

## Local Vacation Bible School a Success!



The Workshop of Wonders vacation bible school program was held for five evenings starting on July 13 at the Grahamsville Reformed church. There were between 30 and 38 children in attendance each evening. One night the program went on without power but no one seemed to notice! The mission project that the children participated in, while learning and having fun, was collecting school supplies. While supplies are collected and distributed through school in September, supplies are often diminished and expensive several months later. Oftentimes students don't have the tools necessary at home to complete homework. The plan was to collect supplies and at Christmas time, they will be put into stockings and distributed with the toy drives. If you would like to contribute to this idea, contact Julie Furman 985-7248. Pencils, crayons, scissors, glue and folders are of greatest need.

## Tri-Valley Lions Visit Guiding Eyes For The Blind

By Esta Jacob



On a beautiful Saturday morning, July 12, 2014, four Tri-Valley Lions toured down to Yorktown Heights for the "Salute to Lions Day." As you may know by now from previous articles, The Tri-Valley Lions volunteer their time to raise funds for not only local families in need, but to organizations that fall under the Lions International Mission of assisting the Sight and Hearing Impaired. It so happens The Guiding Eyes For The Blind is an amazing organization that provides guide dogs for the not only the visually impaired, but for those that have other issues such as autism, epilepsy, and more. Guiding Eyes for the Blind salutes the Lions once a year, as the Lions from all over the Country help to support this organization so it can continue its very meaningful work. You can see so much more about this organization at [www.guidingeyesfortheblind.com](http://www.guidingeyesfortheblind.com) (Contd. Pg. 8)

## Girls on Grills Weenie Wagon with the Best Hot Dog's in Town!



With only a short history of being open, the Girls on Grills Weenie Wagon can boast of being the busiest new business in town! The Weenie Wagon has been bustling with business since opening just over two weeks ago!

Serving Sabrett Hot Dog's with various toppings, soda and chips seems to be just the right lunch or snack for many who pass by the Weenie Wagon located at Zanetti's parking lot on Route 55 and Claryville Road in Grahamsville.

Stopping by the Weenie Wagon, you are bound to meet a few familiar faces who have the same idea - a quick delicious snack or lunch that you can eat in the great outdoors or while you are on the run.

The lines might be long, but the Girls on Grills are super quick, serving you a hot dog or two, (or maybe even three!) along with drinks and chips, suited for any hot dog connoisseur!

Stop by and catch some summer fun!

## Denning Afternoon of History at the Time and the Valleys Museum, Grahamsville

Old photos, records, stories and artifacts from the Town of Denning will be available at Denning Afternoon of History, Sunday, August 10, 2 p.m. at the Time and the Valleys Museum on St. Rt. 55 in Grahamsville. This program is courtesy of the Helen Coombe Memorial Fund. During this free program, the museum will share archive information on the rich history of the Town of Denning in Ulster County. Photographs and binders full of information about life along the Upper Neversink and Upper Rondout will be available.



Students at the Red Hill School in Denning...

Individuals with photos, information or special history items from the Town of Denning are invited and encouraged to bring items to share. For further information, contact Helen or George Elias at 985-7274. The Time and the Valleys Museum is a living and interactive resource that preserves the past, educates the present and ensures the uniqueness of the Rondout and Neversink watersheds for all generations. The Museum is located at 332 Main Street (St. Rt. 55) in Grahamsville and is open to the public from Thursday through Sunday, noon to 4 p.m.. The Museum has three floors of exhibitions, a local history research center (open Thursdays and Sundays 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.) and museum shop.

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

For further information regarding the museum and exhibits, please contact Town of Neversink Historian Carol Smythe at 985-7700 or go online at [www.timeandthevalleymuseum.org](http://www.timeandthevalleymuseum.org).

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**ON THE FRONT BURNER:** And I say unto you, ask and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened for you. St. Luke 11:9

## OBITUARY:

**Ron Lusker** died peacefully on Saturday, July 12, 2014, surrounded by his family, his devoted wife, Marilyn, daughter Ianine and devoted assistant, Edwin Pubil after a courageous battle with cancer. He was 77 years of age. Ron was an artist, an inventor and a conservator of old buildings. He, together with his wife Marilyn, restored the century old building now known as "DeBruce Country Inn", located in the Catskills of New York State.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to NYU Langone Medical Center, 550 First Ave., New York, NY 10016; Wounded Warrior Project, PO Box 758517, Topeka KS 66675 or to Hospice of Orange & Sullivan Counties, 800 Stony Brook Court, Newburgh, NY 12550.

## COLLEGE NEWS:

### Brittany Rennison Named to Deans List

Brittany Rennison was named to Lock Haven University Deans List for the Spring 2014 Semester. She achieved a 3.50 average or higher. Brittany will be transferring to Louisiana State University in the fall majoring in Kinesiology.

### Local Residents Graduate from SUNY Delhi

The following students are graduates for May 2014 at the State University of New York College of Technology at Delhi:

Daniel Golden-Perez of Liberty - AAS in Veterinary Science Technology

John Monforte III of Grahamsville - AAS in Electrical Construction and Controls Cum Laude.

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

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

Allyson Delaney of Woodbourne, NY was named to the Dean's List.

Evangelia Fitzpatrick of Parksville, NY was named to the Dean's List.

Christopher McQuillan of Napanoch, NY was named to the Dean's List.

Students who earn a GPA of 3.70-3.99 are named to the Dean's List with Honors, while students who achieve a 3.40-3.69 are named to the Dean's List.

### Damian Fitzpatrick Graduates from Hudson Valley Community College

Fitzpatrick graduated in the Manufacturing Technical Systems academic program. The commencement ceremony took place on Saturday, May 17, at the college's Joseph L. Bruno Stadium.

### Richard (Rich) Bishert, Jr. to Ride in the Pelotonia

Richard (Rich) Bishert Jr. will be bike riding in the Pelotonia. Rich is a 1982 Tri-Valley Graduate. Shortly after graduation he moved to Ohio.

This is a note from Rich about his upcoming Pelotonia bike ride:

For the third year in a row I will be bike riding in the Pelotonia.

**Who is Pelotonia?** It is a community of riders and volunteers work ing toward ONE GOAL: ending cancer. Since the inception of Pelotonia in 2009, together we have raised \$66,504,297!

**What is Pelotonia?** "The business model of Pelotonia was and remains simple: corporate partners cover the expenses, so that every cent of every dollar raised by Pelotonia riders goes directly to fund cancer research." The money raised by riders like myself will go directly to support cancer research conducted at Ohio State's Comprehensive Cancer Center - James Cancer Research Center.

**When is the Pelotonia?** August 8th thru August 10th

**Where is the Pelotonia ride?** Cyclists like me will cover distances ranging from 25 miles

up to 180. For the past two years, I rode the 100 mile portion, this year I am pledging to the two day ride and will cover 180 miles.

**Why am I riding & raising funds?** Simply put... to make an IMPACT! In the United States one in three women and one in two men will be diagnosed with cancer in their lifetime.

Advancements in cancer research will only happen, when men and women like you and I give. So I ask that you would join me in my effort to support cancer research.

Simply click on <http://pelotonia.org/richb> and donate today!

Thank you in advance for your donation!

Rich Bishert  
2608 Lincolnshire Dr.  
Delaware, Ohio 43015

## DAYS OF YORE....

### Today's History

#### August 11, 1954

Wilson Van Wagner sold his general store in Grahamsville last week to Mr. and Mrs. Donald Hulse. Fernald DuBois leases the store and is at present operating the business. The Grahamsville Post Office is also housed in the building.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Hurley of Curry are parents of a baby girl, born on August 4th at Loomis Hospital. Mrs. Hurley is the former Lena Hook, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chester Hook of Neversink. The baby's name is Nora Ann.

A baby girl, Sandra Lynn, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Edwards of Mutton Hill, at the Loomis Hospital on July 28th.

Robert T. Many of Grahamsville will complete 20 years as General Superintendent of the Little World's Fair this year. He took over this job from his father-in-law, Nathan Black, in 1934. Dr. Hoar preceded Mr. Black as Fair Superintendent.

#### July 22, 1964

Elizabeth Spann of Grahamsville has been named to the Dean's List for high scholastic standing at Ithaca College, Ithaca, N.Y. Elizabeth was among the top ten percent of her class in the School of Music for the spring term ending in June. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Spann of Sundown Rd., Grahamsville.

Birthday greetings to Terry Osterhoudt, Al Visscher, Vernon Gridley Jr., Leitha Mickelson, Laurie Ellen Erath, Mrs. Robert Croce and Mrs. Bruce Clark.

#### July 31, 1974

Philip Coombe, a resident of Ridgewood, N.J. for thirty-four years, has retired to his farm on South Hill, purchased thirty-seven years ago. It is the former Horace Divine property. He is the son of the late Rev. William Coombe and the late Charlotte La Moree Coombe. His mother was born in Grahamsville in 1874. His father was pastor of the Grahamsville Reformed Church in 1889.

Happy Anniversary to Jim and Terri Richardson on August 1st.

#### August 2, 1984

(From the pen of Tom Higgins) Had a nice visit over the phone with Bob Dice, the "Catskiller" from Claryville. Radio station WVOS of Liberty gave Bob a retirement party on June 29th honoring him for 29 years of service to the station. The following day Bob was guest of honor at a surprise party held at the Claryville Fire House. There were over 100 friend and relatives present.

Tidbits: The typical used car sold in 1983 was 4.8 years old, had 49,969 miles on it and cost the owner \$4,902.... The oceans contain enough salt to cover the U.S. With a layer of salt 1 1/2 miles deep ...A mixture of horseradish and milk comprised the ingredients of a home-made cosmetic commonly used by women in the countryside less than 100 years ago. It was supposed to give the skin a rosy tint.

### SC Historical Society New Exhibit

On Sunday August 10th from 2PM - 4PM at the Sullivan County Museum The Sullivan County Historical Society will open a new exhibit displaying footwear from great-grandma's era (pre 1900) to the 1960's. Many styles of today resemble shoes of the past.

Enjoy watching the movie "Dirty Dancing" and see the footwear display which is ongoing.

Free refreshments and admission  
Sullivan County Museum, 265 Main St.  
Hurleyville - for information: 845-44-8044 or [www.sullivancountyhistory.org](http://www.sullivancountyhistory.org)



## A Round About Tri-Valley

-Carol Furman

Barry Lewis, long-time Town of Neversink resident, has been named Executive Editor of the Times Herald Record! Barry has over 25 years of newsroom management experience and has been with the Record for 15 years. Congratulations, Barry!

