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Tri-Valley Lions Install Newest Member



On July 7, 2025, The Tri-Valley Lions had their monthly dinner meeting at the Liberty Diner. The meals were wonderful and ever so tasty.

The highlight of the meeting was the installation of our newest member, Zach Nilsen, an attorney from Neversink. Lion Stu Wizwer performed the installation ceremony. Ilene Wizwer was Zach's sponsor into The Tri-Valley Lions. We are so proud and excited to have Zach join us. (see photos). (Contd. Pg. 6)

Historic 1848 Claryville One Room Schoolhouse Museum Opens!



Ribbon Cutting: Arlene Richter, Time and the Valleys Museum volunteer, Laura Brock, Exhibit Designer and President of the Neversink Association, James Hay, Schoolhouse Researcher, Donna Steffens, Director Time and the Valleys Museum, Richard Coombe, President Time and the Valleys Museum and member of the Claryville Reformed Church. Photo by Dennis Muthig

[Grahamsville, N.Y.] - This past Sunday, July 13th, members and friends of the Claryville Reformed Church, Neversink Association and the Time and the Valleys Museum joined together to celebrate the opening of the 1848 Historic Claryville Schoolhouse Museum.

The one room schoolhouse which has been preserved since its closing in 1957, looks much as it did when the school closed. The schoolhouse retains many of its original features, including light fixtures, stove, desks, blackboards, books and items on the walls. Drawings, workbooks and personal items from students who attended the school from the early 1900s through the 1950s are displayed. Fun, interactive, hands-on games and activities entertain kids and adults alike in the school's vestibule. Outdoor old-fashioned games such as jump ropes, rolling hoops and more are available for outdoor play. It is an early rural education time capsule- entering is like taking a step back in time! (Contd. Pg. 5)

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On the Front Burner: My covenant will not break, nor alter the thing that is gone out of my lips.

Psalm 89:34

OBITUARIES

Clark William Brown, age 82 of Spring Hill, FL passed away peacefully



on July 7, 2025. He was born on January 29, 1943 in Aden, N.Y., son of the late Melvin and Daisy Brown. He was preceded in death by his brothers, Melvin

(Tiny) and Bradley, and his sister, Emma. Clark grew up on his father's dairy farm in upstate New York. Sports were a big part of his life, including collegiate basketball and track. In 1961 Clark earned an NCAA medal for the high jump, setting an impressive record of six feet six inches (before the Fosbury flop changed the sport). He was athlete of the year at Sullivan County Community College. In trying out for the basketball cal jump was measured at 44 inches, flat footed from a standstill. His passion was basketball, which he played throughout his college career, setting several highscoring records and winning M.V.P. in 1967. Clark then went on to play semipro ball and was invited to try out for the N.Y. Knicks, making it to the final cut.

After earning his master's degree, he worked as a devoted teacher of math, science, and auto mechanics, first in New York and then Florida. He also coached several sports, including basketball and tennis.

In addition to sports, Clark was a car guy, with building hot rods and racing an integral part of his life. He worked as a stock car inspector for the racetrack in Middletown, N.Y., a job he loved. Over his lifetime he rebuilt countless cars, both hot rods and antiques. His 1939 Ford Coupe was his pride and joy. In later years you could find Clark either in the garage covered with grease or sitting beside his coupe at one of the many classic car meets in Spring Hill.

In 1978 he met and married his wife, Frances Del Negro in Middletown, N.Y. In November of 2025 they would have celebrated their 47th year of marriage together. Together they raised three beautiful children, including a set of twins. Their mutual love for horses took them to many equestrian events from New York to Florida to Texas. Theirs was a fairytale romance that began with a spilled box of colored pencils. Mrs. Brown will struggle to continue her life without him.

Clark's love for family was paramount. He is survived by his three sons: Jason Barberi, twin sons Justin and Jesse Brown, and his only daughter, Susanne Stich, as well as grand-children Jameson Barberi, Edward Stich, Nora Rose Brown, and Remi Marie Brown.

A celebration of Clark's life will be held for family at a later date.

Evelyn Anna DeMyer was born on January 27, 1932, at home in



Calicoon, NY to her parents Clarence and Anna Cook. On Wednesday, July 9, 2025, she died gently and peacefully at the age of 93.

Evelyn married George

Keeler and together they raised four children in Youngsville, NY. Evelyn is predeceased by their daughter Terry Keeler, daughter Bonnie O'Neill, and their son Randy Keeler. In 1970 Evelyn married Wilson DeMyer, her husband of 51 years. They made their home in Grahamsville, NY and raised their daughter, Tanya McLean, before moving to Saratoga Springs.

Evelyn was much loved by her family. She is survived by her daughter Tanya DeMyer McLean, her husband, Jim McLean, and her granddaughters Sadie and Sydney of Arlington, MA; her daughter Kelly Thimineur and her husband Dean Thimineur of Mechanicville, NY; her granddaughter Jenny Thimineur and her great-grandchildren Alyssa and Gregory; her grandson Phineas Graham and his wife, Elyse Graham, of Clifton Park, NY; her grandson Tyler Graham of Glenville, NY; her grandson John Gasko of Miami, FL; daughter-in-law Laura Gasko and her great-grandchildren Aviel and Maya of Dallas, TX; (Condtd. Pg. 4)

DAYS OF YORE....

Today's History

June 29, 1955

Miss Jo Anne Goode, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Oral Goode of Grahamsville, became the bride of Mr. William B. Ohnemus, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Ohnemus of Curry, on June 27th. The ceremony took place at Blue Hill Farms, Curry with the Rev. Henry Hines officiating. After a two week tour of the west, the newlyweds will be at home to their friends at Blue Hill Farms.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Cole are the parents of a son, Larry Allen, born June 17th in the Benedictine Hospital, Kingston. He weighed seven lbs. two oz.

Word has been received from Albuquerque, New Mexico of the birth of a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Sheeley. Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Sheeley of Grhamsville are the paternal grandparents.

June 16, 1965

A Loch Sheldrake dealer, Russell's Garage, was commended by the Automobile Club of New York on June 10th for its participation in the high school driver education program at Tri Valley Central School. A certificate was presented to Russell Houghtaling, president of the dealership, in a ceremony at the school. The dealer, who has provided a dual-controlled training car used by the school, was commended for making an important contribution to trafic safety and the reduction of accidents on the

Aniiversary wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Krum, 2 years on the 16th; Mr and Mrs. Raymond Krum, 29 years on the 19th; Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Rhynders, 5 years on the

July 2, 1975

Charlie and Ruth Cross attended the 40th anniversary celebration for Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Prince at the Woodbourne Fire House on Saturday.

Congratulations to another couple celebrating their silver wedding anniversary on July 3rd, Mr. and Mrs.Edward VanDover. Ed's mother, Mrs. Emma Hamilton, is very happy for them and wishes them lots of luck and many more.

July 3, 1985

Clara Jenny Whipple Garofalo, 73, of Big Hollow Road, Grahamsville died at home on May 23, 1985. She was born April 16, 1912 in Grahamsville. She was a farmer. She was the daughter of Howard and Edith Slater Whipple. Survivors include a son, George of Grahamsville; a sister, Gladys Brown of Liberty and two grandchildren

The congregation of the United Methodist Church would like to extend a sincere welcome to Rev. Allen Macghee and his wife, Barbara and son, Dean, to the church and to the community. Rev. Macghee and his family are from Walden where he was the spiritual leader of the Walden UMC.

Household Hint:

Dust with a Used Dryer Sheet

Slightly dampen a used dryer sheet to remove dust and hair from shelves, books, window screens, and even large leaves on indoor plants.

Nature Column - L. Comando

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

Buzzing Bombus Buzzing Bumblebees - Super Pollinators



If you have zucchini growing in your garden, you may have noticed that the blossoms will have two or three hardworking bumblebees buzzing around inside them. You can recognize from their very loud bumblebees buzzing. They are usually a very distinctive black and yellow color, although they can be orange and black. The yellow and black bumblebees are

the largest true bees with "pollen baskets". They have six hairy legs. The first pair cleans the antennae. The second pair, covered with stiff hairs, combs the pollen from the body and packs it into the baskets (corbicula) on the third pair of legs. More hairs line the basket and securely anchor the pollen load for balanced flight.

The female worker bumblebee has a stinger and is capable of stinging although they are not really too aggressive, unless they feel threatened. A male bumblebee has no stinger and therefore cannot

Their name "bumblebee" is a compound of "bumble" and "bee"-"bumble" meaning to hum, buzz, drone, or move ineptly or flounderingly. The generic name Bombus, assigned by Pierre André Latreille in 1802, is derived from the Latin word for a buzzing or humming sound, borrowed from Ancient Greek word, bómbos.

Bumblebees are fine pollinators. Like their relatives the honeybees, bumblebees feed on nectar, using their long hairy tongues to lap up the liquid; the proboscis is folded under the head during flight. Bumblebees gather nectar to add to the stores in the nest, and pollen to feed their young.

Unlike honeybees, Bombus live as a single family, usually underground. The group consists of workers, drones and a queen, the most important of all.

A young queen mates in autumn and begins searching a safe place to over-winter - a hollow log or small burrow in the ground. All the rest of her family die as cold weather sets in.

When spring comes, the young queen starts a new home by herself, usually a deserted underground mouse hole that she lines with soft grass. For the next several weeks she works at a frantic non-stop

On a cushion of grass and soft downy leaves, she builds a waxen egg cell, primes it with a paste of pollen and honey, lays several eggs and caps the cell. She also makes a wax honey pot and fills it with nectar to feed herself on rainy days.

Meanwhile she patches any cracks in the nursery cell and guards her eggs against marauding mice and voles. In a week, larvae hatch and their mother feeds them liquid honey and special jelly for about ten days until the larvae are fully developed into fat white grubs that spin their own cocoons and pupate.

Two weeks later the first young bumblebees to emerge are small sized sterile daughters who are workers. Later in summer the queen will lay eggs producing males (drones) and mating females. The life cycle of the Bombus goes on.

Bumblebees are vitally important to humans. They carry pollen to many plants and crops that produce fruit and seeds we need to eat and live. The next time a big bumblebee buzzes past you, treat her kindly - she's probably a queen.

OBITUARIES

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Evelyn Anna DeMyer – her son-in-law George O'Neill of Schenectady, NY (husband to her late daughter, Bonnie O'Neill); her grandson Brendan Slater, her great-grandchildren Anneke and Winston; her granddaughter Courtney Radosti, her grandchildren Gavin and Peyton, and her grandson Ryland Cougear. Evelyn was predeceased by her beloved sister, Lorraine Muller

Evelyn was passionate about caring for others. She completed her nursing degree at SUNY Orange in Middletown, NY and worked as a Registered Nurse at Maimonides Hospital in Liberty, NY. Later in life, she earned her teaching degree at SUNY Oneota. She went on to become a School Nurse and Teacher at White Sulfur Springs School and Liberty High School. Evelyn was committed to her students and brought her creativity and talent for planning events to her work. For decades she treasured a plaque beside her bed that read: "In 100 years it will not matter what my bank account was, or the sort of house I lived in, or the kind of car I drove. But the world may be different because I was important in the life of a child."

Visitation was held on Monday, July 14, 2025, at Colonial Memorial Funeral Home, 396 State Route 52 Woodbourne, NY 12788. A graveside service was held at Sullivan County Veteran's Cemetery. Flower arrangements in Evelyn's honor are greatly appreciated.

Arrangements were under the care of Colonial Memorial Funeral Home, for further information please call 845-434-7363 or visit www.colonialfamilyfuneralhomes.com.

Vivian Agnes ("Pat") Burke, a long-time resident of her



beloved Round Pond in Claryville, NY, passed away in the early morning of July 7. Born December 22, 1930 in Brooklyn, NY, she was the daughter of Irish immigrant, Martin A. ("Austin") Burke V and Vivian A. Kuhfuss Burke. Pat was predeceased by her cherished brother Martin J. ("Marty") Burke VI, (USN). Pat grew up in Brooklyn where she faithfully rooted for the Dodgers until they broke her heart by moving to California after the 1957 sea-

son, after which she switched her allegiance to the Mets. She graduated from Hunter College High School and Hunter College in Manhattan, and taught physical education at Kingston High School from 1954 to 1964, after which she obtained her Master's Degree from San Francisco State College and completed additional graduate work at Stanford University.

Returning to Kingston High School in 1970, Pat took full advantage of the recently enacted Title IX and assumed a pioneering role in coaching a variety of sport programs for girls, including volleyball, basketball, and softball. Over the following twenty years, she was highly successful in these endeavors, especially with her softball teams, amassing a record of 275 wins against 107 losses. Those teams are credited with 4 Division championships, 6 League championships, 8 Section titles, and Intersectional title, a Regional championship, and a trip to the New York State Semi-Finals. Pat's influence on that sport and the several generations of young women who played it for her were acknowledged in 1996 when the Kingston High School softball

field was named in her honor. But, as "her girls" would tell you, sports were more than just about winning and losing to Coach Burke. It was always about Teamwork - and Doing Your Best - and Respect for the Game. Pat's legacy of contributions to sports at Kingston High School was finally and appropriately acknowledged in 2017 when she was inducted into their first Annual Athletic Hall of Fame Class. The Program Book for that ceremony identifies Pat as "a pioneer of the girls' sports program at K. H. S." and "an advocate for equality and a strong proponent for the girls' athletic program."

In her retirement, Pat enjoyed traveling to watch her young nephews compete in a variety of sports and activities and join in their family celebrations. She hosted an annual summer Burke Family Reunion at Round Pond, glorying in the arrival of upwards of thirty cousins who spent the long weekend swimming, fishing, boating, golf, and just "hanging out" with one another. In the Fall, she hosted a similar reunion of her Canadian cousins, and both groups have credited her for helping them to establish an enduring bond of affection in ways that might not have otherwise occurred. Her annual "Sundae Sunday" was also a big hit with the families of her fellow residents at Round Pond, all of whom miss her.

Visitation was held at Loucks Funeral Home in Ellenville on Friday, July 11. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at Immaculate Concepcion Church in Woodbourne on Saturday, July 12.

In lieu of flowers please consider a donation to the Sullivan County SPCA https://sullivanspca.org/donate/

LOOKING BACK

Beatrice Akerley Published July 10, 1997

It all started with the Watkins man who usually came to Grooville (where I was born and grew up) about four times a year. How exciting it was to see that horse drawn covered wagon pull into our yard. Us kids always stopped whatever we were doing and ran to have a look at all the exciting new things he would demonstrate for mother.

The year was about 1910 and I remember this like it happened yesterday. The Watkins man stopped at our house and among the many items that he showed our mother was a bottle of furniture polish. He took a cleaning cloth from a valise, put just a little polish on it and rubbed it on our table top. In no time at all the table shone, right up good as new. Mother did without the polish but my sister and I knew she was disappointed.

A few days later, Daddy was busy in the store and mother went out for a couple of hours. Edith and I decided to shine the furniture and woodwork. Of course we had no polish but guess what? We had a pail of lard. Years ago we bought lard in small pails. So we dipped cloths in the lard and started buffing. Soon our kitchen table glistened and you couldn't tell where the Watkins man left off and we began. Next we did all the chairs and door frames, all the while talking about how pleased mother would be. We even polished the kitchen cabinet and just about then, mother returned home. The look on her face was not what we expected as she slowly took in the scene, including the lard pail and polishing cloths. When she realized what had happened, it was lucky for Edith and I that she was in on of her 'saintly" moods. After explaining that lard was not to be used for furniture polish, she calmly filled our dishpan with hot water, picked up a bar of soap and began scrubbing saying, "Just you girls wait until you Dad hears of this," and very soon he did, but nothing happened. I recall he puckered his mouth as to whistle, looked up at the ceiling then smiled very disappointingly to mother. Edith and I hung our heads in shame.

Historic 1848 Claryville One Room Schoolhouse Museum Opens!

(From Pg. 1)

The historic schoolhouse is open to the public starting on Sunday, July 27th from 1 to 4 p.m.. Schoolhouse open dates for 2025 include: July 27, August 10 and 24, September 14 and October 12 from 1 to 4 p.m. and other times by appointment. Admission is by



Time and the Valleys Museum Educator Debbie Scanlon portraying a teacher from the 1930s. Photo by Dennis Muthig.

donation. The schoolhouse is located at 946 Claryville Road (adjacent to the Claryville Reformed Church Hall), Claryville, NY.

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

Help with the schoolhouse is needed in the form of volunteers; donations of photos, arti-

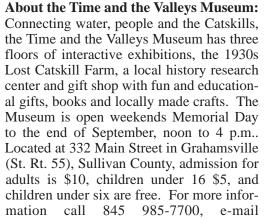


View of the interior of the Claryville Schoolhouse museum showing the original teacher's desk and full size photos of students from the school in the 1930s. Photo by Dennis Muthig

facts and memories to expand the collection; and funds for archival storage and exhibit materials. For more information or to make a much needed donation, please go to www.timeandthevalleysmuseum.org. To find out more about volunteering, please email

director@timeandthevalleysmuseum.org or call Donna -

Steffens at 845 985-7700. Claryville residents are encouraged to get involved!





Historic Claryville Schoolhouse Museum: 946 Claryville Road, adjacent to the Claryville Reformed Church Hall. Photo by Dennis Muthig.

Teacher's Desk and students from the 1930s Historic Claryville School. Photo by Dennis Muthig

info@timeandthevalleysmuseum.org or visit www.timeandthevalleysmuseum.org. To schedule a group tour for children or adults, please call 845-985-7700.

