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Laura DeGraw named Benjamin Cosor Elementary Assistant Principal



FALLSBURG - The Fallsburg Central School District proudly announces Laura DeGraw as Benjamin Cosor Elementary School's newest assistant principal.

Ms. DeGraw joined Benjamin Cosor Elementary School 2017 as a substitute teacher for several grade levels. Then, in 2018, she secured a full-time position as a fourth-grade teacher. Laura eventually enrolled in the district's Grow Our Own administrative internship program in 2023. The program allows teachers to explore a potential career in an administrative role by working under the guidance of a current administrator.

When asked about her motivations to pursue an administrative role, she emphasized how gratifying it was to watch her students grow and succeed in the classroom. She hopes to create a more significant impact for her students in her new role.

“As the new assistant principal, my main goals are to promote student success, support teachers, staff, and administration, and continue to foster a positive school culture where everyone feels valued, supported, and heard,” said Ms. DeGraw. “Having been a part of the Fallsburg community for the past eight years, I am

excited to continue our journey together in my new role. We truly have an amazing team, and I see the value in each and every member. I look forward to continuing to cultivate an environment we can all be proud of! I know we can make a lasting, positive impact together.”

Legendary Trumpeter to Play, Share Hotel Tales at County Museum

Performance and Q&A Will All Be Free

Hurleyville, NY - On Sunday afternoon, August 4, from 2-4 p.m., trumpeter Freddie Jacobs will perform at the Sullivan County Museum with the Americana band Little Sparrow.

Jacobs is a composer, educator and jazz trumpeter who has been in the music business for over 50 years. He has toured with jazz legends Lionel Hampton, Buddy Rich, Eddie Palmieri and Jimmy McGriff, and performed around New York with the Sam Jones/Tom Harrell Band and Pucho and the Latin Soul Brothers. He has also written and produced two records: “Time Change” and “Jacobs' Ladder.”

Jacobs spent many years living in Sullivan County, and he will talk a bit about his experience performing in the legendary Catskills hotels. Locals may remember his family who ran the Monticello movie theatre at the Shoprite plaza.

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Freddie Jacobs

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2 Thessalonians 3:16

DAYS OF YO'RE...

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.

Andrew George of Sundown died at his home on Wednesday morning of a heart ailment. He was 77. Born November 23, 1876 at Red Hill, he was the son of Halwick and Anna Catrina Hazel George. He was married September 3, 1896 in Grahamsville to the former Julia Hanford. Mr. George was a member of the Grahamsville Methodist Church. He is survived by his wife, four daughters: Esther George of Sundown, Mrs. Linda Smith, Mrs. Inez Gridley, both of Grahamsville and Mrs. Dorothy Grey of Olcutt, N.Y.

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.

Harold and Frances Wellington of New York City and Claryville, who have recently purchased the Blue Hill Lodge adjoining their estate on the East Branch of the Neversink River at Claryville, are considering additional facilities for the lodge. These include the possibility of a novice ski slope. Other ideas under consideration are a trout pond for youngsters and a small pitch and putt golf course.

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.

LOOKING BACK

Beatrice Akerley
Published July 25, 1996

I can recall not so many years ago, when chickens were considered free spirits. A home was not complete in the country until you had a flock of clucking, pecking, scratching, crowing and sometimes singing chickens running around the yard. When a hen house was almost as necessary as an outhouse! Chickens roamed about the countryside before electricity, indoor plumbing or telephones were invented. Today's chicken is only seen through glass at Butcher Boys or some other general store.

In the good old days my dad owned a very large flock of chickens, all colors and sizes. The first time I decided to help my dad collect eggs I was about eight years of age. I followed him into one of the chicken coops with a little pail and those evil eyed hens just sat on their nests glaring at us, daring us to come closer. I didn't want my delicate hands being pecked by those evil eyed hens who diligently guarded their nests. Repeatedly, I tried to slide my hand under her only to retreat from her pointy beak. Finally, my dad lost his patience with my hide-and-seek antics and uprooted several hens from their nests. The coop seemed to explode with swirling feathers and squawking, angry chickens as daddy announced "Now Bea, you can pick up your eggs." I was thrilled and I soon filled my pail with white, tan and brown eggs which were very fresh indeed.

Out of my dad's large flock of chickens, one little white leghorn was my pride and joy. When I went outside, she always saw me and came running just like a puppy. She loved peanuts and that was one item that I could have as many as I wanted from our store.

Quite often I filled my apron pockets then went outside and sat on the steps. All too soon she would come running to share my peanuts. Just a plain little white hen, but very special to me.

Many times during the summer, hens would steal away to lay eggs in secret hiding places and then come walking out proudly with several cute little balls of fluffy chicks tagging along, so happy to be alive.

So where have the chickens gone? They have short lives as mass produced commodities of large commercial operations. Fortunately, "a mighty few" still demand respect at events such as the Grahamsville Fair every summer and to me they continue to roost in my childhood memories. Perhaps they will be seen as free spirits once again, sometime, some place roaming around for they deserve it.

Household Hint:

Marshmallow in Brown Sugar

There is nothing worse than finding hard brown sugar when you want to make cookies. Try placing some marshmallows in your bag and it will stay soft and delicious!

Nature Column - L. Comando

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

Sweet Little Glow of the Evening Primrose

Throughout the summer there always seems to be at least one wild-flower that brings a bit of 'sunshine' even on a rainy day. The Evening



P r i m r o s e
(*O n a g r a c e a e -*
Oenothera biennis) is one of those cheery flowers.

The cup-shaped flower has a bright yellow to gold corolla and is about 1 to 1 1/2 inches wide, with four petals. The fragrant flowers usually last only one to two days, although the plant flowers from June through October.

Its basal leaves form a rosette near the base of the plant. The erect stem, which sometimes branches near the top, can be covered with hairs.

The plant grows from 2 to 4 feet tall. The stem has alternate, lanceolate-shaped leaves that are 2 to 8 inches long and spiral around the stem starting from the ground. They are dark green, serrated and usually have reddish veins. The leaves are usually hairy.

The Evening Primrose, a native to the U.S. including the Catskills, is a biennial, herbaceous flowering plant. The family is so-named because the flowers are partially to fully closed during the day and usually open in the evening.

The evening primrose can become an invasive plant. It takes the task of seeding very seriously, producing seed in copious amounts.

Evening Primrose has several folk names including King's Cureall, night candle, fever plant, night willow herb, scabish, sun crop, scurvish, or wild beet. In the Victorian language of flowers, evening primrose represents fickleness.

Evening primrose was used by Indigenous tribes in North America (namely the Cherokee, Iroquois, Ojibwe and Potawatomi) used this plant not just as food but medicine too. They used it to make poultices to heal wounds. The Cherokee, Iroquois, Ojibwas, and Potawatomi were among several Native American tribes that used common evening-primrose for both food and for medicinal purposes and to improve their strength.

The evening primrose was introduced to Europe in the early 17th century as an ornamental plant in botanical gardens, without recognition of their ancient use as medicine. It wasn't until the 1930's that researchers discovered the oil was powerful. Today, Primrose Oil has become quite popular and the ripened seedpods on the tall stalks are cut to be used as interesting additions to dried floral arrangements.

Because the brilliant yellow goblets of the beautiful evening primrose grow so easily, you'll see them thriving uncared for along roadsides this time of the year reminding us with its sunny yellow glow that summer is in full bloom and there are still warm days ahead!

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(From Pg. 1) Little Sparrow plays the music of the '60s and '70s. They are a multi-generational band featuring recent Sullivan West High School graduate Henry Simon on guitar.

The group is noted for their spirited performances, distinctive harmonies, and guitar-centric jams.

This free concert is sponsored by the Frederick Cook Society. Refreshments will be served, and donations are always welcome.

Call 845-434-8044 for more information or visit <https://www.facebook.com/littlesparrowny> for more information.

Enjoy Some Bagels and Locks! Enjoy Food, Puns and History on July 27

Summitville, NY - The D&H (Delaware and Hudson) Canal Interpretive Center is pleased to host a free lecture about the D&H Canal lock system on Saturday, July 27, at 12 p.m. Bagels and lox, traditional to the region in the post-canal years, will be served.

Lock No. 50 on the grounds marked the end of the 17-mile "Summit Level" section, which required no locks, before gradually descending to the Rondout Creek and the Hudson River. That's why the adjoining hamlet was named Summitville!

Over 100 stone locks were built to raise and lower coal barges along the 108-mile journey between Honesdale, PA and Kingston, NY. Learn how these "water elevators" functioned and about the lock tenders who operated them.

Presenter Bill Merchant is Deputy Director for Collections, Historian & Curator for the D&H Canal Historical Society in High Falls, NY and President of the Delaware & Hudson Transportation Heritage Council. He frequently lectures on all aspects of D&H Canal history.

For additional information and to register for updates regarding the event, visit the D&H Canal Interpretive Center webpage at www.sullivanyny.us/Departments/ParksRecreation, call 845-807-0287, or email sparks@sullivanyny.us.

Lock 50 (and a nice bagel!) at the D&H Canal Linear Park in Summitville



Shandelee Music Festival Announces 31st Season Concerts

(LIVINGSTON MANOR, NY) -- The Shandelee Music Festival celebrates its 31st season of presenting internationally renowned classical artists from around the world with six world-class performances at its 2024 Sunset Concert Series.