Karen Andrews, a recently retired Tri-Valley physical education teacher, has sold her home in Wurtsboro and moved to South Carolina. Karen has had enough of shoveling snow!

Am I mistaken, or did I see Joe Iatauro whiz through Grahamsville last week? Joe and Missy now reside in Georgia.

One day last week I stopped in Liberty for Chinese food and happened to see Harold and Doris VanAken eating their lunch. Some of you may remember Harold and Doris. They lived on Red Hill in Grahamsville for many, many years. I haven't seen them in a long time, but both knew me immediately. They use to pick my children up at the foot of Glade Hill and transport them to Tri-Valley School. Of course that was almost 40 years ago! Harold is now 91 and Doris is in her late 80's. They still reside in Liberty.

What's up with Central Hudson? It seems every time we have a thunder and lightning storm parts of Grahamsville are without power for several hours!

Three more college students have worked hard to make the Dean's List for the 2014 spring semester at their respective schools: Patrick McHugh from Grahamsville, Gregory Swarthout from Neversink and Andrew Exner from Woodbourne. Kudos to all of you!

Get well wishes to Michael Jacob of Grahamsville who was recently released from the hospital following an automobile accident. Feel better, Mike!

I am sure anyone trying to make hay is fed up with the weather. It seems to shower just about every day. Some of the showers produce so much rain that even after the sun does come out the field are too wet to mow without rutting them all up. Farmers need about three days of sunny weather in a row in order to mow, ted, rake and bale their hay!

Let's hope the weather will be nice on Saturday, the 26th for the Old Time Fair and BBQ. The folks at the Time and the Valleys Museum have worked hard to plan and organize this special event! Parking and admission are free and the Miller's chicken BBQ, which is always delicious, is a bargain at only \$10.00 for adults and \$7.00 for children under eight. Plan to come to enjoy the festivities and visit with old friends.

I have heard many positive comments about the Daniel Pierce Library's summer children's programs.

**Words of Wisdom:** Someone has figured that we have over 35,000 laws trying to enforce the Ten Commandments! (anon)  
People who are wrapped up in themselves are overdressed, (anon)

## NEVERSINK NEWS - Hulda Vernooy

It is good to see Marlene Stoutenberg of Neversink up and about after being a patient of Dr. Oz in New York City where they showed the operation on TV.

Marlene had open heart surgery and a by pass. They stopped her heart for 1 1/2 hours.

Welcome home and keep up the good work. Be well.

Also prayers for Bruce Pappa, Kin Nash, Jim Marion and Fred Ahrens.

## Ellenville Regional Hospital to Break Ground on New Building

The area community is invited to the Ellenville Regional Hospital's groundbreaking ceremony for its new building, which will connect the hospital with the Ellenville Family Health Center located next door to the hospital. The ceremony will take place on Tuesday, July 29th at 10:30 am.

The new building will be dedicated to Neil Calman, MD, the CEO of the Institute for Family Health, which operates the Ellenville Family Health Center. The Institute is the largest federally-qualified health center in New York State and has been serving the Ellenville and Wawarsing community since 2007, providing primary care,

dental care, podiatry care and behavioral health services, as well as providing hospitalist services at Ellenville Regional Hospital. The Institute operates the Mid-Hudson Family Practice Residency, which is the first recipient of a Teaching Health Center award in New York State. By placing Medical Residents at the hospital, the hospital inpatients have gained access to the quality care provided by the Residents, and the Residents have been able to experience the challenges of providing healthcare in our rural community. This program has also created an avenue for attracting new physicians to our medically underserved area. In addition, the Residency program has enhanced the prestige of ERH as the smallest teaching hospital in the country!

The Neil Calman, MD Medical Arts Building, will serve many functions. It will house the hospital's new Cardiac Rehabilitation unit, which will open in late fall, as well as the Health Quest Medical Practice Cardiology Suite. The hospital will be purchasing a new MRI unit, which will also be located in the new Medical Arts Building. Finally, the hospital's Specialty Provider Clinic will be relocated to the Medical Arts Pavilion to provide more clinical space and a better experience for patients seeking orthopedic, gastroenterological, surgical, podiatric, respiratory and pain management services.

RSVP's are recommended - please call to 845 647-6400 ext. 293 to RSVP.

## No Sweat Summer Gardening- Learn Easy Weeding and Deadheading Tips in Hurleyville

HURLEYVILLE - Individuals who would like to learn about "No Sweat Summer Gardening" are invited to a free "Celebrating Sullivan Spaces" event on Saturday, July 26 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon in Hurleyville.

Come for hands-on instruction about easy weeding and deadheading techniques and put these skills into practice in the public gardens that are cared for by Hurleyville-Sullivan First volunteers.

The event begins at Firemen's Park on Main Street in Hurleyville (near the basketball courts). No experience is necessary. Gloves and tools will be available, refreshments will also be provided.

The instructor for "No Sweat Summer Gardening" is Sullivan Renaissance Horticultural Coordinator Diana K. Weiner. The celebration also features a visit from Rennie, the Sullivan Renaissance Rooster, who will be available for pictures with participants.

This is the third activity in the "Celebrating Sullivan Spaces" campaign, which promotes education and community engagement in Sullivan County's public spaces. All events take place in gardens that are cared for by Sullivan Renaissance volunteers.

To RSVP and to learn more about upcoming community events, call 845-295-2445 or visit [www.SullivanRenaissance.org](http://www.SullivanRenaissance.org).

Sullivan Renaissance is a beautification and community development program principally funded by the Gerry Foundation. Sponsors include Bold Gold Media Group/Thunder 102, FisherMears Associates, Kristt Company, Robert Green Dealerships, Sullivan County Democrat, The River Reporter, Thompson Sanitation, and WSUL/WVOS.

## "Sunday Matinee At The Museum"

Sullivan County Historical Society presents "Sunday Matinee At The Museum" featuring Classic Movies from the past

Show Time Sunday afternoon 1:00 P.M. at The Sullivan County Museum, 265 Main St. Hurleyville, NY

Free Admission - Donations appreciated  
"The Red Badge of Courage by Stephen Crane starring Audie Murphy will be shown on Sunday, July 27.

For Information 434-8044 or [www.sullivan-countyhistory.org](http://www.sullivan-countyhistory.org)

## Nature Column - Linda Comando

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

One of my favorite plants this time of the year is the tall bee balm with their vivacious red flowers that attract the hummingbirds.

Bee balm is a native plant in the Catskills and is frequently used as a tea. In fact, that delicious Earl Grey tea secret taste ingredient is from Bee Balm! Bee Balm, also known as Bergamot, Oswego Tea or Monarda can grow to over five feet tall.

The scientific name, Monarda, came from Nicolas Monardes, who wrote a book in 1574 describing plants found in the New World, included Monarda.



But long before Nicolas wrote the book, the Native Americans, including the Blackfoot, Menominee, Ojibwa and Winnebago knew the wonderful properties of this plant. The Blackfoot Indians recognized the strong antiseptic action of bee balm and used poultices of the plant for skin infections and minor wounds. Bee balm is the natural source of the antiseptic Thymol, the primary active ingredient in modern commercial mouthwash formulas. The Winnebago used a tisane made from bee balm as a general stimulant. Bee balm was also used as a carminative herb by Native Americans to treat excessive flatulence. An infusion of crushed Bee Balm was used to treat headaches and fevers.

Bee balm is easily recognized and grows quite well in full sun where the soil is moist, yet well drained. I guess a sunny spot in Sundown is the perfect spot, especially if you want the plants to produce beautiful blossoms. Bee balm will grow in shade, and will spread rapidly, but will not produce abundant flowers.

The individual flowers are narrowly tube-shaped, tightly clustered together in 2 in. heads and set atop a square stem. The stem is lined with large dark green oval leaves that have a minty aroma. Hummingbirds, butterflies, and bees are attracted to the blossoms.

The beautiful red Bee Balm that is common in our area, Monarda didyma, is not the only member of the Monarda family that grows in the Catskills. Monarda fistulosa, commonly known as wild bergamot, has lavender or smoky pink flowers. Monarda citriodora and Monarda pectinata have light lavender to lilac-colored blooms and have slightly decreased flower quantities.

All are commonly called Bee Balm and are members of the mint family.

What did John Burroughs have to say about Bee Balm? Quoted from the book, Our Friend John Burroughs, he states, "I shall long remember the enticing stream, the pretty cascades, the high shelving rocks sheltering the mossy nest of the phoebe, and the glowing masses of bee balm blooming beside the stream; yes, and the eagerness of one of the fisherman as he slipped along ahead of me, dropping his hook into the pools. Occasionally he would relinquish the rod, putting it into my hands with a rare self-denial as we came to a promising pool; but I was more deft at gathering bee balm than taking trout, and willingly spared the rod to the eager angler."

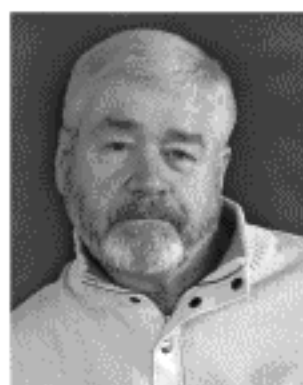
Today bee balm has even found its way into the florist's shop. Definitely a Catskill Mountain prize, this beautiful red blossomed flower certainly has a long history that surely goes back long before John Burroughs or Nicolas Monardes, to the days when the native's of this land had their own name for this outstanding plant that once upon a time was called Oswego tea!

## Household Hints

### Whiten Your Dingy White Socks

Are your white socks getting a little dingy? To whiten them, start by adding 1 cup vinegar to 1 1/2 quarts tap water in a large pot. Bring the solution to a boil, then pour it into a bucket and drop in your dingy socks. Let them soak overnight. The next day, wash them as you normally would.





## Chance

### Mysterious Book Report No. 155

by John Dwaine McKenna

Some of the best thriller and crime fiction stories are built around the premise of an ordinary person being put into an extraordinary situation. For example . . . Peter Parker is bitten by a radioactive spider and as a result, develops supernatural powers which totally change his life as he becomes 'The Amazing Spiderman,' a crusading crime fighter and doer of good deeds. Far fetched? Absolutely, you betcha. Does it make for good stories? Ditto. What I want to emphasize however, is not the Spiderman stories, but that one extraordinary event which changed him forever and made him a super hero.