About the Claryville Reformed Church: The Claryville Reformed Church is a member of the Reformed Church in America. Established in 1849, the Claryville Reformed Church has played an

important role in the life of this community for over 170 years. The congregation resides in Claryville and the neighboring towns of Denning, Oliveria, Grahamsville, and Neversink. It is the only church from Curry to Oliveria or from the Neversink Reservoir and the entire length of the East and West branch of the Neversink River. They are passionate about their mission "Serving God in our community and beyond" and are a strong group of individuals who are a caring and welcoming congregation. Call 845 985-2041 or email claryvillechurch@gmail.com for more information.

About the Neversink Association: The Neversink Association is a non-profit social club that was founded in 1964 to preserve the unique character of the upper Neversink River for fishing and other recreational purposes, to conserve the fauna and flora of the Neversink Valley and to promote an appreciation of nature. While the Association itself is not a charity and its dues are not tax deductible, the Neversink Association donates to many local charitable organizations that are similarly dedicated to education about, and protection of, the area's unique environment.

New members are always welcomed. To join the association, please send \$10 an individual or \$20 per household to The Neversink Association, P.O. Box 134, Claryville, NY 12725. See more information on Instagram or Facebook (www.facebook.com/neversinkassociation).

Tri-Valley Lions Install Newest Member

(From Pg. 1) Stu also re-installed Lion Tom Manell as a Director of the Tri-Valley Lions. Tom has been a long-time mem-





Stu installing Zach Nilsen with Sponsor Ilene Wizwer

booth for the first event of the summer - the 145th Grahamsville Little World's Fair, which starts on Friday, August 15th through Sunday, August 17th. There will be some 4-H and Youth events on Thursday, August 14th. We hope you will stop by for coffee, tea, and cold beverages, or to just say "hello.

The Tri-Valley Lions, which was chartered in 1977, is now in our 48th year of existence, and we are always looking for new members. Just as a reminder, The Tri-Valley Lions bring in donations and funding by selling sodas from our Soda Booth for events at the Grahamsville Fairgrounds, selling Chocolate Easter Bunnies, our Annual Journey for Sight Walk and Tag Day. Our funding allows us to continue to provide monetary and service support to Local Food Pantries, Tri-Valley Lions Club High School Community Service Awards, Children's Eye Screenings, support for Diabetes, Lymphoma and Leukemia organizations, childhood cancer, WSUL

ber of the T-V Lions, and we are pleased to have him back on the Board of Directors. (see photo)

At the meeting, a donation was also approved to be sent to the Grahamsville First Aid Squad, one of the volunteer organizations which is always available to help those in need in our community.

Our next meeting will be held on Monday, August 4th at our Soda Booth in the Grahamsville Fairgrounds, where we will ready our



Stu re-installing Tom Manell as Director

Heart-A-Thon, Guiding Eyes for The Blind, and so much more. If you are interested in joining the Tri-Valley Lions or getting more information about our club, please contact Membership Chair, Pat Menje at 917-783-6253 or hvacpat69@gmail.com or President Stephen Miller at 845-798-1981 or sgrecords@hvc.rr.com

We wish one and all a happy and healthy summer and hope that you will stop by our Soda Booth for all the upcoming events at the Grahamsville Fairgrounds.

Monticello Kiwanis Welcomes ATI Executive Director



Kiwanis Board Member Linda Barriger, ATI Exec. Dir. Deborah Worden and Kiwanis Pres. Marvin Rappaport

Action Toward Independence (ATI) Executive Director Deborah Worden was guest speaker at the July Monticello Kiwanis Club Meeting. Ms. Worden described how ATI serves and empowers people with disabilities through their many programs, including advocacy, education, support groups, etc. They provide guidance and empowerment in the field of life and social skills to the parents, caregivers as well as to the children on the Autism Spectrum. ATI's objectives are in compliance with Kiwanis First Lady Marie Soderholm's Project for 2024-2025, which is Autism Acceptance.

Members of the Woodridge Kiwanis Club and the Monticello Rotary Club were also in attendance. Everyone was very impressed with Ms. Worden's presentation and with the many services provided to people with disabilities by ATI. The Monticello Kiwanis Club presented Ms. Worden with a \$100 donation in support of ATI's very important programs as well as a 75th Anniversary Kiwanis Mug.

The club meets the first Monday of the Month at 6:00 PM at Albella's Restaurant in Monticello. Kiwanis is a global organization of volunteers dedicated to improving the world one child and one community at a time. Please check out the Monticello NY Kiwanis Club Facebook page to learn more about all their activities.

Eugene D. Nesin Memorial Scholarship For Excellence in Music



The 2025 Eugene D. Nesin Memorial Scholarship for Excellence in Music was awarded to Monticello High School Senior Belle Zhou. Belle will be attending the Conservatory of Music at Purchase College in the Fall.

Belle attended the Berklee College of Music's Global String Program, New England Conservatory's Summer Orchestra Institute and played in the first violin section of the NYSSMA All-State Symphony Orchestra. Music has been a big part of her life. Belle also helped as a teaching assistant at Nesin Cultural Arts, a non-profit organization providing art, music, dance, and theatre classes for Sullivan County students in K - 12 grades. In addition, she is actively involved in other community services projects

Belle wrote in her essay - "These experiences allowed me to understand the importance and impact of arts education in an underprivileged community, as well as how music can help bring people together.

Nesin Cultural Arts is very proud to support her further studies in music.

Fallsburg Graduate Serving Proud in the Marines

FALLSBURG - For most high school students, their ultimate goal is to make that final walk across the stage to receive their diploma. However, that isn't the case for Fallsburg's Colin Pavese. In lieu of attending graduation with his classmates, he opted to graduate a semester early and enlist in the United States Marine Corp, getting a head start on his lifelong dream.

After enlisting, he entered a 13-week long boot camp at Parris Island, South Carolina. He graduated from boot camp in May and is currently receiving further training at Fort Leonard Wood in Missouri. Now ranked as a Private First Class, Colin has chosen to pursue a career as a mechanic in the Marines, following in the footsteps of his grandfather and uncle.

At one point, his ability to serve in the Marines was in jeopardy. About two years ago, Colin suffered a broken femur in a devastating motocross racing accident. After being rushed to the emergency room, he had a titanium rod installed in his leg that extends from his hip to knee cap. Luckily, despite the serious injury, it did not prevent him from serving in the military. Through intense physical therapy and dedicated weight training, he made a remarkable recovery.

"Colin Pavese is a special young man who comes from a great family," said Superintendent of Schools Dr. Ivan Katz. "Fallsburg looks forward to his future accomplishments as he serves our country with pride and passion."

The Fallsburg Central School District is proud to honor our men and women in service and wishes Colin the very best luck as he begins his journey in the United States Marine Corps.



Colin Pavese.



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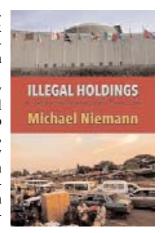
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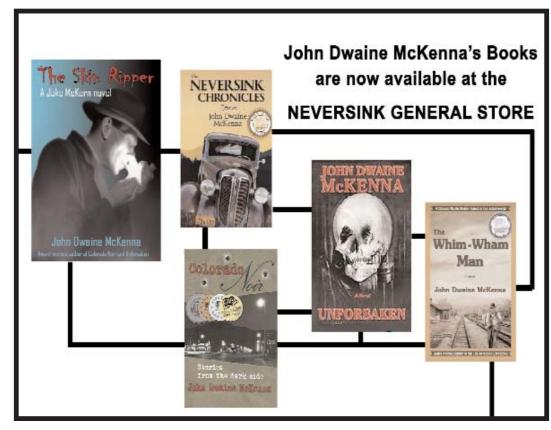
Serendipity is the ability to make fortunate discoveries by accident . . . which is what happened here at the MBR when our mailbox, (P.O. Box 2406, Colorado Springs, CO 80901) yielded up an unsolicited new publication from a small independent press in Seattle, Washington, which

brought a unique new character and a superb writer to our attention.

Illegal Holdings, (Coffeetown Press, PB, \$14.95, 228 pages, ISBN 978-1-60381-591-8) by Michael Niemann, features a fraud investigator from the United Nations Office of Internal Oversight Services named Valentin Vermeulen. In this, the third book of the series, he's sent to Maputo, Mozambique, (Naw, me either, but if you think of the African continent as a clockface, it's down in the five o'clock position, by the Indian Ocean) where he's going to audit a NGO by the name of Global Alternatives – the not-for-profit, Non Governmental Organization that's been set up and funded by a hedge fund billionaire named Vincent Portallis to revolutionize development aid – to see if they're spending their UN grant money as promised. It's a boring, ho-hum assignment to the far reaches of the world . . . made brighter only by the fact that his globe-trotting lover Tessa, will be there at the same time, reporting on foreign land acquisitions in Africa.



But as soon as he hits town, Vermeulen discovers a five-million dollar discrepancy in the accounts of Global Alternatives local partner Nossa Terra, who claims that the money . . . supposedly transferred from GA to them . . . was never received. Vermeulen at first gets excuses – never saw, never got, never before and the like – which sets his alarm bells to ringing at full tilt. When the chief accountant and defacto second in command at Nossa Terra disappears on the following day, the case for his guilt seems evident to everyone. But soon after his body washes up on the beach, and there's no doubt he's been murdered. It's only the first act in a chain of violence and criminality that Vermeulen is powerless to stop, as he digs in and desperately tries to solve an increasingly complex series of crimes and evermore vicious events before he, or Tessa, or both of them are killed. Valentin



Vermeulen is a hero you can believe in, an ordinary, brave and honest man, who's doing an almost impossible job in the toughest of places. He's a character you'll like, and maybe even love, and definitely want to read more of!

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The Olive Jar

by Carol Olsen LaMonda

Brunel Sculpture Garden

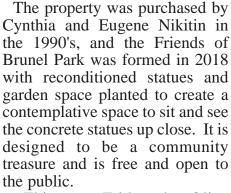
On Route 28, going west from Kingston, there is a bunch of Native American/Spiritual statues on a hill on the right just



past Fabulous Furniture, Bread Alone, and the Boiceville Inn and before you get to the little clump of stores that comprises Boiceville's shopping dis-

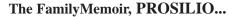
trict. If you go past the hight school, you've gone too far. Most residents and travelers see them on Route 28 as they are large and visible on the hill top. Many pass by as I did for twenty-eight years driving to work at Onteora. We all know they are there but do not stop to visit. We should.

I did once, years ago when I lived in Boiceville and shopped at the little trading post that Anne Lynch ran and Charlie and Penny Dullee lived there then.



This past Friday the Olive Senior Citizens were guests treated to a slide presentation and a climb up the short tree root stairway/path to the gardens above.

Lucky us, we get to see such beauty as we drive by, but you should really stop and visit this tranquil oasis.



... in Greek means "Toward the Sun," was written by Carol Olsen LaMonda. Carol writes the column "The Olive Jar" for Ye Olde Tri-

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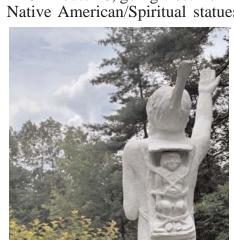
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Enjoy these Carefree Summer Days at the DPL:

Participate in our programs or get hooked by a book!

By Lisa Carroll

GRAHAMSVILLE-It was a fabulous start to our 2025 "Color Our World" Summer Reading Program!

Our Bubble Painting program had a fantastic turnout with over 25 children participating with their families on Tuesday, July 8. We had a great time as Ms. Deirdre kicked the evening off by reading a fun, artsy picture book followed with bubble painting and as a special surprise, rock painting to add to Pierce, our DPL rock snake! The children did an amazing job with both their painting and their rock design.

Our adult participants had an equally enjoyable time during our Paint & Sip Night on Thursday, July 10, especially with local artist, Robin Rakoff, leading the way and lending her artistic skills. The mandala coasters turned out beautifully!

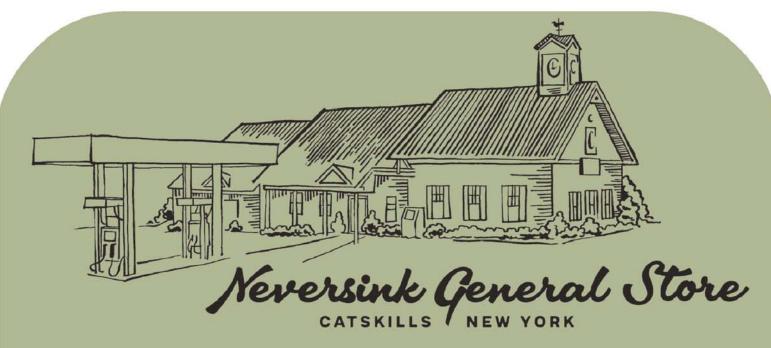
Still to come: we'll have Rock Painting for children in grades 1-3 on Tuesday, July 15, the Glass Frame Painting program for children in grades 4-6 on Thursday, July 17, Bleach Art for teens in grades 7-12 on Tuesday, July 22 and our culminating program Entertainment Night- Skyhunters In Flight, on Thursday, July 24. Along the way, patrons can participate in our reading logs and bingo games as well as the RCLS Road Trip. In addition, huge thanks to McDonalds of Liberty for partnering with us and providing a coupon for ice cream for children participating in our reading incentives. of course, is its While reading, reward...sometimes, it's nice to have a little something extra to kick start that love of reading (and we're not above a little bribery to ensure that children don't experience literary summer slide.) Also, since the deadline is coming up on July 24, don't forget to have your child(ren) 5 to 18 years old turn in their completed bookmark designs for the competition.

In addition to all that, we also have a really cool Honeybees program coming up on Thursday, August 7 for anyone (adults, and children nine-years-old and up) who is interested in learning more about these awesome creatures. Master Beekeeper, Bill Boyle, will take us through the appropriate plantings and floral preferences of



honeybees as well as their importance as pollinators. As always, if you are interested in attending, please pre-register on our website. Also, on Monday, July 21 at 1PM Adele Barnard will be hosting another Senior Social. She said the social is open to all community retirees and senior patrons who would like to join them for an afternoon of conversation. For more information, please contact Adele at ambarnard57@gmail.com or by phone at (845) 428-2383.

While we have a lot going on this summer, really every summer, we're also a great place to just come and sit a spell, maybe catch up on some work or enjoy the free amenities with your children. We all assume, I think, that when summer comes we can finally take a breath but our schedules seem just as busy. But at the library, it's generally quiet, cool and easy-going. Dropping by is the perfect excuse to stroll the stacks, pick up a book by a familiar author or try out a new-to-you one. It's also a good way of getting the kids off electronics (we don't have any, ha ha) and to activate their imagination through reading or playing.





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Forestburgh, NY - July 9, 2025 - The Forestburgh Playhouse & Tavern is thrilled to announce a dazzling new cabaret experience: DIAMONDS - The Greatest Hits of Neil Diamond, starring Emmy-nominated songwriter and critically acclaimed Broadway baritone Douglas Ladnier. This exciting production runs August 26 through August 31 at the Forestburgh Tavern.

Backed by rave reviews and a voice hailed as "the gold standard of performance," Douglas Ladnier brings new life to the iconic catalog of Neil Diamond, one of America's most beloved singer-songwriters. Audiences will be treated to a heartfelt and high-energy performance of timeless hits like "Sweet Caroline," "I Am . . . I Said," "Forever In Blue Jeans," "Cracklin' Rosie," "Love on the Rocks," and many more.

"Neil Diamond's music is a cultural touchstone," said Playhouse producer Franklin Trapp. "Douglas Ladnier doesn't just sing these songs-he inhabits them. His charisma and vocal depth offer both longtime fans and new audiences an unforgettable musical journey."

Critics and fans alike agree:

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"Rich ... and profound . . . the gold standard of performance" - DC Theater Arts $\,$

"The stuff of greatness" - Backstage

"Passion personified" - Show Business Magazine

Whether you're a die-hard Diamond fan or simply love a night of powerful, soul-stirring music, DIAMONDS promises to be one of the highlights of the summer.

Tickets are on sale now at www.fbplayhouse.org or by calling the box office at (845) 794-1194. Don't miss this cabaret event-running for one week only!

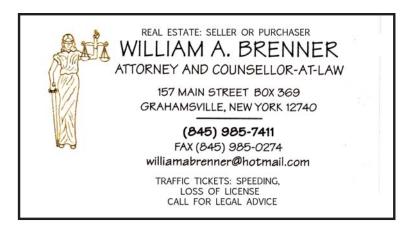
Contact:

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About the Forestburgh Playhouse

Founded in 1947, the Forestburgh Playhouse has served as a beacon of the arts in the Sullivan Catskills for over 75 years. Under the leadership of Producing Artistic Director Franklin Trapp, the Playhouse continues to deliver high-quality theatre productions and foster the development of new works. With a mission that encompasses professional theatre, arts education, and youth programming, the Playhouse attracts over 30,000 patrons each summer and is a proud pioneer in the resurgence of live performances.

The Forestburgh Playhouse is a non-for-profit corporation dedicated to the promotion of the arts in Sullivan County, NY. (Federal ID #46-4432375, NYS Charities #44-50-97, NYS Tax Exempt #259887)



The Neversink River Craft Co-op

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Primetimers of Temple Sholom Sponsoring Bus Trip to NYC on August 13th

The Primetimers of Temple Sholom of Monticello are sponsoring a day trip to New York City via Leprechaun Lines on Wednesday, August 13thth. Donation is \$55.00 round trip, including gratuity. The bus leaves the Temple parking lot on East Dillon Road at 8:15 AM and will leave the City at approximately 5:00 PM. Reservation must be received by August 4th.

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

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

We Need To Support Ukraine And NATO

Various reputable agencies have reported an estimated 13,000 to 17,000 civilians have been killed in Gaza along with possibly 100,000 injured from Israeli bombings which occurred after the Hamas attack on Israel. An estimated 13,000 civilians have been killed in Ukraine by Russian aggression and on the order of 40,000 or more Ukrainians injured, including in areas where some of my ancestors lived.

