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TAKE A BOW ALISON AND CHRIS!

When the fair opens next month and you are in the Craft building --admiring all the beautiful hand work -- check out the walls. The dingy walls have been replaced and given a coat of white paint.

The interior now almost glows as it shows off each item to a better advantage.

A big thank you of appreciation goes to Chris Holmes and Alison Mc Carthy who have devoted their time and efforts to improving our craft building. Take a bow - Alison and Chris.

INTO THE WOODS..AGAIN! (MUSHROOM ID)

David Fischer, author and expert on the ecology and identification of wild mushrooms will present a day long workshop on mushroom ID on August 21 from 9 am to 4 pm at the CCE Sullivan County at 64 Ferndale Loomis Road in Liberty New York. Part of the day will be "in the woods" putting your new skills to work. Participants are encouraged to bring any of their "home finds" to the class for identification. Limited registration.

The cost: for the day is \$50.00/\$60.00 which includes lunch. Call 845 292-6180 for more information and registration

ASSEMBLYMEMBER CAHILL BUILDS COMMUNITY WITH ULSTERCORPS Volunteer Network Seeded by State Grant Secured by Assemblymember Cahill



Left to right, UlsterCorps President Rik Flynn, Co-Director Nancy Pompeo, Assemblymember Cahill, UlsterCorps Board Member Laraine Mai, Co-Director Beth McLendon at their July 13th meeting in Assemblymember Cahill's district office in Kingston

Assemblymember Kevin Cahill (D- Ulster, Dutchess) met on July 13 with directors of UlsterCorps to hear about the far-reaching impact the group has made. UlsterCorps, founded in 2009 with a local initiative grant secured by Assemblymember Cahill, is a county-wide resource dedicated to fostering a culture of collaborative volunteerism. (Contd. Pg 12)

MANDATED 8 hr. ANNUAL IN-SERVICE Security Guard Training Course set for July 31st

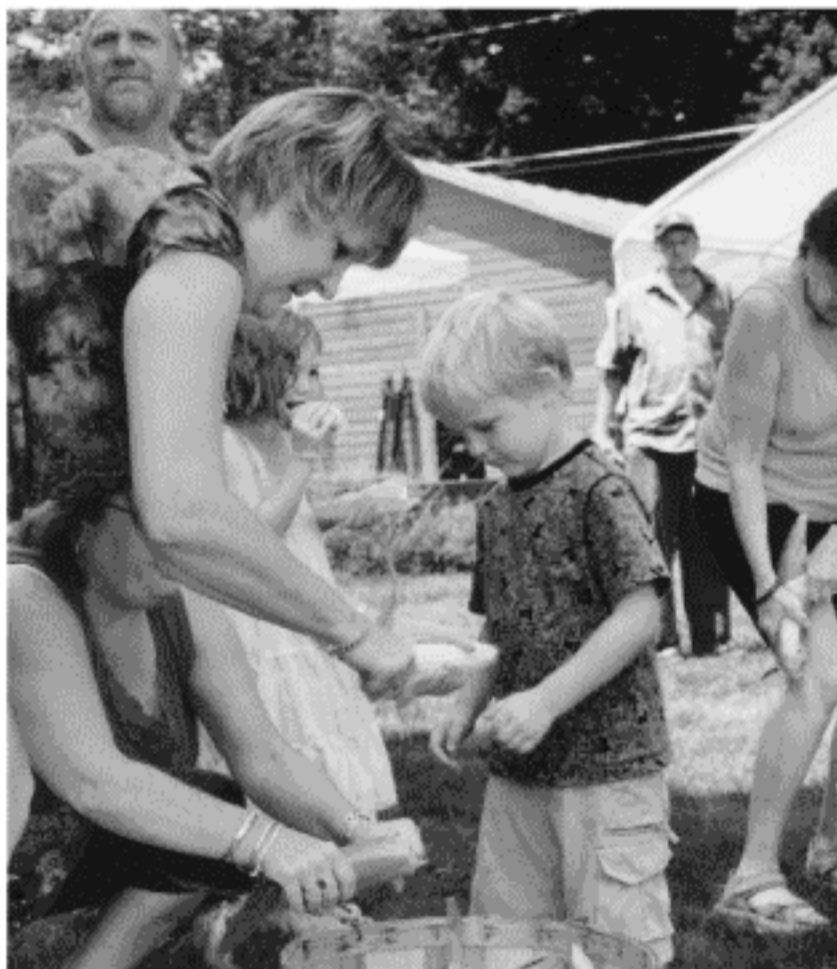
BOCES' Adult Education Program is now accepting students for its 8 hour Pre-Assignment Security Guard Training Course.

This course is mandated for all security guards in New York State. This must be completed on a calendar year basis for each year succeeding the completion of the 16-hour On-the-job Training Course.

The courses will be held at the St. John Street Education Center in Monticello on Monday, July 31st, from 8:30 am to 5:00 pm (Contd. Pg. 4)

OLD TIME FUN AT THE OLDE TIME FAIR SATURDAY JULY 31ST

This year's widely-popular Olde Time Fair will be held rain or shine on Saturday, July 31st from 10:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., at Neversink Town Hall on St. Rt. 55 in Grahamsville, New York.



Simple, old fashioned fun is what you'll find at the Olde Time Fair, a day dedicated to honoring and remembering our rich local history, with activities to include: Horseshoe.; corn-husking and Lady's skillet throwing contests; Children's old fashioned games ongoing throughout the day; Old fashioned ice cream making demonstration and tasting; Pie auction with emcee Barry Lewis; Chestnut Creek Rapids Race; Great food and bake sale; Quilt exhibit and demonstrations; White elephant sale - something for everyone! There will also be local history exhibits

Admission is FREE, with only nominal fee for some games and food. (Contd. Pg. 3)

LIBERTY HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT MEGAHN BURKE ATTENDS LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE IN IRELAND



Liberty High School student Megahn Burke traveled to Ireland June 28 to take part in the 2nd Albert Schweitzer's Leadership for Life Program Annual International Youth Leadership Conference in Dublin.(Contd. Pg. 4)

ETHEL COOMBE FETED

On Tuesday, July 13th, about 90 friends and family members joined together at the Grahamsville Reformed Church for a "Birthday Tea" to honor a most gracious lady - Ethel Coombe - in observance of her 98th. birthday. (Contd. Pg. 3)

OLDE TIME FAIR TO FEATURE LOCAL QUILTERS by Phyllis (Penny) Coombe

The Time and the Valleys Museum Old Time Fair is fast approaching. This year's quilt exhibit will feature the work of (current or past) local residents. The exhibit will be hung on Thursday the 29th at 1 PM. in the Board meeting room inside the secure, climate controlled Town Hall. You may bring your wrapped items at that time or drop them off with Lisa or Sue earlier that week. Quilts may be picked up at 4 pm on the 31st. Please be sure your display items are labeled with your name.

Members of the Calico Geese will be displaying this year's raffle quilt and providing an opportunity for you to try your hand at quilting a stitch or two. The Claryville Quilters will also be displaying their raffle quilt and demonstrating the quilting process.

If you have a quilt or smaller quilted item such as wall hanging, table runner, or purse that you would like to share, please email me at tvangus@hvc.rr.com or call me at 985-7530. We are looking forward to another great exhibit. And, don't forget to step inside the air conditioned Town Hall during the fair to see the beautiful work done by your talented friends and neighbors.

CHAIR SEAT DEMONSTRATION AT OLDE TIME FAIR

Pam Sloan of nearby Pennsylvania will be demonstrating how to replace chair seats--rush, cane, and pressed cane on the side porch of the Town Hall. Stop by to see how your old chairs can be rescued for everyday use once more.

BOCES CONSTRUCTION STUDENTS HELP FALLSBURG CENTRAL SCHOOL



Construction Technology Class at BOCES

After a year of planning the Fallsburg Central School District has four dugouts for their baseball fields thanks to the efforts of the Construction Technology class at Sullivan County BOCES. (Contd. Pg. 4)

REMINDER: THE TOWNSMAN IS GROWING 'GREENER'

In an attempt to 'save the trees' and to 'save you money' the *Townsmen* will be promoting a new policy regarding fliers beginning the first week of August. (Contd. Pg. 10)

YE OLDE TRI-VALLEY TOWNSMAN
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6. Copies of letters or third-party letters will not be accepted.

Opinions expressed in Ye Olde Tri-Valley Townsman belong to the writers and are not necessarily the viewpoint of Ye Olde Tri-Valley Townsman or its staff.

To renew or receive a new subscription to the TOWNSMAN, please fill out the form below. Mail form to the address above or place in the TOWNSMAN drop box located on the porch of the First Aid Building in Grahamsville. Make checks payable to: *Ye Olde Tri-Valley Townsman*

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All inserts/fliers must be pre-paid. Please send the correct amount of money along with **1,000 copies** of your flyer. If the insert/flyer is printed only on one side, the rate is \$17.00 per week. If the insert/flyer is printed on both sides, the rate is \$32.00 per week. The customer must provide the correct number of pre-printed flyers. If you wish *Ye Olde Tri-Valley Townsman* to print the flyers the charge for a one-sided flyer based on 1,000 copies (white paper) will be \$70.00. If both sides of the flyer are to be printed the charge based on **1,000 copies on white paper** will be \$125.00.

Deadline for all submissions is 3:00 p.m. Friday.

NO EXCEPTIONS

If you are submitting your advertising by email, our email address is: tvtownsman@yahoo.com If you do choose to send ad copy via the internet please send it in either PDF (Acrobat) files or JPG format. All press releases/articles should be sent as Microsoft Word Documents (**Word Document with an extension of .doc**).

Have a question- please call: Linda Comando (845) 985-0501.
As always, thank you for your support.

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ON THE FRONT BURNER : For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God.
Ephesians 2:8

OBITUARY

John F "Jack" Towne of Grahamsville, passed away July 17th 2010. He was 85 years of age.

Born in Jersey City, N.J. the son of John and Oretta Lewis Towne on February 7th 1925.

Jack was a retired machine designer for VAW of America. Also an avid farmer he was the owner and operator of Towne farm. A founding member of the Ulster Heights Rod & Gun Club, and a parishioner at the Christ Lutheran Church of Ellenville.

Jack proudly served for his country during World War II in two branches of the armed forces, the Coast Guard and the Army, He was also a Merchant Marine.

Jack is survived by his loving wife of 57 years; Margaret Miller Towne also survived by his daughter Judy and husband Paul Essex of Grahamsville and two grandchildren Kyle and Ryan Essex. He is predeceased by three brothers and four sisters.

Visitation was held on Thursday July 15th at Loucks Funeral Home. A funeral service was held at the funeral home on Friday, with Pastor Kit Robinson officiating. Interment followed at the Grahamsville Rural Cemetery.

Donations in Jacks name may be made to The Christ Lutheran Church, PO Box 787, Ellenville NY 12428.

Arrangements were made by Loucks Funeral home 79 North Street Ellenville NY, for further information contact us at (845) 647-4343.

THANK YOU

This is to thank all who supported the SADIE MINARSKY BENEFIT FUND. Your support was overwhelming, especially our Fire Family: The Grahamsville Fire Dept. and Ladies' Auxiliary, the Loch Sheldrake Fire Dept. and Ladies' Auxiliary, Hurleyville Fire Dept., Fallsburg Fire Dept. and Woodbourne Fire Dept. A special one to the Tri-Valley Lions also. A big thank you to all our friends who rallied around us. We couldn't have done this without you.