In *Chance*, (Scribner, \$26.00, 320 pages, ISBN 978-0-7432-8924-5) by Kem Nunn, we're introduced to Dr. Eldon Chance, a forensic psychiatrist who makes his living by reviewing the medical files of persons accused of committing a crime, then testifying in court as to their sanity. He's a perfectly ordinary guy who's estranged from his wife, about to be divorced, living in an apartment while his soon to be ex-wife is living with her personal trainer boyfriend and Chance's estranged teenaged daughter in the house Chance used to own, and is still paying for. He's a guy who is teetering on the precipice of ruin, if not damnation. It's been years since Chance has seen a patient, because his type of practice doesn't require it. He's a disaster just waiting to happen, and happen it does when a patient named Jaclyn Blackstone is referred to him, suffering from periods of memory loss and an inability to concentrate for long periods of time. Dr. Chance diagnoses her as possibly having a multiple personality disorder, brought about by physical, psychological or sexual abuse. She's married to an abusive Oakland homicide detective who's threatened to kill her if she tries to leave him. Of course, she's a gorgeous California beauty with drop dead good looks and a huge sexual appetite . . . making it oh, so easy, for Chance to commit the ultimate breach of medical ethics and tumble head over heels into bed with her. Suddenly, his ordinary life is turned upside down as Dr. Chance is hunted by Jaclyn's morally bent, jealous husband and his cohorts in the police department. In fear of his life, Chance hooks up with a misfit, ex-special forces soldier known only as 'Big D' who tries to instruct the hapless psychiatrist in urban guerilla fighting techniques without much success. The novel is twisted, suspenseful and diabolic, just what you'd expect from a writer of TV shows like *Sons of Anarchy* and *Deadwood*, which in fact Kem Nunn has done. Action and intrigue fans will be entranced, delighted and absorbed!

Like the review? The greatest compliment you can give is to share it with others on Facebook, or follow us on Goodreads.  
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### Driver Safety Program

A Community Driver Safety Program/ Defensive Driving Class will be held at the Callicoon Town Hall, 19 Legion Street, Jeffersonville, New York on Saturday, July 26, 2014 from 9:00AM-4:00PM

To Register via mail to Community Driver Safety Programs, Inc., P O Box 444, White Lake NY 12786 or call toll free for additional information 1-877-910-7843.

The course is instructed by a RSVP Volunteer and will give this course in one full day session, which will consist of lecture, discussion and video presentations. Participants will receive a certificate which entitles them to apply for a discount on their automobile insurance.

The fee is \$25 per person over 50 years of age and \$35 per person under 50 years of age.

This course is instructed by a Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) volunteer and sponsored by Community Driver Safety Program.

There will be an AARP Driver Safety Program at the South Fallsburg Senior Center

Laurel Avenue, South Fallsburg, New York on Saturday, August 9, 2014 from 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM. PLEASE ARRIVE AT 8:45 AM

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To Register - Call Sonny Smith at 434-8922 (Leave Message). PLEASE CALL AFTER 9:00 AM IN THE MORNING.

Sonny Smith, an AARP- Certified Instructor, will give this course in one full day session, which will consist of a lecture, discussion and video presentations. Participants will receive a certificate which entitles them to apply for a discount on their automobile insurance.

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The fee is \$20 for AARP members and \$25 for non-members as of 1/1/2014; make checks payable to AARP, and mail to Sonny Smith. Please enclose your phone

number with payment. Classes are limited to 35, so apply early.

This course is instructed by a Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) volunteer and is sponsored by the Sullivan County Office for the Aging & RSVP.

### Ellenville, N.Y. Army National Guard Soldier Promoted - Jason Groat Receives New Rank, New Responsibilities

Major General Patrick A. Murphy, The Adjutant General for the State of New York, announces the promotion of members of the New York Army National Guard in recognition of their capability for additional responsibility and leadership.

Jason Groat from Ellenville, N.Y. (postal code 12428) serving with the Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, 104th Military Police Battalion is promoted to the rank of Specialist.

Army National Guard promotions are based on overall performance, attitude, leadership ability, and development potential.

These promotions additionally recognize the best qualified Soldiers and attract and retain the highest caliber Citizen Soldiers for a career in the New York Army National Guard.

For more information about the New York Army National Guard, visit www.dmna.ny.gov or www.1800goguard.com.

### Peter Frampton and The Doobie Brothers "Come Alive" at Bethel Woods - Toots

Being someone that knows a bit about music and someone that's seen a lot of concerts, it's not often that I can say a show has left me speechless. Well, last Saturday I was at the Peter Frampton/Doobie Brothers' concert and it in fact rendered me "SPEECHLESS". I couldn't honestly say, in my opinion, who was better.....Frampton or the Doobie Brothers ?? I guess that's left up to personal preference.

The Doobie Brothers were the opening act. For some onlookers this was hard to believe, they had the crowd on their feet dancing and singing the entire time! Some people thought the opening act should of been Frampton, but this was a huge NO-NO. Although the Doobie Brothers, I thought, were in fact better than Peter Frampton, they are one of the greatest opening acts I've seen. I had the opportunity to see both artists a few times and they've never left me disappointed or dissatisfied. The crowd was so electrified by the good music that by the time Frampton was ready to perform, everybody was at an all-time enthusiastic HIGH. They paved the way for Frampton !! When it was his turn to ROCK Bethel Woods, he did just that. From his sheer guitar know-how to his "INFA-MOUS" use of a mechanism called the "TALK-BOX" ( Which gives his voice an almost GROWLING effect), he surely did not disappoint his fans. I think Frampton almost knew he had good competition with the Doobie Brothers that he invited them all on stage with him during his encore, SHEER GENIUS- just when you thought the concert couldn't be any better !!

If you haven't had a chance to see either artist and have the opportunity to do so, please do !! Will not be sorely disappointed. Yes my friends, Peter Frampton AND the Doobie Brothers "CAME ALIVE" !!

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## The Olive Jar - By Carol LaMonda

### Scared Stiff

When I was a student of P.S. 30 in Staten Island, New York, it was in the early fifties. We wore dog tags with our name and blood type etched into the metal identification tag. We would have air raid drills that had us climb under our metal desks, crouch down and cover our heads until we were told it was "all clear." We also would go into the hallway, to avoid windows and shattered glass, and would again crouch down until released.

Now, knowing the power of an atom bomb, I can see the folly of this exercise in futility. The crouched position is the joke of cartoons saying it is the position to kiss your butt goodbye.

Later, we owned a farm house that had an honest-to-goodness bomb shelter, complete with gun ports, an artesian well, bunk beds, and shelves stocked with canned goods. It came that way from the owners who survived WWII and were caught up in the Korean War to Cold War time frame.

Since then, there have been foreign conflicts with enemies "du jour." Memories of the day Desert Shield became Desert Storm are etched and entwined with my son's wrestling career. It was at a match at Onteora that the radio blared the news.

September 11, 2001 was a day spent with colleague Rich Swart locked in a classroom (129) in the Onteora Middle School with twenty-some middle schoolers who didn't have a clue who the terrorists were. It was the first time I felt a twinge of fear and helplessness.

Today, with the flight of Malaysia Airlines shot down by Pro-Russian rebels, I shared the terror of innocence caught up in the conflict of nations. To add to my fears, the United Kingdom announced sending troops to Palestine. My "I-am-safe-here-in-Shokan" burst raining down an accumulation of unwanted fears and "under-the-bed" childhood terrors.

Television gave its shocked but sensational coverage, and then, we all went on with daily routines. The only difference is, tonight I am scared...scared that our civilization feels it must resort to missiles and mines to hurt other human beings instead of solving whatever the differences may be. At some point hatred forgets its reason and exists solely on the poison of revenge.

Tonight I am scared.

## Joseph W. Sciutto, Jr. Promoted to Rank of Detective

Sheriff Paul VanBlarcum announces that Joseph W. Sciutto, Jr. has been promoted to the rank of Detective in the Ulster County Sheriff's Office. Detective Sciutto joined the Sheriff's Office in 2007, having graduated from Basic Police Academy in 2004.

He was formerly a deputy with specialized training as a rescue diver and crime scene technician and has served on special teams within the Sheriff's Office.

Detective Sciutto has served in the U.S. Marine Corps since 2002.

Sheriff VanBlarcum also announces that Sgt. Kevin Richards has been awarded a Juris Doctorate degree from Albany Law School. Sgt. Richards has been a member of the Sheriff's Office since 2002.

## Schumer, Gillibrand Announce More than \$225,000 for Olive FD and the Marblatown First Aid Unit in UC -Funds Will Be Used To Purchase Critical Equipment

U.S. Senators Charles E. Schumer and Kirsten Gillibrand today announced \$228,375 in federal funding for the Olive Fire Department and the Marblatown First Aid Unit in Ulster County. The funding was allocated through the Department of Homeland Security's (DHS) Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program (AFG). The Olive Fire Department is located in Olivebridge, New York and will use the \$157,007 in federal funding to purchase new turnout gear and mandated personal escape systems for firefighters. The Marblatown First Aid Unit is located in High Falls, New York and will use the \$71,368 in federal funding to purchase a new power stretcher and a loader system to support emergency services.

"With this funding, the Olive Fire Department will be able to purchase the protective gear they need to effectively do their jobs," said Senator Schumer. "Our first responders are our local heroes and our primary line of defense. It is crucial that we provide them with the cutting-edge equipment they need to do their important work and save lives."

"First responders put their lives on the line every day and that is why it is important to make sure they have access to critical equipment," said Senator Gillibrand. "This investment for Ulster County will go a long way in helping to ensure their safety and the safety of the community."

"The Olive Fire Dept. No.1 Inc. in connection with Senators Gillibrand, Schumer, and Seward's office is pleased to announce the receipt of the Assistance to Firefighters Grant through the Department of Homeland Security," said Chris Winne, Olive Fire Department Chief. "The department serves the entire Town of Olive using five stations that are spread across approximately 67 square miles. Our Department is very excited about this news as it will allow us to purchase personal protective equipment needing to be updated."

"We are ecstatic here at the Marblatown First Aid Unit to be awarded \$71,368 in AFG grant funds to support critical Medical Equipment and Personal Protective Equipment. We are a 100% all Volunteer Ambulance Company that provides Ambulance service to 7 fire companies," said Beth Anderson, Marblatown First Aid Unit Board Treasurer and Secretary. "We are not funded by fire companies and this is the first time in 53 years that we

have won an AFG/FEMA grant. Thank you Senators Gillibrand and Schumer for \$71,368 to support a vital community service. Further, thank you for recognizing the commitment of our skilled volunteers."