Russia has devastated the Ukrainian infrastructure, including power plants, water distribution systems, warehouses, businesses and housing. Israel has levelled structures and destroyed infrastructure in Gaza while it tried to destroy Hamas.

Protesters at U.S. colleges and other locations have conducted anti-Israel demonstrations, and in some cases targeted students who have no affiliation with Israel and its activities.

If the protesters and some letter writers care about civilians killed in Gaza, why don't they care about the civilians killed in Ukraine? Why aren't there protests against Russia? Aren't the Ukrainians just as important as the Gazans? The Jew haters should transfer their attention to Russia and protest against the Russian aggression in Ukraine.

The United States should continue to support Ukraine with military equipment, supplies and intelligence, which Ukraine can pay for with their rare earth minerals. I hope the recent decision by NATO European countries to increase defense spending to 5% of GDP does not mean the United States might step back from NATO. The security of Europe flows through Ukraine, and U.S. abandonment of Ukraine and NATO could possibly lead to WWIII.

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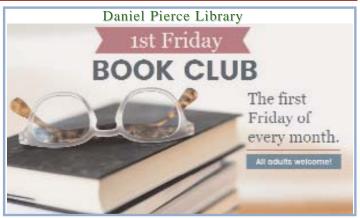
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Catskill Exotic Bird Club 40th Anniversary Dinner All Welcome



The Catskill Exotic Bird Club will be holding its gala 40th anniversary dinner, 6 PM, Thursday, July 24th, at Albella's Restaurant in Monticello. Everyone is invited. The cost of the sit-down dinner is just \$60 per person which includes appetizers, choices of four entrees , softdrinks, dessert and coffee as well as gratuities . There is a cash bar as well.

This year's presentation is by Master Falconer Brian Bunce who will be bringing a selection of his birds: owls, hawks, falcons. Up close and personal, he will describe the excitement and mechanics of training the birds as well as the biology of the raptors under his care.

As always, there will be an exciting silent auction and door prizes.

This is an eagerly anticipated event and seating is limited. Call Pat Bennet at (845) 647-8397 to reserve your seat. Albella's is on Jefferson Street in Monticello, just off exit 104 on Route 17.



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Nos acompañarán los socorristas locales, artistas de música y danza y gaiteros frente al juzgado del condado de Sullivan que se iluminará de color púrpura para simbolizar la conciencia de

Este evento es presentado por una comunidad de organizaciones que trabaja juntas para poner fin a la epidemia de opioides en el condado de Sullivan.

Martes • 26 de agosto de 2025 6 PM en el Césped del Palacio de Justicia del Condado de Sullivan, 414 Broadway, Monticello Fecha de Iluvia: miércoles, 27 de agosto Para obtener más información, comuniquese con Carlos en cm. 0229@hotmail.com o



LEGALS/PUBLIC NOTICES

PUBLIC NOTICE

Chris Mathews, Supervisor of the Town of Neversink, has called a <u>Special Meeting</u> of the Town of Neversink Town Board on <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>July 22</u>, 2025 at 7:00 P.M.

The purpose of the meeting is to the Ice Rink Bids and any other business that may legally come before the board.

Staci Conjura, Town Clerk Dated: July 11, 2025 7/17

LEGAL NOTICE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING TRI-VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, pursuant to Section 6-d of the General Municipal Law of the State of New York, a Board of Education Meeting will be held on Thursday, July 24th, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. prevailing time at the Tri-Valley Central School District Secondary School's Lower Level Collaboration Center. This Board of Education Meeting shall be held at the time and place stated herein.

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The SLAC meeting will be held in the Legislative Meeting Room at 10 AM.

- 1. Update on the ACC, including the name and qualifications of the new Director.
- 2. Update on the Garnet Hospital situation and who we are contacting regarding the elimination of vital services.
- 3. Update on the Homeless housing situation, and how much the Legislators have done so far

Hope to see you all with your ideas and concerns.

Taking Action on Tariffs: Governor Hochul Directs NYS Agencies to Report on cost Increases and Supply Chain Disrutions Caused by Trump's Tariffs By September 30, State Agencies Will Compile Data on Effects of

By September 30, State Agencies Will Compile Data on Effects of Federal Tariffs on New York Consumers, Small Businesses, Farmers, Construction, Tourism and Other Sectors

State Officials Will Use Data Across Each Sector To Produce A Statewide Tariff Economic Impact Report by October 31

Read the New Memo to State Agencies Here https://www.governor.ny.gov/sites/default/files/2025-07/Tariff_Response_Memo_2025.pdf

To Keep New Yorkers Up-To-Date on Programs Available for Tariffs Impact, Governor Launched Tariff Resource Guide https://esd.ny.gov/tariff-resource-guide

Governor Kathy Hochul today announced actions to assess cost increases and supply chain disruptions caused by the Trump Administration's destructive tariff policies. At the Governor's direction, Director of State Operations Kathryn Garcia sent a memo to State agencies, requiring them to compile key data and information regarding tariff impacts. By September 30, State agencies will provide data on the specific impacts of Trump's tariffs on New York consumers, small businesses, farmers, construction, tourism and other sectors of the state's economy. New York State Empire State Development (ESD) and the Office of General Services (OGS) will then use the data provided by each agency to develop a statewide tariff economic impact report by October 31. Additionally, Governor Hochul launched a tariff resource guide to help New Yorkers navigate the chaos caused by Trump's tariffs and provide resources on programs available to mitigate the impacts of tariffs.

"Trump's tariffs are already inflicting pain and uncertainty on New York families and businesses - and that same economic chaos is being felt by millions more nationwide," Governor Hochul said. "That's why we're taking action to closely monitor and report on the impacts of these disastrous tariffs - and it's why I'll never stop fighting to put more money back in the pockets of everyday New Yorkers."

Over the past six months, the Trump Administration has announced and imposed significant tariffs on imports of goods to the United States. These tariffs, including major trading partners, have been announced, implemented, paused and resumed haphazardly, creating uncertainty for families and business owners across the state.

The tariffs have increased prices for household goods, automobiles and housing, with the costs passed on to consumers. Such tariffs have also led to supply chain disruptions with increased costs for manufacturing industries, raising the price of supplies for small and large businesses across the state.

The Trump Administration's tariff policy has increased costs for New York's agriculture sector, including for our more than 30,000 family farms, while simultaneously reducing access to international markets for New York-grown and manufactured food products. Trump's tariff policies have also caused a negative impact on U.S. to Canada trade and tourism, including a 25 percent decline in vehicular border crossings between Canada and New York State in May 2025, compared to the prior year.

To take action, the State will collect and report on key economic and social indicators to New York caused by Trump's tariff policies. State agencies are encouraged to assess and submit information regarding tariff impacts on an ongoing basis. Additionally, Governor Hochul announced a tariff resource guide to keep New Yorkers up-to-date on programs available for small businesses that have been impacted by the tariffs.



Fallsburg CSD Announces Fourth Marking Period Honor Roll List

FALLSBURG - The Fallsburg Central School District is proud to announce their middle and high school honor roll and superintendent's honor roll lists for the fourth marking period. Honor roll students achieved an average of 85-91, and superintendent's honor roll students earned an average of 92 or higher. The following students were recognized for their academic accomplishments:

7th Grade

Honor Roll list: Yasmina Aquil, Brianny Argueta Hernandez, Ellis Basic, Nyona Bolding, Kaleb Cross, Franco DiCostanzo, Mylaan Dolberry, Kimberly Duncan, Summer Dunn, Janary Fuentes Ardon, Charlie Giron Saravia, Te'yah McKenny, Logan Retana, Alexandra Reyes Lopez, Genesis Reyes-Robles, Merary Rodriguez Mejia, Claudia Smith, Kevin Toledo, Jayden Toxqui Hernandez, John Vasquez Lemus, Daniel Vasquez-Nunez, Jocelyn Zempoaltecatl.

Superintendent's Honor Roll list: Giselle Ascencio Martinez, Darlin Chub Ujpan, George Di Napoli, Erika Garcia-Ponce, Genesis Gonzalez Alvarez, Sonja Henry, David Hernandez Martinez, Carsyn Hoefling, Khloe Jordy, Margie Madrid Castro, Hanna Manjarrez Paredes, Victoria Manjarrez Paredes, Jackelyne Mariaca, Reja Meer, Ariel Payne, Malika Rivers, Leon Rodriguez Morales, Leonardo Rojas, Jessica Saciolo, Anthony Santos Morales, Daylin Sierra Lizama, Zhara Snead, Holly Surerus, Ambar Vasquez, Heaven Wilson, Allison Yautentzi Reyes.

8th Grade

Honor Roll list: Yasmina Bache-Seraphin, Angel Cadena Romero, Adriel Canales Gonzales, Evangeline Capicchioni, Joseph Cerone, Michael Damms, Surey Delgado, Niylah Emptage, Valery Falcones Moreira, Alyssa Florence, Sara Flores Ramos, Leily Garcia Menjivar, Aaliyah Gordillo, Leyna Greenberg, Angelina Lara-Jones, Ariyanna Laudadio, Ana Maldonado Godinez, Victor Medina Orellana, Rebecca Moocz, Lourdes Parham, Om Patel, Cristopher Rivera Flores, A'miyah Sellers, Mason Stafford-Martinez, Samuel Vega Rosales, Jaylisa Williams.

Superintendent's Honor Roll list: Xzander Berrios, Nicolas Ciorciari, Amelia Forman, Dina Gottlieb, Emily Mackerley, Maria Nardi, Nelcy Orellana Mejia, Daniel Perez Martinez, Franklin Reyes-Rodriguez, Samantha Saciolo, Joshua Velazquez.

9th Grade

Honor Roll list: Cristhian Aguilar Guillen, Elenora Ahmetaj, Ilana Burke, Dencer Camacho Riano, Sophia Cordova, Hannah Goldsmith, Carlos Granados Reyes, Jason Guevara Lopez, John Ketcham, Dalila Koljenovic, Emely Latacunga Guaman, Nazareth Manjarrez Paredes, Brandon Mariaca, Paola Melendez Deras, Ronny Mendoza, Melina Ortiz, Keily Rosales Charuc, Helen Vasquez, Dairy Velasquez Menjivar.

Superintendent's Honor Roll list: Addison Alvarado, Autumn Atkinson, Ruth Bonilla Osorto, Marvin Choc Ical, Maddelynn DeMondo-Gernant, Natalia Evangelista, Mariama Gai, Amhara Gillmer, Melanie Gomez Perez, Isabella Gonzales, Eriberto Gonzalez Jr, Jancarlos Guardado, Camdyn Hoefling, Sophia Jacobs, Yasmel Leon Mota, Dayana Mendoza-Gallo, Dillan Padilla Avila, Jose Perez Castillo, Payton Pisaniello, Kayden Saravia, Jiahnny Sebastian, Joslyn Smith, Zayd Snead, Dennis Velasquez Menjivar.

10th Grade

Honor Roll list: Martina Carrasco Jimenez, Bethany Carvajal, Nahomy Castro Moreno, Jordyn Cerone, Carissa Ciorciari, LeonJahnaeSkye Fountain, Emily Garcia-Canteros, Madelin Gonzaga Moreno, Chanel Han, Adryana Kozachuk, Cessy Lezama Rodriguez, Jozyr McNeil, Tristin Miller, Dayana Murillo Madrid, Fabio Narkaj, Nataly Reyes Pabon, Melanie Rivera, Marisol Vasquez-Nunez, Sierra Velazquez.

Superintendent's Honor Roll list: Emina Cenovic, Ashleigh Fuentes Ardon, Fatoumata Gai, Riley Gorr, Conner McManus, Heysel Mejia Corcio, Eric Moocz, Robert Perrera, Anselmo Pinzon, Efrain Rodriguez, Abigail Toledo, Alisha Tremper, Peyton Varner.

11th Grade

Honor Roll list: Katherine Alvarado Castro, Xzavier Berrios, Mario Cadena Romero, Justin Chavez, Olivia DeGraw, Marcos Deras Lopez, Jonathan Dias Paredes, Sebastian Fowler, Angel Gonzales, Treyvon Hayden, Brian Ingber II, Jaxon Ingber, Zoey Ketcham, John Landaverde Rodriguez, Azon Laurel, Eric Li, Tiffany Maccagli, Carmen Montes Velasco, Nelson Sosa Cerrato, Gavin Storms, Kierstyn Surerus, Noelle Varner, Zai'nasha Williams, Carlos Zavala Garcia, Nataly Zempoaltecatl.

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12th Grade

Honor Roll list: Gelsey Aguilar Torres, Stephanie Amato, Yoshua Bache-Seraphin, Andrew Baker, Maya Ballard, Jefferson Banegas Gallo, Rubin Bonilla Jr, Esdras Canales Aguilar, Arslyn Cantave, Amerie Capicchioni, Alexander Cruceta, Nehemiah Damon, Luciano Esposito, Jaiden Figueroa, Kaelyn Fuentes, Adrianna Garcia, Andrew Garcia, Isaac Hernandez Martinez, Johnathan Hinton Jr, Grant King, Nazir Lopez, Yeliana Maldonado Navarrete, Francely Maradiaga, William Martinez Martinez, Rozana Narkaj, Brianna Noller, Danielle Olsen, Keyla Otero-Deras, Keven Padilla Perdomo, Asaria Ponce Ramirez, Marco Reyes Mansanarez, Angie Rodriguez, Dulce Rubio Granados, Nicholas Storms, Ioannis Vernezos, Laura Williams

Superintendent's Honor Roll list: Arkelys Alencaster, Sanaya Aquil, Isabelle Batista, Kimberly Diaz, Kenya Escalante Salazar, Jeffrey Evangelista Jr, Hayden-Marie Herrera, Hannah Johnson, Daris Koljenovic, Erli Maldonado Garcia, Mayline Maldonado, Nancy Martinez Cadena, Brianna McManus, Rachel Montenegro Sandoval, Bella Muscia, Joslyn Odell Schreier, Vivian Ordonez Cabrera, Dalila Ortiz Fuentes, Kaitlyn Pedersen, Julianna Ramos, Cecelia Riker Lainez, Jennifer Rios Nunez, Jaily Sebastian, Emy Sierra Mejia, Elisheva Sudranski, Jordyn Wall-Carty.

Sullivan 180 and Cornell Cooperative Extension Sullivan County Partner to Support Healthier Schools \$57,700 Awarded to 33 School Based Wellness Projects Across Sullivan County

[LIBERTY, NY] - Sullivan 180, through its Empowering a Healthier Generation Program, partnered with Cornell Cooperative Extension-Sullivan County (CCESC) to administer the Creating Healthy Schools & Communities (CHSC) grant during the 2024-2025 school year. The CHSC grant is supported by Creating Healthy Schools and Communities (CHSC), a five-year New York State Department of Health funded initiative, helping to build stronger, healthier communities. Through this one-year partnership, \$57,700 in CHSC funding was awarded to support 33 nutrition and physical activity projects across six public school districts:

Eldred Central School District
Livingston Manor Central School District
Monticello Central School District
Roscoe Central School District
Sullivan BOCES
Sullivan West Central School District

"While this partnership spanned just one school year, the work we're doing is designed to have lasting impact," said Stacey Trinidad, Sullivan 180 Healthier Generation Coordinator. "Our goal is to support schools in building healthier environments that will benefit students for years to come."

"We are excited about the growing interest that we've seen from schools to expand wellness initiatives through our partnership with Sullivan 180," said Nancy McGraw, MPH, Association Team Leader, at CCESC. "As a result of funding from the Creating Healthy Schools and Communities (CHSC) grant, many initiatives were implemented this year and equipment purchased to improve physical activity and nutrition in schools. In the coming year, CCESC staff will work with schools on sustainability activities."

Sullivan 180 is working to build a healthy community, one degree at a time, through people, places and policy with support from Bold Gold Media Group, The River Reporter, The Sullivan County Democrat, Manor Ink and WJFF Radio Catskill. Learn more at Sullivan 180.org

Farmer's Market Coupons Available Now

Monticello, NY - The Senior Farmer's Market Nutrition Program provides an opportunity for eligible seniors to support local farmers and improve their health by increasing their consumption of locally grown fruits, vegetables, and fresh-cut herbs.

To that end, the Office for the Aging has begun distributing Farmer's Market Coupon booklets on a first-come, first-served basis. Each booklet contains five \$5 coupons, for a total of \$25. Coupons are valid through November 30, 2025 at participating Farmer's Markets

In order to take advantage of this program, you must be a New York State resident and 60 years of age or older. You must affirm that your income is at or below the federal income guidelines:

- o For a 1-person household: \$2,413 a month
- o For a 2-person household: \$3,261 a month
- o For a 3-person household: \$4,109 a month; or
- o You are currently receiving or are eligible for SSI, public assistance, SNAP (food stamps), or Section 8 housing.

You may pick up coupons at the Office for the Aging in the Government Center in Monticello between 8:30 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday through Friday or at the Transportation Building, 401 Airport Road, Swan Lake, every Tuesday or Thursday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

For more information, please contact the Office at (845) 807-0241 or (845) 807-0245.

Coupons will also be available at the following locations on these dates (while supplies last):

Town or Village Market Location

Monticello Neighborhood Farmers Market,
Monticello Federation for the Homeless

Liberty Creekside Park Farmers Market, 117 North Main Street

Jeffersonville Rt 52, Main street Farmers market

Callicoon Farmers Market.

Senior Centers

Senior Nutrition Sites Liberty, Livingston Manor, Bethel, Jeffersonville and Mamakating

Monday through Friday throughout the summer

Every Thursday in July

7/11, 7/18, 7/25, 8/1, 8/8

from 10-11 a.m.