To all the businesses that contributed, thank you also.

On June 15th, Sadie got a very good report from all her Doctors. The new phase of treatment seems to be working well. Thanks also to all those who are praying. The power of prayer is certainly working.

We are so lucky to live in a very caring community. Thank you!
Jim & Eileen Minarsky

COLLEGE NEWS

The following local residents were named to the Dean's List at SUNY Cortland for the spring 2010 semester. To make the list, honorees must earn a grade point average of 3.3 or higher on a 4.0 scale, while completing 12 or more credit hours of classes during the semester.

Brendan Musa, a junior business economics major from Neversink.

Dustin Lewis, a senior sport management major from Woodbourne.

Lacey Moore, daughter of Fred A. Moore and Susan R. Moore of Neversink, graduated from the State University of New York at Oswego on Saturday, May 15 with a Master's Degree in Literacy B-6. Lacey, a 2005 graduate of Tri-Valley HS maintained an overall grade point average of 3.8 out of 4.0 in her Master's program at Oswego. She was on the Dean's List all three semesters of her Master's program and completed her bachelor's degree and master's degree in 4 1/2 years.

During the year she was awarded a graduate assistantship working in the Curriculum Instruction Adviseement Center at SUNY Oswego. Here, Lacey was able to collaborate with students and staff members in the education department. Lacey has now applied for jobs upstate and locally to pursue her career in teaching.

DAYS OF YORE....

Today's History

July 19, 1950

Israel Slater and Walton Hamilton have taken the contract for the Grahamsville Fire House. Operations began on Monday morning. The building is to be a frame construction 28' by 40' with a metal roof and asbestos shingles

on the sides. It is expected to be finished in three months.

The 1950 census shows the Town of Neversink to have 1,512 inhabitants; Sullivan County 40,634. Neversink is the eighth in size among the fifteen townships in Sullivan. Liberty is the largest village, topping Monticello by 415.

The Cooney Bros. Sand and Gravel Plant, which has been located in the valley near Lackawack, has been moved to the site of the former Eureka. They will furnish sand and gravel for the Frazier Davis Construction Co. and for the Walsh Perini Construction Co. The road outlet will be where the former Eureka Road meets 55A near the Lows Corner Outlet.

Operation of a Health Department for Sullivan County, if such were established, would cost \$122,220 annually according to a report filed this week with the Board of Supervisors.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Strangeway and children, Linda and Ricky, have moved into one of the Magrel bungalows. Mr. Strangeway will teach Agriculture in the Tri-Valley School.

July 20, 1960 - The West Branch tunnel work for New York City's water system is expected to be completed by the first of the year, it was learned recently. A spokesman at the West Delaware Tunnel Construction office said that the only major work yet to be done is concreting some 5 miles of the tunnel from Shaft 7 at Halls Mills toward Shaft 6 at DeBruce.

The Folk Festival at Camp Woodland will be held this summer for the 19th time. Several local people have participated in the Catskill Mountain Folk Festival at Phoenicia in past years, including the late Eton Van Wagner, George Edwards and Marvin Yale. Mr. and Mrs. Harry Robinson of Rocky Hill have taken part many times.

Footings were put in last week for the new Neversink Town Hall on the former Kortright property in Grahamsville.

The members of the Sundown Methodist Church were happy to have Mrs. Earl Sheeley of Grahamsville at the organ this past Sunday. Chip Haag is expected back from the Philmont Scout Ranch in New Mexico this week and will substitute at the organ for some Sundays to come.

July 21, 1970

Harry Bailey, who has been the Town Justice, Town of Denning, for the past 15 years, resigned as of June 30th due to other commitments. Stanley Fitchner was appointed to fill the vacancy.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Carlson had a picnic on Sunday, July 12th at their home on South Hill to celebrate the 40th anniversary of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thorvald Carlson.

THE DEADLINE - by Mabel F. Hill

Sometimes the deadline, I must confess,
On the day the paper must go to press,
Has left us frantic because the sun
Will have set before our work is done.
There is no time for us to doubt
Just what our news will be about.
We have to keep busy because the sun
Will have set before our work is done.
The presses rumble as we relate
The special things happening to this date.
We hurry along, because the sun
Will have set before our work is done.

July 24, 1980 - Dr. Walter S. Dobushak announces the opening of his medical office in Grahamsville for the practice of family medicine.

Hugh A. Denman, 72, of Riverside Drive, Woodbourne, died Saturday, July 19, 1980 at Harris Hospital. Mr. Denman, a lifelong area resident, was born February 7, 1908 in Neversink to William and Sadie Grant Denman. He was married to the former Mildred Hadden. He was a member of the Woodbourne Fire Co. and past captain of the Woodbourne Fire Police.

Missy Iatauro, Groo Rd., led the girls with a winning time of 40:08 in the American Cancer Society's Run for Hope held at the Monticello Raceway on Sunday, receiving a trophy.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Huggins announce the engagement of their daughter, Theresa Sue, to Mark Steven Lloyd, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Lloyd. An October wedding is planned. Theresa Sue is the granddaughter of Dot DePew of Peekamoose Rd., Sundown.

HERE AND THERE -

Well over one hundred well-wishers gathered at the Grahamsville Reformed Church Community Hall last Tuesday evening (July 12) to pay tribute to a special lady for a very special occasion. The lady is Ethel Coombe, and the occasion was a Birthday Tea to celebrate the beginning of her 98th year!

By 6:00 p.m., the hour suggested for guests to arrive, the line of greeters extended the length of the hall, the vestibule, and across the porch. Ethel, sitting in a transport chair near the stage, greeted everyone by name and spent a few minutes in conversation with each. Family members kept an eye on her, ready to come if she seemed to tire or need assistance; she didn't.

The "tea table" offered a wide variety of solid food items, and ended with a large assortment of luscious-looking desserts, in addition to a huge, beautifully decorated cake. As guests finished their desserts, several young music students performed familiar tunes for Ethel's enjoyment.

The entire community sends birthday congratulations to this remarkable lady.

When I started checking the list of 'special days' for July, I was astonished by the number of celebrators for this month! Let me start with a hold-over from the month before, when we were "on break" - June Schmitz, on June 29 (sorry, sister-in-law). Now for July birthdays: Jean Helthaler, 7-5; Leona Goethe (age 83), 7-7; Phil Coombe Jr., 7-11; Helen Mickelson and Gene Fuller (he's 83), both 7-12; Joan Hall, 7-18; Ethel Coombe (see above), 7-19; Virginia Anderson (age 89), 7-21; Greg Pond, 7-24; Terri Richardson, 7-25; and Amy Garber (age 88), 7-29. Wow! (It's got to be the water around here.)

Now for anniversaries. Lenny and Sandy Bernstein have been married 26 years this month - exact date uncertain. Gene and Fran Fuller, 7-7; Jim and Claire Rennison, 50 years, 7-16 (we mentioned their celebration last week); John and Ann Higgins, 60 years, 7-20; Dick and Penny Hennessey, 18 years, 7-25; Leo and Alice Bertholf, 57 years, also 7-25; Alyson Quick and husband Adam Weller, 4 years, 7-28; and Tom and Kylie Conjura, 6 years, 7-31.

Congratulations and best wishes to all of the above!

Why do people always talk about the weather? Possibly because we are so often unhappy with it, as with our current long heat-and-humidity pattern. Cheer up, it can't last forever. Two months ago, we closed the column with this statement: "That's it for now. Have a good week. (It makes it easier if you can convince yourself that you really like cold weather in May.)" (pah)

NEVERSINK NEWS - Hulda Vernooy

Katherine Cypert Gerry passed away on July 17th in Liberty. She was the daughter of Herman and Madeline Muthig Cypert, and the sister of Hilda Tillson and LaVerne Black. We extend our condolences to the family.

A belated Happy Birthday to Craig Dean on July 19th. Hope it was a special day.

Don't forget to mark your calendar for the Neversink Antique Tractor Show on September 18th and 19th.

Reminder: The Neversink Ladies Auxiliary is having a Penny Social on July 31st.

Continued get well wishes to Marge Denman who had a knee replacement recently.

The Class of 1954 held their 56th class reunion on Sunday, July 18, at the Grahamsville First Aid Building. Those attending were: Bill & Betty Vantran, Paul & Cheryl Muthig and their granddaughter, Donna (DeVoe) & Ray Denman, Ginny (Caldwell) & Ken Bishop, Jim & Sue Nash, Frank & Bonnie Shannon, Martha (Pomeroy) Schaffer, Ginnie (DuBois) & Ralph Rhynders, June Krom and daughter Kathy, Tom Smith & Edith, and Lois Smith. Everyone had a wonderful time and enjoyed all the delicious food and good fellowship.

A big "Thank You" to the Adult Care Facility in Liberty for the delicious barbecue which was held at the Infirmary on Wednesday, July 14, for all the residents, their families and friends.

Have a good week and God Bless. (Call Hulda at 985-2268 with your Neversink news.)

ETHEL COOMBE FETED (From Pg. 1)

After opening remarks by Spencer Quick and a blessing by Pastor Paul Ruter, everyone enjoyed a light repast of dainty sandwiches, accompanied by delicious potato and chicken salad. A variety of teas and finger desserts were also served. A beautiful Birthday Cake was brought out and Ethel happily blew out the candles with the assistance of her great-granddaughter, Rebecca (daughter of Ric & Karen Coombe). Also featured was a pastel drawing of Ethel done by a member of her Art group (Next Col.)

and a variety of table favors, being cards with writings about tea, friendship and faith. Each person recieved a copy of the poem "Drinkin From My Saucer" by singer, Jimmy Dean and a packet of Scripture Tea bags.

Ethel has always been known for her "church picnics" at which she especially enjoyed presentations by the children so a special tribute to Ethel was arranged and the children performed a "mini-concert". Emily Starner played "Happy Birthday" on the keyboard as the group sang. Emily Fingar (granddaughter of Pete & Carol Furman) played a rousing jig on the violin, Joey Schulte played a few tunes on the recorder, including the hymn, "Amazing Grace", Jordan Costa also played her violin and Colby Costa played the keyboard. A marvelous treat from these young talents!

All in all, it was a great evening and Ethel enjoyed greeting long time friends and even met some new. For sure, her long time and new friends enjoyed honoring this lovely lady and the words of Jimmy Dean certainly prevailed - "I'm drinkin from my saucer, for my cup has over-flowed"!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, ETHEL !!

OLD TIME FUN AT THE OLDE TIME FAIR (From Pg. 1)



From 3 p.m. to 6 p.m., tap your toes to the music of Steve Jacobi and Fiddlin' Around, while enjoying the delicious Miller's Chicken Barbecue (starting at 2 p.m.). The popular Miller's Chicken is accompanied by baked potato, tomato and cucumber salad, corn on the cob, roll, bottled water, and dessert. The cost for the BBQ is adults \$10 and children under 8, \$7. Dinners are available to eat in or take out.

The Time and the Valleys Museum is a living and interactive resource that preserves the past, educates the present and ensures the uniqueness of the Rondout and Neversink watersheds for all generations. Currently located in the Neversink Town Hall, the Museum provides educational programming for the public and is actively raising funds to install exhibitions in the Museum's future home, co-located in the new addition to the Daniel Pierce Library. For additional information on the Museum or this unique and enjoyable event, please call us at 985-2262 x313 or go online at www.timeandthevalleymuseum.org.