The season opens on Tuesday, August 13 with an Evening of Chamber Music by the Con Brio Quartet performing string quartets by Philip Glass, Mozart, and Dvorak.

Katherine Lerner Lee will headline an Evening of Voice on Thursday, August 15, performing opera, art song, chamber and contemporary music.

Saturday, August 17 will feature an Evening of Chamber Music with the Peter Sulski Trio performing music by Haydn, Mozart and Brahms.

The popular Evening of Chamber Music returns on Tuesday, August 20 with a performance by Dan Urness on trumpet and Paul Staroba on piano.

Jazz lovers are in for a treat on Friday, August 23 with a performance of an Evening of Jazz with singer/songwriter Amanda Brecker and the Amanda Brecker Duo.

The final concert in the Shandelee Music Festival's 31st season on Saturday, August 24 features a return engagement of last year's popular Evening of Jazz with multi-Grammy and multi-Latin Grammy award winner, pianist/singer/composer/arranger Eliane Elias and Marc Johnson.

All performances in the Shandelee Music Festival's Sunset Concert Series begin at 8 p.m. The festival grounds are nestled on 75 acres of tranquil natural beauty in the Catskill Mountains of New York State. The intimate setting of the indoor, climate-controlled Sunset Concert Pavilion contributes to an exhilarating environment where every seat is a great seat for quality listening and enjoyment. The venue, located at 442 J. Young Road in Livingston Manor, NY is fully accessible.

Regular tickets are \$35, Shandelee Music Festival members are \$30, and students aged 17 and under, or with valid college I.D. pay \$10. Advanced reservations are required. Visit Shandelee.org or call 845-439-3277 for member or sponsorship information and ticket reservations.



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Evening of Jazz
*featuring
Amanda Brecker
Duo*

Friday, August 23, 2024, 8 pm



Evening of Jazz
*featuring
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Marc Johnson, Bass
Jazz Duo*

Saturday, August 24, 2024, 8 pm

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Legacy Mysterious Book Report No. 93

by John Dwaine McKenna

Mysterious Book Report No. 410

Published July 16, 2020

The last item in the late CWA Grand Master Elmore Leonard's famed "Ten Rules of Writing," is this:

Try to leave out the part readers tend to skip.

What he meant in his tongue and cheek way, is don't bore the reader with superficial, unneeded, and unwanted minutiae. Keep driving the story forward with action and excitement.

Now, an emerging hard-boiled writing talent named Harry Dolan, is doing just that. He's a disciple of Leonard who took his lessons to heart and got them right . . . so right in fact, that we're looking at Mr. Dolan's fifth, and newest, to be his breakout novel. The one that vaults him into fame and national prominence. Yeah – it's that well done.

The Good Killer, (Mysterious Press, \$26.00, 339 pages, ISBN 978-0-8021-4841-4) by Harry Dolan, begins in Houston, Texas. That's where a socially inept loser named Henry Alan Keen has just been dropped by a woman he's dated a few times. Despondent, Henry Keen tries to kill himself, but chickens out when it's time to pull the trigger. Then, he has a better idea. He'll go to the mall where his former flame works and make her watch as he shoots the place up. That'll impress her for certain. Sure it will.

But when Keen puts his plan into action, killing and wounding a number of people in front of his terrified former dating partner, he's killed by an Iraq War veteran – and the main protagonist of this kinetic novel – named Sean Tennant. He runs toward the gunfire when it starts, and calmly shoots Keen . . . once in the chest and once in the head . . . all of that activity happens in the first twenty-five pages of this finely tuned, intricately-crafted and serpentine-plotted novel. Twists, revelations and action sequences are revealed in every chapter, on almost every page. Here's a few . . .

After aiding some of the wounded, Sean Tennant disappears. He's a man with a past, a national hero and a fugitive, all at the same time . . . running from a past too painful to face, and too dangerous to deny. Sean and his girlfriend Molly have been living on a razors-edge for more than five years now, hoping for the best, but expecting the worst as they run for their lives.

The Good Killer will grab you on the first page and never let go until the last one, when you'll be gasping for breath, saying "Damn, I didn't see that coming!" and howling for more from Harry Dolan!

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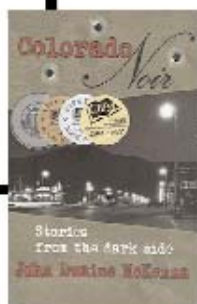
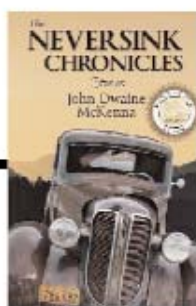
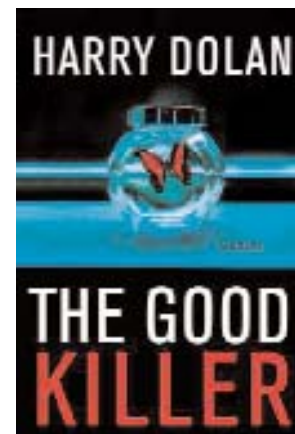
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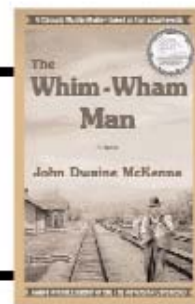
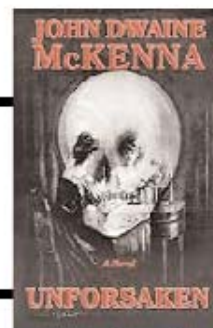
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The Olive Jar

by Carol Olsen LaMonda
We Don't Write Enough

We don't write enough. We text in abbreviations and sound bites. We don't take the opportunity to really express our thoughts and feelings and, therefore, we don't allow our thoughts to expand.

Writing allows you to gain clarity in your life and your emotional well being. Writing applies structure to our thoughts and organizes them. Our brains need to filter and organize ideas; writing adds structure and meaning to random thoughts.

Every one should keep a daily notebook and write in it. The Elizabethans used to keep a DAY BOOK, sort of combination of a diary, journal, and ledger. My co-worker Edna used to carry a steno pad, and she would always be writing things she wanted to remember. Jot down a password; write a telephone number; make a to-do list; scream some cuss words; record the weather; formulate your goals, and express your thoughts in prose or poetry. It will keep you on top of things and also show you a perspective to analyze your own thinking.

Later, I found the term "bracketing" which allows us to dump our thoughts and facts and free up brain space. It is sort of archives those thoughts so we can entertain others. Journaling is the inking of the thinking.

Writing doesn't only organize our ideas, it creates the medium for our thoughts to expand and grow. William Wordsworth said, "Fill your paper with the breathings of your heart." A thought can live forever on paper. Anas Nin said, "We write to taste life twice, in the moment and in retrospect."

I love Mary Oliver's quote about writing. Her Instructions for living are: "Pay attention. Be astonished. Tell about it."

Barefoot in the Park

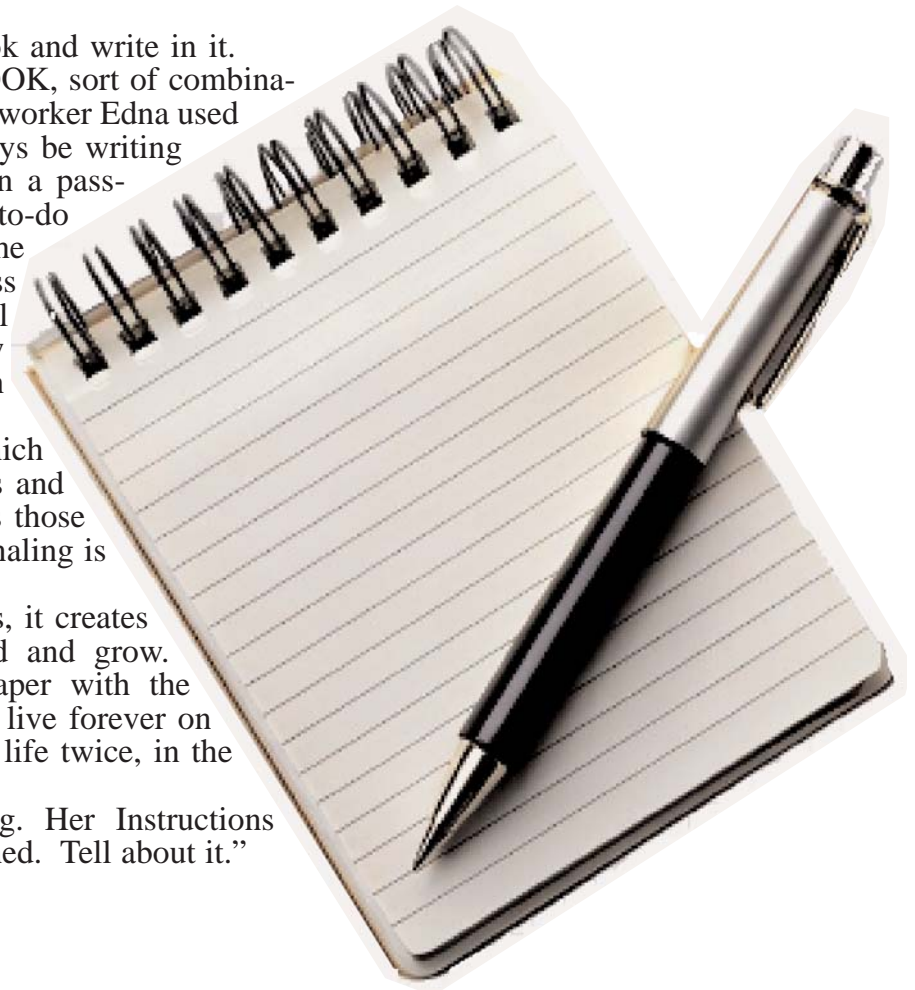
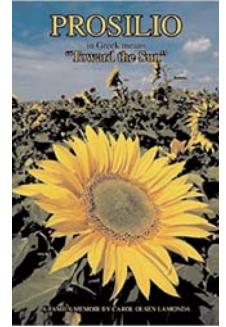
Auditions for the radio play, "Barefoot in the Park" will be held at the Boiceville Inn on August 16 and 17 from 6 to 8 p.m. and on August 18 from 3 to 5 p.m.