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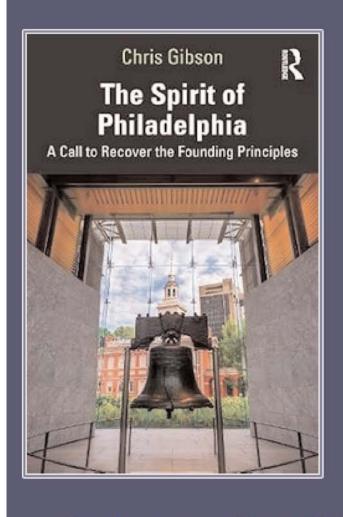
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Mass Times SUNDAY EUCHARIST

5:00 PM Saturday Evening
7:30 AM Sunday Morning
10:00 AM Sunday Morning
(Latin) 11:30 AM Sunday Morning*
(Spanish) 1:00 PM Sunday Afternoon
*Sung Mass 2nd and 4th Sundays

WEEKDAY EUCHARIST

8:00 AM Monday through Friday 9:00 AM Saturday

HOLY DAY EUCHARIST

Schedule will be listed in the bulletin https://smsaparish.org/bulletins



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Sunday School 9:30 am Worship Service 9:30 am P O Box 238 - Route 55 Grahamsville, NY 12740 845-985-7480

Claryville Reformed Church

Claryville Road Claryville, NY 12725 845-985-2041

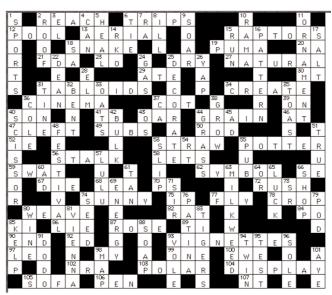


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Sundown United Methodist Church Covered Dish Supper

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Check out the tables with Yard Sale items available for sale

(Covered Dish Suppers are held the First Saturday of each month at 5:30 pm at the Church Hall)

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Grahamsville United Methodist Church

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Thrift Sale Schedule 2025

All sales are from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon

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or (516) 281-5905

All commissions from this trip donated to Temple Sholom.

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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.

LOCAL CALENDAR OF EVENTS

7/16/25 Neversink Rondout Antique Machinery Association Grahamsville Firehouse 7 pm

7/17/25 Town of Denning Planning Board Meeting 6:00 pm Denning Town of Town Hall

7/17/25 Neversink Fire District Commissioner Meeting 7:00pm

7/19/25 Sundown UMC Ladies Indoor Christmas in July Yard Sale 9 am - 1 pm Sundown Church Hall

7/19/25 Grahamsville UMC Thrift Sale 9 am - 12 Noon

7/26/25 Sundown UMC Ladies Weekend Indoor Yard Sale 9 am - 1 pm -CANCELLED THIS WEEK - NO SALE

8/2/25 **Sundown UMC Covered Dish Supper** 5:30 Church

8/5/25 Claryville Fire District Monthly Meeting 6:30 pm

8/12/25 Denning Town Board & Business Meeting 6:00 pm Denning Town Hall

8/13/25 Town of Neversink - Board Meeting

SAVE THE DATE! 145th Annual Little World's Fair - Aug 15th thru Aug 17, 2025

TOWN OF OLIVE MEETINGS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

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

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

Town of Denning - http://www.denning.us Town of Neversink - https://townofneversink.org

Weekly Update For The Week of

July 14 - July 18, 2025

Monday, July 14

- o 5:00 PM Ulster County Community Services Board, in the Ulster County Department of Mental Health, 368 Broadway, Kingston
- o 5:00 PM Ulster County Housing Action Fund-Policy and Oversight Committee, in the KL Binder Library, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston

Tuesday, July 15

- o 4:00 PM Ulster County Housing Development Corporation, in the KL Binder Library, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston
- **o** 5:30 PM Democratic Caucus, in Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston
- o 6:15 PM Republican Caucus, in the KL Binder Library, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston

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

- o 7:00 PM Public Hearing On Proposed Local Law No. 7 Of 2025, A Local Law Amending Section C-42(A) Of The Ulster County Charter And Section A5-3(A) Of The Administrative Code For The County Of Ulster To Reflect Recent Changes In State Public Health Law Regarding The Composition Requirements For Local Boards Of Health
- o 7:05 PM Public Hearing On Proposed Local Law No. 8 Of 2025, A Local Law Amending The Ulster County Charter, (Local Law No. 2 Of 2006), And Amending The

Administrative Code For The County Of Ulster, (Local Law No. 10 Of 2008), To Amend Charter Article XXXIV Periodic Compensation Review Committee §C-110 And Administrative Code Article XXXIV Periodic Compensation Review Committee §A34-3

- o 7:10 PM Public Hearing On Proposed Local Law No. 3 Of 2025, A Local Law To Ensure The Safety Of Vulnerable Road Users In Ulster County
- o 7:15 PM Public Hearing On Proposed Local Law No. 6 Of 2025, A Local Law Amending The Ulster County Charter, (Local Law No. 2 Of 2006), Amending The Administrative Code For The County Of Ulster, (Local Law No. 10 Of 2008), And Amending The Code Of The County Of Ulster, To Modify Various Sections In Relation To Provisions Governing Budget And Finance
- o Immediately Following Public Hearings Legislative Session

Wednesday, July 16

- **o 8:00 AM Ulster County Workforce Development Board**, in the Office of Employment & Training, 521 Boices Lane, Kingston
- o 9:00 AM Ulster County Industrial Development Agency, in the Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, Ulster County Office Building, Kingston
- o 10:00 AM (or immediately following UCIDA) Ulster County Capital Resources Corporation, in the Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, Ulster County Office Building, Kingston

Thursday, July 17

o No Meetings

Friday, July 18

o No Meetings

The Sullivan County Sheriff's Office Gang and Narcotics Intelligence Unit completed two investigations in June regarding drugs sales in the Liberty and Monticello areas

On June 25th, deputies executed a search warrant at unit 20-7, Liberty Commons Way in Liberty. During the operation,



Robert E. Jones, 52, A/K/A "Bam"

Robert E. Jones, 52, A/K/A "Bam", who was the target of the investigation, was spotted nearby in a vehicle. Jones attempted to flee, leading authorities on a short chase where he struck two police cars. He was eventually stopped and taken into custody. Robert Jones was charged with the felonies of Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance, Assault with intent to injure a police officer and Criminal Mischief as well as the misdemeanors Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, Unlawful Fleeing, Reckless Driving and having a suspended license. Jones, who has 4 prior felony convictions, was arraigned

before Monticello Village Judge Doug Solomon and sent to the Sullivan County jail without bail. Pursuant to the search warrant, a quantity of crack cocaine, digital scales and approximately \$34,000 in U.S. currency was seized.

On the same day, June 25m 2025, Sheriff's detecarrested Bernett Vereen,37, A/K/A "Bernie" of Monticello. Vereen was charged with the felonies of Criminal Sale of Controlled substance, Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance and misdemeanor Criminal Use of Drug Paraphernalia. Vereen was remanded to the Sullivan County Jail and is currently being held on a fugitive from justice warrant from Pennsylvania. He is charged in that state with the felonies of Possession with the Intent to Deliver a Controlled Substance, Use of a Communication Facility and misdemeanor



Bernett Vereen, 37, A/K/A "Bernie

Possession of a Controlled Substance.

The two investigations took place over a five month period. The Sheriff's Gang Intelligence and Narcotics Unit was

assisted by the Sheriff's K-9 Unit as well as the Monticello Police, Liberty Police, Sullivan County District Attorney's Office, Bethel Constabulary, Homeland Security Investigations, Orange County Sheriff's Office K9 Unit, Pennsylvania State Police Troop R Vice and the Wayne County District Attorney's Office Detective Division.

Fraud Task Force Announces Arrests

Liberty, NY - The Sullivan County Welfare Fraud Task Force has made the following arrests:

o May 5, 2025 - Cindy L. Kelly, 41, of Liberty, was arrested and charged with Welfare Fraud in the 3rd Degree, a Class D felony, and Offering a False Instrument for Filing in the 1st Degree, a Class E felony. It is alleged that between March 9, 2020 and February 28, 2021, Kelly was in receipt of SNAP Benefits issued by the Sullivan County Department of Social Services, while on June 11, 2020, Kelly filed a SNAP Application/Recertification and failed



to disclose that her husband was living with her in her home and gainfully employed for the entire time frame indicated above. This failure to disclose truthful and accurate information to the Department of Social Services resulted in Kelly receiving \$3,794 in SNAP Benefits to which she was not otherwise entitled. Kelly was processed and released pending a future court date in the Town of Liberty Court.

o May 6, 2025 - Yoselin Rodriguez-Diaz, 21, of South Fallsburg, was arrested and charged with Grand Larceny in the 4th Degree, a Class E felony. It is alleged that between October

1 and November 30, 2024, Rodriguez-Diaz was in receipt of SNAP Benefits issued by the Sullivan County Department of Social Services and yet during this same time period was employed but failed to report that income to the Department. This failure resulted in Rodriguez-Diaz receiving \$1,072 in SNAP Benefits to which she was not otherwise entitled. Rodriguez-Diaz was processed and released on an appearance ticket to return to the Town of Liberty Court at a later date.



o May 10, 2025 - Vanessa A. Bollin, 37, of Woodbourne, was arrested and charged with Welfare Fraud in the 4th Degree, a Class E felony, and Offering a False Instrument for Filing in the 1st Degree, a Class E felony. It is alleged that between April 29

and November 30, 2024, Bollin was in receipt of SNAP Benefits issued by the Sullivan County Department of Social Services, while **SNAP** on Application/Recertification dated April 29, 2024, Bollin failed to disclose that her child's father was residing in the home with her, and during the time frame indicated was gainfully employed. This failure to report truthful and accurate information to the Department of Social Services resulted in Bollin receiving \$1,434 in SNAP



Benefits to which she was not otherwise entitled. Bollin was processed and released on an appearance ticket to return to the Town of Liberty Court at a later date.

Ulster County Continues Community Engagement on Behavioral Health Needs Assessment with Public Listening Session

KINGSTON, NY - The Ulster County Department of Mental Health, in coordination with the Community Services Board and the Human Services Research Institute (HSRI), is advancing its Countywide Behavioral Health Needs Assessment with a community listening session on Sunday, August 10, 3:30 - 5 PM, at Saint James Church, 29 Pearl Street in Kingston.

This session is part of a broader initiative to strengthen Ulster County's behavioral health system, making it more responsive, equitable, and accessible to all. Residents, service providers, caregivers, and community partners are invited to share their stories, challenges, and ideas. Input gathered will directly inform a five-year strategic plan shaping future policies, investments, and programs

"This work is about listening to our community - especially those most affected by gaps in the system - and creating a roadmap for a behavioral health system that truly meets people where they are," said Ulster County Executive Jen Metzger. "We want to support solutions that address people's real needs, based on their lived experience and the insights of practitioners working in the field, and this assessment will help us chart the path forward."

The Behavioral Health Needs Assessment aims to identify local strengths, service gaps, and areas for improvement across mental health, substance use, and intellectual and developmental disability services. Led by HSRI, a nationally recognized organization known for its expertise in inclusive behavioral health planning, the project reflects Ulster County's commitment to data-driven and community-centered decision-making.

The August 10 listening session will include free food, and Spanish and ASL interpretation will be available. Sensory rooms will also be provided to ensure a comfortable and inclusive experience for all participants.

"Too often, decisions about behavioral health systems are made without directly engaging those most impacted," said Joleen Darby, Special Projects Director at the Ulster County Department of Mental Health. "This project is about changing that. We're creating space for real conversations - with residents, providers, families, and advocates - so we can build a system that reflects the diverse realities of our community. Listening is the first step toward lasting, equitable change."

This event is one of several opportunities for public participation in the Behavioral Health Needs Assessment. For additional information and future engagement opportunities, visit

https://participate.ulstercountyny.gov/behavioral-healthneeds-assessment.

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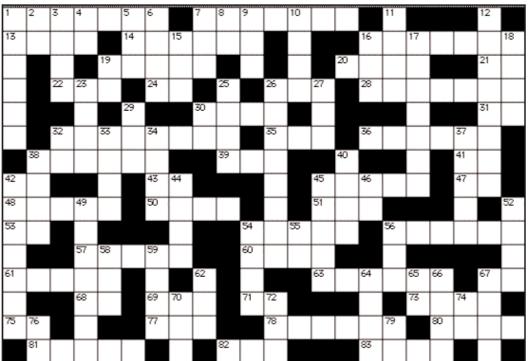
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1 cup butter, softened 1 cup confectioners' sugar 1 large egg 3 cups all-purpose flour 1 tspn almond extract 1/2 tspn vanilla extract $1/\bar{4}$ teaspoon salt 1/2 cup Seedless Raspberry Jam Additional confectioners' sugar

In a large bowl, cream butter and confectioners' sugar until light and fluffy. Beat in egg. Combine flour and salt; gradually add to creamed mixture and mix well. Divide dough in thirds. Shape each into a ball, then flatten into a disk. Wrap in plastic and refrigerate for 30 minutes.

Preheat oven to 350°. On a lightly floured surface, roll one portion of dough to 1/8-in. thickness. Cut with floured 2-1/2-in. holiday cookie cutters. Using floured 1-in. shaped cookie cutters, cut out the centers of half of the cookies.

Place solid and window cookies 1 in. apart on greased baking sheets. Repeat with remaining portions of dough. Bake 8-10 minutes or until set. Remove to wire racks to cool completely.

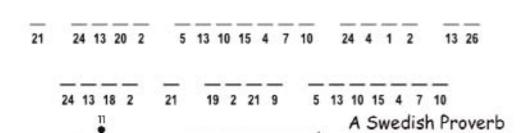
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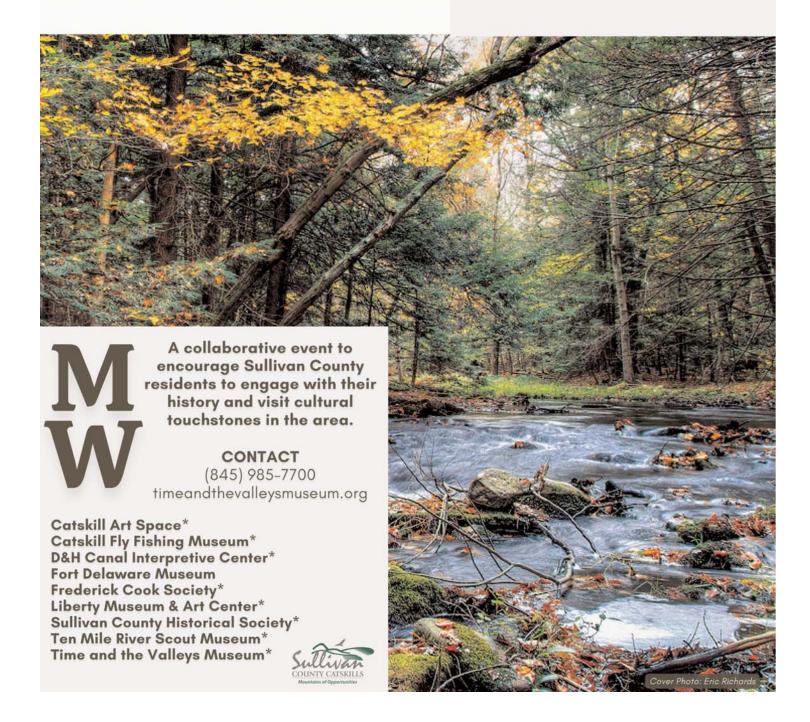


Sullivan County

Museum Weekend

July 26 - 27, 2025

*Free Admission
Special Hours



Sundown UMC Ladies Christmas in July Indoor Thrift & Yard Sale begins Saturday, July 19th

9:00 am to 1:00 pm

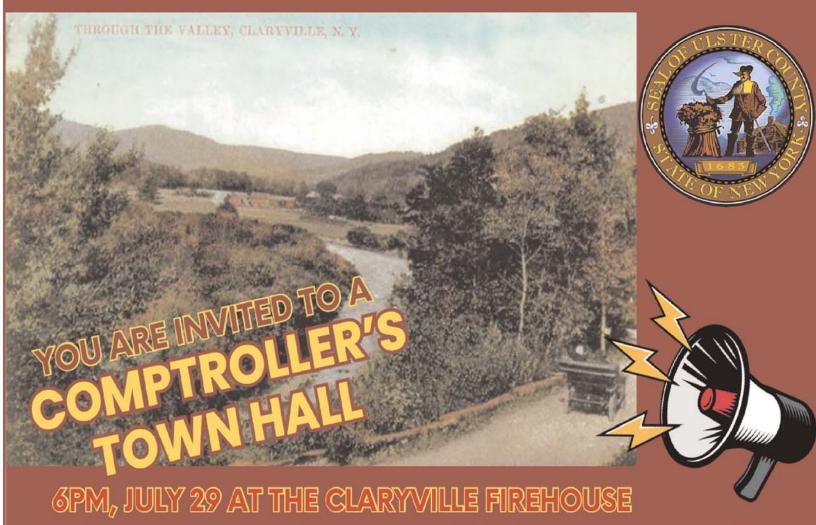
Please Note:

No sale on July 26, 2025



If you wish to make donations for our White Elephant Table stop by the Church Hall on Tuesday

Sundown United Methodist Church Hall (Intersection of Sundown Rd, Peekamoose Rd & Greenville Rd, Sundown, NY 12740)



You are invited to participate in a discussion with Ulster County Comptroller March Gallagher. This is an in-person meeting.***

- · Learn about the Ulster County Federal Funds Impact report and how funding may affect you
- Hear about proposed local internet projects
- Questions & Answers
- · Find out if you have Unclaimed Funds waiting for you
- · Meet Supervisor Brooks and representatives from other local elected offices



***Zoom is available - register in advance for the meeting by scanning the QR code. After registering you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting via Zoom. Any questions? Call our office at 845 331 8774!