SULLIVAN RENAISSANCE 2010 AWARDS CEREMONY

The Sullivan Renaissance 2010 Awards Ceremony will honor the volunteers who are improving communities throughout Sullivan County on Monday, August 9 at Monticello High School Auditorium. Doors open at 6:00 p.m. with light refreshments; the program begins at 6:45 p.m.

Sullivan Renaissance will thank the thousands of volunteers who have been planting the seeds and nourishing the vision for ten years. "This has been ten years of blossoming, ten years of teamwork, ten years of making a difference," said Sandra Gerry, who chairs the Sullivan Renaissance Steering Committee, "At this rate, can you imagine what we will all accomplish in the next few years?"

This year volunteers have been busy working on beautification projects in dozens of communities since April. Projects judged the most successful in completing their efforts will be announced at the Awards Ceremony and receive additional grants between \$1000 and \$50,000.

Participants in all Sullivan Renaissance programs will be acknowledged and three Community Development Grants will receive special recognition. Scholarships for Sullivan Renaissance volunteers will be announced by the Community Foundation of Orange and Sullivan Counties, and the SCCC Foundation.

NYS Senator John J. Bonacic was instrumental in obtaining funding for large community development projects in Category C. One of these communities will also receive the \$50,000 "Golden Feather Grant" secured by Assemblywoman Aileen M. Gunther. Sponsorships have also been (Next Col.)

provided by WSUL/WVOS for Category A projects and by Thunder 102 for Category B projects.

For information, contact 845-295-2445 or www.sullivanrenaissance.org.

HERE'S WHAT'S HAPPENING AT CONSUMER AND FINANCIAL ED CORNELL COOPERATIVE EXTENSION OF SC

The 131th Annual Little World's Fair is August 13th, 14th, & 15th at the Grahamsville Fairgrounds. Gates are open on Friday and Saturday from 9:00am to 11:00pm and Sunday 9:00am to 7:00pm. There will be lots of old fashioned family fun. All of CCE's programs will have displays set up in the 4-H building for your viewing. Please stop by and see us! Other activities include games, rides, animal shows and exhibitions, a pie auction, fireworks, live music and lots of real down home, country entertainment. For more information visit www.grahamsvillefair.com.

CCE ANNOUNCES A PHOTO CONTEST

What does Agriculture in Sullivan County mean to you? Send us your best photos.

Enter a picture of a Sullivan County farm, tractor, garden, farm animals or work being done on the farm. What represents farming to you? Everyone is welcome to send in photos electronically. We will also accept hard copies of photos for consideration. The 12 best will appear on a calendar to be sold this fall by CCE, as a fund raiser. All entries must arrive by August 31, 2010 to be considered. (If you have questions please call Susan Dollard at 845- 292-5250. Entries are to be sent to smd243@cornell.edu

AMERICAN CHESTNUT

By Peggy DeWire



Many older houses and barns around Grahamsville have floors and beams of chestnut whose wide grain and tawny color are beautiful.

Chestnut forests once covered the whole Eastern seaboard so thickly (every fourth tree was a chestnut) that a squirrel could travel from Maine to Georgia without ever coming to the ground.

The American chestnut (*Castanea dentata*) was a magnificent tree reaching a hundred feet high and eight feet across the stump.

Its oval leaves were six inches long tapering to a point with dainty sawtooth edges and bright green color.

After the greenish long calkins bloomed in June-July, two or three nuts squeezed together in brown prickly burs.

For forty million years chestnuts were staple food for wildlife and humans worldwide since the tree also grew in Europe and Asia. Its beautiful wood was prized for homes, barns, fences and furniture. It was durable because of the tannic acid it contains.

Chestnuts grow to great age and size. A European one in Gloucestershire, England is a thousand years old.

Another in Sicily grew from a stump bearing five saplings that united into a single trunk one hundred feet around.

Then in 1904 disaster struck the American species. A fungus blight was imported on Chinese nursery stock. Our trees had never evolve resistance to the foreign fungus. One year later, all our chestnuts were dead. None survived.

Today you might find scrawny saplings here and there in the Catskills that live several years and then die before producing chestnuts.

However, for the past fifty years American tree scientists have worked with genetics to produce a chestnut tree that is American in every aspect AND has the fungus resistant gene of the Chinese tree.

They finally succeeded after much cross breeding and around 2005 were able to offer healthy American chestnut seedlings to plant in National parks, tree farms, and commercial garden centers.

What a comeback one hundred and three years after the blight.



LEGAL & PUBLIC NOTICES:**TOWN OF DENNING RESIDENTS:****PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:**

The Town of Denning will have a tire-recycling trailer at the Refuse and Recycling Center during normal operating hours. There is a \$2.00 per tire fee.

Starting Sunday July 25th until full.

BY THE ORDER OF THE DENNING TOWN BOARD

Joy Ann Monforte
Town Clerk

7/15; 7/22/10

BOCES CONSTRUCTION STUDENTS HELP FALLSBURG CENTRAL SCHOOL (From Pg. 1)

Tim Bult, Athletic Director for the Fallsburg CSD was the person who contacted William Drasher, Construction Technology Teacher at BOCES to ask for help - a request that BOCES was glad to lend a helping hand. Not only did the students build the dugouts they also drafted the plans and worked with Mr. Bult to make sure the district was getting exactly what they were looking for. The class completed the dugouts this past spring, as a community service project for the Fallsburg CSD.

Five of the students who helped with the project were from Fallsburg: Jason Helm, Jonathan Quinlan, Steven Teri, Dylan Vazquez and Joseph Smith. The other students who helped with the project were Charles Crespo, Livingston Manor; Michael DiGirolamo, Monticello; Jesse Durant, Sullivan West; Angel Ferrer, Monticello; Sean Gadsden, Monticello; Heriberto Hernandez, Monticello; Brandon Laymon, Monticello; Anthony Maltese, Liberty; Robert Mann, Monticello; Jason Moss, Monticello; Michael Snowden, Monticello; Chris Strysko, Liberty; Ramzi Abdelrahim, Liberty; Robert Dudek, Tri-Valley; Christian Garcia, Liberty; Robert Johnson, Monticello; Patrick McDaniel, Sullivan West; Walter Schoonmaker, Monticello; and Bryan Telesky, Monticello.

The Board of Education and Mr. Bult presented a plaque of appreciation to the Steven Teri, William Drasher, and Denise Sullivan, Director of Career & Technical Education at BOCES at the June 2nd Board meeting. Mr. Bult also surprised the class with pizza and donuts to show his appreciation of their efforts. The dugouts will be used for boys and girls sporting events throughout the year.

LIBERTY HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT MEGAHN BURKE ATTENDS LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE IN IRELAND (From Pg. 1)

Burke was one of 250 students from Ireland, Nigeria, Korea, England and one of ten chosen from the United States to participate in the five-day program. Students had the opportunity to take part in workshops about becoming effective leaders, listen to world leaders talk about their experiences, and learn about and share each other's cultures.

Megahn spent the last three days of the trip traveling to Dublin, Dun Laoghaire and the Wicklow Mountains with nine other HOBY students. "It was a great opportunity to meet new people and learn about different cultures and societies," she said of the experience.

The conference was presented by the organization Foróige in Ireland and sponsored by HOBY (Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership) in the United States as well as Foróige. Both organizations share a similar mission: to inspire and develop a global community of youth and volunteers to a life dedicated to leadership, service and innovation.

MANDATED 8 hr. ANNUAL IN-SERVICE (From Pg. 1)

The fee for the course is \$119.00, payment is required prior to the start of the course. Registration is needed prior to the start of the class so call today (845) 791-4070 to register.

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KYLIE FUNCHEON TAKES THIRD PLACE IN SkillsUSA BASIC HEALTH CARE SKILLS COMPETITION

Career and Technical Education (CTE) students from Sullivan County BOCES once again participated in the SkillsUSA State Conference in Syracuse, competing against students from other BOCES, technical career centers and high schools from across New York State. The competitions are designed to demonstrate the students' proficiency and knowledge within their perspective fields, first place winners then move on to the national competition.

Under the tutelage of Peggy Schleiermacher, Health Occupations II Teacher and SkillsUSA advisor, Kylee Funcheon, took advantage of the situation and excelled as she competed and won third place in the Basic Health Care Skills Statewide Competition where she demonstrated her knowledge and skills in CPR, blood pressure, and other basic health care skills. Part of the competition consisted of presenting a project to the judges. Kylee choose Diabetes for her project. According to Ms. Funcheon, "The competition was a great experience and a lot of fun. I never expected that I would place in the competition."

Kylee Funcheon is a senior at the Liberty Central School District. She was enrolled in the Health Occupations II program at BOCES, where she has obtained her Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) license. After graduation she is going to Broome Community College for liberal arts.

SkillsUSA is a national organization comprised of a partnership of students, teachers and industry representatives working together to ensure America has a skilled work force. Its purpose is to help each student excel. Formerly known as VICA (Vocational Industrial Clubs of America), SkillsUSA is a national nonprofit organization serving teachers and high school and college students who are preparing for careers in trade, technical and skilled service occupations, including health occupations. SkillsUSA has more than 250,000 student and professional members annually, organized into more than 13,000 chapters in 50 states and three territorial associations: Puerto Rico, Guam and the Virgin Islands.

SUNY ULSTER TO HOLD SOLAR ENERGY CAMP IN AUGUST AT STONE RIDGE CAMPUS

Campers will build solar model cars, use solar panels for testing and learn about storing solar electricity. Campers will explore capturing, using and saving solar energy at the new Solar Energy Camp this summer at Camp Ulster. The camp will be held Aug. 9 to 13, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., at the Stone Ridge campus.

Environmental educator Jason Novak will lead the program that will teach children aged 12 to 18 about the future of this renewable alternative energy with an emphasis on Photovoltaics (PV) or creating electricity from sunlight.

Campers will learn about harnessing and collecting the sun's energy to heat homes, make hot water, purify water, and cook food; build working models of cars that run on PV; see various ways to store solar electricity, including batteries, salts, flywheels and capacitors; and test their electrical theories with solar panels and electric measuring meters, all at low, safe power levels.

The SUNY New Paltz Solar Car Team also will bring the sun-powered car that students designed, built and raced competitively to the camp on Aug. 12 at noon for a workshop and race at 2 p.m. The rain date for this event is Aug. 13.

Novak has taught environmental education from California to the Hudson Valley, including education work with the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation. He holds an electrical engineering degree and has several years of experience in the PV equipment installation and design industry. He teaches SUNY Ulster's Continuing Education's PV Certificate Series.

Campers should arrive dressed to participate outdoors and bring topical insect repellent, topical sun block, a reusable/refillable water bottle and sunglasses, as well as a lunch that requires no refrigeration.

Cost is \$245. For information, contact Patrice Macauley, Program Coordinator, Camp Ulster, (845) 688-6066.

AMERICAN RED CROSS ANNOUNCES EXPANDED HAITI HEALTH, SHELTER AND FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE INITIATIVES

The American Red Cross today issued a six-month progress report covering the relief efforts to date and announcing a series of new or expanded initiatives that will help keep open the largest general hospital in Haiti, help build more (Next Col.)

semi-permanent shelters for 40,000 people now living in tents and tarps, and provide financial assistance to tens of thousands of earthquake survivors through an innovative text messaging program.