"Barefoot in the Park" by Neil Simon will be a dinner theater planned for August 23, 24, and 25. The director will be Linda Burkhardt.

The FamilyMemoir, PROSILIO...

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

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Children's Programs Kick off Adventurous Summer at the DPL!

By Lisa Carroll

GRAHAMSVILLE-Back by popular demand, Jared Campbell will be sharing his beautiful music for all to enjoy during this year's Daniel Pierce Library Entertainment Night on Thursday, July 25. Come to the fairgrounds at 6PM, rain or shine, for an enjoyable evening of music and fun!

Campbell is an award winning singer/songwriter from upstate NY! His songs are said to be uplifting, thought provoking and emotional; mixing humor, personal stories of life on the road and his own personal experiences to connect with the audience. The beautiful messages focus on having an amazing outlook on life.

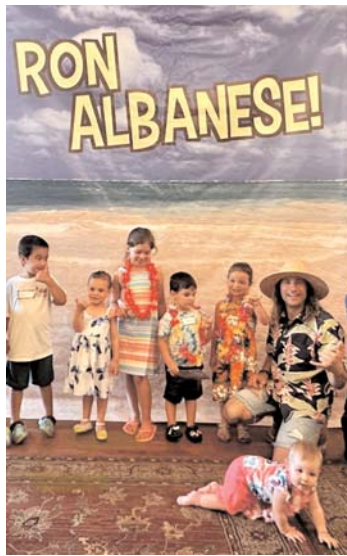
Every child who attends will receive a free book. For your comfort, please bring chairs or blankets as the performance will be under the pavilion at the Grahamsville Fairgrounds.

In other news,

We have had a very busy past two weeks with children's programs.

The "Sunshine and Good Times Show" with cool dude Ron Albanese went off without a hitch. Everyone had a great time, Miss Deidre McHugh, our children's program coordinator, said. This cool, interactive, high-program on Tuesday, July 9, was well attended by our littlest patrons and their families.

Then, on July 16, we held our "Baaa-ventures with Goats" program for grades 1, 2, & 3. We'd like to extend a huge thank you to Jayden, Austin and Dawn for their informative presentation regarding these beautiful goats. It was an amazing evening on our back patio.



Then we held "Adventures with Canvas" for grades 4, 5 and 6 on Thursday, July 23 at 6PM. Local artist, Robin Raykoff, was on hand to lead the kids on this exciting adventure. We supplied the canvas, paint



and brushes, while the children created their beautiful paintings which they then took home. It was a great day with family and friends.



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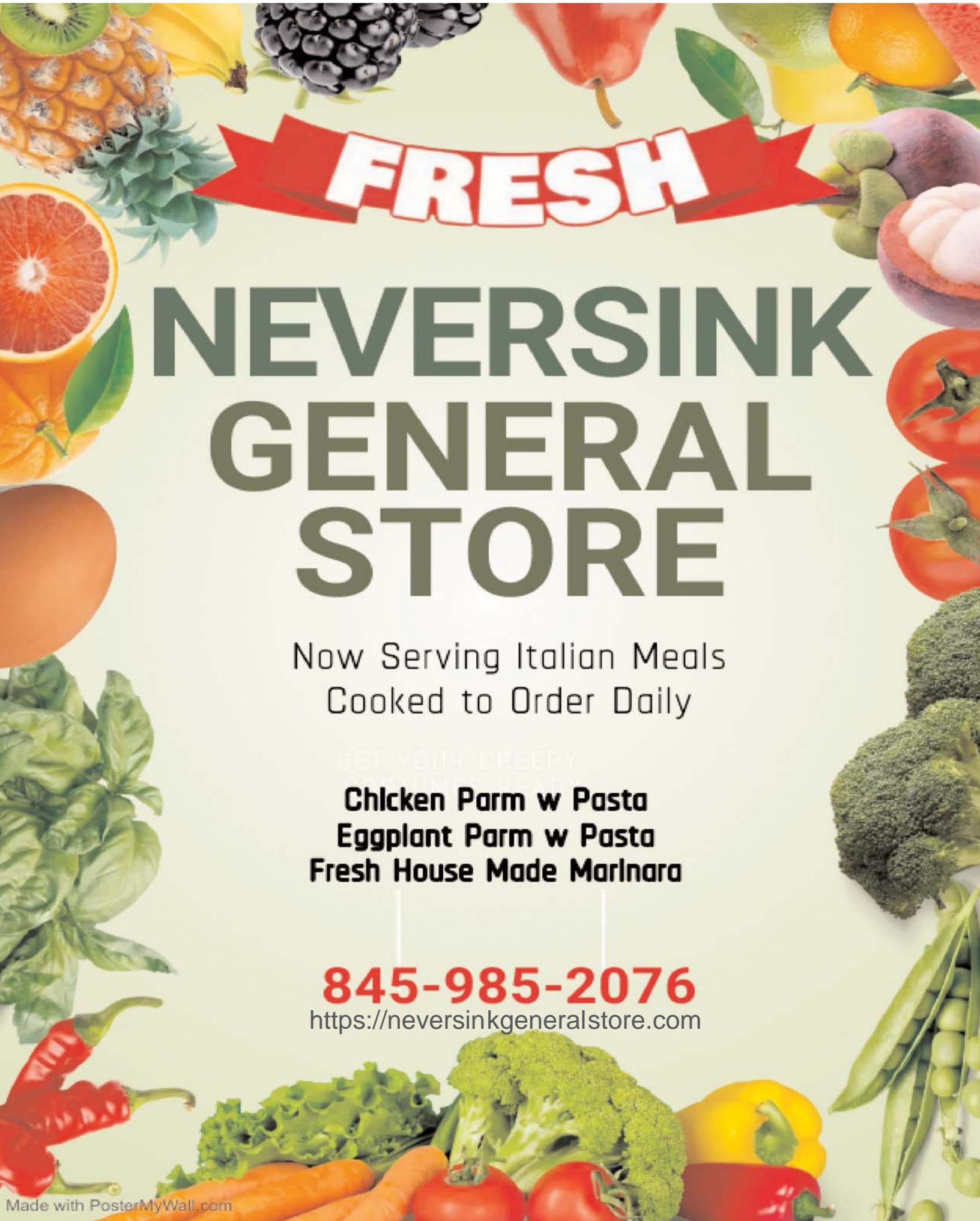
Finishing off our children's programs for this summer, "Adventures with Ramen," was held Tuesday, July 23 at 6PM for teens in grades 7-12. Our teens met with Nichole Richardson, DPL's Community Programs Associate, and learned all the intricacies of prepping and crafting a yummier, healthier ramen. With fun filled facts wrapped into the program, like noodles on chop sticks, this program was one for the records.

And finally on Saturday, July 20, our adult patrons were treated to an amazing program, "Understanding the Eastern Coyote," with Pam Golben, naturalist and educator at the MEEC. Lots of great information was shared.

Wrapping up our update on the DPL Summer Reading Program, "Adventure Begins at Your Library," this is a gentle reminder for children ages 0 to 11 to participate in the reading challenge by logging all the books (and minutes) they read to win special prizes! For "tweens," teens and adults please log the number of books and minutes read and for every 4 books you read you will be entered into our SRP drawing. Additionally, for those interested, we have book bingo forms available to print through our website. Once completed, please return to the library to pick up a prize.

This year's bookmark contest deadline has passed and once chosen, we will be announcing the winners. It was amazing to see all the beautiful artwork by our patrons.

And for a final reminder, please keep in mind that children 5 through 18 years old will be eligible for a single-day splash pass generously provided by the Kartrite Resort & Waterpark upon completion of our summer program. For additional information, please visit the children circulation desk.



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The Scene Too

By Jane Harrison

A week ago, Sunday, I made a major trek up to Saugerties and a very cool little place called ROCK DA CASBAH. And for a tiny place, what an atmosphere! Tin ceiling, kitschy lighting and a barman named Sam with a great sense of humor. The



Rock Da Casbah



Al Wolcott, Don Miller & Joe Trachina

gig was set up by jazz horn man AL WOLCOTT and involved good friends bass man DON MILLER and keyboardist JOE TRANCHINA and as usual, well worth the trip. I had not met Al before, but after hearing him and meeting him, I am very impressed.



Dudes—Steve Schwartz, Kenny Wyndoham & Michael Moss

From one brutally hot day (it was 91 and sunny in Saugerties!) to another on Tuesday. DIVAS AND DUDES originally was going to be outside on the SOUL STAGE, was moved to inside at the BRIDGE AND TUNNEL BREWERY and what a show it was! The place was packed with every chair, every table occupied.