OFFICE OF THE ULSTER COUNTY COMPTROLLER



Aug 2, 2025 5:30 pm

Bring a covered dish to share Enjoy good food and fellowship

and don't forget to check out the tables filled with a variety of collectibles, household items and more that will be available for sale

Sundown United Methodist Church Hall
(Intersection of Sundown Rd., Peekamoose Rd. & Greenville Rd., Sundown, NY 12740)

Final Weekend of King James



Shadowland Stages' KING JAMES is "a wonderful comedy, with heartfelt passion and raw emotion." - Carol Montana: Sullivan County Democrat

Ithamar Francois talks 'King James' in the Studio at Shadowland Stages

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uxHSskM05jo

KING JAMES is a slam dunk that you don't want to miss!

It is the FINAL WEEKEND to catch this funny, deeply moving play about friendship, fandom, and finding common ground, set against the rise of NBA legend LeBron James.

Ticket Availability:

Thursday, July 17th @ 8 PM - Limited Availability Friday, July 18 @ 8:00 PM - BEST AVAILABILITY Saturday, July 19 @ 8:00 PM - BEST AVAILABILITY Sunday, July 20 @ 2:00 PM - Limited Availability Matthew Zimmerman talks 'King James' in the Studio at Shadowland Stages

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iQNmVuqwSkE



Matthew Zimmerman (Matt) and Ithamar Francois (Shawn)

Tickets are on sale now and going fast: Buy online at *shadowlandstages.org* Or call the box office at 845-647-5511

Performance & Ticket Info: July 5-20 at The Studio Theatre (14 Market St., Ellenville)

Evenings Thurs-Sat at 8 PM | Sunday Matinees at 2 PM

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As we celebrate this extraordinary 40-year milestone, we invite you to join us for a season that honors the past, celebrates the present, and looks with excitement to the future. Whether you're a long-time supporter or first-time visitor, this is the season to experience the transformative magic of live theatre in the heart of the Hudson Valley.

Season artwork by Noel Carey

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Interactive exhibits, games and activities for kids!

2025 Open Hours

July 27

August 10 and 24 September 14 1 to 4 p.m.

October 12

Admission by donation



Photos by Dennis Muthig

Claryville Schoolhouse Museum

Adjacent to the Claryville Reformed Church Hall 946 Claryville Road, Claryville NY info@timeandthevalleysmuseum.org 845 985-7700

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

1930s Catskill Family Farm Phase II Opening

13 added farm buildings - sap house, sawmill, pig pen, chicken coop and more all with exhibits, interactives and videos! 20 buildings in all! Fun for children and adults!

Open weekends noon to 4 p.m. through September starting June 14th and by appointment: 845 985-7700 timeandthevalleysmuseum.org



State Health Department Slow to Inspect Violations at Adult Care Facilities, Audit Finds

The state Department of Health (DOH) is not adequately overseeing adult care facilities, risking the health and safety of vulnerable residents, according to an audit released today by New York State Comptroller Thomas P. DiNapoli. The audit found DOH at times failed to conduct timely inspections and often lacked documentation to show critical problems were corrected.

"Adult care facilities across the state have a responsibility to protect residents and deliver quality care," DiNapoli said. "Regular and routine inspections of these facilities, and correcting problems, ensure residents are not left in unsafe or unsanitary conditions. If the state Department of Health isn't conducting timely inspections or following up to make sure violations are corrected, then vulnerable residents could be left at risk."

Adult care facilities are primarily home to the elderly who can no longer live independently, but do not require the care of a nursing home. These facilities provide housing, meals and personal care for individuals who need help with daily activities. All facilities must be licensed, and DOH is required to supervise them through regular inspections and complaint investigations. As of 2023, there were 534 adult care facilities operating in New York, serving 37,547 residents.

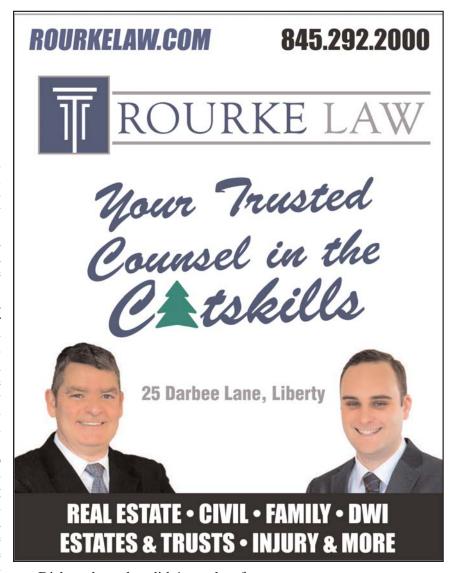
The audit reviewed DOH's oversight of these facilities from January 2018 to October 2024. Health and safety issues at facilities can include, but are not limited to, inadequate staffing, call bells not functioning, no clear emergency shelter plans or the presence of mold, mice or bed bugs.

Delayed Inspections

The audit found DOH failed to complete inspections within the required 12- to 18-month timeframe at 70% of the 30 sampled facilities, with some delayed by as much as five years. Three of the state's four regional oversight offices had inspection backlogs - New York City, Long Island and Western New York - while Central New York had no backlog.

Auditors conducted site visits at 20 of the sampled adult care facilities across the state and found a range of serious health and safety issues, including:

o Crumbling stairs and walkways;



- o Dishwashers that didn't reach safe temperatures;
- o Refrigerators that weren't cold enough; and
- o A lack of regular fire drills.

Auditors also found additional unresolved problems:

- o Expired medication present four years after a prior citation;
- o Staff still uncertified in basic first aid more than 13 months after being cited; and
- o A half-empty vodka bottle in a medical room and marijuana paraphernalia in an administrator's office.

At one adult care facility that had not received a full inspection in nearly two years, auditors found issues that posed immediate risks to residents' health and safety. DOH officials were notified and immediately performed a full inspection of the facility, resulting in a total of 54 violations and 12 findings.

Violations Not Fixed

DOH failed to document whether facilities corrected violations identified in prior inspections. Of the 89 violations reviewed in 30 inspection reports, auditors found no evidence DOH took corrective action. At 18 of 20 facilities visited, problems cited in earlier inspection reports were not fixed. In some cases, DOH inaccurately recorded partial inspections as full ones, causing further delays in oversight. Without proper follow-up, violations may continue for years and facilities may not be held accountable, risking patient safety. (Contd. Pg. 38)

State Health Department Slow to Inspect Violations at Adult Care Facilities,

Audit Finds (From Pg. 37)

Complaints Mishandled

DÔH received 7,440 complaints and completed 6,498 complaint investigations from 2018 through 2023. Auditors found DOH failed to fully investigate some complaints or adequately document its investigations. In a sample of 130 complaints, 18% of allegations had no evidence they were investigated. This includes three complaints with 25 allegations that did not have evidence of any investigation at all. These complaints included allegations of poor care, such as residents confined to their rooms and waiting in hallways for long periods of time for assistance, a lack of resident supervision and dirty or poorly maintained facilities.

Recommendations The audit recommends that DOH improve procedures to ensure timely inspections, follow-up on violations, complete and document complaint investigations and communicate findings promptly. It also calls on DOH to improve the accuracy of its data by regularly reviewing and updating information in its tracking systems and ensuring inspection records are complete and categorized correctly. These steps would help DOH better monitor facility compliance and identify delays in oversight. DOH should also address staffing shortages that have contributed to oversight delays. DOH acknowledged delays in inspections and correcting violations, citing staffing shortages and the COVID-19 pandemic as major challenges. Officials said they have increased hiring, improved tracking systems and created a quality assurance committee to strengthen oversight moving forward. DOH's response is included in the audit. Audit

Department of Health Oversight of Adult Care Facilities https://www.osc.ny.gov/files/stateagencies/audits/pdf/sga-2025-23s34.pdf

Ulster County Legislature OKs Transfer of Elizabeth Manor Property, Supporting Plan for a New Affordable Housing Cooperative

KINGSTON, NY - During its July 15 session, the Ulster County Legislature voted 19 to 4 to authorize the transfer of the County-owned Elizabeth Manor property to the Ulster County Housing Development Corporation (UCHDC), advancing a key step in the development of a 15-unit affordable housing cooperative at 21 Elizabeth Street in Kingston. While the vote grants approval for the transfer, the property will not be conveyed until a later date, pending finalization of legal and administrative steps.

"I couldn't be more excited about our plans for this

property, replacing a dilapidated vacant structure in the middle of a residential neighborhood with a beautifully-designed building that provides affordable home ownership to local families and seniors while putting the property back on the tax rolls," said Ulster County Executive Jen Metzger. "I want to thank the County Legislature for its support, and the Ulster County Housing Development Corporation for helping bring our vision for this property to life."

The proposed development will replace the former boarding house with a new 15-unit building designed to reflect the character of the surrounding neighborhood. The building's apartments will be available for affordable home ownership by families and seniors earning 60% of area median income, and will include a mix of studios, one-, two-, and three-bedroom apartments, four of which are designed to be ADA-accessible.

Key features of the project include:

- o Limited equity cooperative ownership model to ensure long-term affordability while allowing residents to build equity
- o Modular construction for greater efficiency and quality control
- o All-electric design with passive house-level insulation and energy recovery ventilation
- o Floor-through units with ample natural light and cross-ventilation
- o Community amenities including two gathering rooms, a children's space, and generous storage
- o Accessibility-focused layout, with a fully accessible ground floor

For parking, the County is pursuing an easement agreement with the Kingston City School District for an area of parking at the back of the George Washington Elementary School that is adjacent to the property. The County project will redesign an area of the parking lot at no cost to the school district, providing additional parking spaces for the school while also accommodating parking spaces for the building's residents.

The development team - led by Maeda Construction and including GA/GA Architects, Community Preservation Corporation, RUPCO, and policy consultant Jesse McCormick - will continue working with the City of Kingston Planning Board and local residents to refine the project. The full development process is expected to take approximately 30 months.

For more information and updates on the Elizabeth Manor project, visit

https://participate.ulstercountyny.gov/21-elizabeth

Daniel Pierce Library

Starting June 7th the library will be open on Saturdays 9 am to 12 pm

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MONDAY - 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

TUESDAY - 9:00 am - 7:00 pm

WEDNESDAY - 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

THURSDAY - 9:00 am - 7:00 pm

FRIDAY - 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Saturday - 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

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DEC Forest Rangers - Week in Review

Recent Statewide Forest Ranger Actions

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

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

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

Town of Hunter, Greene County –Wilderness Rescue: On July 10 at 8:50 a.m., Greene County 911 called Forest Ranger Fox about a hiker at the midpool of Kaaterskill Falls who suffered a head injury and may have lost consciousness. At 10:20 a.m., Assistant Forest Ranger Massa reached the subject and began a medical assessment. Ten minutes later, a Greene County Paramedic and Catskill EMS took over patient care. Rangers, Paramedics, and Bastion Falls and Palenville Fire Departments walked the 68-year-old from New Hampshire to an awaiting Catskill ambulance. Resources were clear at 12 p.m.

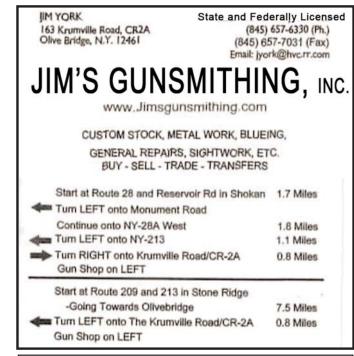
Village of Fort Ann ,Washington County—Wilderness Rescue: On July 10 at 11:50 a.m., Washington County 911 requested Forest Ranger assistance with a dehydrated hiker near the summit of Buck Mountain. Rangers Carabetta and Clute reached the 31-year-old by 12:30 p.m., rehydrated the subject, and assisted them back to the trailhead where Fort Ann EMS evaluated the patient.

DEC encourages hikers to bring plenty of food and water for their hike in case the hike lasts longer than expected. Proper preparation for a hike can reduce the risk of dehydration.

Town of Denning, Ulster County - Wilderness Rescue: On July 12 at 3:15 p.m., while finishing patrol at the **Peekamoose Blue Hole**, Ranger Franceschina received a call from Ray Brook Dispatch regarding a 10-year-old from Flushing who was experiencing a medical issue. Ranger Franceschina observed normal breathing, but a weak pulse. Ranger Franceschina provided water and electrolytes and called for EMS. At 4:05 p.m., a Sullivan County Paramedic and Neversink EMS arrived and transported the patient to the hospital.

Town of Persia, Cattaraugus County -Flood Assistance:

On July 13 at 9:30 p.m., while patrolling Zoar Valley Unique Area, Forest Ranger Sprague witnessed Cattaraugus Creek rise nearly three feet in a matter of minutes. Noting all the vehicles parked on the property, Ranger Skudlarek and Sprague searched the banks of the creek for anyone stuck on the opposite side. Rangers found four adults who swam across the creek and treated them for cuts and bruises. The adults lost personal items, including car keys, in the flood. Rangers assisted in making phone calls to get spare keys brought to the trailhead.



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



Cattaraugus Creek flooding

Be sure to properly prepare and plan before entering the backcountry. Visit DEC's Hike Smart NY, Adirondack Backcountry Information, and Catskill Backcountry Information webpages for more information

If a person needs a Forest Ranger, whether it's for a search and rescue, to report a wildfire, or to report illegal activity on state lands and easements, they should call 833-NYS-RANGERS. If a person needs urgent assistance, they can call 911. To contact a Forest Ranger for information about a specific location, the DEC website has phone numbers for every Ranger listed by region.

Claryville Fire Dept.

1500 Denning Road Claryville, NY 12725

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Sunday, July 20th

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2025 SHOW DATES

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SATURDAY 7/12/25 WURTSBORO FOUNDERS DAY

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SUNDAY 8/10/25 MONTICELLO BAGEL FEST

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

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

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

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

For any other questions 845.798.2077 nickneedsokidney@gmail.com

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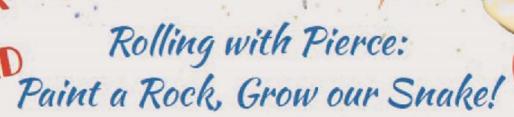
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Thank You!

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Tues August 5

Tues September 2

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Tues September 9

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95 Main St

Livingston Manor, NY

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Thurs July 24

Thurs August 21

Thurs September 18

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2948 US 209 Wortsbore, NY

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Thurs July 10

Thurs August 7

Thurs September 4

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Tues July 22

Tues August 19

Tues September 16

Registration Appts Only

200 Bridge St Norrowsburg, NY

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Tues July 29

Tues August 26

Tues September 23

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75 Sullivan Ave Liberty, NY

HORTONVILLE

Thurs July 17

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Thurs September II

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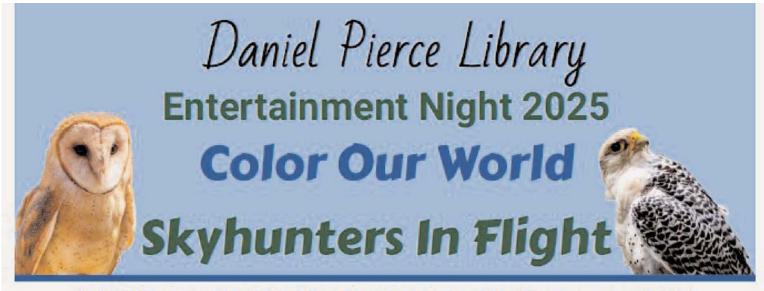
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Acting County Clerk Taylor Bruck Bucks Texas-Again Ulster Clerk Rejects Second Attempt by AG Paxton to File Judgment Against Local Doctor in Shield Law Case

Kingston, NY - Acting Ulster County Clerk Taylor Bruck has, once again, rejected an attempted court filing by Texas Attorney General Ken Paxton, who is seeking to impose a summary judgment against a local doctor charged in Texas for providing mifepristone to a Texas resident via telehealth.

The letter, received on July 9, sought to compel the Clerk to reconsider his decision and established an arbitrary deadline of July 16 for him to do so. In March, Bruck formally rejected Paxton's filings under New York's Shield Law-a first-of-its-kind action by a New York Clerk. In his latest response, Bruck reiterated that position clearly:

"The rejection stands. Resubmitting the same materials does not alter the outcome."

He added pointedly, "While I'm not entirely sure how things work in Texas, here in New York, a rejection means the matter is closed." He signed the letter with a one-word reminder of New York's values: "Excelsior."

Once again, Bruck's response is grounded in New York state law -- a law designed to protect New York health care providers from out-of-state prosecutions and judgments that are designed to punish or inhibit them from lawfully providing their services.

In March, Bruck became the first Clerk in New York State to invoke the Shield Law, declining to docket a judgment seeking over \$100,000 in civil penalties against the Ulster County resident. His action earned praise from Governor Kathy Hochul, Attorney General Letitia James, and local and state officials across New York.

For more information on the Ulster County Clerk's Office, visit our website.

https://clerk.ulstercountyny.gov/

Letter to Mr. Ogle from Taylor Bruck below:

Good morning Mr. Ogle,

We have received your letter regarding the Dr. Margaret Carpenter judgment originally submitted for filing on March 17th, 2025. The rejection stands. Resubmitting the same materials does not alter the outcome.

While I'm not entirely sure how things work in

Texas, here in New York, a rejection means the matter is closed.

Have a good day.