The Assistance to Firefighters Grants are administered by the Department of Homeland Security Federal Emergency Management Agency in cooperation with the Department's United States Fire Administration. The grants are awarded on a competitive basis to the applicants that most closely address the program's priorities and demonstrate financial need. More information on the Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program can be accessed at <http://www.fema.gov/firegrants>.

## On Site Opera and The Phoenicia International Festival of the Voice Present a Workshop of Clairimonde - A New Opera Conducted by Frédéric Chaslin; Directed by Eric Einhorn; Featuring Alyson Cambridge (Clarimonde), Dominic Armstrong (Romualdo), Clayton Mathews (The Maker) & Louis Otey (Bishop Serapion)

On Site Opera and The Phoenicia International Festival of the Voice present a developmental workshop of the new opera *Clairimonde* from composer Frédéric Chaslin and librettist P.H. Fisher. The workshop culminates with a public reading held on Saturday, August 2, 2014 at 1:30pm in the gothic sanctuary of St. Francis De Sales Catholic Church (109 Main St, Phoenicia, NY 12464). *Clairimonde* is the second opera written by composer/librettist team Frédéric Chaslin and P.H. Fisher and follows their successful collaboration on *Wuthering Heights* (2007; selections from the piece have recently performed/recorded in Norway, Italy, Israel and Russia by artists such as Natalie Dessay and Diana Damrau.) Chaslin himself will conduct and Eric Einhorn will direct a cast including Alyson Cambridge (soprano) as *Clarimonde*, Dominic Armstrong (tenor) as *Romualdo*, Clayton Mathews (bass-baritone) as *The Maker* and Louis Otey (baritone) as *Bishop Serapion*. Immediately following the performance, the audience is invited to participate in an open forum Q & A with the creative team and cast.

*Clairimonde* is an adaptation of Theophile Gautier's *La Morte Amoureuse* (1836), a short story in the genre of the conte fantastique where science fiction, fantasy and magic realism merge. *La Morte Amoureuse* is a classic tale of the supernatural in which a young, handsome priest, Romualdo, falls in love with the beautiful vampire Clarimonde, whom he first encounters on the day of his ordination ceremony. *Clairimonde* is not a neck-biting, ghoulish creature with fangs; rather, she is an exquisite, alluring courtesan who genuinely falls in love with Romualdo. She believes that his love for her (and his pure, priestly blood) will redeem her, rescuing her from the eternal doom created by The Maker, the dark vampire master. The tough and wise Bishop Serapion learns of *Clairimonde*'s seduction of Romualdo and wages a battle to save not only Romualdo's physical life, but also his very soul.

Tickets are \$15 and can be purchased online at [www.phoeniciavoicfest.org](http://www.phoeniciavoicfest.org) or by phone at 845.586.3588. The performance will run approximately 90 minutes.

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## News From Pine Hill Community Center

It could have been a very difficult year, one that shakes the foundations of a grassroots organization like the Pine Hill Community Center: the winter was brutal and relentless, the negative effects of Irene have continued to linger, and our Director was on an extended leave of absence due to illness. But our foundation stood solid, because our foundation is you. With your continued and generous support, with your participation and presence, the Pine Hill Community Center has not only endured but thrived.

We are thankful for having been the recipient of the proceeds for the annual Phoenicia Turkey Trot event; we hosted a successful blood drive, which was a first for us; we served over 55 individual children at our Kool Kamp for Kool Kids; our Saturday Kid Stuff programs continued, including a very enjoyable and popular Circus Arts Program taught by a professional clown; and in general we have continued the high quality programming which has gained us the support and respect of people like you!

We are open six days a week with over 20 regularly scheduled events which can be accessed for free or for a minimal charge. Because you have been here to make us what we are we continue to be here as a resource for you, responding to your needs with new programs such as Tuesdays Together for toddlers and caretakers, a Yiddish Conversation Circle and writing programs through Writers in the Mountains.

We are bound to have our challenges here in these mountains, but the Community Center proves that difficult times can be met if only we would stand and work together. When our foundation is a whole community then our foundation is stable.

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Participation in this excellent program has dwindled of late, and unless we get more people we will have to cancel it. We'll hold three more classes and then evaluate what to do next. But if you think that this class would benefit you or someone you know, act now to ensure that it will continue.

## AANP Announces Fellows for 2014

The Fellows of the American Association of Nurse Practitioners (FAANP) recently selected 76 nurse practitioner (NP) leaders for induction into FAANP. Included in this induction was Robert D. Donaldson NP-C, Clinical Director of Emergency Medicine at Ellenville Regional Hospital since 2008. Working full time in that Emergency Department since 2004, he was elected by the medical staff to be the President of the Medical Staff in 2009 and has been reelected to that position twice. In 2011 Mr. Donaldson was nationally recognized for his work at Ellenville Regional Hospital by Health Leaders Media as

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"One of 20 people Who Make Healthcare Better" in America and in February of 2014 was an invited speaker, along with ERH President and CEO Steven Kelley, at The American Hospital Association's Rural Hospital Conference in Phoenix Arizona, to discuss their successes at that hospital.

The new FAANP members will continue the tradition of impacting national and global health through their outstanding contributions. They were inducted at a ceremony held on Thursday, June 19, 2014, during the AANP National Conference at the Gaylord Opryland Resort & Convention Center in Nashville, Tennessee.

AANP established the FAANP program in 2000 to recognize nurse practitioner leaders who have made outstanding contributions to health care through clinical practice, research, education, or policy. Fellows of AANP are visionaries and, as such, hold an annual think tank to strategize about the future of nurse practitioners and health care. The new Fellows will continue to demonstrate leadership and contribute to the mission of AANP.

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Each year that we attend this function, we are treated to success stories. This year, we were delighted to meet two individuals and their guide dogs, but one story was particularly poignant.



It was that of Randy Pierce, a Guiding Eyes For The Blind Graduate of the November 2006 class. Here is Randy's story...

Randy was a college graduate, had a great job, and was an avid hiker and

mountain climber. Shortly after graduation an unknown neurological order attacked Randy's eyes, and at the age of 22 in 1989, he began losing vision. He did get his first guide dog from another organization, and went on with his life, but by the year 2000, Randy was completely blind and lost the little light perception he had. In 2003, he suffered additional neurological episodes, which left him with no balance and confined to a wheelchair for 1 year, 8 months and 21 days. After six surgical procedures, Randy was able to walk with a cane, but was weak and did not have full control of his balance.

In June of 2006, and having lost his first guide dog, Randy met with Guiding Eyes For The Blind to determine if he was a candidate to receive one of their amazingly trained guide dogs, and he was found to be so. He spent 21 days being housed and trained at The Guiding Eyes For The Blind Training Center where he ate, slept, and trained. He was paired up with Quinn, a beautiful and brilliant yellow lab. The bond between the two, and Quinn's intelligence and strength made Randy dub him "The Mighty Quinn." In any case, Randy and Quinn returned home to Randy's home in New Hampshire. Randy went out into the world with Quinn, but Randy was still slow, unsteady, and walked with a cane while out with Quinn. Randy decided one day in 2009 to take Quinn to the mountains to see if Quinn could actually help Randy navigate some of the low mountains. Quinn could and did. He pulled Randy up the mountains and after some time, Randy's pace was quicker and his step much steadier to the point where he no longer needed the cane. Randy was determined to show other sightless folks that they could do pretty much whatever they wanted to do if they had the right attitude, perfectly matched guide dog, and the will. Randy was determined to climb the 48 highest peaks (4000 plus feet each) in New Hampshire's White Face Mountains, and with the perseverance of Quinn, he reached every one of the 48 peaks. Randy also started an organization called 20/20 Vision Quest, and you can read more about Randy by googling his name or 20/20 Vision Quest. Randy also married in 2010 to a lovely young woman by the name of Tracy, who had to gain Quinn's trust, did so, and they became a happy family.

Quinn passed away from cancer in January of 2014, just after his 9th birthday, but what a gift he was to Randy and all that knew him for what he helped Randy to accomplish.

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## Tri-Valley Lions Visit Guiding Eyes For The Blind (From Pg. 1)



So, again on July 12th, 2014, Tri-Valley Lion President, Esta Jacob, Immediate Past President, Pauline Vetter-Staats, 1st Vice President, Lorraine Nilsen, and Lion Donna Schick, headed down to this event. Not only did we get to tour the kennels of approximately 160 yellow and black Labrador Retrievers and about 12 German Shepherds in the final stages of training before they go off to be somebody's guide dog, but we toured the veterinary hospital, which has the only MRI machine for dogs in the United States, and also learned how the whole training process starts from soup to nuts. Puppies are born in The Guiding Eyes for the Blind breeding center, and at about 8 weeks old are sent home with "Puppy Raisers," who are very carefully screened and selected. The Puppy Raisers take the pups home and immediately start their training by getting them used to people, taking them out onto the streets and into stores, training them to stop at curbs, having them interact in noisy and crowded situations, so eventually they are able to guide their person through the obstacles of life, including getting on trains and going to work. These guide dogs give a blind or otherwise impaired person their lives back and gives them the confidence to proceed in life. Puppy raisers return the dogs to The Guiding Eyes For The Blind at about 18 months old for final training with expert trainers.

The Guiding Eyes does not charge a penny to the recipient of the guide dog for the training of the guide dog, the training of the recipient, nor the housing, veterinary bills, etc. Last year through the donations of Lions Clubs all across the country, The Guiding Eyes For the Blind was able to purchase 11 air-conditioned vans to use to take the guide dogs and the recipients of the dogs to locations to maneuver through malls, train stations, restaurants, and other places that the recipient of the guide dog will have to navigate.

Randy now has a new guide dog from Guiding Eyes For The Blind, but he will never ever forget The Mighty Quinn, nor will those that heard this story.

And this, folks, is one of the main reasons that The Tri-Valley Lions exist and work to fundraise to support organizations like this. This year at this Guiding Eyes For The Blind Function, The Tri-Valley Lions turned over a donation check to this organization in the amount of \$1,000.00, and we hope that next year it could be even more. Over \$60,000 was donated to this fantastic organization on July 12, 2014 by Lions Clubs all through the country. We are very fond of this organization as they have provided 3 guide dogs to our own Tri-Valley Lion, Monty LaHanko.

Come to our Soda Booth during Fair time this year, and meet Monty and his guide dog Buddy Boy, and you can see firsthand how terrific The Guiding Eyes For The Blind is, and why it is one of the organizations The Tri-Valley Lions Club supports.

For more information about The Tri-Valley Lions or joining the Tri-Valley Lions Club, please call Mary Lou Vernooy (Membership Chairperson) at 845-434-7761 or Esta Jacob (President) at 845-985-2927.