"Six months after the earthquake, Haiti is filled with signs of hope and progress as well as reminders of the immense needs that still remain," said Gail McGovern, president and CEO of the American Red Cross, who has been to Haiti three times since the earthquake. "The Red Cross has improved the quality of life for hundreds of thousands of Haitians with emergency shelter, food, water, medical treatment, latrines and other supplies - and we are also investing in other recovery projects such as building shelters and improving water and sanitation systems."

The new or expanded American Red Cross initiatives include:

Health

- \$7.9 million for health programs, including a \$3.8 million agreement with Partners in Health to pay salaries of more than 1,800 Haitian doctors, nurses and other staff at the largest general hospital in Port-au-Prince. All of these hospital employees had been working without pay since even before the earthquake, and American Red Cross funding will cover their lost wages and enable to hospital to continue to provide critically needed health care.

- \$1.8 million to keep open a German Red Cross field hospital in Carrefour that has seen an average of 1,700 patients a week since it opened in January.

- \$1.4 million in prosthetics and rehabilitation support to injured Haitians through a partnership with the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC).

- \$900,000 on health programs in camps to educate Haitians about hygiene and HIV to prevent outbreaks of disease.

Shelter

- \$8.6 million on new shelter efforts in Haiti, with this money focused on building semi-permanent shelters for people now living in tarps and tents in Port-au-Prince and surrounding areas.

- In coming weeks we expect to sign agreements worth more than \$21 million to build more semi-permanent shelters to house about 40,000 people.

- Construction on 300 temporary shelters, enough for 1,500 people, has begun in the Port-au-Prince neighborhood of Cite Soleil in what will be the first large-scale shelter project in the capital by a single organization.

Financial Assistance

- \$9.7 million for a series of new or expanded programs that provide financial assistance to Haitians, including a \$6.1 million cash-for-work program with Mercy Corps to support families outside Port-au-Prince who are hosting homeless Haitians and a \$3.6 million expansion of a cash grant and loan program with Fonkoze, Haiti's largest microfinance institution. Innovative Text (SMS) Cash Transfer Program

In addition, the Red Cross said today that it is launching a major \$50 million SMS cash transfer program to give cash grants of approximately \$125 to up to 400,000 Haitian families over the next several months. Recently, the American Red Cross tested a technologically innovative program to give cash grants to families using cell phones and text messaging. During this successful pilot, smaller \$50 cash grants were given out to help nearly 1,800 families move from at-risk camps to camps in safer areas. This newly expanded program will enable families to buy food and supplies, fund the education of their children, purchase medicine, repair homes, relocate from camps, and invest in their businesses and livelihoods.

"Through these programs, families who once stood in line for relief distributions will now be empowered to buy some of the basic items they need most, which in turn should help stimulate the country's economy," McGovern said, noting that even modest amounts of money can make a big difference to Haitian families, as 70 percent of Haitians lived on less than \$2 a day prior to the earthquake.

"The same cell phone technology that enabled Americans to text donations for Haiti will now enable earthquake survivors to access money to support their families," said McGovern.

Hurricane Preparedness

With hurricane season already underway, the Red Cross is working on disaster preparedness programs for vulnerable people currently living under tarps or tents. This includes programs that will train 500,000 camp residents on emergency first aid, safe evacuation procedures and early warning systems, as well as funding efforts to dig ditches and put sandbags on steep hillsides to reduce flooding. In addition, the Red Cross is pre-positioning emergency supplies such as tarps, tents and blankets for 125,000 people in 10 cities around Haiti and in a regional warehouse in Panama.

Money Raised and Spent

The American Red Cross has raised approximately \$468 million for the Haiti relief and recovery efforts, spending nearly a third of the money - \$148.5 million - in the first six months. (Contd. Pg. 7)

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AMERICAN RED CROSS (From Pg. 4)

About 38% of the money has been spent on food and emergency services; about 35% on emergency and transitional/semi-permanent shelters; 10% on livelihoods and host family assistance; 8% on health and disease prevention programs; 5% on disaster preparedness activities as well as 4% on providing clean water and sanitation. The shelter and financial assistance agreements to be signed in the next several weeks will add another \$71 million in spending.

The American Red Cross is on track to meet its goal of spending more than \$200 million to address immediate needs - mostly in the first 12 months after the earthquake. The remainder of the funds raised will go to longer-term recovery over the next three to five years, with spending plans likely to evolve to respond to changing needs.

"We know that the crisis in Haiti is not over and the recovery process will be long and difficult," McGovern said. "Haiti and its people must rebuild their homes, economy, health systems, schools and transportation networks. With an estimated \$12 billion needed to rebuild Haiti, the needs are beyond the capacity of the Red Cross alone to fix, and will require the collective efforts of governments and humanitarian groups around the world."

"The American Red Cross will support earthquake survivors in the months and years to come, and will be in Haiti until the last donated dollar is spent," she added.

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LIBERTY FREE THEATRE PRESENTS THE LIVES OF WOMEN Two plays by Rilla Askew and Edward Allan Baker

The Liberty Free Theatre will present two plays as *The Lives of Women*, *Breakfast* by Rilla Askew and *Dolores* by Edward Allan Baker, July 22-25 and July 29 - August 1. Performances are Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays at 7:30 P.M. and Sundays at 3:00 P.M. Janna Comando, Kathy McKenna and Kate Warren are featured performers. The plays contain language not suited for children. Paul Austin directed, Alexis Siroc designed the sets, Jon-Jon Thomas designed the lights, John Huppke designed the sound effects and is the Stage Manager. Seating is limited and reservations are recommended. The audience is invited to gather after the performance for food, drink, and music. The theatre is located at 109 South Main Street, Liberty. Call 292-3788 for reservations and information.

Askew's *Breakfast* tells the story of Oklahoma born and bred Lois Holloway, who's been making the same breakfast of "three kinds of meat, scratch biscuits and gravy, grits, eggs, fried potatoes, corn-bread and buttermilk and sorghum every morning of the world" for husband Clay. And one morning it just got to be too much. In Baker's *Dolores*, the title character seeks refuge from an abusive husband at her married sister's Providence, R. I. home. The play is a funny, poignant reminder of how the bonds of family and sisterhood can be resurrected in the most devastating circumstances.

Rilla Askew recently received an Academy Award from the American Academy of Arts and Letters for the body of her work, which includes the novels *The Mercy Seat*, a finalist for the Pen-Faulkner Award, *Fire in Beulah*, which received an *American Book Award*, *Harpsong* and *Strange Business*, a collection of stories. Edward Allan Baker writes often about his hometown of Providence, R.I. He is the author of many plays and screenplays and a longtime member of the Ensemble Studio Theatre, where many of his one-act plays were produced in their annual Marathon. *Breakfast* is adapted from the story of the same title and was on a double-bill with Baker's *Rosemary with Ginger* as the very first production presented by the Liberty Free Theatre in 2005.

This is Janna Comando's second appearance in an Ed Baker play. The first was in LFT's inaugural production of *Rosemary with Ginger*. Among her other plays at LFT she appeared in *The Death of Bessie Smith* and *The person I Once Was*. Kathy McKenna reprises her acclaimed performance of *Breakfast* after bringing it to different venues in New York. Local audiences will also remember her performance in *Recklessness* by Eugene O'Neill. Kate Warren makes her debut at LFT. She's been busy in New York with film and commercials, where she recently played the lead role in the film *Ragu*. Local audiences may remember both her and Ms McKenna from their performances the production of *The Vagina Monologues*.

DANIELS BAND TO ROCK BELLEAYRE

Southern rock icon and legendary fiddler, Charlie Daniels brings his blistering live show to the Belleayre Music Festival stage on Saturday, July 24 at 8 p.m. for an evening of flat-out fun and old-fashioned rock jamming.

Hard-charging anthems like "The Devil Went Down to Georgia" and "The South's Gonna Do It" are among the signature tunes that propelled the Grammy-winning band to international success and more than 20 million albums sold in a career that spans half-a-century. Those hits and many more will be rolled at Belleayre in an evening filled with fast-paced fiddling and sizzling guitar.

Charlie's music blends rock, country, bluegrass, blues and Gospel that is quintessentially Southern and universally enjoyable.

Charlie broke through as a record maker with 1973's "Honey In the Rock" and its hit hippie song "Uneasy Rider." His rebel anthems like "Long Haired Country Boy" shot his 1975 collection "Fire On the Mountain" to double-platinum status.

The extraordinary chart success continued when "The Devil Went Down to Georgia," topped both country and pop charts in 1979 and won a Grammy Award. The song became an international phenomenon, earned three Country Music Association trophies, became a cornerstone of the "Urban Cowboy" movie soundtrack and propelled Charlie's "Million Mile Reflections" album to triple-platinum sales levels.

Charlie is also the founder of the Volunteer Jam concerts, world-famous musical extravaganzas that served as a prototype for many of today's annual music marathons.

Opening act, The Divas of Daytime TV are three Emmy-nominated soap opera stars and accomplished country music singers fronting their backup band. Kassie DePavia (One Life to Live), Bobby Eakes (All My Children and The Bold and the Beautiful) and Kathy Brier (One Life to Live) combine to bring a great night of down-home music and comedy that promises good times and lots of laughs.

Jazz Series starts

The four-concert Catskill Mountain Jazz Series gets underway with a show on Friday, July 30 featuring Javon Jackson. Other performances include: Saturday, July 31 Regina Carter's Reverse Thread; Friday, August 6: John Scofield/Joe Lovano Quartet; Saturday, August 7: Patti Austin "For Ella."

Up next on Saturday, August 14: America the 40th Anniversary Tour; Saturday, August 21: '50s Dance Party "The Day the Music Died" The music of Buddy Holly, Big Bopper, Ritchie Valens; Saturday, August 28: Belleayre Festival Opera - Rossini's Cinderella (La Cenerentola); Sunday, August 29: Children's Opera Theater "Three Little Pigs" and Saturday, Sept. 4: Aaron Neville Quintet featuring Charles Neville.

Ticket for all shows in the 2010 summer concert season at the Belleayre Music Festival, are on sale via Ticketmaster. For additional information, please call 800 942-6904, ext. 1344, visit: www.belleayre-music.org or e-mail: festival@catskill.net.

For information on where to stay, dine, shop or to simply enjoy the great outdoors when you're in town for the Belleayre Music Festival, please visit: www.catskillhighpeaks.com, www.ulstertourism.info or www.greatwesterncatskills.com.

Belleayre Music Festival concerts are held on the grounds of Belleayre Mountain in Highmount. Media sponsors are WDST Radio in Woodstock, WKZE Radio in Red Hook and Albany.com

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THUNDER RIDGE SET TO PLAY IN SAUGERTIES

One of the most popular country rock bands in the Hudson Valley will play at the July 24th barn dance hosted by the Saugerties Democratic Committee. The five-piece band plays music by such artists as Sugarland, the Eagles, the Dixie Chicks, Garth Brooks, Tim McGraw, Faith Hill, Fleetwood Mac and others. Over the years they have performed at shows with Ricky Skaggs, Charlie Daniels, Sawyer Brown and other country music favorites.