Excelsior.
Taylor Bruck
Acting Ulster County Clerk
845-340-3040
tbru@co.ulster.ny.us

Legislature, Human Rights Director Denounce Local Antisemitic Incidents

Monticello, NY - The Sullivan County Legislature and the Executive Director of the Human Rights Commission join with the Sullivan County Coalition Against Antisemitism in condemning the assault on Orthodox Jewish pedestrians in Woodbourne and South Fallsburg.

According to media reports, the Town of Fallsburg Police Department is searching for those responsible for throwing eggs at people walking along Route 42 on Sunday. Though no one was injured, at least one of the incidents occurred in front of a synagogue, and all of the eggs were thrown at Orthodox Jews walking along the sidewalk.

Echoing a press release issued by the new Sullivan County Coalition Against Antisemitism, led by local attorney Jacob Billig, Legislature Chair Nadia Rajsz denounced Sunday's incidents.

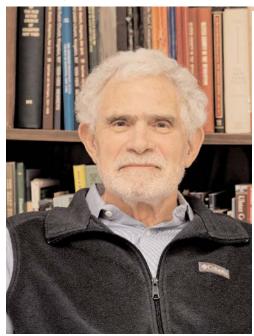
"These assaults were clearly antisemitic in nature, inexcusable in every way, and instilled fear in the Orthodox Jewish community, whom we are proud to call neighbors," Rajsz stated. "This Legislature will not minimize, nor stand for, such displays of hate in Sullivan County, and we fully support local law enforcement's efforts to expose and prosecute the perpetrators."

"As the Executive Director of the Sullivan County Human Rights Commission, I wish to unequivocally denounce these hateful actions," added Ramone Wilson in a letter to Billig and the Coalition. "No one in our community should live in fear or be subjected to violence and harassment based on their faith. These violations of human dignity are wholly incompatible with the values we uphold as a County and as a Commission committed to justice, equality and respect for all."

"We are intent on protecting the rights of all our citizens, including those who year after year spend their summers with us," noted District 7 Legislator Joseph Perrello and District 8 Legislator Amanda Ward, who represent the Fallsburg/Woodbourne area on the Legislature. "We want our communities to be peaceful and welcoming, and we will continue to work with the Jewish community to ensure they they feel safe and cared for wherever they are in Sullivan County."

Ulster County Historian Emeritus Geoffrey Miller Receives National Lifetime Achievement Award

KINGSTON, NY - Acting Ulster County Clerk Taylor Bruck is proud to announce that Geoffrey Miller, longserving County Historian and current Associate Historian, has been awarded the 2025 Individual Life-



Geoff Miller 2025
Photo courtesy of the Ulster County
Clerk's Office

ment Award by the American Association for State and Local H i s t o r y (AASLH). The award will be presented this September at the AASLH Annual Conference in Cincinnati, Ohio.

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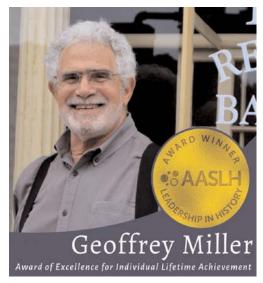
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Established in 1945, the AASLH Leadership in History Awards program is now in its 80th year and is widely regarded as the most prestigious recognition for achievement in the

preservation and interpretation of state and local histo-

ry. The In-dividual Lifetime Achievement Award honors those whose career contributions have had a profound and lasting impact on the field of public history.

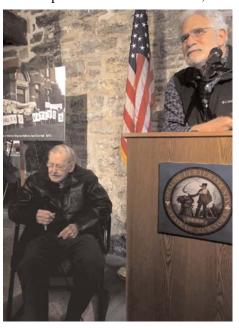
Geoffrey Miller was appointed Ulster County Historian 2016 and served that role through 2024. During his tenure, he transformed the historian's office from a tradition-



Geoffrey Miller outside the Reher Center for Immigrant Culture and History in Kingston, NY. Courtesy of the Reher Center

al "font of information" model into a dynamic community-building force. He developed innovative public programming, revitalized professional networks, and

helped bring County's Ulster complex historyspanning from Indigenous communities to 20thcentury immigrant neighborhoods-to public accessible, meaningful ways. Following the 2025 creation of a full-time County Historian position, Miller continued serve Associate Historian, a role he holds today, contributing ongoing research, grams, and advocacy for historical organizations across the region.



Geoff Miller (right) honoring the late City of Kingston Historian Edwin M. Ford (left) at the Persen House Museum in 2018.

"Geoff has never sought accolades, and such things have never had bearing on the performance of his role. However, his impact is unmistakable," said Acting Ulster County Clerk Taylor Bruck. "He leads first with kindness and a listening ear, and the results of that approach have strengthened the work of his fellow historians, making their efforts more collaborative, impactful, and rooted in community. His work has not only connected people to history, but also to one another. This award reflects what so many of us already know-Geoff has helped build a stronger, more inclusive historical community in Ulster County and beyond."

One of Miller's most transformative contributions has been his work as co-founder of the Reher Center for Immigrant Culture and History in Kingston. His vision, diplomacy, and persistence helped preserve the historic Reher Bakery and turn it into a thriving cultural site that tells the stories of Black, Jewish, and immigrant communities in the Rondout neighborhood. Today, the Reher Center stands as a national model for community-based preservation and storytelling.

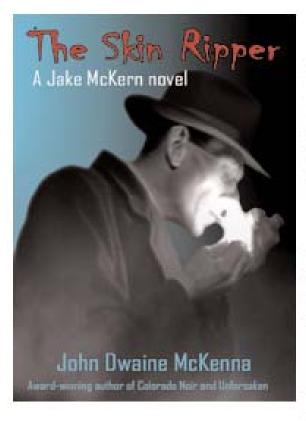
The Ulster County Clerk's Office congratulates Geoffrey Miller on this well-earned national recognition and extends its deepest gratitude for his decades of service and continuing dedication to the people and history of Ulster County.

To learn more about the AASLH and the 2025 Leadership in History Awards, visit www.aaslh.org. More about the Reher Center can be found at www.rehercenter.org. For further information from the Ulster County Clerk's Office, please contact Acting County Clerk Taylor Bruck at (845) 340-3040 or countyclerk@co.ulster.ny.us.

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Celebrating the Massive Win for Upstate

New Yorkers in the One Big Beautiful Bil

The One Big Beautiful Bill is a historic win for Central New York and a bold step forward in revitalizing American manufacturing. This legislation puts American workers, manufacturers, and small businesses first. The bill includes the expansion of the Advanced Manufacturing Investment Credit, a provision I championed to expand domestic semiconductor production and bring high-tech jobs to Upstate New York. With this credit, we are sending a clear signal that America is committed to leading in advanced manufacturing and reshoring critical industries that were once shipped overseas.

This bill delivers real results for our region. It lays the foundation for long-term economic growth by supporting the semiconductor sector, encouraging investment in our communities, and reinforcing the importance of supply chain security. As home of the Micron project and an up-and-coming high-tech corridor, Central New York is poised to become a national leader in innovation and production. I was honored to help pass this legislation and will continue working to make sure our region reaps the full benefits of this once-ina-generation investment.

Upstate Leaders Applaud the Passage of the One Big Beautiful Bill

Leaders across Upstate New York agree: the passage of the One Big Beautiful Bill is a transformative moment. I fought to include key provisions like the expansion of the Advanced Manufacturing Investment Credit to help grow our domestic semiconductor industry, create good-paying jobs, and secure our supply chains.

Here's what Upstate leaders and industry experts are saying about this historic win for Central New York:

"We thank Congresswoman Tenney for her leadership on the BASIC Act, which increased the Advanced Manufacturing Investment Credit-a key provision included in the One Big Beautiful Bill. Micron strongly supported this legislation, which strengthens U.S. manufacturing, drives innovation, and helps develop Upstate New York's burgeoning semiconductor ecosystem as well as other hubs across America."

- Sanjay Mehrotra, Chairman, President & CEO, Micron

"Reshoring the advanced manufacturing and semiconductor industries is critical for both economic and national security. Thanks to the leadership of Congresswoman Tenney to preserve and increase the Advanced Manufacturing Investment Credit, Onondaga County and Central New York are even closer to becoming the national epicenter for mem-

ory technology semiconductor manufacturing."

- Ryan McMahon, Onondaga County Executive

"Congresswoman Tenney's BASIC Act was the foundation for the inclusion and expansion of the semiconductor advanced manufacturing tax credit in the One Big Beautiful Bill. This provision is vital to maintain U.S. global competitiveness as we reshore critical semiconductor manufacturing."

- Dr. Thomas Caulfield, Executive Chairman, GlobalFoundries

"Increasing the Advanced Manufacturing Investment Credit advances Syracuse's emergence as a leader in domestic chip production. This support cements the region's role as a vital hub for advanced manufacturing and innovation, while also bolstering our national defense and economic resilience."

- Ben Sio, Acting President & CEO, CenterState CEO

"Securing the increase of the Advanced Manufacturing Investment Credit through the One Big Beautiful Bill is a significant win for New York and its goal of being the leader in semiconductor manufacturing. We applaud Congresswoman Tenney for leading the fight on this legislation."

- Heather Mulligan, President & CEO, The Business Council of New York State

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

H.R. 2854, the Neighborhood Homes Investment Act: This bill would create a federal tax credit for the development or rehabilitation of homes where development costs exceed market value. This legislation aims to create more homeownership opportunities and incentivize community development of new and rehabilitated homes for current and prospective homeowners.

H.R. 1151, the Freedom to Invest in Tomorrow's Workforce Act: This bill would permit the use of the tax-advantaged 529 savings plan account funds to pay for post-secondary training programs. Most of America's workforce needs involve middle-skill jobs that demand more than a high school diploma but less than a bachelor's degree, and key industries are struggling to find adequately trained workers for these roles. This legislation encourages savings for proper training to expand access to career development.

H.R. 1328, the Supply Chain Security and Growth Act of 2025: This bill would amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to establish a critical supply chain reshoring investment tax credit. As we focus on American manufacturing and strengthening our economic supply chains, this legislation will encourage vital sectors like semiconductors, pharmaceuticals, and advanced materials to produce and supply within the U.S. This tax credit will only be available to U.S. entities not owned or controlled by restricted foreign countries of concern, and it will be limited to a 40 percent credit on qualified investments. (Contd. Pg. 55)

This Week with Claudia

(From Pg. 54)

H.R. 2547, the Secure Family Futures Act of 2025: This bill would repeal the outdated capital tax treatment of debt investments held by life insurers, such as bonds, and apply ordinary tax treatment to them. This legislation would ensure that investments made by insurance companies are treated equally under the tax code, thereby providing for better investment opportunities and helping families and businesses access the necessary resources to secure their futures

H.R. 534, the CONTAINER Act: This bill requires the Department of the Interior and the Forest Service to allow border states to place temporary, movable structures on federal lands adjacent to the U.S.-Canada and U.S.-Mexico borders without a special use authorization. Border security will always remain our priority, and President Trump is ensuring that we stop dangerous cartels from human and drug trafficking. This legislation allows for further collaboration with border States to erect barriers in coordination with U.S. Customs and Border Protection. While the Biden administration attempted to punish States for attempting to secure the border, President Trump and House Republicans are working together to ensure that our communities are safe.

Reintroducing the Timothy J. Barber Act

Heat-related illnesses like hyperthermia are entirely preventable, yet they continue to claim lives. The Timothy J. Barber Act, named in honor of a young New Yorker who tragically passed away from hyperthermia while working in Geneseo, NY, directs the Department of Labor to evaluate and strengthen the effectiveness of OSHA's technical assistance and compliance support related to heat safety. These tools are essential for helping small businesses implement common-sense protections without incurring excessive costs. While we can't bring Tim back, this legislation honors his memory by working to prevent such tragedies from happening again.

Celebrating 200 Years of the Erie Canal with the Albany Symphony

Our team joined our local officials and the community of Medina to listen to the Albany Symphony and celebrate the 200th anniversary of the Erie Canal. The Symphony performed new music specifically created to remember the history and significance of the great Erie Canal. Thank you to all who attended this fantastic event!



It was an eventful week here in the Hudson Valley. I had a great time meeting with so many different members of our community, and am so proud of the work we're doing together to make the Hudson Valley more affordable, more safe, and more free.

FIGHTING FOR NEW YORK VETERANS

We have a sacred duty to care for the veterans who sacrifice so much to protect our freedom.

Instead, Trump is ripping away desperately needed su

port from American heroes and kicking 1500 New York veterans to the curb.

It's not just wrong - it's deeply un-American. Read my full letter to the President below:

Dear President Trump,

I write to express my outrage regarding your plan to gut permanent supportive housing programs for homeless veterans and other vulnerable Americans. Your proposals will have an immediate and devastating impact on those who have served our country honorably. I strongly urge you to revoke your plans to cut housing assistance and commit to supporting veterans who face homelessness.

As you know, your Fiscal Year 2026 budget proposal would collapse the Continuum of Care (CoC) and Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) programs within the Emergency Solutions Grants Program, slashing \$532 million in funding and establishing a two year time limit on assistance. These programs provide over 170,000 permanent supportive housing units to keep vulnerable Americans off the streets. In New York, over 7,400 formerly homeless veterans rely on these programs for housing. By cutting funding and establishing time limits on assistance, your proposal recklessly threatens to throw these heroes out of their homes and onto the street. Instead of fulfilling our sacred duty to care for veterans who sacrificed so much to protect our freedom, you have chosen to rip away desperately needed assistance. You must reverse course. I'm urging you to revoke this misguided proposal and work to strengthen housing assistance for our veterans. Thank you for your attention to this matter. I look forward to hearing from you on your plan to support veterans facing homelessness. Sincerely,

Read more: Following Independence Day, Congressman Ryan Demands Trump Reverse Proposal That Would Put Formerly Homeless Veterans Back on The Street

https://patryan.house.gov/media/press-releases/followingindependence-day-congressman-ryan-demands-trumpreverse-proposal

HOLDING THE MTA ACCOUNTABLE: OUR FIGHT TO SAVE THE NEWBURGH-BEACON FERRY

The closure of the Newburgh-Beacon Ferry is yet another example of our Hudson Valley community paying into a NYC-centric system and getting almost nothing in return. Our community is rallying together, and fighting back in force.

The MTA should be adding more transit options and lowering costs, not taking away the limited options we do have. The MTA discontinuing this ferry service is a reckless abandonment of the people it's supposed to serve, turning its back on our community while happily taking our tax dollars.

Hudson Valley commuters deserve better than this betrayal of public trust and I'll fight like hell to get this service restored.

Read more: Mid Hudson News: East meets west to save Newburgh-Beacon Ferry

https://midhudsonnews.com/2025/07/09/east-meets-west-to-save-newburgh-beacon-ferry/ (Contd. Pg 56)

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And read my full letter to the MTA: Congressman Pat Ryan Slams MTA's "Reckless Abandonment" of Hudson Valley Commuters, Demands Restoration of Newburgh-Beacon Ferry Service

https://patryan.house.gov/media/press-releases/congress-man-pat-ryan-slams-mtas-reckless-abandonment-hudson-valley-commuters

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

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

We're marshaling every tool at our disposal to help folks with our C.A.R.E.S Van. Last week, I was excited to join my C.A.R.E.S. Van team in Beacon for Dutchess County Office for Aging's Senior Picnic. Now more than ever, people need support.

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

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

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

DELIVERING RELIEF FOR ORANGE COUNTY FLOOD VICTIMS

Last week I was excited to visit the Earl Reservoir Dam with Woodbury Town Supervisor Luciani, after we announced that the Town of Woodbury would receive \$2 million to repair severe flood damage.

The dam, which was built in 1912, sustained substantial damage during July 2023's severe storms and flooding incidents. Fixing the damages is critical; if the dam were to burst, there would be widespread damage to surrounding homes, roads, and utilities.

I've kept up the fight for infrastructure funding to both fix the damage and ensure we are better prepared for floods in the future. This money is a monumental investment not just for Woodbury but also the entire Orange County community.

By building back the Earl Reservoir Dam and increasing its resilience, countless families will be spared from widespread damage and fallout from a future storm.

I'll keep pushing to ensure everyone in our Hudson Valley community gets the relief they deserve.

You can read the full press release and learn more about my continuing efforts to recover from the 2023 floods and deliver relief here: Congressman Pat Ryan Delivers Relief to Orange County Flood Victims

https://patryan.house.gov/media/press-releases/congress-man-pat-ryan-delivers-relief-orange-county-flood-victims

CELEBRATING NATIONAL PARKS AND RECREATION MONTH

From the oldest section of the Appalachian Trail to following in the footsteps of President Franklin Roosevelt in Hyde Park, NY-18 has some magnificent places to visit this National Parks & Rec month!

I'm proud to be a National Parks Action Fund National Parks champion & fight every day to protect our public lands, waters & wildlife.

Plan your visit at: https://nps.gov

COMMEMORATING 157 YEARS OF THE 14TH AMENDMENT

Last week, 157 years ago, the 14th Amendment was ratified.

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

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

U.S. SERVICE ACADEMY NOMINATION APPLICATIONS OPEN

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

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

Stayed tuned for updates as we plan to host a service academy fair this fall.

Interested in finding your path to service? Learn more by scanning the QR code or visiting my website: https://patryan.house.gov/services/military-academy-nominations

JOIN MY SUMMER READING CHALLENGE!

This summer, I am excited to announce an all-new summer reading challenge for Hudson Valley students grades K-8!

Students who read 5 or more books between July 1st and August 31st will receive a Congressional Certificate of Achievement!