## News from Professional Women Of Sullivan County



Profession Women of Sullivan County recent installation of officers:  
President: Adrianna Mayson-Greco; Vice President: Amy Colon; Treasurer: Donna Mulvey; Co-Secretaries: Carol McKay & Martha Grill; and Corresponding Secretary: Debbie MorelliSpeer



The Winners of PWSC 2014 Scholarships that were presented on May 21st 2014 at Bernie's Holiday Restaurant: Jamie Dileo: Margaret Hazen Memorial Award; Ashley Exner: Selma Green Memorial Scholarship; Shivani Patel: Cooper Arias Award; Lois DiStefano: Jean Rosenheck Memorial Scholarship; Dina Rundle: Reverend Martha Finn Memorial Scholarship; Magali Ramirez: PWSC Scholarship; Danielle Stratton: PWSC Scholarship Megan Yeleki: PWSC Scholarship; Tisha Coakley: PWSC Scholarship; Elly Smaldone: PWSC Scholarship; and Rachel Schmitt: PWSC Scholarship

## County Executive Mike Hein Signs Agreement Between Ulster County and the Ulster County Sheriff's Employee Association



Kingston, NY - Ulster County Executive Mike Hein has signed an agreement between Ulster County and the Ulster County Sheriff's Employee Association (UCSEA), a bargaining unit which represents 176 corrections officers at the Ulster County Jail. Pursuant to the agreement, which covers the years 2010 through 2015, the County employees represented by UCSEA will receive a 0% wage

increase for 2010, 2011 and 2012 and a 2% wage increase in 2013, 2014 and 2015. In addition, employees hired after ratification of the agreement will be required to contribute 20% of the County's cost for health insurance benefits.

"I am committed to fairly balancing the need to protect Ulster County taxpayers with the need to properly compensate hard-working County employees such as corrections officers," said County Executive Mike Hein. "They perform a difficult and dangerous job day in and day out. I want to thank Sheriff Paul VanBlarcum for his professionalism as we worked together in this process and I also want to recognize UCSEA leadership for bargaining in good faith and understanding and appreciating today's challenging economic realities, as well as the UCSEA members for ratifying this agreement."

According to George Gunning, President of the Ulster County Sheriff's Employee Association and a sergeant with the Ulster County Sheriff's Office Corrections Division, "UCSEA is proud how we worked with the County to reach a reasonable agreement, keeping in mind the current economic conditions. I want to thank County Executive Hein and Sheriff VanBlarcum for being willing to listen and keeping the lines of communication open throughout this process."

The UCSEA agreement will now go before the Ulster County Legislature for approval.

## Joe LaRuffa Enters Fallsburg Hall of Fame



Joe LaRuffa, an outstanding music teacher and band director at Fallsburg Central School District (FCSD) and former Town of Fallsburg Councilman, became the second inductee into the Fallsburg High School Hall of Fame on June 29, 2014. Superintendent Dr. Ivan Katz and Board of Education President Joseph Collura introduced Mr. LaRuffa to the filled auditorium at

the Class of 2014 Graduation Ceremonies. Both speakers praised LaRuffa's career as an outstanding teacher, a nationally renowned band director, a public servant, and, in Collura's words, a courageous military man who served his country in the treacherous three years of the Italian campaign in World War II.

Accompanying LaRuffa were his wife Jeannette, his daughters Angela and Mary Ann, his son Frank, and Frank's daughter Olivia. Frank offered moving words of thanks on behalf of his dad and the grateful family. Many former colleagues and students were in the audience, shaking hands and hugging the LaRuffa Family. Some of his students even had children in the graduating class. It was easy to see from the outpouring of affection that Joe LaRuffa was a worthy choice for the Fallsburg High School Hall of Fame.

## Riverfest 2014, a Festival of Music, Art, and Ecology

Music, art, and the environment take center stage at Riverfest, held Sunday, July 27 from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. on Main Street in Narrowsburg, New York, overlooking the Delaware River. Presented by Delaware Valley Arts Alliance (DVAA) and sponsored by Catskill Regional Medical Center, Riverfest embodies the spirit of our river valley and highlights the artists and musicians who live and work here.

This year, Riverfest will go wireless with the assistance of Frontier Communications. Frontier will provide Wi-Fi hot spots throughout Main Street. Visitors and vendors alike can join "FrontierCommunicationsFreeWiFi" network

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and enjoy free Wi-Fi throughout the day. DVAA will also post updates on Facebook and Twitter throughout the day.

The family-friendly River Dogs on Parade opens the festivities at 10 a.m.



sharp. Pooches and pups dressed up in creative attire strut their stuff, all hoping to win the "best of" awards, while emcee Kevin McDonough offers running commentary and the Dog Parade judges deliberate (register your dog early by calling the DVAA at 845-252-7576, or sign up that morning by 9:45 a.m.).

At 12:30 p.m., the Riverfest poster auc-

tion offers up of over five dozen original works of art created especially for the occasion. Artists working in every conceivable medium from watercolor to fabric to wood, donate their work to be sold to the highest bidder by inaugural auctioneer Tony Staffieri. These posters are on display in the gallery windows of the Delaware Arts Center and can also be previewed online at [www.DelawareValleyArtsAlliance.org](http://www.DelawareValleyArtsAlliance.org).

Everything for sale at Riverfest is artist-made, and the person who is selling it to you is the artist him/herself. Broom makers; potters; jewelers; textile, wood, and glass artists; writers, and painters all offer their wares. Get a book signed by the author or watch a chainsaw artist create a new sculpture, a potter throwing clay, or a fly tier making the perfect fly for the perfect catch.

Music at the bandstand fills the air throughout the day. In the morning Donna Singer and The Doug Richards Trio, play jazz, swing and blues with special guest Bill Fleck on trombone, and in the afternoon, you'll hear the pop country sounds of Doug Rogers and the Backseat Drivers, featuring Chip Forelli, Marc Switko, and Doug Rogers.

Kids Korner is a place where children can create works of art or play games under the direction of Maureen Cookingham from 11 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. Art projects range from masks to mini posters and kids get to take home their own interpretation of Riverfest. The food court offers goodies from sesame noodles and hot dogs to cookies to kettle corn.

Environment and energy efficiency information booths will help you wade through the complexities of clean water, clean air, and energy conservation. Ample free parking can be found at the Fireman's field/ball field on DeMauro Lane. A complimentary shuttle service from the parking area to the Tusten Theatre will be provided again this year with assistance from First Student.

Follow the signs to Riverfest and enjoy a full day of celebrating the arts and environment.

Admission is free. For more information call 845-252-7576 or visit [www.DelawareValleyArtsAlliance.org](http://www.DelawareValleyArtsAlliance.org).



## Belleayre Conservatory Takes Issue With NYS Comptroller DiNapoli's Audit of ORDA

The Board of Directors of the Belleayre Conservatory announced today that they have passed a resolution taking strong issue with the Office of Comptroller DiNapoli's findings and suggestions in regard to the relationship between ORDA and the Conservatory.

The resolution noted that the opening statement of the Audit Report refers to the hundreds of millions of dollars in economic impact and benefit derived from ORDA activity. Nowhere else in the entire audit text is this benefit mentioned again, calling into question the Comptroller's Office grasp of the history, operation and mission of the Authority.

This lack of understanding is clearly demonstrated on page 17 of the audit where it faults ORDA for not demanding more fees and charges for the operation of the Conservatory on the State owned site of Belleayre Mountain. It also does not acknowledge the revenue ORDA receives through its concessionaire which operates at festival events.

Since 1991 the Conservatory has produced and presented a concert series, known as the Belleayre Music Festival at Belleayre Mountain Ski Center. The Conservatory is a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt organization with minimal administration expenses. As with most arts organizations, ticket prices cover but a fraction of the costs. The entire budget over ticket prices is, and has for 23 years been made up by charitable donations. In these 23 years the citizens of this region and the patrons of the festival have donated millions of dollars to make this Festival possible.

The mission of the Conservatory, in addition to bringing entertainment and culture to an underserved region, is to enhance the Belleayre Mountain role as the economic driver of the Ulster/Delaware region and the Route 28 corridor by making its presence and impact known in the summer and fall season in addition to the ski season.

The suggestion by the audit report that ORDA should demand a portion of these charitable donations shows a lack of understanding of the relationship between the two organizations. The NYS Legislature clearly understood the importance of the Festival when it mandated that ORDA do all it could to support the Festival and other year round activities as it assumed responsibility over Belleayre Mountain's operation.

The very suggestion that the State should somehow get a cut of the charitable contributions that make the Festival possible puts the ability to raise these donations in jeopardy. Without them the Festival is not possible and the citizens of this region and the economic future of its towns would be the losers. The loss of the Festival would compromise both the State and ORDA's mission of economic development and job creation.

## Agreeing to Bargain Collectively Deputy Comptroller Published in National Magazine

Deputy Comptroller Joseph Eriole, Esq. has had an article on labor negotiations published in one of the government finance profession's most prominent periodicals.

The piece, entitled, "Maximizing the Finance Officer's Role in Labor Negotiations," appears in the June issue of the Government Finance Review, a nationally distributed magazine covering all aspects of the world of government finance and

budgeting issues.

"The topic of controlling labor costs while remaining faithful to basic principles of fairness to employees is extremely relevant in challenging economic times," says Eriole.

The article focuses on the government finance officer's unique ability to provide analytic tools to the negotiating table. "Labor negotiations are often confined to reviewing the previous collective bargaining agreement and identifying the two or three issues that are 'hot topics' that year," says Eriole. "The negotiations are typically left to the administration, who are (appropriately, from their point of view) focused on the bottom line impact of labor costs on the budget process in the near term, and the lawyers, who are representing specific positions which serve those goals. But the finance officer can track trends in every aspect of labor costs over an extended period of time, and be a catalyst for innovative long-term solutions."

Ulster Comptroller Elliott Auerbach has recommended labor positions on certain issues in past reports and general interaction with in Ulster government. Eriole has been a presenter at the last two national Government Finance Officers' Association national conferences and has publishing credits in the areas of municipal and constitutional law.

The Article can be found at [www.ulstercountyny.gov/comptroller/news-media](http://www.ulstercountyny.gov/comptroller/news-media)

## Gibson Releases New Web Video Highlighting Support for Education Reform

Congressman Chris Gibson released a new web video today, "Common Sense," that focuses on his support for ensuring local control of our education through empowering local teachers, parents, and students. Featured in the ad are a local parent from Valatie and Mary Jo Gibson.