The July 24th barn dance will be held at the Avallone Farm, 269 Wilhelm Road in Saugerties from 7 p.m. til the cows come home, and everyone is invited. There is no charge, but donations of any amount are gratefully accepted. Please bring a finger-food snack or dessert to share. The committee will provide a keg of beer and plenty of wine, soda and water. This is a kid-friendly event, so feel free to bring the whole family and invite friends.

Contact Patti Kelly at 246-2497 or ckelly513@jvc.rn.com to RSVP or for more information.

OLD TIMER'S REUNION

In appreciation of all Sullivan County Medical and Health Care providers, the Sullivan County Historical Society is planning a Reunion of doctors, nurses, pharmacists, and any other professionals who have practiced in the county over the years. The gathering will be held on August 15, 2010 at 2 p.m. at the Sullivan County Museum in Hurleyville.

To celebrate the occasion, the museum will display medical artifacts, photos, and mementoes that document our health care communities over the years. If you remember the Liberty-Loomis Hospital - the Loomis Memorial Sanitarium for Consumptives for those with a really long memory - you should be there.

The same goes for the other facilities of the region - Hamilton Avenue Hospital, Monticello Hospital, Liberty Maimonides Hospital, (Contd. Pg. 9)

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them off at the Sullivan County Museum, Main St, Hurleyville (845-434-8044) any time before August 15. For more information Contact Myron Gittel at 845-794-3772; myrongit@yahoo.com

MYSTERY DINNER THEATRE AT ROCKLAND HOUSE IN ROSCOE

The Roscoe-Rockland Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring a mystery dinner theatre presenting *The Class Reunion of Looneyville High*. at the Rockland House on Saturday, August 7th @ 7:00 pm. It should be a blast!! Rehearsals have been hysterical. This is a fund raiser for our Chamber which is a not- for profit organization.

\$25.00 per person includes appetizers, buffet, dessert and show. Please call Lilly at 607-498-5222 x-306 for more information. Seating is limited.

FROST VALLEY CALENDAR UPDATE

Sunday-Friday, July 25-Aug. 6: Sleepaway Summer Camp Session 3 is offered at Frost Valley YMCA in Claryville. Check-in starts at 11 a.m. I.

Monday-Friday, July 26-Aug. 6: Day Camp Session 3 is offered Monday-Friday at Frost Valley YMCA in Claryville, NY.

Sunday-Friday, Aug. 8-Aug. 13: A One-Week "Try-It" Sleepaway Summer Camp is offered at Frost Valley YMCA in Claryville. Check-in starts at 11 a.m. I

Sunday-Friday, Aug. 8-Aug. 20: Sleepaway Summer Camp Session 4 is offered at Frost Valley YMCA in Claryville. Check-in starts at 11 a.m.

Monday-Friday, Aug. 9-Aug. 20: Day Camp Session 4 is offered Monday-Friday at Frost Valley YMCA in Claryville, NY.

Sunday, Aug. 15: A Secret Waterfall USGS Hike will be led by personnel from Frost Valley YMCA's natural resources and environmental services department. Time: 1 p.m. This is part of free monthly Catskill region hike series offered by Frost Valley.

Saturday, Aug. 21: A 3-D Archery Shoot will be held Frost Valley YMCA in Claryville, NY. Visitors can test their archery skills on a realistic course. Starts at 9 a.m.. Information/reservations: (845) 985-2291, e-mail: info@frostvalley.org. Frost Valley YMCA camp and conference center is located in the Catskill Mountain high peaks.

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WHERE DID THE 'WHITE ELEPHANTS' COME FROM?

In Thailand and several other Asian countries, the rare albino elephant was sacred and historically regarded as a holy being. People believed that they would bring fertility, prosperity, and power and were forbidden to kill such an elephant or to use it for work. The death of such a magnificent creature spelled disaster. As such, the owners of such magnificent beings were required to pamper and serve the elephant with special foods, elaborate housing, and arrange for public access for those who may want to come worship them.

Kings were usually the only ones who could afford the extensive upkeep of the beings. Royal White Elephants were some of the original pampered pets. Anything these elephants could have ever wanted or needed were provided in excess.

Whenever the king wished to punish an obnoxious courtier, he'd make him a present of one of the pale pachyderms, a gift that was dreaded! Recipients could neither use the elephant nor get rid of it -- and inevitably went broke trying to keep it fed.

The folklore of the White Elephant lives on in many ways. Beliefs of sacredness of the white elephant are not entirely history in some parts of Southeast Asia, including Thailand and Burma where they still participate in parades and celebrations. In most other parts of the world, the mystique and sacred folklore of the white elephant has dissipated. Instead the White Elephant has come to symbolize a prized possession whose maintenance cost exceeds its worth.

But as the old saying goes, "One man's nightmare is another man's treasure." You never know what treasures you may find at the White Elephant Sale at the Time and the Valleys Olde Time Fair on July 31. There is always a variety of 'white elephants' for the savvy bargain hunter who will certainly go home with a newly acquired treasure!

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GILLIBRAND ASKS SECRETARY OF STATE TO DEVELOP INTERNATIONALLY-RECOGNIZED TRAVEL DOCUMENTS FOR TRIBES AND NATIONS IN NORTH AMERICA- "We Must Ensure that Native Americans Have the Same Freedom to Travel Around the World"

With the Iroquois Nationals Lacrosse Team missing their first world championship game in England due to the British government's refusal to recognize their Haudenosaunee Confederacy-issued passports, U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand (D-NY) today asked Secretary of State Hillary Clinton to work with Native American leaders and the Canadian and UK governments to develop internationally-recognized travel documents for the Iroquois nation as well as other tribes and nations in North America in order to prevent any Native American groups from being denied travel abroad in the future. Senator Gillibrand praised Secretary Clinton for clearing the way for the 23-member team to travel to the United Kingdom to participate in the Olympics of lacrosse and expressed disappointment in the outcome.

In a letter to Secretary Clinton, Senator Gillibrand wrote, "Considering the recent situation which prevented the members of the Iroquois Nationals Lacrosse team and their supporters from traveling to the United Kingdom to participate in the international lacrosse tournament with the Haudenosaunee passports, and in an effort to prevent against such disappointment in the future, I therefore request that you work with Tribal governments, in concert with the Canadian government to the extent that Canada faces a similar situation, to come to an understanding with the United Kingdom and other foreign governments with the goal of establishing a document or process that would provide Native American travelers with the same freedom of movement enjoyed by all U.S. citizens." (Contd. Pg. 15)

REMINDER: THE TOWNSMAN IS GROWING 'GREENER'

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If you represent a local community such as a church, or another non-profit organization, we will continue to utilize Page 13 as a means of (Next Col.)

ASSEMBLYMEMBER CAHILL BUILDS COMMUNITY WITH ULSTERCORPS

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"During its first year of operation, UlsterCorps has worked successfully to gain the trust and appreciation of hundreds of volunteers and organizations throughout the county," said Assemblymember Cahill. "In addition to the many groups they have assisted, their strength lies in an ability to congregate long-standing residents with new additions to our area. If you want to become a part of a community, volunteerism is a great way to do it."

UlsterCorps assists in identifying and bringing together prospective collaborators, recruiting needed volunteers, and disseminating project information. In 2009, UlsterCorps engaged over 25 agencies and helped to launch over 35 events. Through its use of information technologies, UlsterCorps can quickly reach out to its 2,000-member list and provide services in a cost-effective and expedient manner.

"One of UlsterCorps' goals is to help agencies and groups assess how they approach volunteerism," said Board Member Laraine Mai. "Smaller entities may not have a volunteer coordinator or network in place to provide extra help when needed. UlsterCorps exists to provide a no-cost network of short and long-term assistance, as well as help train these same groups to build a sustainable volunteer network of their own."

UlsterCorps' recent success stories include providing volunteers to build mini-homes for Haitian hurricane victims, gleaning and delivering fresh produce to food pantries directly from area farms, and creating the "Harvesting a Lifetime" living oral history project with local schools.

UlsterCorps was represented at the meeting by President Rik Flynn, Co-Directors Nancy Pompeo and Beth McClendon, and Board Member Laraine Mai. Assemblymember Cahill and the group discussed the state of volunteerism in Ulster County and identified ways to help UlsterCorps remain viable and healthy by constantly refreshing their ranks with new members.

For more information, please visit UlsterCorps.org, an interactive forum where readers can find news about volunteer actions around the county, explore a calendar of events, post specific needs and share information about their volunteer experiences

NYSAC ANNOUNCES PRESIDENTIAL COMMISSION ON STATE TAKE OVER OF MEDICAID

New York State Association of Counties (NYSAC) President Thomas J. Santulli (Chemung County Executive) has announced the creation of a county-led commission to transition Medicaid Administration from counties to the State, the first step in the potential State takeover of Medicaid in New York State.

"Medicaid is the single largest cost for counties and county property taxpayers in New York," said Santulli. "We believe the Federal Healthcare Reform Act lays the perfect foundation for a full-blown State takeover of the entire Medicaid program. Let's take property taxpayers out of the financing equation for the State's Medicaid program."

New York is the only state in the nation that requires counties to substantially fund the Medicaid program at the local level. Currently counties pay more than \$7 billion annually for the State's Medicaid program, roughly 14% of the total cost of the program. That figure grows by close to \$200 million a year.

Medicaid is a complicated program in New York State, with expenditures of about \$52 billion a year in total funds. Medicaid administrative costs represent less than 2 percent of overall program costs. Currently, each county and the City of New York administer the publicly-funded healthcare insurance program. The recent New York State budget included language directing the State to take over those administrative costs and responsibilities, including the staff, equipment and infrastructure that facilitate this process.

Among the county-related issues that will be address by the commission include:

- The fiscal impact to counties and how it would affect the statutory Cap on the growth of local costs.
- Separating Medicaid administrative expenses and functions of workers, managers, attorneys, equipment, rent, and general overhead. In many local jurisdictions a worker performs other social service tasks.
- The impact of cross processing of recipients of Medicaid and Food Stamps, there should be some form of agreement reached on how to make sure applications for both programs continue to flow.

NEW ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS CREATED IN STATE BUDGET

Assemblymember Kevin Cahill (D- Ulster, Dutchess) announced two new economic development opportunities have been established in the passage of the 2010-2011 State Budget. The programs are designed to create jobs in underserved communities and help small businesses gain access to capital. Dennis Mullen, Chairman and CEO of the Empire State Development Corporation, will be visiting the Mid-Hudson Valley tomorrow to discuss the pro-

grams. The Chairman will also be going to Tech City to tour the facilities of the many successful new companies that have come to the campus.

"We need jobs. The new Excelsior Program and the Small Business Revolving Loan Fund will be important tools for rebuilding our economy," said Assemblymember Cahill. "While the State has been struggling in these difficult times, we have sharpened our focus on developing industries that create opportunities in communities that need new businesses and meaningful, long-term investment."

"Tech City is quickly becoming the model for job creation in the new innovation economy," said Assemblymember Cahill. "I am pleased Chairman Mullen will have the opportunity to see, first-hand, all the progress that has been made."

Assemblymember Cahill recently worked with the Empire State Development Corporation and NYSEDA to attract Solartech Renewables to Tech City. The company is receiving over \$5 million in state benefits, \$2 million of which is from funding Assemblymember Cahill secured in the State Budget specifically for the purposes of bringing solar industries to the Hudson Valley.

"I have been working hard to provide funding and create policies that will firmly establish Ulster County as the hub for the new energy economy for decades to come," said Assemblymember Cahill.