If your child wants to participate, please fill out the form by scanning the QR code. You can also sign up and learn more by visiting this link.

https://patryan.house.gov/media/press-releases/congress-man-ryan-launches-new-summer-reading-challenge-hud-son-valley-k-8

CONGRESSIONAL APP CHALLENGE APPLICATION OPEN

The Congressional App Challenge is an annual nationwide competition that encourages U.S. middle and high school students in each congressional district to learn coding and develop their own software applications.

Interested? Learn more by scanning the QR code or visiting my website: https://patryan.house.gov/services/art-competition

Learn more about last year's winners here: Congressman Pat Ryan Celebrates Dutchess County High School Students on Winning NY-18 Congressional App Challenge with "Invest4Better"

https://patryan.house.gov/media/press-releases/congress-man-pat-ryan-celebrates-dutchess-county-high-school-students-winning (Contd. Pg. 57)

Pat Ryan (From Pg. 56) GRANTS CORNER

APPLICATIONS OPEN FOR:

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

National Endowment for the Arts Grants for Arts Projects

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

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

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

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

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

Earliest project start date: June 1, 2026

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

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

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

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

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

Fiscal Year 2025 Grant Opportunities from the Office on

Violence Against Women

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

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

Closes August 5, 2025

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

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

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

Applications are due by 5 p.m. on September 12.

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

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

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

I look forward to hearing from you soon!



From voting against the GOP budget plan to demanding term limits for members of Congress, here's a look at what I've been up to in Washington:

I VOTED NO ON THE BIG UGLY BILL

Last week, House Republicans passed the One Big Ugly Bill.

A bill that will kick 1.5 million New Yorkers off their healthcare.

A bill that puts rural hospitals in Upstate New York on the chopping block.

A bill that will kill thousands of good clean energy manufacturing jobs.

And a bill that does so to give trillions in tax cuts to the corporations who pull the levers in Washington.

I don't know anyone in Upstate New York who thinks that working families, farmers, and kids should get less so that billionaires and big corporations can have even more. I won't stand for it. I voted hell no.

And when I had the opportunity to fight back on the House floor, I made my frustration crystal clear. Watch More

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hHmrWbiweT0

LEGISLATIVE HIGHLIGHTS I TOOK ON CAREER POLITICIANS AND FOUGHT TO BAN INSIDER TRADING

For what has felt like my entire life, Upstate New Yorkers have been sold out by greed in our economy and corruption in our politics. That's why I was proud to back term limits for members of Congress and fight to ban insider trading.

We need to change how Washington works and who it works for, and I'm willing to take on the political establishment in both parties to do it.

Read More https://riley.house.gov/media/press-releas-es/rep-riley-takes-career-politicians-and-fights-against-insider-trading

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Josh Riley (From Pg 57)

I SUPPORTED LEGISLATION TO RESTORE AND PROTECT REPRODUCTIVE FREEDOM

Women's healthcare decisions belong to women, not extreme politicians or judges. Three years after the disastrous Dobbs decision, I was proud to help introduce two bills to restore the right to choose.

This fight is about freedom, dignity, and basic fairness, and I won't back down.

Read More https://riley.house.gov/media/press-releases/riley-marks-dobbs-anniversary-cosponsoring-legis-lation-restore-reproductive

I VOTED FOR LEGISLATION TO DEFEND AMERICAN FARMLAND FROM FOREIGN ADVERSARIES LIKE THE CCP

American farmland belongs to America's farmers.

I was proud to support the Agricultural Risk Review Act, which passed the House last week and will give the Ag community a voice in reviewing foreign investments on U.S. land.

I DEMANDED MORE FEDERAL RESOURCES FOR THE FARMERS WHO FEED OUR NATION

Last week, I co-sponsored the CROP for Farming Act, bipartisan legislation to help farmers fight climate change and strengthen rural economies.

Upstate farmers are leading on climate-smart agriculture, and I will continue working across the aisle to have their backs.

MEETINGS

REGIONAL FOOD BANK OF NORTHEASTERN NEW YORK

I was honored to meet with the team at the Regional Food Bank of Northeastern NY. They're on the front lines fighting hunger across #NY19.

I'm committed to having their back as they face unprecedented attacks.

TIBETAN ASSOCIATION OF ITHACA

I was proud to meet with members of Ithaca's Tibetan community.

I will always support Tibetans' right to self-determination and oppose the Chinese Communist Party's violations of human rights and religious freedom.

SOCIAL MEDIA HIGHLIGHTS

https://x.com/RepRileyNY/status/1940456999197831284 IN THE NEWS

Josh Riley Absolutely Explodes At House Republicans During Big Beautiful Bill Debate

Congressman Riley co-sponsored legislation to limit congressional terms & reduce insider trading

Riley pushes insider trading ban, term-limits legislation Rep. Riley backs bills to restore abortion rights Riley leads irrigation systems act



Welcome to Kirsten's New York Minute!

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

1. Fighting for our schools

Last week, the Trump administration confirmed that it is blocking \$7 billion in congressionally approved funding for education. This money funds before- and after-school programs, professional development for teachers, STEM education, accelerated learning courses, school-based mental health services, and more.

We need a government that works to support students, not steal from them.

That's why this week, Kirsten led the New York congressional delegation in demanding answers from the Trump administration on why they're withholding these funds. She'll hold their feet to the fire for as long as it takes to get our students the resources they deserve.

Read more. https://www.nydailynews.com/2025/07/10/ny-congressional-delegation-warns-school-funds-delay-threat-ens-teacher-training-english-language-instruction/

2. Supporting Head Start

Head Start is an investment in our future that helps make sure every child has the support they need to thrive.

This week, Kirsten announced the reintroduction of the bipartisan Head Start for Our Future Act. This legislation would make child development and early education jobs eligible as community services under the Federal Work-Study program, ensuring that aspiring teachers have the support they need while also helping remedy the nationwide shortage of early childhood education workers. This legislation is critical, and Kirsten is committed to doing everything she can to get it over the finish line.

https://www.gillibrand.senate.gov/news/press/release/sens-gillibrand-collins-and-reps-castro-ciscomani-reintroduce-bipartisan-bill-to-strengthen-early-childhood-education-

workforce/

3. Protecting seniors from frauds and scams

Last year, seniors lost a record \$4.8 billion to scammers.

But instead of bolstering the agencies responsible for protecting consumers, the Trump administration is gutting these very entities. This week, Kirsten joined forces with Senator Elizabeth Warren to demand that the Trump administration stop cutting agencies that protect seniors from financial frauds and scams.

Read more. https://www.fingerlakes1.com/2025/07/09/gillibrand-warren-slam-trump-cuts-to-senior-fraud-protections/4. \$\$\$ _ NY airports

From big cities to rural communities, New York's airports are gateways for commerce, tourism, and travel.

This week, Kirsten announced \$21 million in federal funds for airports across New York State. These funds will be used to make critical safety and infrastructure upgrades while enhancing reliability and comfort at 16 airports across our state. (Contd. Pg. 59)

Welcome to Kirsten's New York Minute!

(From Pg. 58) Read more

https://www.gillibrand.senate.gov/news/press/release/schume r-gillibrand-announce-over-20-million-in-federal-fundingfor-16-airports-across-new-york-state/

5. Helping veterans secure health care

When a Suffolk County veteran with Alzheimer's disease was denied a hospital transfer, his family contacted Kirsten's office for help. Kirsten's team worked with the VA on his behalf, and as a result, the VA reassessed the case and placed him in a new facility within the week-fully covered under VA care.

Individual casework is Kirsten's top priority. If you need help with any federal agency, contact her here. https://www.gillibrand.senate.gov/help/help-for-new-yorkers/

Senas. Gillibrand, Collins and Reps. Castro, Ciscomani Reintroduce Bipartisan Bill to Strengthe Early Childhood Education Workforce

WASHINGTON, D.C. - U.S. Senators Kirsten Gillibrand and Susan Collins (R-ME) reintroduced the Head Start for Our Future Act, bipartisan legislation that would make child development and early education jobs eligible as community services under the Federal Work-Study program. By allowing schools to offer students opportunities working in child development and early learning services, this bill would enable students attending college and universities to get firsthand experience in one of the most important jobs in the country - educating our nation's youngest minds. This bill will also help alleviate ongoing staffing shortages in the early childhood education workforce. Representatives Joaquin Castro (D-TX-20) and Juan Ciscomani (R-AZ-06) introduced companion legislation in the U.S. House of Representatives.

"Head Start is an investment in our future that helps make sure that every child has the support and services they need to thrive," said Senator Gillibrand. "My Head Start for Our Future Act would help build the robust workforce needed to support early childhood development, while empowering college students to gain valuable hands-on experience and make a real contribution in their communities. I look forward to working to get this important legislation across the finish line."

"By further integrating college students into Head Start and Early Head Start programs, we not only help create opportunities for those students, but also provide a stronger foundation for the early development and education of future generations," said Senator Collins. "This bipartisan bill aims to empower students to make meaningful contributions in their communities, while better ensuring that more children receive a quality introduction to the world of learning."

"We can strengthen the infrastructure of opportunity for future generations by expanding the Federal Work-Study program to improve educational outcomes for young children and build a stronger pipeline of future teachers," said Congressman Castro. "The Head Start for Our Future Act will help university students earn realworld, paid experience as early childhood educators, benefiting both our children and those who teach them."

"As a dad of six, I fully understand the critical role early childhood development programs play in the lives of students and families," said Congressman Ciscomani. "Arizona has 22 Head Start programs across 500 locations and they have proven to be essential to opening the doors of opportunity and helping our kids realize their dreams. The Head Start for Our Future Act builds on that track record of success by improving the early educator pipeline and empowering university students to gain hands-on experience as early childhood education teachers in the real world. This bill will be a game changer."

Head Start and Early Head Start provide comprehensive child development programs and support services for low-income children, including early education, health screenings, social and emotional health services, nutrition services, and services for children with disabilities. The bill is endorsed by the National Head Start Association, the School Superintendents Association, and Association of Educational Service Agencies.

"The Head Start for Our Future Act takes an important step toward strengthening the early childhood education workforce by providing an opportunity for college students to gain direct, hands-on experience in Head Start and other early learning settings," said Yasmina Vinci, Executive Director of the National Head Start Association. "By expanding Federal Work-Study to include child development and early learning, including Head Start, this legislation helps build a stronger pipeline of skilled educators, supports students pursuing meaningful careers, and addresses staffing shortages that impact children and families nationwide, advancing a solution that helps ensure continued access to high-quality early learning in communities across the country.'

Read the full text of the Head Start for Our Future Act here.

https://www.gillibrand.senate.gov/wp-content/uploads/2025/07/head_start_for_our_fut ure_act_2025.pdf









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2025 Bagel Festival Only a Month Away

Can you believe it? The 2025 Bagel Festival is only one month away, and the excitement is rising faster than a fresh batch of dough!

On Sunday, August 10, at 9AM, Broadway in Monticello, NY will transform into a bagel-lover's paradise - packed with delicious food, live entertainment, local vendors, and thousands of smiling faces soaking up the summer fun.

This year, we're going bigger and better than ever with more food, more music, more bagels, and more fun. If you've been before, you already know-it's the ultimate celebration of food, music and community. If this is your first time, prepare to fall in love.

Live Music? We've got a full lineup ready to rock the

Catch performances on the Radio Bold Music Fest Stage by:

Mckayla Pernise Jaketown Road Somerville Far Beyond Gone Shades

Feeling inspired? Take the stage yourself at our Open Mic Stage, open to all ages and talents (family-friendly content only, please!). Bring your voice, your instrument, or your best act and register now at:

https://thebagelfestival.org/open-mic-stage/

And of course, our vendor marketplace will be filled with everything from handcrafted goods and specialty foods to classic festival eats and-naturally-more bagels than you can count.

Vendor alert: We're almost sold out! If you're interested in showcasing your business or selling your wares at this high-energy, high-traffic event, now is the time to register and secure your space.

For the full event schedule, vendor list, and more, visit: thebagelfestival.org

Let the one-month countdown begin-we can't wait to see you in Monticello this August for a day that's truly baked to perfection!

Borscht Belt Fest Tickets
Selling Fast!
Get ready for an epic weekend of side-splitting laugh-

Get ready for an epic weekend of side-splitting laughter, delectable street food, live music and inspiring conversation. We've got legendary funnyman Robert Klein, rising rockstar Josh Gondelman and the ridiculously talented Sarge, whose experiences as a Black Jew bring raw honesty and humor to the stage.

There's acclaimed author Gary Shteyngart, a posse of New Yorker cartoonists and a Simon Sez showdown with the world-famous Steve Max.

Events like the Sunday Street Fair, Mike's Amazing Family Activities Tent and the Rugelach Bakeoff are free, but tickets are required for most indoor shows.

Click here for full line-up: https://www.borschtbeltfest.org/

Comedy Without Borders
Saturday, July 26, 3:00 - 4:15 pm
Shadowland Studio
14 Market Street

Back by popular demand, Immigrant Jam features immigrant and 1st gen comics who will make you laugh so hard you'll wish you were born somewhere else. Guaranteed not to have stolen any of your jobs, Immigrant Jam celebrates the beauty of everything cross cultural, deliciously different and not from here.

German-born Lucie Pohl is your host.

For tickets go to:

https://borschtbeltmuseum.standuptix.com/events/immigrant-jam-1

Plein Air About Town in Narrowsburg NY Summer Series of Evening Outdoor Sketch Hosted by: Zane Grey Plein Air

Each week, we'll go to a different scenic location in and about Narrowsburg, to capture the effects of changing light on nature and historic architecture. Demos for Absolute Beginners to Advanced. Bring your paint or sketch kits. Materials available for purchase. No signup required.

Thursdays: 5:30 to 7:30PM Dates: July 17, 24, 31

Location: Meets at Narrowsburg Union Parking Lot (7

Erie Ave.)

For more information, contact: Karen Meneghin, Artist/Founder Email: info@ZaneGreyPleinAir.com Visit: www.ZaneGreyPleinAir.com

This Upstate Art Weekend, DVAA presents two original artist commissions, selected for FRACK, CRACK, BOOM, BANG

On Saturday, July 19th, the DVAA will present and celebrate two original artist commissions, selected for FRACK, CRACK, BOOM, BANG: A call for artists to uplift voices of those touched by fracking and extraction from our landscapes.

In spring 2025, DVAA, in partnership with Damascus Citizens for Sustainability (DCS) and the Ohio Valley Allies, launched a call for proposals inviting artists to respond to a collection of oral histories and narratives from people living on the front lines of "frack country".

The selected commissioned works - a community-designed mural and a full-length album of original songs - each utilize the power of art, engagement, and storytelling to act as a spark, and a springboard, for dialogue, understanding, and community building.

SATURDAY, JULY 19th, 11am

Mural Unveiling and Community Potluck

DVAA invites you to join us for the unveiling of "Fractured Futures", a Community-Designed Mural by artists Frida Foberg and Kayla Jolin. This will be followed by a Community Potluck celebration with artists Jordan Temchack and Frida Foberg, DCS co-founder Jane Cyphers, and Jill Hunkler from the Ohio Valley Allies.

The mural was the culmination of a series of community engagements. They included a trip by Foberg to the Ohio Valley region and a community design workshop held at DVAA in June 2025 at which local residents watched interviews featuring Ohio Valley residents impacted by the extraction industry and shared their own perspectives. Foberg and Jolin then distilled their voices into the final mural design. During its execution, community members and visitors to Narrowsburg were invited to join the lead artists in painting the mural, which sparked dialogue about our relationship to and responsibilities as stewards of our natural surroundings.

ABOUT THE MURAL ARTISTS

Frida Foberg is a Swedish socially engaged artist and architect based in Brooklyn, NY. Her interdisciplinary practice bridges visual art, design, and social engagement, creating spaces where individual and collective stories unfold. Frida's work explores themes of belonging, awareness, and resilience, often engaging audiences and communities in creative processes that foster connection and dialogue. Through installations, performances, murals, and visual arts, she invites participants to contribute to shared expressions of identity and meaning, bringing these themes across urban and rural settings.

Her work has been exhibited in the Venice Biennale (Venice, Italy), Liljevalchs (Stockholm, Sweden), Arko Art Museum (Seoul, South Korea), Wilmer Jennings Gallery (NYC), The Invisible Dog Art Center (Brooklyn, NY), Stove Works (Chattanooga, TN), Turn Park Art Space (West Stockbridge, MA), Base 31 (Picton, Canada), Albany Center Gallery (Albany, NY), Opalka Gallery (Albany, NY), and Arts Letters & Numbers (Averill Park, NY).

Kayla Jolin is a multimedia artist, muralist, and arts organizer based in Troy, NY. With a decade of experience in art education, a BFA in Painting, and a background in scenic theatre painting, they root their work in creative collaboration and community engagement. Since relocating from Tucson, Arizona, to Upstate NY in 2020, they have been busy founding and running third spaces for artists, teaching workshops, and organizing community public art initiatives. When they are not teaching, Kayla can be found in the studio or the woods, exploring and creating work inspired by botany, memory, and transformation.

SATURDAY, JULY 19th, 7pm

Frack, Crack, Boom, Bang: Songs from Frackalachia

DVAA presents an original score featuring music and words by Rumble & Scream (Jordan and Bethany Temchack), Jill Hunkler, Willow Gatewood, and more. Followed by a panel discussion with artists Jordan Temchack of Rumble and Scream and Frida Foberg, DCS co-founder Jane Cyphers, and Jill Hunkler from the Ohio Valley Allies.

Jordan Temchack visited the Ohio Valley Region in May 2025 where he gathered field recordings and original audio from community members including Jil Hunkler, founder of the Ohio Valley Allies. Combined with audio recordings from the original interviews presented in the call for proposals, Temchack composed "Songs from Frackalachia" in the folk music tradition of bearing witness through song.

