBECUE.** Adults \$10 - Children under 8 \$7. This delicious barbecue dinner includes: Miller's Barbecue Chicken, Baked Beans, Macaroni Salad, Corn on the Cob, Potato Chips, Dessert, **All funds raised from this event support the Museum's educational programming.** For additional information on this unique and enjoyable event, **OR TO PURCHASE YOUR BARBECUE TICKETS IN ADVANCE, PLEASE CALL US AT 845.985.7700.**

PHOENICIA

FESTIVAL OF THE VOICE

Time 8:45 am - 3:00 pm on July 21 - July 25 **"Working With Masters"** It's fun, it's educational and it's empowering for young people who want to learn something more about music. The program philosophy is based on concepts of 20th-century composers Zoltan Kodaly, Karl Orff and the program's director and lead faculty person, Nancy Chusid. Housed on the grounds of the Emerson Resort & Spa in Mount Tremper, NY, this five-day intensive music program is much more than a camp. The 8- to 12-year old participants will rehearse, sing "team build" and produce a grand finale concert performance. The final event presents an international sampler ranging from early medieval to contemporary pop songs, from Japanese folk to African rock - a timeline of music coming July 30 - August 3rd "Viva Espana" for details Tel: 845 586 3588 E-mail: info@phoeniciavoicfest.com

NEVERSINK

Neversink Ladies Auxiliary **Penny Social** - Saturday July 19. Doors Open at 5:00 pm. Calling Starts at 6:30 pm. Neversink Fire House, Rt. 55, Neversink, NY

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It's Yard Sale Season!

If you are planning a **Yard Sale** this summer or have a **Craft Item** that you would like to sell, list it in our Classifieds for \$2 for each week you wish it to appear in *The Townsman*. For **Yard Sales**, include in your listing: Address of Sale, dates and time (Optional telephone # if you wish). For **Craft Item(s)** include the type of craft you are offering, and contact information. Please limit all listings to **20 words** or less. Send your information along with your payment of \$2 for each week you wish your ad to appear to: The Townsman, P O Box 232, Grahamsville, NY 12740.

... and don't forget the **Town of Neversink Parks & Rec Community Yard Sale, Craft & Vendor Fair** - Grahamsville Fairgrounds - Spots \$15 a piece. Rain or Shine. Free Admission & Parking. All welcome! Call for info: (845) 985-2262 extension 312

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ANSWER TO KNARF'S MOVIE TRIVIA

1. **Robert Donat** (A bad playing more wash-buckling roles, he was more then wonderful as The Count of Monte Cristo.
 2. **Elsa Lanchester** (Superb character actress, and wife of the great Charles Laughton)