Each DIVA let loose with their indomitable style individually, DEBBIE FISHER with the blues, JOANNA GASS with her Broadway, CRIS SPINNER with her multi-pop and LAURA GARONE with her deep down-home and when they



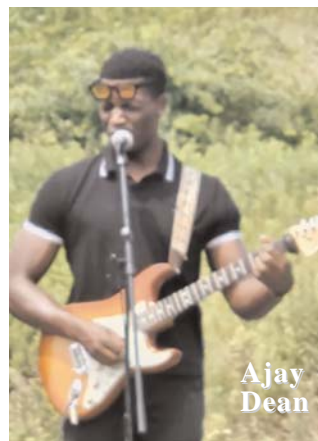
Joanna Gass & Laura Garone



Cris and Debbie

combined, backed by the DUDES (STEVE SCHWARTZ, KENNY WYNDHAM and MICHAEL MOSSjust MAGICAL!! All I've heard since "when is the next show? Now that's success.

Then Saturday was the third annual HURLEYVILLE MUSIC FESTIVAL. This has been a great venue in past years bringing together neighbors and attracting passing tourists. Not so much this year. WHERE were the people?? Ok, this one was later in the summer than usual, maybe that was it. There were two stages as usual, but they were very far apart, one in front of the TANGO, and one down, around the corner in the parking lot. The lineup was really good with the well-known local musicians with those I'd never



Ajay Dean

seen. That is always good, giving me a chance to see performers of comparable caliber from outside the area. BUT these stages were going on simultaneously. And I was told there were no schedules available for who was on when. HA! I was chatting to a young man, unrelated to the venue, who had purloined one from somewhere, so I was able to get a picture.

From this, I learned the first performer I had seen on stage one was a young gentleman named AJAY DEAN. Incredibly impressive. His original music has the silky smoothness of a BARRY WHITE tune with totally contemporary themes. Just brilliant!

Second up on this stage was DEBBIE FISHER and her percussionist MR. MULLER. This is the second time in the last

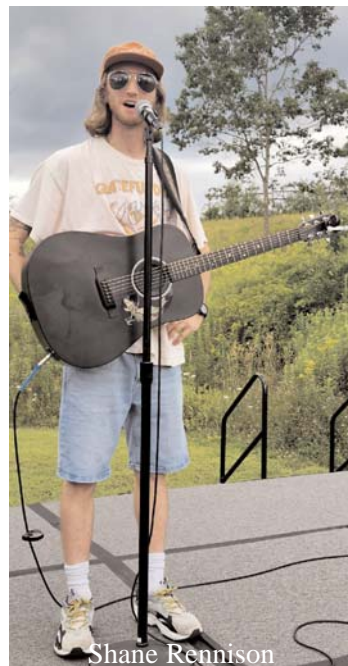


Custom painted guitar by Debbie Fisher



Debbie Fisher and Mr. Muller

few weeks I have heard someone playing percussion on a 'wooden box'. It's good, it's effective and I'm sure this item has a name in the music world, it's just a new one on me.



Shane Rennison

Following on the same stage was SHANE RENNISON whose debut album IRRATIONAL was just released on July 19th. I've become a fan of Shane's, finding his lyrics real and compelling and the accompanying music enhancing the same. This new album is available on the streaming platforms Instagram, Spotify, YouTube, and TikTok.

On down to the second stage, I saw JANNA PELLE on drums. The last time I saw her it was solo on a real piano! On stage with her was ERIC VANDERZEE. It made for an unusual duo, but one that worked really well. Both are excellent.

But their set was interrupted by a pretty decent rain.

Then there was an unscheduled dance performance by the youngsters from MAIN STREET DANCE. (Contd. Pg 12)

The Scene Too

(From Pg. 11)



Sarah Hulse Band

So, by the time THE SARAH HULSE BAND took the stage, it was 4pm (they were scheduled at 2:30). I only was able to catch the first two songs. Sarah was in great form with that lilting pixie voice of hers and flanked by JASON on guitar and JUSTIN on bass, it was a reminder why this is a 'must see' band.

I had to leave. Lefty boy needs his dinner and insulin at a set time. I had every intention of going back but once I sat down, I realized I was done. I had run between the two stages for hours. And it killed me that I would miss POISON LOVE and RODRIGO ALCOVER. I did speak to Joanne of Poison Love Sunday morning, and she told me once Sarah's band came off, another band scheduled for later jumped on stage so POISON LOVE didn't go on until almost 5:30, when the vendors were packing up to leave!!



Miss Sullivan County

I'm left shaking my head.
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Joint Statement on Proposed Closure of Sullivan Correctional

Fallsburg, NY - Sullivan County Legislature Chair Nadia Rajsz and Town of Fallsburg Supervisor Michael Bensimon jointly issued the following statement today:

“We are not at all happy about New York State's decision to shutter Sullivan Correctional Facility, which has been an integral part of our community for four decades and employs hundreds of local citizens. This action by the State will uproot whole families and shift good-paying, middle-class, union jobs out of our region, which will be difficult to replace.

We are also extremely dissatisfied with the lack of official notice from the State that this announcement was coming. In addition to the poor planning and communication from Albany, we very much feel this move to close was undertaken disingenuously and should be delayed for at least a year so that all sides can be heard and considered.

Sullivan County and the Town of Fallsburg will be assisting the employees of Sullivan Correctional Facility in any way we can, including by advocating with our State officials, providing needed services to impacted families, and offering the full support of our Center for Workforce Development in keeping our citizens locally employed.”

Added Legislature Chair Rajsz: “As the wife of a retired State corrections officer whose prison was closed in 2011, I know all too well the hardships associated with these kinds of closures. I feel the pain and frustration of every displaced employee in a very personal way, and I will stand by them as this process unfolds.”

Learn how to unlock the potential of water on your farmland with CCE!

LIBERTY, NY - A well-kept secret of farming is that, if done correctly, water management will help mitigate the potential effects of climate change on your land. To show resident farmers the positive effects of working with the water on their land, the Beginner Farmer Program is working with Unbroken Acres to host a workshop on

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There is no fee, but preregistration is required to participate. Participants can register online at sullivanccc.org/events. Those with related questions can email Taylor Adam at beginnerfarmer@cornell.edu, or call 845-292-6180 ext. 130.

This program is supported by the USDA National Institute of Food and Agriculture award #2022-06508, through the American Rescue Plan Technical Assistance Investment Program.

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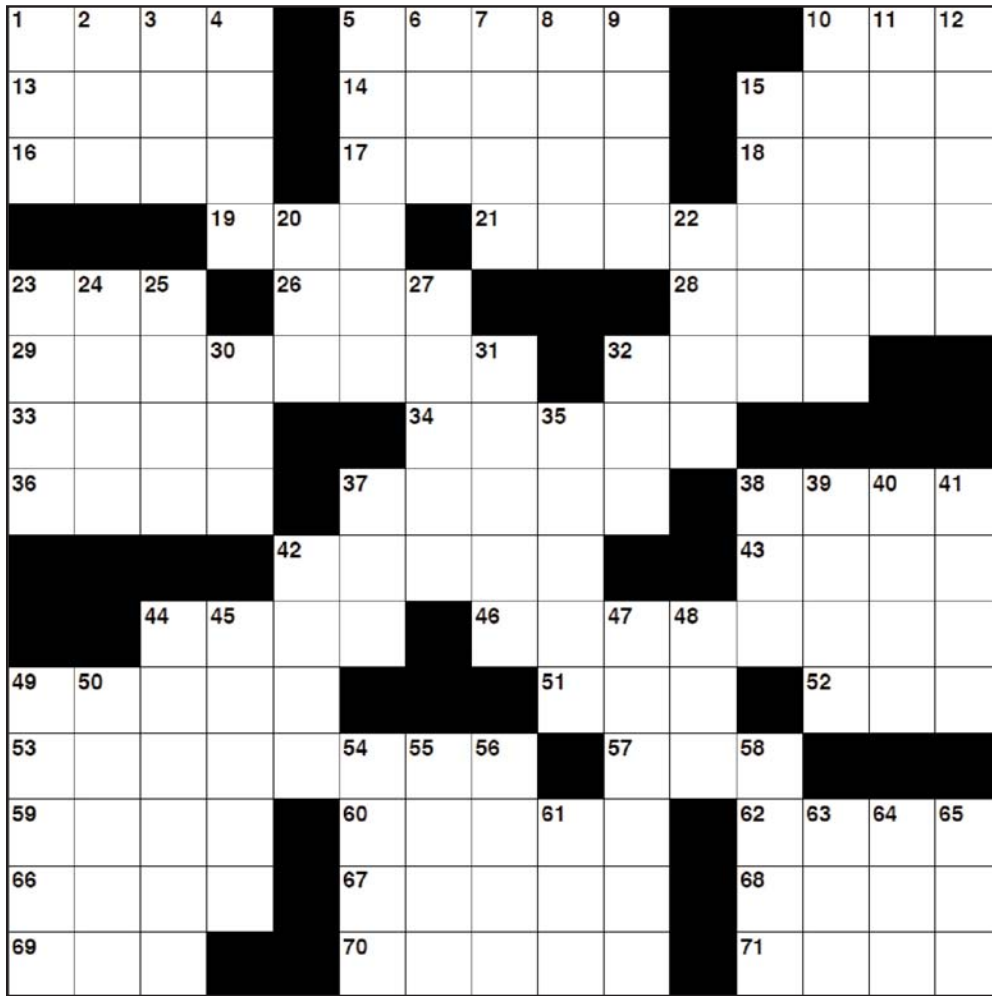
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Down on the Farm- L. Comando