"As a parent of three children attending our local public school, I understand firsthand the necessity of ensuring local teachers and parents have input in our education system. Washington mandates, excessive standardized testing and New York State's implementation of Common Core have significantly hurt the education of our students," said Congressman Gibson. "I am proud to lead efforts in the United States Congress to reduce unnecessary standardized testing and will continue to fight to increase the influence local administrators, teachers, and parents have on their child's education."

The web ad can be viewed at: [bit.ly/1mRnnIM](http://bit.ly/1mRnnIM)

## Oscar Israelowitz Slide-show Based on His Book: Welcome Back to the Catskills

Tuesday evening, July 29th at 7:00 p.m. Oscar Israelowitz will present a slideshow based on his book: Welcome Back to the Catskills at the Ethelbert B. Crawford Public Library. The Catskills were the summer retreat for thousands of New Yorkers for over one hundred years. The program features many of the grand hotels such as Grossinger's, the Concord and the Nevele which all served as the training ground for some of the greatest entertainers in the world, including Sid Caesar, Eddie Fischer, Robert Merrill and Neil Sedaka. There is a discussion about the Delaware & Hudson Canal and the Roebling Bridge over the Delaware River. There is a section devoted to the Ontario & Western Railroad which predates the Quickway (Route 17). There is also a

discussion about the Jewish farmers who moved to the Catskills from the "big city" around the turn of the century. They could not survive as farmers so they transformed their farmhouses into boarding houses. The result was the creation of over 1,500 summer resorts. His book is included in the library collection and will also be available for sale from the author at the program. For information please call (845) 794-4660. This program is free and open to the public.

To learn more about this and other summer library programs please visit the library website, [www.ebcrawfordlibrary.org](http://www.ebcrawfordlibrary.org), and view our July programs and events.

## Catskill Mountain Jazz Series

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

[www.catskillhighpeaks.com](http://www.catskillhighpeaks.com), [www.ulstertourism.info](http://www.ulstertourism.info) or [www.greatwesterncatskills.com](http://www.greatwesterncatskills.com). Belleayre Music Festival concerts are held on the grounds of Belleayre Mountain in Highmount.

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



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## Governor Cuomo Announces \$3.2 Million in Grants to Expand College Access for Low-income Students

Governor Andrew M. Cuomo announced the release of a \$3.2 million College Access Innovation Grant application that will be used by organizations to increase college enrollment and completion among low-income students across the State.

"New York's legacy is built on providing opportunities for all, and through this competitive grant we are continuing that reputation and investing in programs that work for the people," Governor Cuomo said. "This grant allows us to implement successful strategies that help low-income students entering college achieve greater educational and economic opportunities for their future."

The College Access Innovation Grant will support strategies for student success by:

- i. Connecting college-ready, low-income students to colleges and universities that match their academic achievement levels by providing customized information and assistance throughout the college application process. This allows for students to be matched to several colleges that best match their academic and financial levels.
- ii. Removing barriers that low-income students face in accessing financial aid. Completion of the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), the federal financial aid eligibility form, will be promoted by making available workshops and individual attention to guide prospective students through a potentially prohibitive process.
- iii. Providing intensive college preparation, enrollment, and persistence through counseling, coaching and direction on the transition to college beginning in middle school through completion of the college freshman year.
- iv. Reconnecting adult learners to higher education through services that increase their college completion rates, as well as reduce their time to completion.
- iv. Establishing new and creative uses of technology to increase college opportunities for low-income students.

The average college-educated worker in New York State earns an estimated \$25,000 more each year than somebody with only a high school diploma, and an estimated 53 percent of new jobs are projected to require at least some college education. Low-income students are 30 percent less likely to attend college after graduating from high school.

The College Access Innovation Grant is New York's fifth federal College Access Challenge Grant award, which is awarded by the U.S. Department of Education. The Grant is administered by the New York State Higher Education Service Corporation (HESC), which has successfully applied for the State's four previous awards that total \$29 million. In the last two academic years, the funds have provided services to more than 124,000 New Yorkers.

Applicants can seek grants of up to \$500,000 through this Request for Proposals. Applications are due August 13 and interested organizations can apply at the HESC website.

Elsa Magee, Acting President of HESC, said, "In New York State,

fewer low-income high school students attend college, and successfully complete a degree, than their higher-income peers. To reverse these trends and create a system of opportunity and performance, the State is supporting high-quality, research-backed college access and success programs targeted to these students."

Congresswoman Nita Lowey said, "Access to higher education is essential to economic mobility and a stronger middle class. We need to do all we can to ensure each and every person has the opportunity to access a quality education, and this federal investment will help hard-working New Yorkers looking for a brighter future. As the top Democrat on the House Appropriations Committee, I will continue to fight for funding that helps higher education dreams become reality."

Congresswoman Carolyn McCarthy said, "Every student who can get into a college, university, or trade school should be given the opportunity to earn a degree, regardless of their financial situation. This grant will help students and their families make higher education a reality."

As a national leader for higher education, New York is the top destination for first-time freshmen nationwide and provides \$1 billion annually in need-based grants through the State's Tuition Assistance Program.

About HESC  
HESC is New York State's student financial aid agency that helps people pay for college and a national leader in providing need based grant and scholarship award money to college-going students. At HESC's core are programs like the Tuition Assistance Program (TAP), numerous state scholarships, federal college access grants and a highly successful College Savings program. Through programs like these and through the guidance it provides to students, families and counselors, HESC puts college within the reach for hundreds of thousands of New Yorkers each year.

## Microbeads and Microplastics Pose Severe Risks to Ecosystem - New Listing Would Create Opportunity To Study And Address Growing Issue

Washington D.C. - In response to a recent report that identified thousands of plastic particles per square kilometer in Lake Erie and up to 1.1 million particles per square kilometer in Lake Ontario, U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand today urged the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to add microbeads and microplastics to the list of Great Lakes contaminants. Microbeads are found in personal care products like facial scrubs, body washes, hand cleansers, and toothpaste. These products are designed to be rinsed down the drain but are too small to be captured by wastewater treatment plants. They are subsequently found in large bodies of water, such as the Great Lakes, and can be ingested by birds and fish, posing serious environmental and health risks. This could have a devastating effect on the Great Lakes fish populations, hurting the \$7 billion recreational fishing industry, tourism industry and the general economic well-being of the entire region. The state of

Illinois has already banned microbeads in consumer products, with legislation being considered in New York, Ohio and California. Adding these contaminants to the list would allow them to be studied further.

to New York waterways' natural ecosystem," said Senator Gillibrand. "I urge EPA to add microbeads and microplastics to the list of emerging contaminants in the Great Lakes, to ensure the proper improvements can take place to help remove them from Lake Erie and Lake Ontario. I will continue to do all that I can to make sure New York's waterways are protected from pollution and are preserved for generations to come."

"From the Great Lakes to the Hudson River to Long Island Sound, our commitment to protecting and restoring New York's waters is among our most important responsibilities," Attorney General Schneiderman said. "While they may be invisible to users, roughly 19 tons of microbeads are washed down the drain in New York every year. I applaud Senator Gillibrand for her leadership in fighting to stop the flow of plastic from ill-designed beauty products into our vital waters, protecting our natural heritage against this hidden threat."

Microbeads have been banned from personal care products in Illinois and there are several other states including New York, currently considering similar legislation. Attorney General Eric T. Schneiderman has spearheaded efforts in New York to ban the beads and released a report which found that more than 19 tons of microbeads wash down drains each year and possibly into New York's waterways. They can last for decades and when found in oceans and lakes, pose environmental and health risks because of the pollutants they can attract and carry. Wildlife and aquatic animals ingest the beads, which causes internal issues and exposes them to toxins.

In her letter to EPA Administrator Gina McCarthy, urging the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative (GLRI) Interagency Task Force to include microbeads and microplastics as contaminants in the GLRI Action Plan II FY15-19, Senator Gillibrand wrote, "Explicitly identifying microplastics and microbeads as an emerging contaminant in the GLRI Action Plan II will ensure this critical issue receives the attention it deserves."

The Great Lakes Restoration Initiative leverages federal resources to forge initiatives that improve water quality and protect native species. After releasing their GLRI Action Plan II for fiscal years 15-19, EPA has opened a comment period. By adding microbeads and microplastics to the list of emerging contaminants in the Great Lakes, there will be opportunities to better study the microbead and microplastic problem and allows for the development of proper remediation.

## POLITICAL SLANT

-Frank Comando

## CHILDREN MURDERED IN THE SKIES

The shooting down of civilian aircraft is against international law. More than one hundred Aids workers killed in this incident. We need action now.

## CHILDREN MURDERED BY MISSILES

Gaza Strip, Death Toll Eclipses 500 Israeli campaign against Hamas has resulted in the deaths of more than 500

Palestinians, including almost 100 children, and two American born Israeli troops. TOTAL CHILD DEATHS 131 Israeli children and 1,581 Palestinian children have been killed since September 29, 2000 IN THIS FARCE.

## CHILDREN MURDERED IN THE STREETS

The heroin epidemic is claiming more, and more of our children's lives than ever before. We are told by the politicians we are doing our best. If we measure the politician's worth by the success of the job they are doing, your fired!

## CHILDREN MURDERED AT WACO

A more horrendous death I could not imagine. We still do not know why this happened. Is it because of the religious study by David Koresh?

His study of the "Seven Seals" was to foretell of the "Second coming of Jesus "The Christ," Jesus the Savior of the poor and working classes.

## CHILDREN MURDERED IN OUR SCHOOLS

No one knows whether this was a contagious virus causing a peculiar insanity of students in different areas of our country to kill one another? Or was this a terrorist plot, to bring fear into the hearts of the poor and U.S. working classes? No word on the men in camos running away from the Connecticut school shooting as the news choppers arrived.

Let us take the possible implosion of the Twin Towers compared to fire, bringing the towers down? Activity at Pensacola air base before the 911 tragedy, where the pilots with Saudi passports trained, only to take off, eventually crashing into the buildings. Was anyone awake in our government or military?

Oklahoma Bombing, we remember a text message sent between ATF workers stating, "Do not go to work today." But noone sent a "text" to the children and they died a terrible death.

Children, and the cream of our youth murdered in unnecessary wars for profit, senior citizens dying from prescription medications with too many side effects, prescribed medications, now the fifth major killer in the U.S. - this is not acceptable. Salt content in food must be regulated to fight high blood pressure.