The two programs that Chairman Mullen will be focusing on are the Excelsior Program and the Small Business Revolving Loan Fund. The Excelsior Program will offer incentives to companies that relocate to New York State communities in greatest need of an economic boost, and those that show the greatest promise for creating jobs. The Small Business Revolving Loan Fund is designed to generate economic activity by providing greater access to capital for Main Street everyday small businesses. The program is targeted to New Yorkers who have difficulty accessing regular credit markets.

The roundtable will be held tomorrow, July 13, from 11:00am-12:00pm at the Empire State Development Corporation's Mid-Hudson Regional Office, located at 33 Airport Center Drive, Suite 201 in New Windsor.

HOUSE INCLUDES HINCHEY'S FLOOD INSURANCE FAIRNESS ACT PROVISIONS IN BILL TO EXTEND NATIONAL FLOOD INSURANCE PROGRAM -Major Victory for Property Owners Facing New Cost of Flood Insurance Passes in House

- Congressman Maurice Hinchey (D-NY) won a major victory today on behalf of thousands of local home and business owners who face the new cost of flood insurance due to the Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) flood map modernization program. Hinchey successfully worked to attach several provisions to a bill that extends the national flood insurance program in order to allow property owners who will face a new requirement to purchase flood insurance to delay the need to purchase flood insurance for five years, or pay a reduced fee for five years if they prefer to have the insurance. Hinchey also worked to ensure that property owners who successfully challenge a FEMA flood risk assessment are provided with financial reimbursement for costs incurred during the appeal process.

"Thousands of home and business owners face a new requirement to purchase flood insurance as their properties are re-mapped into flood zones even though they may have never experienced a flood," said Hinchey. "A month ago, I introduced the Flood Insurance Fairness Act to address this issue and today, at my urging, the House included most of the provisions of that bill in a broader package that extends the federal flood insurance program. As a result of this legislation, property owners will have the option to delay the flood insurance purchase requirement for up to five years and FEMA will have to cover certain costs associated with the flood hazard map appeals process."

In June, Hinchey, Congressman Michael Arcuri (D-NY) and Congressman Scott Murphy (D-NY) introduced the Flood Insurance Fairness Act of 2010. Since that time, Hinchey has worked with Rep. Maxine Waters (D-CA) and other members of the House Financial Services Committee to have the provisions of his bill included in the Flood Insurance Reform Priorities Act of 2010. The full house approved the bill and the managers amendment that included Hinchey's provisions.

"It is imperative that we have accurate flood maps that protect our communities without unnecessarily burdening them or stifling development, especially during these tough economic times," said Arcuri who is a member of the subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings and Emergency Management, which oversees FEMA. "This legislation removes the undue burdens placed upon home and business owners as they are remapped into new flood zone boundaries by FEMA, by allowing them to delay the purchase of flood insurance for up to five years, and phase in those premium rates over the next five years once the policy has been initiated."

"As a small businessman, I understand that flood insurance may not be built into a family's or small business's normal budget," said Murphy. "And at a time when

they are already tightening their belts, we should not be asking them to pay for another additional burden. While it is important to have accurate flood maps, some are just finding out now that their property is located in a flood zone, even though they never lived in one before. This important change will enable them enough time to adjust and get ready for these changes."

"At a time when small businesses and homeowners throughout New York and across the country are still feeling the pinch in a recovering economy, this bill will help ensure that this remapping process doesn't provide an additional burden," said Hinchey from the House floor. "I thank Representative Waters for her strong leadership on this issue, and I commend the committee for their understanding of the need for these reforms."

The Flood Insurance Reform Priorities Act reauthorizes and reforms the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) to ensure that it is effective and reliable for the more than five million homes and businesses that rely on it for affordable flood insurance coverage. In addition to the provisions Hinchey worked to include, the legislation provides an increase in flood insurance coverage limits, establishes an installment payment program for flood insurance premiums and creates an office of the Flood Insurance Advocate to assist policyholders' interactions with the NFIP.

In early May, Hinchey met with representatives from FEMA in Washington to discuss the flood map modernization process and several of the provisions that will be included in his bill. In the following weeks, Hinchey received letters from various local officials and concerned citizens requesting relief for properties impacted by the proposed remapping.

FEMA is required to establish flood-risk zones, which determine if property owners must purchase flood insurance. The current five-year flood map modernization initiative aims to update, revise and digitize the flood maps for more than 20,000 communities across the country in response to climate change, increased incidence of flood disasters, and changes to the environment.

Under the National Flood Insurance Program, created by Congress in 1968, property owners in flood-risk zones are required to purchase federally subsidized flood insurance if their property has a mortgage that is backed by the federal government.

HINCHEY WORKING TO EXTEND UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE BENEFITS SET TO EXPIRE FOR THOUSANDS OF HUDSON VALLEY RESIDENTS

Congressman Maurice Hinchey (D-NY) today visited the Ulster County Office of Employment & Training to discuss the urgent need for an emergency extension of unemployment insurance for those who face imminent loss of benefits. Hinchey has voted repeatedly to extend the benefits, which began expiring for millions of workers in May. While Hudson Valley job seekers filing new claims will remain eligible to receive unemployment insurance, those who have already received the insurance for the maximum allowable time will continue to lose coverage unless an emergency extension bill is passed in the Senate.

"Nearly eight million have people lost their jobs in the economic downturn," said Hinchey. "While we are beginning to see positive signs of recovery, too many Hudson Valley residents remain unemployed. Currently, for any one job opening, there are five job seekers. Those who are continuing to look for work are counting on these benefits to put food on the table and make it through these tough times. That's why I've voted repeatedly to extend unemployment benefits and why I'm going to continue fighting to extend these benefits until there is a significant decrease in the unemployment rate."

On July 1st, Hinchey voted to pass the Restoration of Emergency Unemployment Compensation Act, H.R. 5618, which would extend the Emergency Unemployment Compensation (EUC) and Extended Benefits programs through November 30, 2010. This bill, which would also retroactively restore benefits to people who started losing their benefits as early as the end of May, now awaits action in the Senate.

Hinchey has voted several additional times to extend unemployment benefits. While Senator Charles Schumer (D-NY) and Senator Kirsten Gillibrand (D-NY) have also worked tirelessly to extend the benefits, the Senate has failed to pass a bill due to opposition from a few Senators: - In the fall of 2009, Hinchey voted to pass legislation (H.R. 3548) to provide up to 13 additional weeks of unemployment benefits to workers in high unemployment states who are about to run out of benefits. A few Senators delayed action on this bill for more than a month, leaving 500,000 without benefits.

- In February, Hinchey voted to pass emergency legislation to extend expiring unemployment insurance benefits for 30 days, but one Senator single-handedly blocked passage of this emergency measure, resulting in a three-day shut down of unemployment benefits for more than one million Americans.

-In March, another Senator blocked passage of a crucial package of expiring provisions, including extended unemployment insurance benefits. (Contd. Pg. 14)

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*Saturday, July 31, 2010
Doors Open at 5:00 PM
Calling Starts at 7:00 PM SHARP*

**SECOND ARREST IN
SPCA CRUELTY
INVESTIGATION**

Subor Jones, 67, of Broadhead St. in Ellenville was arrested Wednesday on animal cruelty charges as part of a continuing investigation by the Ulster County SPCA and Ellenville Police.

Jones is accused of failing to provide veterinary care to one of his dogs, which was found in poor health with a piece of bone protruding from an infected, partially amputated leg.

Mr. Jones was completely aware of the fact that his dog was suffering with a terrible wound, and he did nothing about it," said Brian Shapiro, Executive Director of the UCSPCA.

In May, James Anthony, also of Ellenville, was arrested and charged with animal cruelty as part of the same case. In response to a call from Ellenville Police, SPCA investigators seized four adult dogs and six puppies left by Jones under Anthony's care.

An emaciated dog and the remains of a decomposed puppy were also discovered at the same site. The animals had no food or water.

According to Police Chief Phil Matricion, "There was a litter of puppies there. One of the puppies was deceased and being eaten by another dog.

Both men are charged with misdemeanors under NYS Agriculture and Markets law for "failure to provide proper sustenance" to an animal.

Jones is scheduled to be arraigned in Ellenville Court on July 20th and Anthony is to appear in court on the same date.

Donations for the animals' care may be sent to the Ulster County SPCA, 20 Wiedy Rd. Kingston, NY.

**Olde Time
Fair**



**Saturday, July 31st
10:30 to 4 p.m.**

**Town of Neversink Town Hall
273 Main St./Rt. 55, Grahamsville**

Local history exhibits, children's activities, white elephant and bake sale, unique corn shucking and skillet throwing contests, horseshoe pitching, rapids ball race, entertaining pie auction and more!

3 p.m. to 6 p.m.: The music of *Steve Jacobi and Fiddlin' Around*
A mix of Canadian, Celtic & Texas swing & old-time fiddle tunes.

DELICIOUS Miller's Chicken Barbecue
2 p.m. to 6 p.m.—**Adults \$10 and Children \$7**

Advanced tickets may be purchased from any Museum Trustee or can be purchased at the Town Hall in Grahamsville. There will be tickets available at the event, but we suggest that you buy your tickets in advance - Call: Georgi @ 845-985-5017 or Kathy @ 845-985-2285 or 7074



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Grahamsville, New York

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845 985-2262 x 313
www.timeandthevalleysmuseum.org

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Lead Pastor

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10:30am
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The Little Church with the Big Heart
Sundays 8:15 a.m. - Communion
Music by Susan and Fred Van Wagner
Coffee hour follows service
All are welcome!

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Claryville Road
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Bible Class 9:00 am
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Weekend Mass schedule:
Saturday afternoon: 5:00.
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Daily Mass schedule:
Monday afternoon 5:45 (Holy Rosary at 5:30); Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday mornings: (includes Morning Prayer)- 8:30 am
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Aug. 7, 2010
**Sundown United
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**Thrift
Sale 9 -2
&
Luncheon
11-1
Grahamsville
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Church
Tuesday
July 20, 2010**

Grahamsville Reformed Church

Sunday School 9 A.M.
Worship Service 10 A.M.
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Looking for a Lifeguard?
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HINCHEY WORKING TO EXTEND UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE BENEFITS (From Pg. 12)-

In June, Hinchey voted to pass the American Jobs and Closing Tax Loopholes Act (H.R. 4213), commonly known as the "extenders package" which would extend unemployment benefits for six months. A handful of Senators on four separate occasions blocked efforts to move forward on this crucial job creating legislation.

The Congressional Budget Office has found extending these benefits to be one of the most cost-effective and fast-acting ways to stimulate the economy. Over 1.7 million people nationwide, including 143,000 living in New York, have lost unemployment insurance between the end of May and July 3. Since 1959, the government has never allowed extended unemployment benefits to expire when the national unemployment rate is above 7.2 percent. The current rate stands at 9.3 percent.

GILLIBRAND ASKS CHAIRMAN KERRY TO HOLD SENATE FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE HEARING INTO LOCKERBIE MATTER

U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand, a member of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee (SFRC), is formally requesting that SFRC Chairman John Kerry hold a hearing on the freeing of the Pan Am Flight 103 bomber, Abdelbaset al-Megrahi. Senator Gillibrand supports the request of her colleague on the committee, Senator Bob Menendez (D-NJ), to chair the hearing.