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Summer Tortellini Salad

Dressing:

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

Salad

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

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

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- 5 Load
- 10 Resort hotel
- 13 Voiced
- 14 Expend (2 wds)
- 15 Young Horse
- 16 Peter, for short
- 17 Not here
- 18 Small brook
- 19 Alien's spaceship
- 21 Denim work
- 23 Pacific Standard Time
- 26 Large van
- 28 Nail filing board
- 29 Retired from active service
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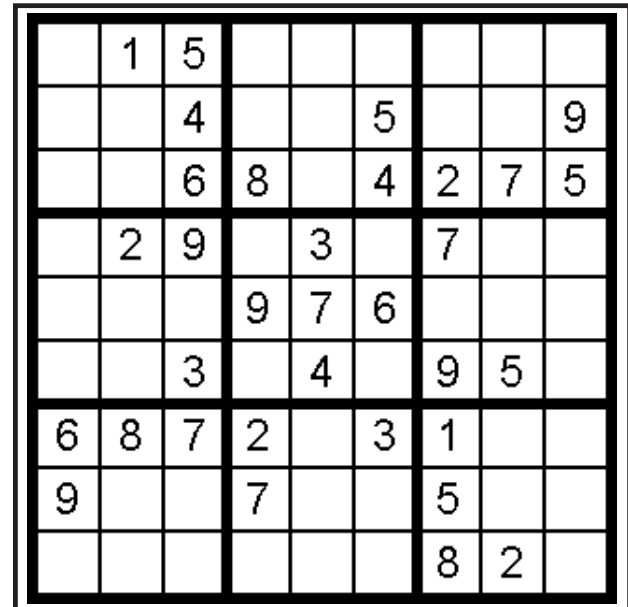
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- 70 Leg extension
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- 2 Is
- 3 Entrance rug
- 4 Type of cheese dressing
- 55 Use scissors
- 6 Large tree
- 7 Woodwind instrument's need
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- 9 Unseal
- 10 Evening gathering
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- 12 Back street
- 15 Border
- 20 National police
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- 23 Mexican money
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- 27 Japanese dish
- 30 Caviar
- 31 Fern seed
- 32 Fox
- 35 Young bee
- 37 Mousey
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- 39 Greek god

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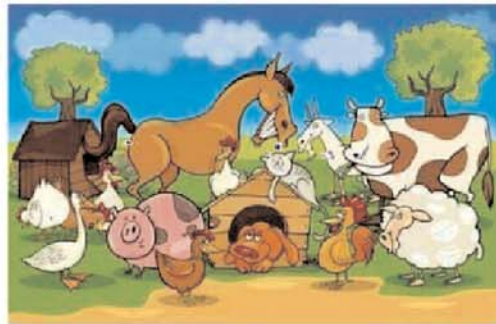
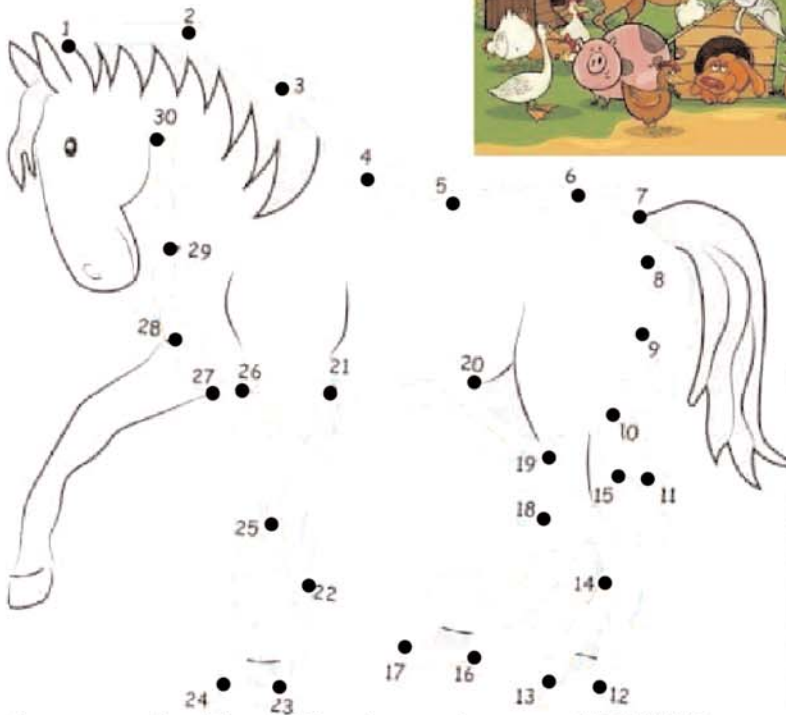
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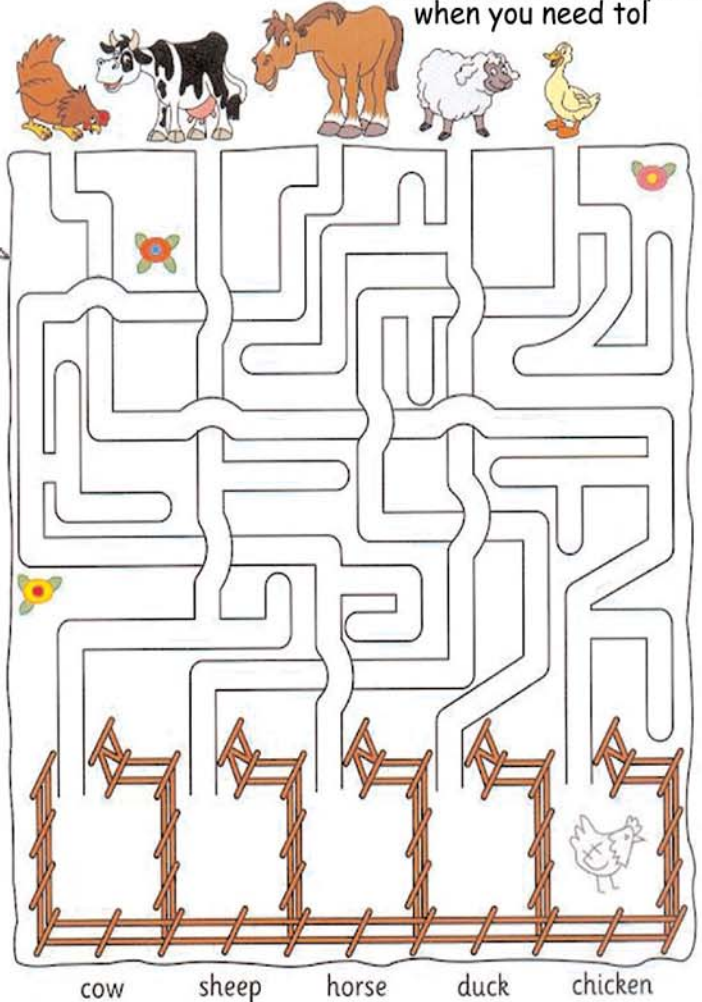
Kids' Summer Fun Page

L.Comando

Follow the dots to see a farmer's friend.



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



Down on the Farm Wordsearch

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- COWS
- TRACTOR
- CORN
- WHEAT
- FARMER
- FIELD
- HONEYBEE
- VEGETABLE
- SCARECROW
- ROOSTER
- BARN
- SHOVEL
- SHEEP
- HAY
- EGGS

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SWIMMING LESSONS SIGNUP

Swimming Lessons Registration has begun and is ongoing at the Town of Neversink Town Hall in Grahamsville. Registration forms can be downloaded from the Documents section of the Town of Neversink's website or picked up at the Neversink Town Hall located in Grahamsville from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm Monday to Friday.

Any child who lives in the Tri-Valley School District and/or the Town of Neversink is eligible to participate in the Swimming Lessons Program. There is no fee. For more information please contact the Town Clerk's Office at 985-2262 x300 or 307.

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2024 Pool passes for the Town of Neversink Pool located at the Fairgrounds in Grahamsville will go on sale at the **Town of Neversink Town Hall in Grahamsville on June 25, 2024**. The cost of a pass is \$15.00 per person ages 3 and up. Children 2 and under free. Forms are available in the Lobby and also on the Town of Neversink's web site under documents. The Town Hall is open daily from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm. Town of Neversink residency is required. **The Pool is projected to open on July 3rd**. For more information, please contact the Town Clerk's Office at 985-2262 x300 or 307.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that pursuant to Section 6-d of the General Municipal Law of the State of New York, a public hearing will be held on Thursday, August 15th, 2024, 7:00 p.m. prevailing time at the Tri-Valley Central School District Secondary School Lower Library at which time and place the Board of Education of the Tri-Valley Central School District will propose to appropriate up to the sum of \$100,000.00 from the repair reserve fund for the purpose of non-recurring repair of the District Offices' solid waste pump system. The public hearing shall be held at the time and place stated herein.

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SCAM ALERT - COMPUTER HACKERS ATTEMPTING IN PERSON ATTACKS

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Fun and Frivolous Frolic as Shadowland Stages Presents the Hilarious New Comedy *Lend Me a Soprano*

-Linda Comando

If you weren't among those in the audience this past weekend – the opening weekend of *Lend me a Soprano* – be sure to include this as one of your 'things to do' this coming weekend. You will laugh your sides off!