Enough! Humanity demands that if the United Nations cannot create world peace as it promised, when it was created, it needs to revamp. Instead the U.N. gives us WARS FOR PROFIT. The U.N. structure needs to be changed. The change we envision is the U.N. shall pay for all, and adapt an additional group of representatives from the working classes of the world, with the same number of representatives as the merchant nations now have. Representatives need to be elected every two years, thus giving the working classes a voice in N.W.O.

## LET US STOP THIS INSANITY AND SAVE ALL THE CHILDREN.

## NEXT WEEK, N.S.A., AND THE JUSTICE DEPT. USE ATT, TO SPY ON GRAHAMSVILLE-ITES

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



## Breakfast Buffet at Revonah-Lincoln-Kiamesha Chapter #443

WHAT: Breakfast Buffet with Assorted Egg Casseroles, French Toast, Home Fried Potatoes, Home Made Breads, Coffee, Tea and Juice  
 WHEN: Sunday, August 3, 2014 Serving is from 7:30 AM to Noon

WHERE: Revonah-Lincoln-Kiamesha Chapter #443, Order of the Eastern Star- The Masonic Lodge 20 Eagle Drive, Liberty, New York  
 PRICE: 8.00 for Adults. \$4.00 for children under 12

Take-Outs are available

For Information call Peggy at 845-434-0660

## Come One, Come All to Claryville Heritage Day

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

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

On Sunday, August 10, there will be an old fashioned worship service at 10 AM. The service will follow the pattern from the 1850's when the church and cemetery were founded. It will begin with songs and hymns from that era. The sermon will be on

Psalm 100, a beloved Psalm of the historic Dutch Reformed Church. This denomination is America's oldest Christian Church with a continuous history.

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

**Sat., July 26, 2014**  
6 am to 12 Noon  
\$15 per person  
Special: \$5 Lunch Contest

**Beaver Dam Club**  
Beaver Dam Road  
Grahamsville, NY


**Bass Fishing Derby**

**RULES**

- Electric motors only
- All fish weighed must be alive
- Artificial lures only
- Catch & Release
- Two(2) people per boat
- All prizes awarded are cash
- Three(3) heaviest fish—1st, 2nd, 3rd
- 50% of entry fee returned as prizes

Refreshments provided after contest  
5:00 PM

Any questions, contact:  
Lou C. at 985-7197  
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 Monday afternoon 5:45 (Holy Rosary at 5:30); Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday mornings: (includes Morning Prayer)- 8:30 am (starting Sept. 3 - 8:50 am.)

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## Eastern Star "Breakfast Buffet"

Revonah-Lincoln-Kiamesha Chapter #443, Order of the Eastern Star is serving a "Breakfast Buffet" Sunday, August 3, 2014. Serving is from 7:30 AM to Noon at the Masonic Lodge at 20 Eagle Drive, Liberty, New York. The Masonic Lodge is located at 20 Eagle Drive, Liberty, New York

\$8.00 for Adults. \$4.00 for children under 12

Take-Outs are available

For Information call Peggy at 845-434-0660

## Unnecessary Farce

"Want to see a play that will have you laughing from beginning to end, will literally leave you breathless from the hysteria taking place onstage and make you want to go back and see it again?"

-Times Herald-Record

Go see *Unnecessary Farce* By Paul Slade Smith "Sit back, catch your breath and howl as the impractical and improbable unfold! Each cast member performs with the precision of a trained trapeze artist on the high wire!"

-The Catskill Chronicle

Two cops. Three crooks. Eight doors. And one misguided undercover sting operation propel this crime-based comedy. Don't miss out on the hit comedy of the summer, playing now thru August 3!

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-Times Herald-Record

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**Covered Dish Supper**  
 5:30 pm  
 at the Church Hall



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**Saturday Thrift Sale**  
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**Thrift Sale & Luncheon**  
 July 22, 2014  
 Thrift Sale 9 - 1  
 Luncheon 11 - 1  
 Fellowship Hall  
 Rt. 55, Grahamsville, NY



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 Sunday School 9:30 A.M.  
 Worship Service 9:30 A.M.  
 Rev. Paul Z. Ruter, Pastor  
 845-985-7480



**PUBLIC NOTICES/LEGALS:****TOWN OF NEVERSINK  
NOTICE TO BIDDERS**

The Town of Neversink is **WITHDRAWING** the following 3 Requests for Proposals that were previously advertised for the Town of Neversink Route 42 Town Park Project:

- Chain Link Fencing for (4) Ball Fields and Highway Border
- Construct Pole Barn Type Structure - Pavilion
- Construct (8) Dugouts

The following Request for Proposal is still in effect:

- Construction/Renovation of the Men's & Woman's Restrooms, Shower Rooms and Office/Storage Area at the Town of Neversink Town Pool Complex located at the Grahamsville Fairgrounds. A mandatory site visit will be conducted August 8, 2014, 9 AM to observe existing conditions, establish room dimensions & ceiling height. This is a New York State Prevailing Wage Project. Prevailing wage information can be found at the New York State Department of Labor Website. The PRC number is: **2014006205**.

Sealed proposals for the project at the Pool Complex must be received by the Town Clerk at the Neversink Town Hall by 2:00 PM on August 29, 2014, at which time they will be opened.

Information and specifications on each of the above projects may be obtained at the office of the Town Clerk, 273 Main St., Grahamsville, NY, phone (845) 985-2262 x 300 or 307 between the hours of 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM, excluding holidays. They may be picked up or emailed upon request.

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**Reps. Gibson and Maloney hopeful FERC will Reconsider Capacity Zone**

- Representatives Chris Gibson (NY-19) and Sean Patrick Maloney (NY-18) are encouraged by comments made today by Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid, who told the media the two nominees to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) would review the agency's reckless decision to implement a new capacity zone in the Hudson Valley that will raise electric rates on thousands of consumers.

Senator Reid told the CQ Roll Call newspaper that he has discussed the capacity zone with FERC nominees Norman Bay and Cheryl LaFleur, FERC's acting chairwoman. The senator said both nominees would "take a hard look at it."

"We're encouraged by this, and we hope FERC will vacate the capacity zone and work on pragmatic solutions," said Rep. Gibson. "I appreciate the support of my House and Senate colleagues in fighting these rate increases, which make it even harder to raise a family and run a business in Upstate New York."

"Working together with our Senate colleagues, we're taking another step

toward stopping this new capacity zone, which is hurting our Hudson Valley businesses and families," said Rep. Maloney. "FERC can and should reconsider this reckless decision by vacating the order and working with us on real solutions."

Last week the House approved an amendment introduced by Reps. Gibson and Maloney that prohibits FERC from implementing, administering, or enforcing FERC's decision to create a new capacity zone.

The amendment to the Energy and Water Appropriations bill was accompanied by a committee report that calls on FERC to hear and consider the concerns of local ratepayers as it makes decisions regarding increased electric rates.

**Scholarships for College - Still Time to Volunteer in Your Community and Become Eligible**

[LIBERTY] - Several communities in Sullivan County are still looking for assistance with their 2014 Sullivan Renaissance gardening projects before judging begins on August 7. Volunteers who help on these projects are eligible to apply for one of two different college scholarships. Applications for both programs are available online at [www.sullivanrenaissance.org](http://www.sullivanrenaissance.org)

For a list of groups and projects that can use assistance, call Sullivan Renaissance at 845-295-2445.

**Sullivan Renaissance Scholarship**

The Community Foundation of Orange and Sullivan Counties, through a donor-advised fund established by Sullivan Renaissance, offers a limited number of scholarships to Sullivan County residents who volunteer and make a significant contribution to a 2014 Renaissance project. Scholarships are for the 2015 spring semester at an undergraduate college of one's choice. Recipients will be announced at the Sullivan Renaissance Awards Ceremony on August 11 at Bethel Woods Center for the Arts in Bethel.

Interested applicants must demonstrate that they have volunteered for a 2014 Renaissance project in a significant way. They need to include a letter of support from the project leader. They should indicate the college or university that they will be attending, as well as their chosen area of study. Candidates must describe their contribution to Sullivan Renaissance, the impact the experience had on them, and why they have chosen their particular area of study.

Applications are due by 5:00 p.m. on Monday, August 4, 2014. An interview of final candidates may be conducted before selection. The scholarship is available to students either currently enrolled in college full-time or planning to attend college full-time in the fall of 2014. Scholarship funds will be released to the recipients' college financial office for the 2015 spring semester.

Last year the Community Foundation awarded eight Sullivan Renaissance Scholarships in various amounts up to \$2000. Twelve scholarships were awarded in 2012, nine in 2011, seven in 2010 and 2009; and six in 2008.

**SUNY Sullivan Scholarship**

The SUNY Sullivan Foundation will also award scholarships to volun-

teers involved in 2014 Renaissance projects. The application deadline is Monday, July 21, 2014.

Scholarships of \$1500 are available for full-time students. To receive a full-time award, an applicant must be a Sullivan County resident attending or planning to attend SUNY Sullivan full-time for the 2014-2015 academic year and must be a June 2014 graduate of a Sullivan County High School.

To receive a part-time award of \$750, a volunteer must be a resident of Sullivan County who has been out of high school for more than one year. The applicant must have a high school diploma or GED certificate or college transcript and plan to register at SUNY Sullivan part-time for a minimum of six credits and a maximum of eleven credits for the fall and spring semesters.

Applicants must volunteer in a 2014 community project and include a letter of recommendation from the leader of the Sullivan Renaissance group. They must answer the question "How have I, as a member of my community, been part of the Sullivan Renaissance?" (250-words) or submit a photographic portfolio or a video of their participation in the project.

In 2013 two full-time SUNY Sullivan Scholarships of \$1000 were given to volunteers involved in Sullivan Renaissance projects who are attending SUNY Sullivan. Since these scholarships began in 2003 a total of fourteen full-time and nine part-time scholarships have been awarded.

**Renaissance Program**

Most communities have been hard at work on their projects since grants were awarded in April and are looking for help before judging begins on August 7. For the list of the groups and projects call Sullivan Renaissance at 845-295-2445. For information about the SUNY Sullivan scholarship, call 845-434-5750 x 4327.

Sullivan Renaissance is a beautification and community development program principally funded by the Gerry Foundation. Sponsors include: Bold Gold Media Group/Thunder 102, FisherMears Associates, Kristt Company, Robert Green Dealerships, Sullivan County Democrat, The River Reporter, Thompson Sanitation and WSUL/WVOS.

**Preservation Grants Available to Aid Cultural Resources- Applications Sought for Technical Assistance Grant (TAG) Program**

Applications are now available to eligible municipalities and not-for-profit organizations to compete for Technical Assistance Grants (TAG), a statewide program of the Preservation League of New York State and the New York State Council on the Arts (NYSCA).