"We have seen an abundance of circumstantial evidence that the British and Scottish governments may have circumvented justice and organized his release in order to secure a lucrative oil drilling concession for British Petroleum," wrote Senator Gillibrand. "If true, this would be outrageous and demands immediate scrutiny. One hundred ninety Americans, including many students and families from New York, died in the Lockerbie bombing."

In 2001, al-Megrahi was convicted in the 1988 bombing over Lockerbie, Scotland that killed 270 people, including 189 Americans. He was released ten months ago on compassionate grounds after a medical prognosis estimated that he had three months to live. In recent days, a doctor involved in making that prognosis - who had been paid by the Libyan government - acknowledged that al-Megrahi could live another decade and that the Libyan government specifically pressed for a three month prognosis to satisfy Scottish judicial requirements for compassionate release.

GILLIBRAND ANNOUNCES NEW LEGISLATION TO REDUCE FRAUD AND ABUSE IN MEDICARE AND MEDICAID, PROTECT HEALTH CARE FOR SENIORS, SAVE TAXPAYERS BILLIONS - Gillibrand Plan: Tougher Penalties for Abusers, Higher Standards for Medicare and Medicaid Providers, Protections for Seniors and All Taxpayers

With fraud and improper billing in Medicare and Medicaid costing New York taxpayers billions, U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand today is announcing new legislation to protect taxpayers, reduce wasteful spending, and preserve Medicare and Medicaid services for seniors and hardworking New Yorkers. The Medicare and Medicaid Fraud Enforcement and Prevention Act would toughen penalties for abusers attempting to cheat the Medicare and Medicaid systems, establish new screening procedures to prevent fraud, and save taxpayers money. Medicare and Medicaid fraud cost the U.S. economy more than \$80 billion each year, and is estimated to cost New York taxpayers alone more than \$5 billion each year.

"Now, more than ever, it is critical that we are protecting taxpayers, eliminating wasteful spending, and protecting Medicare and Medicaid services for seniors and hardworking citizens that need them," said Senator Gillibrand. "By creating more transparency and more accountability in Medicare and Medicaid, we can save taxpayer money and protect services for seniors and people who need them. Fraud and improper billing cost taxpayers billions of dollars each year."

Senator Gillibrand added, "With simple, common sense changes, we can provide authorities with tools to crack down on fraudulent providers, issue tough penalties for anyone trying to scam the system, and establish better preventive measures to ensure the legitimacy and quality of all Medicare providers. This will lead to lead to better health services for our citizens and significant savings for taxpayers."

GILLIBRAND PRAISES EXTENSION OF DEADLINE TO APPLY FOR TEMPORARY PROTECTED STATUS TO HAITIANS

Gillibrand Was First Lawmaker to Urge Obama Administration To Protect Haitians From Violence And Disaster Following Deadly Earthquake 6 Months Ago Washington, D.C. - Six months after earthquakes devastated Haiti, U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand today praised President Barack Obama's decision to extend the application deadline for temporary protected status (TPS) of Haitians living in America. The TPS designation came at the urging of Senator Gillibrand, who was the first law-

maker to push for TPS for Haitians living in America immediately following the earthquakes six months ago. About 70,000 to 100,000 Haitians, most living in Florida and New York, are eligible. More than 55,700 had applied as of Friday.

"The camera crews may have left but the disaster in Haiti still persists," Senator Gillibrand said. "Many Haitian families in New York and across the country have already experienced a lifetime of anguish. I want to thank President Obama for extending the application deadline for Haitians living in America for temporary protected status so they can live without fear of having to immediately return to a country still trying to dig out from the horrific earthquakes."

President Obama's decision extends the deadline for Haitians in America to apply for TPS an additional six months. Senator Gillibrand, who visited Haiti in April, has also pushed the Administration to waive the administrative fees that individuals must pay to apply for TPS. The fees to apply for TPS is \$470, which is cost prohibitive for many impoverished Haitians. According to USCIS, approximately 92 percent of the fees have been waived in recent cases.

Senator Gillibrand's original letter to President Obama is below:

January 13, 2010

President Barack Obama
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

We write to urge you to grant Temporary Protected Status (TPS) to Haitian nationals currently residing within our borders. The earthquake that occurred yesterday, January 12, 2010, has devastated the Haitian capital of Port-au-Prince and the chaos that has ensued puts all the citizenry of that country at risk. Now is certainly not the time to deport Haitians into an overly burdened country.

Prior to the earthquake, Haiti was already facing a humanitarian crisis due to the four major hurricanes that ravaged Haiti in 2008 and was exacerbated by the country's extreme poverty. The earthquake yesterday has brought the operations of the country to a complete standstill. Many reports from Haiti describe the damage as "near total destruction" of all buildings, including hospitals, the Presidential palace, homes and many Embassies. The phone and electrical systems are inoperable and emergency services are nearly non-existent. TPS is needed because there is no way to safely return Haitian citizens to their country. The United States granted TPS to Honduras and Nicaragua in 1999, following Hurricane Mitch, and to El Salvador in 2001, following several earthquakes. As the program is designed, TPS would only be available to Haitians already living in the United States.

Haiti clearly meets the criteria for TPS designation and extending it would be one way to help address this catastrophe, as well as alleviate additional burdens on American assistance workers. We respectfully request that you grant TPS to Haitian nationals as soon as possible.

Sincerely,
Kirsten E. Gillibrand
U.S. Senator

GILLIBRAND, FRESHMAN DEMOCRATIC SENATORS CALL FOR CLEAN ENERGY LEGISLATION TO CREATE JOBS, COMBAT CLIMATE CHANGE-Current Energy Policy 'Untenable,' Clean Energy Legislation Needed This Year, Freshmen Write in Letter to Majority Leader Reid

U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand today joined with freshman Democratic Senators in calling on Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid to take action this year to pass clean energy legislation that will create jobs, strengthen our national security, and transition the country away from our dependence on fossil fuels. In a letter to Leader Reid, the Senators said the tragedies in the Gulf and in West Virginia have underscored the importance of taking swift action.

"As a diverse group of Senators representing all corners of America, we - the Freshman Democratic Class - believe that America's current energy policy is untenable and that the Senate must take action this year to move our country forward," the 12 freshman Senators wrote. "We know this transition presents challenges on many fronts, but the costs of inaction are too great.... We see the great potential for our states and our nation to benefit if we enact comprehensive energy legislation this year. We refuse to be the generation of leaders who posterity will view as those who failed to act."

In their letter, the Senators laid out the elements they believe should be in a meaningful reform bill:

- A price on greenhouse gas emissions to help provide market certainty and keep pace with China, India and other countries.
- Tax incentives, grants, loans and other assistance to help American manufacturers create jobs, cut their energy consumption, retool for a clean energy economy, and remain competitive in the global market.
- Support for job training programs.
- Targeted incentives for investments in energy efficiency

throughout the American economy, including short-term and long-term programs to lower energy bills for American families and businesses, boost job creation, and jump-start the market for energy-efficient technologies.

- Investments in clean energy technologies to create more diversified and sustainable American power, including a federal renewable electricity standard (RES).
- A clear target for reducing our oil dependence from countries outside North America, and for investing in electric vehicle deployment, alternative transportation fuels, and expanded use of rail transportation, among other programs to help meet the goal.

Senators signing the letter include: Mark Udall (Colorado), Jeanne Shaheen (New Hampshire), Tom Udall (New Mexico), Jeff Merkley (Oregon), Mark Begich (Alaska), Roland Burris (Illinois), Ted Kaufman (Delaware), Kirsten Gillibrand (New York), Mark Warner (Virginia), Michael Bennet (Colorado), Al Franken (Minnesota), and Kay Hagan (North Carolina).

HINCHEY, HALL SECURE \$375 MILLION IN MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, VA APPROPRIATIONS BILL FOR C-17 MISSION AT STEWART- Facilities Upgrade will Ensure Continued Strategic Importance of Base

Congressman Maurice Hinchey (D-NY) and Congressman John Hall (D-NY) today announced that \$3.75 million for an aircraft conversion facility, which would position the Stewart Air National Guard Base to accept C-17 aircraft, has been included in the Fiscal Year 2011 Military Construction, VA appropriations bill.

"As a member of the Appropriations Committee, I worked to ensure that this funding was included in the appropriations bill," said Hinchey. "By allowing the base to accept the C-17 mission, we will help ensure that Stewart continues to be a critical base for the Air National Guard and remains one of the region's largest employers."

The 105th Airlift Wing at Stewart has some of the oldest C-5As in the Air Force inventory. As one of only two National Guard bases on the eastern seaboard that provides transatlantic flights to service members abroad, Stewart provides essential services for U.S. armed forces, especially in the responsive delivery of both heavy and light forces and cargo to meet rapid deployment.

"Building the infrastructure to allow new C-17s to replace the aging C-5A fleet at Stewart helps secure the future of the Stewart Air Base and positively affect the lives of thousands who live in the area," said Rep. Hall. "Funding this project ensures that our military technology remains on the cutting edge while also keeping good paying jobs in the region."

In May, Hinchey and Hall announced that the House had authorized the \$3.75 million in funding in the Fiscal Year 2011 defense authorization bill. Military Construction, VA Appropriations funds must be authorized before they can be included in an appropriations bill. The funding will be used to construct a composite material shop area and reconfigure space needed to meet the unique requirements of the C-17. The squadron ops area will also be expanded to accommodate an increased number of aircrews.

In March, Hinchey and Hall pushed Air Force Chief of Staff General Norton A. Schwartz to explain the delay in delivery of C-17s to Stewart. In 2008, Hinchey and Hall voted to fund an additional 15 C-17 aircraft in the Fiscal Year 2008 Supplemental Appropriations measure. However, these aircraft have yet to reach the 105th Airlift Wing due to an Air Force-wide study called the Mobility and Capabilities Requirements Study (MCRS).

Hinchey and Hall have continually worked to ensure that Stewart remains an essential and strategic base for the Air National Guard. In January, Hinchey announced a \$4 million dollar federal investment to pay for the construction of a solar farm at the base that will serve as a model for other military installations across the country, which are required to generate 25 percent of their energy from renewable sources by 2025. Last March, Hinchey and Hall announced more than \$3.6 million for Stewart from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, which they strongly supported and voted to pass.

WHAT PLANNING AND ZONING BOARDS NEED TO KNOW ABOUT WIND ENERGY

In response to inquiries from municipalities to learn more about regulating and reviewing wind energy projects, Sullivan County Division of Planning and Environmental Management has organized this event as part of our ongoing efforts to provide training opportunities to members of planning boards and zoning boards of appeals. Local and regional experts will participate in a panel discussion that will range from how local governments can plan for wind projects through zoning to tools for reviewing projects that come before Planning and Zoning Boards. Come prepared to ask questions. A "Wind Energy Tool Kit" from NYSERDA will be available on disk to participants.

This event will be held on Thursday July 29th, 6:30 PM, Callicoon Town Hall in Jeffersonville (19 Legion Street) and is free and open to the public. For more information, call Heather Jacksy at 845-807-0527 or email planning@co.sullivan.ny.us

Town of Neversink Parks & Recreation Department
www.townofneversink.org
 (845) 985-2262 extension 312

FALL SIGHTSEEING CRUISE - Tuesday, Oct 5- **\$14. to be paid no later than September 7**

PAINT YOUR OWN POTTERY - October 16 **\$10 per person must be paid no later than July 27.**

HOLIDAY SHOPPING - Tuesday, November 16. Colonie Center. **If you plan to attend \$20 per person must be paid no later than October 12.**

GAMES & SOCIALIZING -FREE fun every Friday afternoon 1 pm - 4 pm in the upstairs meeting room in the Town Hall.