As you may know, I am not a theater critic. I do not write reviews. When I go to see a play I am just part of an audience that wants to be swept away from the mundane reality where problems and worry may exist.

The current production at Shadowland Stages in Ellenville - *Lend me a Soprano* - did exactly that. In fact, it went way beyond my expectations.

Lend me a Soprano is indeed a hilarious comedy. The stage setting immediately brings you back to 1934 where the Cleveland Grand Opera Company is about to present an impressive performance of the opera *Carmen*. Within moments of the first appearance of the actors on stage you will begin an evening of fun, frolic and laughter. The cast - Peter Evangelista, Hudson Harden Scheel, Katrina Ferguson, Stephanie Bacastow, Sam Balzac, Valerie Lynn Brett, Ben-David Carlson, and Julie Meadows - kept the audience entertained every moment whether it was watching Mrs. Wylie (Katrina Ferguson) having a melt-down, the Bell Hop's (Hudson Harden) hilarious antics and 'rubber legs', the voices of both Elena Firenzi (Julia Meadows) and Jo (Stephanie Bacastow), and Pasquale Firenze's jealous rage or for that matter then entire cast's performance! There wasn't instant that I was not fixated on the stage. Trust me, if you want your spirit lifted, it is better than an afternoon of therapy!

Tickets for **LEND ME A SOPRANO** at **SHADOWLAND STAGES** are now on sale and can be purchased online at www.shadowlandstages.org or by calling the box office at (845) 647-5511. I agree - "Don't miss your chance to experience this comedic masterpiece live on stage!"

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BY KEN LUDWIG
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8/3/24	Sundown UMC Covered Dish Supper 5:30 Church Hall
8/6/24	Claryville Fire District Monthly Meeting 6:30 pm
8/7/24	Town of Neversink Planning Board Meeting
8/13/24	Denning Town Board & Business Meeting 6:00 pm Denning Town Hall
8/14/24	Town of Neversink Board Meeting 7:00 pm
8/15/24	Denning Town Planning Board Meeting 6:00 pm Denning Town Hall
8/15/24	Neversink Fire District Commissioner Meeting 7:00pm
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Town of Olive Planning Board meets the **first and third Tuesdays of each month**. Meetings start at 7:30 PM at the Town Hall on Bostock Road, Shokan, NY. You can contact the Town Building & Zoning Department to confirm a meeting date if you would like to attend at 657-2015. If there is nothing on their agenda, they will cancel meetings.

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

Ulster County Legislature Weekly Calendar Update for the Week Of July 22 - July 26, 2024

Legislative Committee Meetings are Livestreamed at
<https://www.youtube.com/@UlsterCountyLegislature/streams>

Monday, July 22

5:00 PM - Recycling Oversight Committee, at the Hurley Town Hall, 10 Wamsley Place, Hurley

6:00 PM - Ulster County Resource Recovery Agency Board of Directors Finance Committee, at 999 Flatbush Rd, Kingston

7:00 PM - Climate Smart Committee, in the KL Binder Library, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston and via Zoom, Meeting ID: 878 9035 1180, by phone (646) 558-8656

Tuesday, July 23

No Meetings

Wednesday, July 24**12 Noon - Resolution Deadline**

3:00 PM - Electrical Licensing Board, at the Rondout Municipal Center, 1915 Cottekill Rd, Cottekill

7:00 PM - Soil & Water Conservation District Board of Directors, at 5 Park Lane, Highland

Thursday, July 25

4:30 PM - Ulster & Delaware (U&D) Corridor Advisory Committee, in the Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston

5:00 PM - Ulster County Resource Recovery Agency Zero Waste Committee, at 999 Flatbush Rd, Kingston

6:00 PM - Ulster County Resource Recovery Agency Board of Directors, at 999 Flatbush Rd, Kingston

Friday, July 26

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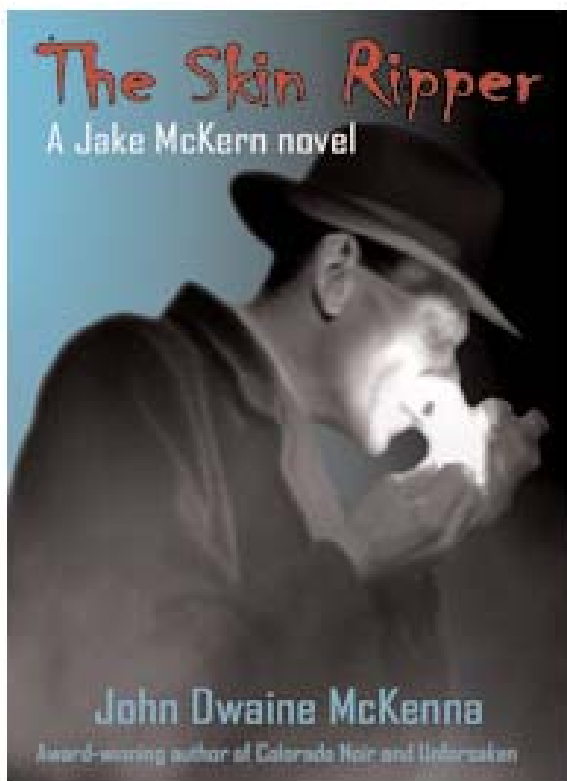
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Senator Oberacker Joined by Local Officials, Stakeholders at Rally Against Prison Closure

FALLSBURG, 7/24/24 - State Senator Peter Oberacker (R/C-Schenevus) was in Sullivan County, Wednesday July 24th, at 11:00 a.m. at the Woodbourne Firehouse for a press conference with local officials and stakeholders rallying against the closure of Sullivan County Correctional Facility's.

Following a tour of Sullivan County Correctional Facility, Senator Oberacker was joined by NYS Correctional Officers and Police Benevolent Association (NYSCOPBA) President Chris Summers, Town of Fallsburg Supervisor Michael Bensimon, Sullivan County Legislature Chair Nadia Rajszyk, and other local officials and stakeholders for a press conference against Sullivan County Correctional Facility's closure.

"The closure of Sullivan County Correctional Facility is a prime example of Governor Hochul's weak-on-crime policy," said Senator Peter Oberacker. "If changes need to be made to our correctional system, then it should come with sound planning, adequate notice to those affected, and a plan to mitigate any negative impacts on employees and the surrounding communities - none of which happened in this case."

Gillibrand Statement on President Biden's Decision Not to Seek Reelection

Washington, D.C. - Regarding President Biden's announcement that he will not seek reelection, U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand issued the following statement:

"President Biden has served our country with courage, compassion, integrity and decency. I am honored to have served in the Senate during his administration, which achieved historic accomplishments related to gun safety, veterans' health care, infrastructure, advanced manufacturing, climate change, prescription drugs, and more. President Biden has improved the lives of millions of Americans and leaves behind a legacy that will echo for generations. On behalf of myself and every New Yorker: Thank you, Joe."

Molinaro Releases Statement On President Biden's Decision To Withdraw

Binghamton, NY - Congressman Marc Molinaro released the following statement:

"This was the right thing to do for the country. In my race, nothing has changed. Josh Riley has always been one of the strongest supporters of the Biden-Harris agenda and New Yorkers are less safe because of the border crisis they created. President Biden may not be running, but his failed policies are and voters will hold Josh Riley accountable."

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Local first responders, medical professionals and caregivers will join us in front of the Sullivan County Courthouse, which will be illuminated in purple to symbolize overdose awareness.

**Thursday - August 29, 2024
 6 PM at the Sullivan County Courthouse Lawn,
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Reservations: Friday, Aug. 30
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Governor Hochul Unveils \$108 Million Proposal to Transform Former Bayview Correctional Facility into 124 Affordable Housing Units and Vibrant Community Hub

o Partnership by Camber Property Group and Osborne Association to Deliver Housing, Community Services, and Reentry Support for Formerly Incarcerated Individuals

o Supports Governor Hochul's Commitment to Addressing the Housing Crisis - Including Historic FY 2025 Budget Agreement to Increase New York's Housing Supply

o Builds on Recommendations of the Prison Redevelopment Commission to Reimagine Underutilized Jails and Prisons

Governor Kathy Hochul today unveiled Liberty Landing, a transformative project to convert the state-owned 100,000 square-foot former Bayview Correctional Facility in Manhattan into affordable housing for low-income residents and supportive housing for formerly incarcerated individuals reentering the community. The proposed project, a joint venture between Camber Property Group and Osborne Association, would invest over \$108 million in West Chelsea and provide 124 permanently affordable housing units and on-site supportive services.

“Every New Yorker deserves access to safe, stable, and affordable housing. Liberty Landing represents a significant step forward in our efforts to provide inclusive housing opportunities and support to vulnerable New Yorkers,” Governor Hochul said. “This innovative project will transform a former symbol of incarceration into a beacon of hope, healing, and opportunity.”

The Request for Proposals focused on the opportunity to increase the critical shortage of affordable housing options in the region and specifically prioritized the need for housing for New Yorkers who require services within a supportive living environment, while enhancing the neighborhood vibrancy and quality of life for residents in the surrounding area. Liberty Landing will adaptively reuse the historic Bayview Correctional Facility, transforming the space into a vibrant, multi-faceted community hub.