A total of \$15,673 is available in the Fall grant round to provide support for projects that preserve New York State's cultural and historic resources. Applications are due on August 25.

Grant amounts will not exceed \$3,000 and the total cost of the

applicant's project may not exceed \$3,500. Each applicant must provide \$500 toward the total project cost.

Not-for-profit arts/cultural groups and municipalities managing arts/cultural facilities are encouraged to apply. The applicant group may apply for short-term, discrete projects that advance the preservation of historic sites, museums, opera houses and theaters, arts facilities and other culturally important institutions that are located in historic buildings and structures that are open to the public. These professional studies include: building conditions surveys, engineering/structural analyses, feasibility/reuse studies and specialized building conservation studies. Preparation of architectural plans and specifications are not eligible.

TAG support was awarded to 10 organizations or municipalities in the first funding round of 2014: Chenango County: Earlville Opera House Inc.; Columbia County: Shaker Museum | Mount Lebanon; Greene County: Athens Cultural Arts Center; Hamilton County: Sagamore Institute of the Adirondacks, Inc.; Livingston County (2): Livingston County Historical Society, Town of Portage; Oswego County: H. Lee White Marine Museum; Rensselaer County: Arts Center of the Capital Region; Schoharie County: Town of Blenheim; Wayne County: Sodus Bay Historical Society.

The Preservation League invests in people and projects that champion the essential role of preservation in community revitalization, sustainable economic growth, and the protection of our historic buildings and landscapes. It leads advocacy, economic development and education programs across New York State.

The Technical Assistance Grant program is made possible through funding from the New York State Council on the Arts with the support of Governor Andrew Cuomo and the New York State Legislature.

Prospective applicants must first discuss their project with the appropriate League staff person. For Eastern New York including New York City and Long Island, contact Erin Tobin at 518-462-5658 x12. For Western and Central New York including the Southern Tier, contact Tania Werbizky at 607-257-6510. To review TAG guidelines and a list of previous grant recipients, visit the League's website at [www.preservenys.org](http://www.preservenys.org).

**The Phoenicia International Festival of the Voice July 30 - August 3, 2014**

The Phoenicia International Festival of the Voice promotes the human voice as an instrument of healing, peace and artistic expression through presenting world class performances in Phoenicia, New York and surrounding areas.

From opera to gospel, world music to Broadway, the Festival celebrates the human voice in all its multifaceted glory.

Experience passion and feel the heat! A grand 'fiesta' with all the fire, passion, smoldering sensuality, fun and sophistication of Spain. The 2014 Phoenicia International Festival of the Voice is a tribute to all things Spanish.

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### Town of Neversink Parks & Recreation Department

[www.townofneversink.org](http://www.townofneversink.org)

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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



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

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

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

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

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

**To Protect Net Neutrality, Schumer, Gillibrand Call to Reclassify Broadband as a Utility- Advocates And Businesses Joined Lawmakers Today In Support Of Letter Sent To FCC's Wheeler**

As the comment period comes to a close for the Federal Communications Commission's (FCC) proposed rule-making on its Open Internet order, Senators Charles Schumer and Kirsten Gillibrand, along with eleven Senate Democrats, are calling on the Commission to reclassify the transmission component of broadband Internet access as a telecommunications service under Title II of the Telecommunications Act. In a letter to be sent to the FCC today, the lawmakers point to the need for the FCC to use its authority to "prevent broadband providers from creating Internet fast lanes for those who can pay, leaving others stuck in traffic." The FCC is currently considering a proposal that could allow broadband providers to charge websites, applications, and services more for faster delivery times to consumers.

7/26/14 **Time & the Valleys Old Time Fair & Chicken BBQ** 11-5 Grahamsville Fairgrounds (BBQ 1-5)  
7/26/14 **Grand Opening of Claryville Art Center** - 1 pm -Claryville Center 1471 Denning Rd, Claryville NY 12725  
8/2/14 **Sundown Methodist Church Covered Dish Supper** - 5:30 pm Church Hall  
8/5/14 **Grahamsville United Methodist Church Thrift Sale (9-1) & Luncheon** (11-1)  
8/5/14 **Town of Denning Board Meeting** - 7:00 pm - Sundown Church Hall  
8/6/14 **Town of Neversink Planning Board Meeting**- 7:00 pm  
8/9/14 **Claryville Heritage Day** - 9 am - 3 pm -  
8/10/14 **Time and the Valleys Museum Denning Afternoon of History** 2pm Community Room Daniel Pierce Library  
8/12/14 **Town of Denning Town Board Business Meeting** 7:00 pm Town of Denning Town Hall  
8/13/14 **Town of Neversink Town Board Meeting**  
8/14/14 **Dept. of Motor Vehicles Neversink Town Hall** 10:00 am - 2:30 p.m  
8/14/14 **Claryville Fire District Meetings** 6:30 pm -Regular Meeting/Budget Preparation - Claryville Firehouse  
8/14/14 **Town of Denning Planning Board Meeting** - 7 pm Denning Town Hall  
8/16/14 **Grahamsville United Methodist Church Thrift Sale** 9am-1pm  
8/18/14 **Grahamsville Fire Dist. Board of Fire Commissioners** - 7:00 pm  
8/19/14 **Town of Neversink Zoning Board of Appeals** - 7:30 pm  
8/20/14 **Neversink Rondout Antique Machinery Association Monthly Meeting** 7:30 pm  
8/21/14 **Neversink Fire District Meeting** at 7 p.m.; **Public Meeting** at 7:30 p.m.

### Save the Date!

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

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

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

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### TOWN OF OLIVE MEETINGS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

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

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

rently considering a proposal that could allow broadband providers to charge websites, applications, and services more for faster delivery times to consumers.

"Broadband is a more advanced technology than phone service, but in the 21st century it performs the same essential function," write the lawmakers in the letter. "Consumers and businesses cannot live without this vital connection to each other and to the world around them. Accordingly, it would be appropriate for the FCC to reclassify broadband to reflect the vital role the Internet plays in carrying our most important information and our greatest ideas."

### Most Counties See Lackluster Sales Tax Collections - New York State has released the most recent sales tax data, and for the most part there is little change to report

The total collections for counties (outside of New York City) are basically flat for the first six months of 2014. Excluding the four counties that increased their sales tax rate, the average percentage change in each county was .01 percent.

In the 2nd quarter, 10 counties had negative growth. In the 1st quart of 2014 and the last quarter of 2013, 27 counties had negative growth; the latest numbers show some improvement.

According to the data, New York City is up 5 percent in total dollars for the first six months of 2014.

The New York State Association of Counties (NYSAC) reports that counties continue to struggle as this important revenue stream sputters.

- o 6 counties (10% of all counties) have had negative growth year over year in all 3 quarters,
- o 15 counties (26%) have had negative growth in 2 out of the last 3 quarters, and
- o 16 counties (28%) have had negative growth in 1 out of the last 3 quarters
- o Overall 37 counties (65%) have experienced negative sales tax growth in 1 of the last 3 quarters

The uneven growth reveals significant pockets of weakness across the state - only 35 percent of counties have seen positive growth in each of the last three quarters.

"Sales tax revenue is crucial to counties, as it is one of only a handful of revenue sources available," said NYSAC President Mark Alger. "The state must make an ongoing commitment to targeted Mandate Relief in health and human programs and relieve the burden on local taxpayers."

NYSAC Executive Director Stephen J. Acquario said, "Sales tax collection data provides a key indicator of our state and local economy. Clearly we are still in recovery mode, and while the numbers show improvement we have a long way to go. There is a need for continued focus on economic development, at both the local and state level."

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

Topic: "What's Happening in Ukraine?"

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

### Concerts in the Park

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

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

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

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### Tickets for the Annual Old Time Fair BBQ!

From 1 p.m. to 5 p.m., enjoy the delicious Miller's Chicken Barbecue. Dinners are available to eat in or take out, and are \$10 adults and \$7 children under 8. To purchase tickets see Barbara Purcell or call 845 985-7700. For more information go online at:

[www.timeandthevalleymuseum.org](http://www.timeandthevalleymuseum.org).

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

Sponsored by the Time and the Valleys Museum, the Old Time Fair includes many old fashioned activities.

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**Knarf's "Classic Movie Trivia"**

One of Mr. "C's" favorite directors Ingmar Bergman, film treats starting with see them all **SMILES OF A SUMMER NIGHT (1955)**



An actress schemes to win back her married lover from his still virginal wife. Directed by Ingmar Bergman, starring, Ulla Jacobsson, Eva Dahlbeck, Margit Carlquist, Harriet Andersson, Gunnar Bjornstrand, Jarl Kulle. One of the finest romantic comedies ever made, a witty treatise on manners, mores, and sex during a weekend at a country estate in the late 19th century. Inspired the Broadway musical and subsequent film A LITTLE NIGHT MUSIC (as well as Woody Allen's A MID-SUMMER NIGHT'S SEX COMEDY). See this film on TCM. 8:00 PM, on Monday, July 28, 2014, BW-109 min, Quiz: 1. Who played the "Actress?" 2. Who composed some of the music?

**What's Going On In The Gnome Neighborhood™ This Week? -**

**GRAHAMSVILLE****OLD TIME FAIR AND BBQ****GRAHAMSVILLE FAIRGROUNDS**

11 A.M. TO 5 P.M. SATURDAY, JULY 26, 2014

Held RAIN or SHINE,

Where? At the **GRAHAMSVILLE FAIRGROUNDS** on State Route 55, this year's *Time and the Valleys Museum Old Time Fair* includes old fashioned activities such as corn shucking and lady's skillet throwing contests; children's games; ice cream making demonstration and tasting; Barry Lewis and the pie auction; local history exhibits; as well as blacksmithing, spinning, and fly tying demonstrations. Plenty of **FREE** parking and admission is **FREE**, with only a nominal fee for some games and food.

**FROM 1 P.M. TO 5 P.M., ENJOY THE DELICIOUS MILLER'S CHICKEN BARBECUE.** Adults \$10 - Children under 8 \$7.00 This delicious barbecue dinner includes: Miller's Barbecue Chicken, Baked Beans, Macaroni Salad, Corn on the Cob, Potato Chips, Dessert, *All funds raised from this event support the Museum's educational programming.* For additional information on this unique and enjoyable event, **OR TO PURCHASE YOUR BARBECUE TICKETS IN ADVANCE, PLEASE CALL US AT 845.985.7700.**

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