Look for coming details about **Breakfast with Santa** on Saturday, December 4

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Neversink Fire District Meeting 7:30 pm Public Meeting 8:00 pm
 Neversink Rondout Antique Machinery Association
 Time and the Valleys Trustees meeting - 7:00 pm
 Town of Neversink Parks & Rec - 7:00 pm - Upstairs Mtg. Room Neversink Town Hall
 Claryville Fire District Meeting - 7 pm
 Time and the Valleys Museum **Olde Time Fair & Chicken BBQ** (see flier insert)
PENNY SOCIAL -Neversink Fire Dept. Ladies Aux. Doors open 5 pm - Calling starts 7:00 pm
 Time and the Valleys Museum Work Committee meeting 12:30 Neversink Town Hall
 Town of Denning Board Meeting - Sundown Church Hall
 Town of Neversink Planning Board Meeting
First Thursday Readers - Danial Pierce Library - 1:00 pm. **All invited.**
 Sundown Methodist Church **COVERED DISH SUPPER**- :5:30 pm Sundown Church Hall
 Grahamsville Methodist Church **Thrift Sale (9-2) and Luncheon (11-1)**
 Town of Neversink Board Meeting
Dept. of Motor Vehicles Neversink Town Hall 10:00 am - 2:30 p.m.
Grahamsville Little Worlds's Fair
 Claryville Fire Dept **All You Can Eat Pancake Breakfast** 7 am until noon
 Town of Neversink Zoning Board of Appeals
 Neversink Rondout Antique Machinery Association
 Neversink Fire District Meeting 7:30 pm Public Meeting 8:00 pm

SAVE THE DATE!

Time and the Valleys Museum **Olde Time Fair-July 31**
 Grahamsville Little World's Fair - Aug 13, 14 & 15, 2010
 Neversink Rondout Antique Machinery Association Show - Sept 18 & 19
 25th Annual Giant Pumpkin Party Saturday, October 2, 2010 Rain or Shine!
 Grahamsville Rod & Gun Club Inc **Sportsmen's Flea Market** Oct. 9 Fairgrounds 9 am-3 pm

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 Daniel Pierce Library - <http://www.danielpiercelibrary.org>
 Time and The Valleys Museum - <http://timeandthevalleysmuseum.org>
 Ye Olde Tri-Valley Townsman On-Line Edition: <http://thetownsman.com>
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Ye Olde Tri-Valley Townsman is now available at the following retail stores and restaurants:

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| | | PETER'S MARKET |

AL-ANON MEETINGS

Every Saturday night 8:00 p.m. **Al-Anon Meeting** Presbyterian Church, 81 South Main Street, Liberty
 Every Monday night 7:00 p.m. **Al-Anon Meeting** Liberty Ambulance Building, 178 Mill Street, Liberty
 Every Thursday night 7:00 p.m. **Al-Anon Meeting** Immaculate Conception Church Annex, 6317 Route 42, Woodbourne

Chamber Music Concerts at St. John's Episcopal Church "Basically Baroque"

Featuring The Ellenville Chamber Festival Players
 Music from Biber, PDQ Bach, Lutoslavski, Telemann and Weiner
 Thursday, July 22 • 7:30 pm

St. John's Episcopal Church • 40 Market St • Ellenville (one block off Rt. 209). The Chamber Music Concert Series is a collaboration between The Music Institute of Sullivan and Ulster Counties and St. John's Memorial Episcopal Church (Concerts Free: Donations Welcome: 40 Market St., Ellenville. Call Fr. Golliber 845-532-4904

HAINES FALLS ARTIST EXHIBITS AT CWC OFFICE

The magical landscape of the Greene County Catskills is the subject of a new exhibition by Haines Falls artist Mara Lehmann at the Catskill Watershed Corporation (CWC) office, 905 Main Street, Margaretville.

Seventeen oil paintings of North and South Lakes, Kaaterskill Falls and Rip Van Winkle Lake in the Town of Hunter, and scenes in Maplecrest, Lexington and other locales, are on display at the CWC through September 30. The public is most welcome to stop by to view them during business hours (8:00 to 4:30 Monday through Friday).

Mara Lehmann of Evermore Art Studio paints simple, quiet scenes of country roads, working farms, wooded paths, rivers and lakes in traditional, representational style. "To capture on canvas the feelings of tranquility evoked by nature has always been my endeavor as well as my source of inspiration," explains the artist.

A former New Jersey resident, Lehmann has worked as a textile and graphic design artist and has taught art to people of all ages. She holds a BA from SUNY Stony Brook and a Master's in Art from Columbia University. Her work has been shown in galleries throughout the New York metropolitan region, and in the Catskills at Windham Fine Arts, Indian Mountain Arts, Kaaterskill Gallery, the Catskill Mountain Foundation and other galleries.

She can be reached at evermoreart@aol.com, or 518-589-3957.

The CWC is a non-profit, local development corporation responsible for several environmental protection, economic development and education programs in the New York City Watershed West of the Hudson River. For more information, go to www.cwconline.org, or call toll-free 877-928-7433.

WHAT TO DO WHEN YOUR INCOME DROPS

Are you unemployed and need help redirecting your life? Cornell Cooperative Extension and Sullivan Works One Stop have combined their resources to bring you help when you are unemployed. They are offering a workshop series called "What to do When Your Income Drops". This free series will look at steps families and individuals can take to ease the burden of income loss. Unemployment isn't just a financial strain; it can physically and mentally affect you and your entire family. Minimize the stress of job loss with the tips discussed in this workshop. Learn how to take positive action, so you can move forward through this challenge.

The July Workshop topics are: "Making Sense of My Losses", "Maintaining Your Financial Reputation", "Working Together as a Family" and "Communication in Times of Stress". Sean Welsh and Susan Dollard are the presenters and the classes will be held at The Cornell Cooperative Extension, 64 Ferndale Loomis Rd, Ferndale NY. The workshop dates are July 21st, 28th, August 4th and August 11th. All classes start at 9:30 am.

Classes are free, but limited to unemployment insurance recipients or exhaustees; you must pre-register with Cornell Cooperative Extension at 845-292-5250.

BASIC CAREGIVING SKILLS - 'MOVING EASY!', Transferring & Positioning

BASIC CAREGIVING SKILLS on positioning and transferring will be offered on Thursday, July 22 from 1-3pm at Cornell Cooperative Extension of Sullivan County. The class is free (there is a suggested donation of \$5) sponsored by the NYS Caregiver Resource Center grant. This class will help prepare family caregivers in safely moving and positioning a care receiver with limited or no ability to move. Objectives include: how to use good body mechanics, safety, recognizing pressure ulcers and the importance of repositioning. Class is free and light refreshments will be offered.

There is a minimum class size of 5 & a maximum of 15 ~ Please RSVP at 292-5250 by July 21 to hold

your seat! Instructor: B. Lewis, RN/Caregiver Resource Center Coordinator. Cornell Cooperative Extension of Sullivan County is located at 64 Ferndale-Loomis Road, Liberty.

IMAGE ART GRAND OPENING

"Imagine Art" Grand Opening, Saturday, July 31, 2010, 1:00pm - 4:00pm, at the Sullivan County Museum, 265 Main St., Hurleyville, NY, sponsored by the Sullivan County Historical Society. Exhibited will be 40 paintings by the adult residents of New Hope, the paintings will be for sale. Children are invited to the grand opening. The exhibit runs through August 22. Light refreshments. Call 845-434-8044 or contact Devon Camaron at 434-8300 ext 316.

GILLIBRAND ASKS SECRETARY OF STATE TO DEVELOP INTERNATIONALLY-RECOGNIZED TRAVEL DOCUMENTS FOR TRIBES AND NATIONS IN NORTH AMERICA- (From Pg. 10)

The members of the Iroquois lacrosse team view their tribe as a sovereign nation and, like many Native Americans throughout New York, strongly and rightfully protect their own national identities and will not accept a U.S. or Canadian passport. This important recognition coupled with heightened aviation security standards after September 11th pose a challenge for the Iroquois lacrosse team, leaving them unable to leave New York and compete in England. To ensure that this does not happen again, Senator Gillibrand encouraged the U.S. and Canada to work with Native American leaders to develop a universally recognized document for all tribes and nations in North America that meet international travel standards.

Current standards for travel documents, developed by the International Civil Aviation Organization for Machine Readable Passports (MRPs), include a machine readable zone on the identity page with the name, passport number, nationality, date of birth, sex, passport expiration date and personal identity number of the passport holder.

On Wednesday, Secretary Clinton issued a one-time travel waiver and granted approval for them to re-enter the U.S., but the British government decided not to recognize the waiver and denied the team entry into the United Kingdom. The Iroquois lacrosse team defaulted on the first game and currently remains in New York ahead of tomorrow's second game.



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President Obama- Right now many Americans are still feeling the effects of the recession. Small business owners are having a hard time getting the credit they need to hire and grow, and millions of our friends and neighbors are still looking for work.

In his *Weekly Address*, President Obama calls on Congress to stop their procedural maneuvers and allow for a simple up or down vote on expanded unemployment insurance and additional tax cuts and lending for small businesses. These are two much-needed measures that will provide a boost to our economy and relief to our friends and neighbors who cannot find jobs. For the past 18 months, President Obama has been fighting to help small business owners because he understands that small businesses are key to getting the American people back to work. He has been fighting for expanded unemployment insurance because he understands that putting money in the pockets of the people who are most likely to spend it is a cost-effective way of boosting local economies and creating jobs.

RETRACTION- "On the Local Scene Sullivan County, Officers of the Sullivan County Democratic Committee, the Ninety-second Jeffersonian Dinner, a Fundraiser with Andrew Cuomo." **THIS WAS A MISPRINT IN JULY 15th ISSUE. THE SULLIVAN DEM SITE HAD NOT BEEN UPDATED.** Please accept our sincerest apologies for this mistake. For further information, <http://www.sullivan-democrats.com/>

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Frank Comando, Democratic Committee Chair
Town of Denning



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- **REDUCED:** Renovated 3 bed/1 bath farmhouse with wraparound porch, creek off the Neversink on 1 acre \$249k
- **NEW** The Lodge: Super for entertaining. 3 bed/2 bath, 3+ acs with Great Room, open plan kit/din/lounge. \$269,000
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Knarf's "Classic Movie Trivia



That Hamilton Woman, a 1941 classic film outlining the life of Naval hero Lord Nelson, who defies convention to court a married woman of common birth. Cast: Vivien Leigh, Laurence Olivier, Alan Mowbray, and Sara Allgood Directed by Alexander Korda, BW-125 mins, Rated, TV-G. On TCM Sunday, July 25, 2010 at 8:00 am.

Quiz,

A. Who played Emma Hart?

B. What famous star in this film also played in the 1952 film classic "Scaramouche"?

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A special thank you, to Gil and Debbie Davis, Gaby's café, and the Silvercup Diner.
Have fun in Liberty Square in Ellenville

Have a Great Day

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B. Henry Wilcoxson
A. Vivien Leigh