The redevelopment will keep the Main and Annex buildings largely intact while constructing a new addition in the interior courtyard to maximize housing opportunities. The project will include 124 affordable housing units, providing much-needed income-restricted residences for individuals and families. The development will also feature a 9,300 square foot community facility unit dedicated to youth-oriented programming, enabling the delivery of a wide range of services and activities tailored to the needs of young people in the surrounding community. Additionally, the project will feature a 15-unit short-term transitional residence to support individuals with mental health needs who are navigating life transitions and in need of temporary housing. The State Office of Mental Health is providing both capital and operating funding for these residences. The proposed project will be sponsored by Empire State Development under a General Project Plan, will undergo environmental review under the State Environmental Quality Review Act, and will be presented for public review and comment prior to its final consideration and approval.

Osborne Association, the supportive service partner at Liberty Landing, will provide a comprehensive array of on-site social services and programming designed to meet the unique needs of individuals

reentering the community after incarceration. Services will be integrated into the fabric of the development, ensuring that residents have easy access to the resources they need to thrive. The services include workforce development programs, family and relationship coaching, independent living skills training, and onsite wellness services, such as nutrition education and chronic disease management. Residents will also have access to benefits advocacy, peer mentorship, and connections to healthcare, mental health support, and substance use disorder treatment through community partnerships. These holistic services are designed to provide residents with the resources they need to overcome challenges, achieve housing stability, improve their health outcomes, and successfully reintegrate into the community.

Camber Property Group Principal Rick Gropper said, “Solving the housing crisis requires bold leadership willing to act on transformative ideas, and we thank Governor Hochul for entrusting us with this important project. Liberty Landing will convert a former correctional facility into a true community amenity with new permanently affordable housing units and on-site wraparound supportive services for residents who need them most. We look forward to creating something that will be a beacon of West Chelsea and, along with our partners at the Osborne Association, being a part of this community for decades to come.”

Osborne Association President and CEO Jon Monsalve said, “We are proud to partner with New York State and Camber Property Group to transform the Bayview Correctional Facility into a community asset. With decades of experience in reentry support, Osborne is expanding its housing portfolio in direct response to the overrepresentation of older adults and LGBTQIA+ people in our jails and prisons and the dearth of housing options for them when they return to the community. Thanks to Governor Hochul's investment, together we are turning a place of confinement into a beacon of hope and opportunity.”

Governor Hochul's Housing Agenda

Governor Hochul is committed to addressing New York's housing crisis and making the state more affordable and more livable for all New Yorkers. As part of the FY25 Enacted Budget, the Governor secured a landmark agreement to increase New York's housing supply through new tax incentives for Upstate communities, new incentives and zoning relief to create more housing in New York City, a \$500 million capital fund to build up to 15,000 new homes on State-owned property, an additional \$600 million in funding to support a variety of housing development statewide, and new protections for renters. In addition, as part of the FY23 Enacted Budget, the Governor announced a five-year, \$25 billion Housing Plan, to create or preserve 100,000 affordable homes statewide. More than 40,000 homes have been created or preserved to date.

Governor Hochul's administration has taken positive steps to repurpose former prison sites, with a strong focus on addressing the state's housing needs. Projects like Liberty Landing and Seneca exemplify this approach, transforming decommissioned correctional facilities into vibrant, inclusive communities. These developments not only provide affordable housing but also integrate employment opportunities, cultural amenities, and essential supportive services. Furthering this strategy, Empire State Development has advanced key recommendations from the Prison Redevelopment Commission's report, demonstrating the state's commitment to reimagining these spaces for community benefit. Under the leadership of Governor Hochul, Empire State Development has issued a Request for Proposals for Watertown Correctional Facility and worked with Seneca County to develop the RFP for Willard Drug Treatment Campus. Additionally, a developer was conditionally chosen to transform the former Downstate Correctional Facility into a vibrant, mixed-income housing site and Livingston Correctional Facility was transferred to the Livingston County Industrial Development Agency, completing the first successful land transfer of a state-owned prison for potential redevelopment. (Contd. Pg. 34)

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Governor Hochul's Mental Health Agenda

Governor Hochul's historic \$1 billion plan enacted last year is strengthening the State's mental health care system. Adopted as part of the FY 2024 budget, this multi-year plan is now dramatically increasing access to services, reducing wait times, and ensuring appropriate levels of care statewide.

The plan provided \$890 million in capital and \$120 million in plan operating funding to establish and operate 3,500 new residential units for New Yorkers with mental illness. This includes 1,500 supportive housing units, 500 community residence-single room occupancy units; 900 transitional step-down units; and 600 licensed apartment units serving individuals who require an intermediate level of services.

Building on this investment, Governor Hochul made strengthening the state's mental health system a priority in the FY 2025 Budget, which will add 200 new inpatient beds at state-operated psychiatric centers, will establish mental health navigators in the court system; expand crisis intervention training for law enforcement; improve mental health admission and discharge procedures for Article 28 and 31 hospitals; and increase transitional and specialized housing. The Budget also provides start-up funding for school-based mental health clinics, increases resources for youth receiving treatment in their community or in residential care, and bolsters outpatient supports, such as Youth Assertive Community Treatment teams.

In addition the Budget supports a loan forgiveness program specifically for licensed mental health clinicians serving children and families and an expansion of peer-to-peer mental wellness efforts among young people across the state, including training programs like Teen Mental Health First Aid.

About Camber Property Group

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Governor Hochul Announces Start of \$17.8 Million Rehabilitation Project on the Callicoon Bridge

New Bridge Deck and Pier Repairs Will Enhance Public Safety and Improve Resiliency Project Will Ease Travel Along Important Link Between Sullivan County and Pennsylvania

Governor Kathy Hochul announced that work is underway on a \$17.8 million project to rehabilitate the Callicoon Bridge - also known as Interstate Bridge #7 - which spans the Delaware River and links Bridge Street in the Town of Callicoon, Sullivan County, with State Route 1016 in Damascus Township, Pennsylvania. The project will enhance public safety, improve resiliency and ease travel along a key connector that provides access to the many boating, fishing and other recreational destinations in the vibrant Upper Delaware River Corridor.

“New York State is making historic investments to modernize our infrastructure and we are committed to working with our partners in local government to help ensure that their bridges and culverts are ready to meet the challenges of today,” Governor Hochul said. “This project to rehabilitate the Callicoon Bridge will extend the service life of an important connector and help maintain access to the scenic Upper Delaware River region for the tens of thousands of outdoor enthusiasts who enjoy this special place, especially in the summer.”

Originally built in 1961, the 960-foot-long Callicoon Bridge is a steel, multi-girder structure that is jointly maintained by NYSDOT and the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation. The rehabilitation project includes the replacement of the bridge deck and repairs to the piers underneath the bridge. Workers will also build a causeway in the river to help workers access the bridge for repairs.

Motorists should be prepared for intermittent lane closures during the causeway construction. In 2025 and 2026 the bridge will be reduced to one lane with alternating traffic controlled by a signal. Work is scheduled to wrap up in 2027 with structural steel painting. The project is being jointly funded by New York State, Pennsylvania and the federal government.

Motorists are advised to slow down, follow signs and traffic signals in the work zone. In addition, boaters on the Delaware River should also follow signage directing them around the work zone. The river will be monitored by a National Park Service Upper Delaware Scenic and Recreation River unit.

Senator Chuck Schumer said, “The Callicoon Bridge is a vital connector from Sullivan County to Pennsylvania over the Delaware River, carrying hundreds of vehicles every day, but age and deterioration have taken a toll. Now, thanks to our Bipartisan Infrastructure & Jobs Law, we are bridging the gap to make these long overdue repairs which means good-paying construction jobs and stronger more resilient infrastructure for Sullivan County. New Yorkers rely on this corridor for transportation, boating, fishing, and

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the outdoor recreation that is critical to the region's economy. I'm thankful for Governor Hochul's work making sure that the federal funding I secured is put to good use and will keep working with her to invest in New York's bridges and roads.”

Senator Kirsten Gillibrand said, “With the Callicoon Bridge being a critical link between Sullivan County and Pennsylvania, it is essential that the bridge is resilient to severe weather and safe for all travelers. The Bipartisan Infrastructure Law has brought much-needed improvements to bridges and other key infrastructure across New York State, and I'm thrilled to see that the Callicoon Bridge will now receive critical public safety upgrades thanks to funding from the law. I'm proud to have worked to help secure funds for this rehabilitation project and will continue to fight to bring federal dollars home.”

Assemblymember Aileen M. Gunther said, “Thank you, Governor Hochul, for prioritizing safety through the revitalization of this crucial piece of infrastructure. I look forward to seeing the positive impact this will have on the Town of Callicoon and Sullivan County as a whole.”

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Governor Hochul Announces \$15 Million to Fund Suicide Prevention Services for At-Risk Youth

Funding to Develop Services for Hispanic/Latinx, Black/African American, Asian American/Pacific Islander, American Indian/Alaskan Native, and LGBTQ+ Youth Prevention Effort Focused on Unique Cultural Factors Putting Historically Underserved, Racial and Ethnic Groups at Heightened Risk

Governor Kathy Hochul today announced five conditional awards totaling \$15 million over five years to help community-based service providers to develop innovative programs that will help reduce suicide risk among youth from historically underserved populations. Administered by the Office of Mental Health, the state funding through the Connecting Youth to Mental Health Supports program will help develop programs and suicide prevention strategies among racial and ethnic minority populations and LGBTQ+ groups, including those in rural areas.