ABOUT THE COMPOSER

Jordan Tyler Temchack wears many hats, some of the most pertinent include: artist, environmentalist, musician, composer, librettist, poet, folklorist, writer, producer, and audio engineer. He is the creator of the folk-rock, fantasy opera, Rumble & Scream: Post-Industrial Sounds in Pennsylkrainia, and the cofounder of Holy Crick Records, LLC. A demonstration of Temchack's multi-faceted approach: you may explore the first part of the Rumble & Scream story as a full-length, 23-track album comprised of narrative poetry, original musical compositions, and environmental field recordings, or you can listen and read along with the book version of the libretto published by Red Flag Poetry (Indiana, PA).

ABOUT DCS

Damascus Citizens for Sustainability (DCS) endeavors to protect the community's right to clean water, air, and land. In 2008, they spearheaded the fracking fight in the Upper Delaware River Basin, which led to the ban on fracking within the basin, and continue to fight for local and regional environmental justice issues.

ABOUT OHIO VALLEY ALLIES

A community organization built with a grassroots spirit, the Ohio Valley Allies spreads awareness about the dangerous impacts of fracking and empowers people by providing resources, education, and support to protect their health, environments, and communities.

ABOUT DVAA

DVAA is your artistic home in the Upper Delaware Valley and Sullivan Catskills Region. We give artists platforms to share their voice, whether it's in our galleries, on our stages, or at our festivals. We fund local creatives and cultural organizations through our role as the Arts Council of Sullivan County. And we welcome all, from near or far who seek a supportive place to be creative, be connected, and be inspired.

SUPPORT

DVAA's programs are made possible in part by the New York State Council on the Arts with support of the Office of the Governor and the New York State Legislature, the Nancy Stevenson Memorial Fund, the Upstate Theater Coalition for a Fair Game Grant Program, DVAA members, Business Sponsors, and individuals like you!

CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP FOR FAMILIES OF VETERANS

1st Wednesday each month 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM Feb 5

Mar 5 Apr 2

May 7 June 4

July 2 Aug 6

Sept 3 Oct 1

Nov 5 Dec 3

Action Toward Independence 309 E Broadway, Monticello, NY 12701

To register:

Use the QR Code, or use the link https://tinyurl.com/5n6mtpy4 or email sullivancrc@cornell.edu.

For more information or to talk to a Veteran Peer Advocate, please call 845.794.4228.

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An estimated 80% of veterans will have some need for long-term services and supports in their lifetime. Supporting caregivers helps reduce stress and caregiver burnout and improves wellness.







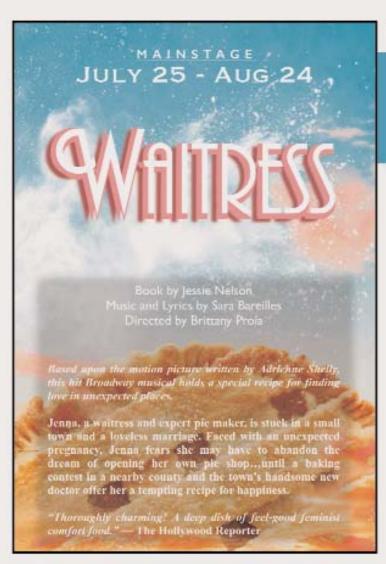


A TASTE OF BROADWAY IV "WAITRESS"

Date: Saturday, Matinee, August 23 - Lunch 11:45 (Open seating), 2:00 pm show.

Price: \$109 includes lunch, show and fundraiser.

* If you are a paid season subscriber to Shadowland, your price is \$79.



Support the Ellenville
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The Shadowland Theatre at 157 Canal St. is featuring this Tony Award Nominated musical coupled with lunch at Gaby's Cafe, 141 Canal Street Ellenville, NY 12428

(Please make check payable to "ERH Auxiliary" with your phone #, choice of entree and if you are a season subscriber).

Mail to Helene Morris, PO Box 105, Spring Glen, NY 12483 Call 845-210-7120 with any seating requirements or questions.

"A Taste of Broadway IV"

Saturday Matinee, August 23, 2025 Lunch at Gaby's Café before the Show

11:45 Open Seating (Cash Bar)

<u>Menu</u>

Gaby's House Salad

Choice of Entrée

Pollo 5 de Mayo

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

Pernil al Horno

Roast Pork, Gaby's Style.

Quesadilla de Verduras

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

Dessert

Assorted Cookies

Coffee / Tea / Tip Included

Please call ERH Auxiliary Event Chairperson Helene Morris at 845-210-7120 with your selection. (Tickets will be given at the restaurant)

International Overdose Awareness Day Vigil

A Time to Remember. A Time to Act.



Join us as we raise awareness about overdoses and reduce the stigma surrounding drug-related deaths.

Hear state and local leaders talk about what is being done to battle the opioid crisis in our community. Open your hearts as families share their stories of loved ones who lost their battle with substance use. Remember those who have passed and celebrate those in recovery. Meet organizations and learn about resources created to face this crisis head on.

Local first responders, music and dance artists and bagpipers will join us in front of the Sullivan County Courthouse, which will be illuminated in purple to symbolize overdose awareness.

Tuesday • August 26, 2025 6 PM at the Sullivan County Courthouse Lawn, 414 Broadway, Monticello

Rain date: Wednesday, August 27
For more information, contact
Lindsay Wheat, Sullivan 180
Outreach Program Manager, at
Lindsay@Sullivan180.org or
(845) 295-2683.

This event is brought to you by a community of organizations working together to end the opioid epidemic in Sullivan County.



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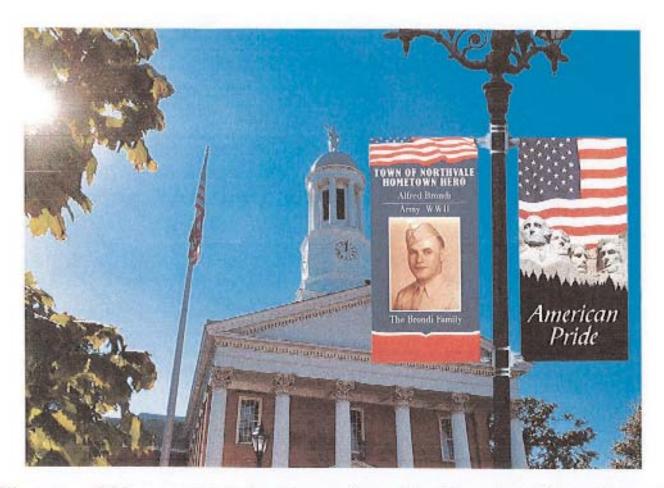
JULY 17, 2025

Monday, July 21, 2025 at 1:00 p.m.

Open to all community retirees & senior patrons

Join us for an afternoon of conversation with fellow retirees in our Adult Reading Room.
Light refreshments will be served.

For more information contact Adele Barnard at ambarnard57@gmail.com or (845)428-2383
Register at www.danielpiercelibrary.org



Town of Neversink is Honoring its Service Members!

Town Of Neversink is launching a Hometown Heroes Banner Program as a living tribute for our community to honor past and present members of the Armed Forces and their family members.

If you would like to volunteer or know of a loved one that you would like to honor, please contact us.

Town of Neversink 273 Main Street Grahamsville Ny 12740

Jenna Carmody 845-866-2213





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2025 Caregiver Resource Center **Monthly Virtual Support Groups**

For family caregivers caring for an individual with any illness, chronic disease or disability (including seniors or someone with earlystage dementia).

To register:

Use the QR Code, or use the link https://tinyurl.com/5n6mtpy4 or email sullivancrc@cornell.edu.



3rd Wednesday each month

6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Jan 15 Feb 19

Mar 19 Apr 16

May 21 June 18

July 16 Aug 20

Sept 17 Oct 15

Nov 19 Dec 17

Via Zoom or Phone

(Center)

ALZHEIMER'S 95 ASSOCIATION

This program is supported by a grant from the NVS Department of Health and is a partnership between Cornell Cooperative Extension, Sullivan County Office for the Aging, and the Alzheimer's Association.



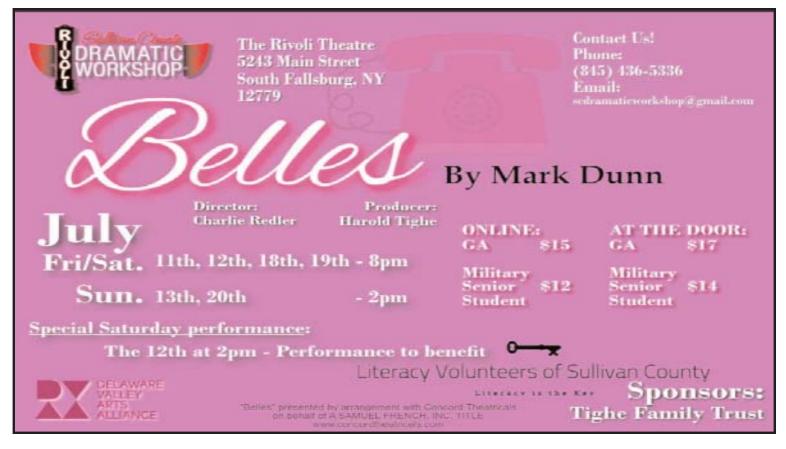
JULY 19TH, 2025 Morningside Park

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Each sponsored flag is \$200, allowing you to create a stirring tribute to a person who has inspired you. Your contribution becomes part of an annual inspirational display that touches everyone who sees it.

For Details please email, call or visit the Neversink Town Clerk's office.

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PO Box 307, 273 Main St
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townclerk@townofneversink.org
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Enjoy a fresh cup of coffee from Happy Belly for \$2. Choose the perfect coffee pod for yourself at our front desk.

Pick out a book to buy and take home or dive into it right here. Sit back, sip your coffee and enjoy a peaceful moment.

Whether you're looking for your next page-turner or just need a break, Pages and Percs is your perfect spot to relax and recharge.

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Join the DPL 2025 Reading Challenge!

Read ALL year and you could win a book or two!

Ready to dive into new adventures, explore fresh ideas and discover exciting worlds? The 2025 Book Challenge is here and it's open to readers of all ages! Whether you're a child just learning to read, a teen devouring every novel in sight or an adult looking for your next great read, this challenge is for you!

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

- · Set Your Goal whether it's 5, 10 or 30 books, there's no limit!
- · Read explore new genres, authors and topics.
- · Track Your Progress add the titles as you go.
- Celebrate Your Success complete the challenge by December 31, 2025 and be entered to win a book each time you fill out one side of your reading log!

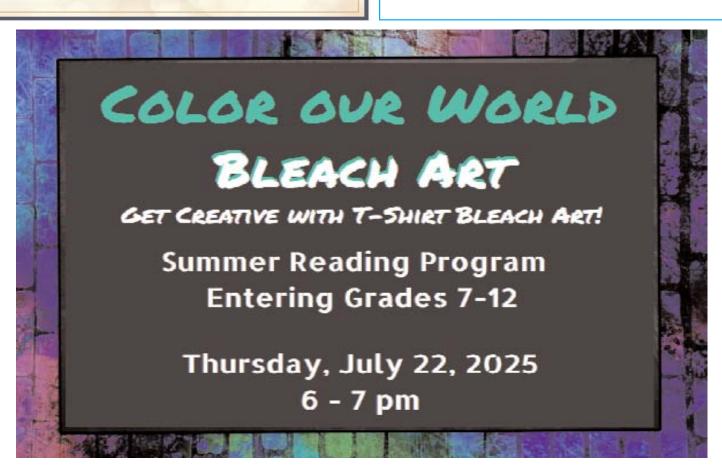
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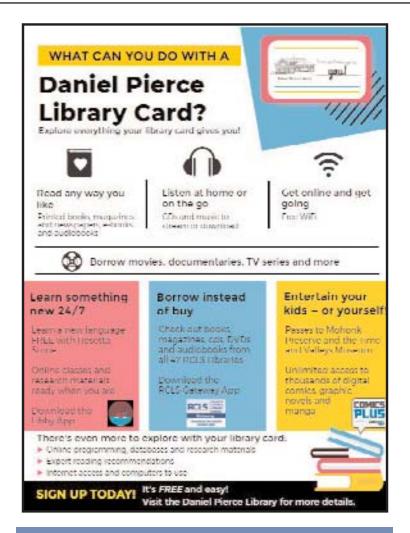
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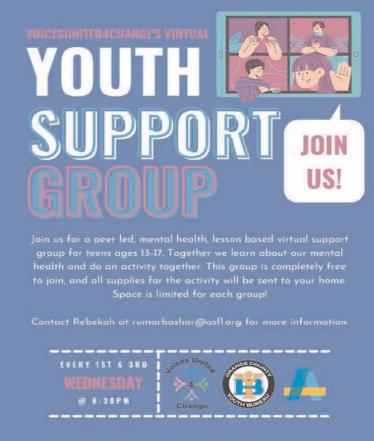
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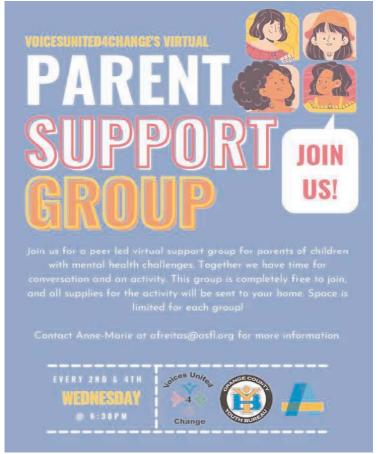
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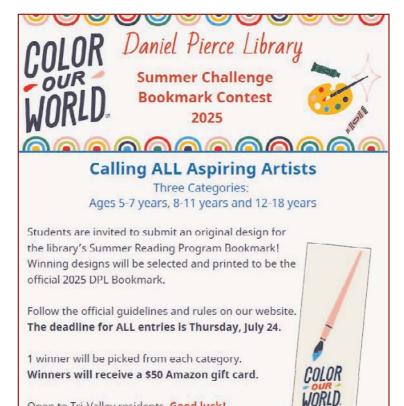












Daniel Pierce Library

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Open to Tri-Valley residents, Good luck!

Daniel Pierce Library **Entertainment Night 2025 Color Our World** Skyhunters In Flig

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

> Thursday, July 24, 2025 6:00 pm Grahamsville Fairgrounds Under the Pavilion

For children of ALL ages and their families

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

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

Perfect for all ages-

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

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

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16 Bova Road, Summitville, NY 12781

2025 EVENT CALENDAR

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

The Economic Impact of the D&H Canal on Sullivan County

presented by John Conway

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

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

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

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

Additional presentations to be announced!

These events are FREE!

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

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



845-807-0287 | SCParks@sullivanny.gov https://sullivanny.gov/Departments/ParksRecreation Comell Cooperative Extension Sullivan County

Parkinson's Support Group

Resource Centers

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Parkinson's disease can be different for everyone. While there's no cure for Parkinson's disease, certain lifestyle changes can help manage symptoms and improve overall quality of life.

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WHEN:

4:00 PM - 5:30 PM April 9 May 14

June 11 July 9

Aug 13 Sept 10

Oct 8 Nov 12

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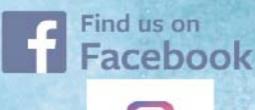
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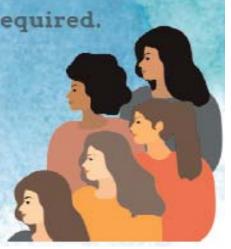
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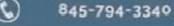
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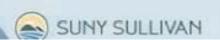
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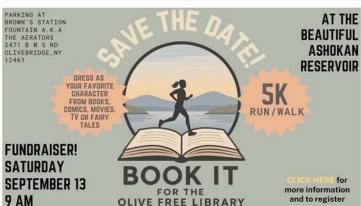


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* 26-28 Mountain Road, Shokan, NY; handicap accessible, bathrooms on site
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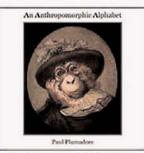
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Knarf's Classic Christmas in July Movie

"The Christmas Chronicles" Netflix

Catch a few teasers at: https://www.netflix.com/title/80199682

The Christmas Chronicles is comedy film directed by Clay Kaytis from a screenplay by Matt Lieberman. The film stars Kurt Russell, Judah Lewis, Darby Camp, Lamorne Morris, Kimberly Williams-Paisley, and Oliver Hudson. The film was produced by 1492 Pictures and Wonder Worldwide and was released on November 22, 2018, on Netflix

The Christmas Chronicles tells the





story of sister and brother, Kate (Darby Camp) and Teddy Pierce (Judah Lewis), whose Christmas Eve plan to catch Santa Claus (Kurt

Russell) on camera. Christmas Eve turns into an unexpected journey for Kate and Teddy. After staking out Santa's arrival, they accidently fall into his sleigh and take off on an unforgetable journey. When he sees he wasn't alone on the sleigh, Santa is startled and lets out with a loud cry that equally scares Kate and Teddy. The distraction causes the sleigh to crash and nearly ruins Christmas. As their wild night unfolds, Kate and Teddy

must work together with Santa and his loyal Elves to save Christmas before it's too late.

The Christmas Chronicles, a holiday adventure movie for the whole family, earned a massive 20 million streams in its first week on Netflix. It has been noted, even in his successful



career, [Kurt Russell] never had that many people see one of his movies in the first week ever.

Kurt Russell's powerful role as Santa in *The Christmas Chronicle* is a gift anyone should be happy to claim.

Stay safe, and stay well Knarf Odnamoc Gnome

Answer to last week's Trivia Question: *Life or Something Like It*

This weeks' Trivia question: In <u>The Christmas Chronicles</u> whose voice do we hear when Santa sings Santa Claus is Back in Town?

Hint: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v= ZOFIsNnDOI