“While New York’s suicide prevention efforts are nation-leading, we have seen alarming trends developing among youth and young adults since onset of the COVID-19 pandemic four years ago,” Governor Hochul said. “These awards will help develop innovative and culturally appropriate programs to serve the mental health needs of the young New Yorkers - especially those at the center of these tragic trends.”

The awards will develop community-based, treatment-adjacent mental health services aimed at building a sense of safety and connectedness at-risk populations and to establish partnerships to help these individuals access treatment when needed. Grant recipients with their total award amount over five years include:

- o Contact Community Services Inc., Onondaga County; \$2.9 million
- o Child Center of New York, New York City; \$3.4 million
- o John R. Oishei Children's Hospital of Buffalo, Erie County; \$2.9 million
- o Access: Supports for Living Inc., Orange County, \$2.9 million
- o Comunilife Inc., Nassau County, \$2.9 million

Assemblymember Aileen Gunther said, “One of the most effective ways to address suicide in our state is to ensure those most at-risk are connected to and comfortable with prevention services. These programs are aimed at building trust with these populations and connecting them with the critical services designed to save lives. As a Registered Nurse and Chair of the Assembly Mental Health Committee I am keenly aware of the struggles New Yorkers are facing today and I commend Governor Hochul for continuing to make mental health and suicide prevention a focus of her administration.”

New York State Office of Mental Health Commissioner Dr. Ann Sullivan said, “By focusing prevention efforts on young New Yorkers at risk, we can connect them with critical and sometimes life-saving services they might not otherwise encounter during a mental health crisis. This funding will help community-based service providers to tailor innovative programs to connect with traditionally marginalized groups and help them address their mental health issues in a culturally competent manner.”

State Senator Samra G. Brouk said, “Suicide rates among Black youth have increased faster than for any other racial group and we know that New York’s youth mental health crisis is impacting historically underserved populations at higher rates across many outcome measurements. I applaud Governor Hochul’s work to make much-needed investments in community-based service providers to help reduce sui-

cide risk among these youth.”

State Senator Luis Sepulveda said, “I particularly want to applaud Governor Hochul for recognizing the unique mental health needs of at-risk youth in historically underserved racial and ethnic groups. Communities and families of color which I represent in my Bronx district are particularly vulnerable because of an acute lack of mental health resources and services targeted toward and reflective of their special cultural, racial and ethnic needs. Particularly when it comes to dual diagnoses requiring mental health and substance abuse services, as well as suicide prevention, there are profound gaps in the delivery system and countless youth and their families have suffered as a consequence. As someone whose family has endured the suffering of mental illness and addiction, I want to commend Governor Hochul for continuing to place the needs of the endangered at the top of her agenda. The \$15 million in grants and the unique programs that will be developed by community service providers as a result will go a long way in helping a formerly forgotten population.”

State Senator Brad Hoylman-Sigal said, “We are facing a youth mental health crisis, particularly in the LGBTQ community. According to the Trevor Project, over 40% of LGBTQ youth and half of all trans and nonbinary young people in New York State have seriously considered attempting suicide. That is unacceptable. I applaud Governor Hochul for dedicating \$15 million for suicide prevention services for at risk young people across our state, including \$3.4 million for the Child Center of New York in New York City. By funding community-based service providers like this once, we can ensure that every New Yorker, especially those from underserved communities, has access to high quality mental health services.”

DEC Announces 12-Pound, 6-Ounce Largemouth Bass Breaks 37-Year-Old State Record

Catch from Cayuga Lake in Cayuga County is Second State Record Fish Established for 2024
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) Interim Commissioner Sean Mahar today announced a new state record for largemouth bass was set on July 11, 2024. James Britenbaugh of Pennsylvania reeled in the

record-breaking 12-pound, 6-ounce largemouth bass from Cayuga Lake, Cayuga County while fishing in preparation for an upcoming bass tournament. The record-breaking catch surpasses the previous 37-year-old State record largemouth bass, caught from Buckhorn Lake, Otsego County, in 1987 by one pound and two ounces.



“It’s no secret that New York has the

best bass fishing opportunities in the country and Mr. Britenbaugh’s incredible fish certainly confirms that,” Interim Commissioner Mahar said. “DEC encourages all anglers fishing in New York to check out the Angler Achievement Awards Program before dropping a line in the water. It’s an exciting program that recognizes sizable catches and shines a light on the numerous lakes, rivers, ponds, and streams producing trophy-sized fish right here in New York.”

This year, New York State landed five lakes on Bassmaster Magazine’s Top 100 Best Bass Lakes in the country. <https://www.bassmaster.com/best-bass-lakes/slideshow/top-10-best-bass-lakes-of-2024/>

Among the New York waters included are the St. Lawrence River (Thousand Islands), ranked as the best bass water in the nation, and Lake Erie/Upper Niagara River, ranked as the seventh-best water. Lake Champlain, Cayuga Lake, and Oneida Lake made the list as well and are in Bassmaster Magazine’s Top 25 Northeastern Best Bass Lakes of 2024. Other waters across the state also offer exceptional bass opportunities and New York continues to be a destination for world class fishing.

The largemouth bass record comes weeks after a new state record for longnose gar was set. On June 21, 2024. Chuck Zimmerman of Hilton, Monroe County, reeled in a 15-pound, 14-ounce longnose gar from Butterfield Lake in Jefferson County.

Both Mr. Britenbaugh and Mr. Zimmerman submitted details of their winning catches as part of DEC’s newly

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revamped Angler Achievement Awards Program, which recognizes anglers who catch any of the 40 eligible fish species that meet or exceed the minimum qualifying lengths established for that species and tracks state record fish. Through this program, anglers can enter freshwater fish that meet specific qualifying criteria and receive official recognition of their catch along with a species-specific sticker commemorating their achievement.

The three categories that make up the program are: Angler Award, Youth Angler Award, and State Record. As part of the program revamp anglers can now submit entries for qualifying catches from the convenience of their smart phone through an online entry form. The program further supports the Governor’s “Get Offline, Get Outside” initiative, which was launched earlier this month to promote physical and mental health by helping encourage New York’s kids and families to put down their phones and computers, take a break from social media, and enjoy recreation and outdoor social gatherings.

For official program rules, eligible species and associated minimum qualifying lengths, visit the Angler Achievement Awards webpage <https://dec.ny.gov/things-to-do/freshwater-fishing/angler-achievement-awards-program>



BLUE MOUNTAINS TROUT NEWS

JULY 2024

By Ed Ostapczuk

July Ashokan Reservoir



—Photo by Ed Ostapczuk

No Chapter Meetings for July or August

As of this newsletter, there are no July or August chapter meetings, or outings, planned for this summer. Our next chapter meeting is scheduled for September 26, but stay tuned as plans could change and members would be notified.

Our board of directors will meet in July to discuss upcoming events this autumn including chapter elections and a fall dinner/fund raiser for the first time in years, since dealing with Covid.

Give Trout a Break!

Perhaps your most important summer fishing item is a stream thermometer. When stream temperatures meet or exceed 69 F degrees, it best not to trout fish; seek some other sort of outdoor activity.

Of late Esopus Creek temperatures reported via the USGS Coldbrook gage have been much too warm to consider angling this section of Esopus Creek. Please refer to the June newsletter for more information on accessing USGS stream gages, including flows and water temperatures. At this time, Shandaken Tunnel diversions are still cool enough to provide fishing opportunities upstream of Phoenicia. Typically, during summer months the closer one fishes to the Portal, the cooler the water. Give trout a break this summer.

If you think conditions are bad here, chapter member Peter Marx, of Maryland, reports that Shenandoah National Park recently closed trout fishing in all their waters, FYI:

<https://www.nps.gov/shen/learn/news/shenandoah-national-park-temporarily-suspends-fishing-2024.htm> Plus, Peter said Maryland suspended catch & release striper fishing in the Chesapeake Bay until August. So, let's learn to deal with warmer waters, climate change, and act accordingly.



June Fishing Outing

Our June outing was well attended with angling members either fishing the Esopus from Phoenicia upstream, or NYC's Ashokan Reservoir. Back at the Boiceville Inn, delicious pizza was supplied by the chapter while liquid refreshments were individually purchased. Tall tales were told and more fish were caught in the Boiceville Inn than on the water that evening. Another year is in the books.

NYC Prepares for Delaware Aqueduct Shutdown

For more information on this planned event, and how it could impact the Catskills and Catskil Aqueduct diversion (Ashokan/Schoharie Reservoir) system visit the NYC Department of Environmental Protection website. <https://www.nyc.gov/site/dep/whats-new/delaware-aqueduct-shutdown-impact-upstate.page>

Phoenicia Library to host Macroinvertebrate Workshop - "What Fish Eat"



Beth Waterman reports that the Jerry Bartlett Angling Collection at the Phoenicia Library (<https://catskillanglingcollection.org/index.html>) will host a hands-on, get-your-feet-wet macroinvertebrate workshop on the Stony Clove Creek on July 27 from 11 AM until 1 PM. The workshop is for all ages, but is especially geared towards kids. This program is dedicated to the memories of the late Hank Rope - a longtime chapter member - and the late Jean Druffner - a dedicated Phoenicia Elementary School teacher. Participants should meet at the gazebo on the corner of Route 214 and Main Street in Phoenicia. Help is always welcome. Download the event flyer for more information.

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AWSMP's Summer 2024 Esopus Creek News

The Ashokan Watershed Stream Management Program has recently published their newsletter, Esopus Creek News. You can view the summer issue here. <https://mailchi.mp/ashokanstreams/the-trib-summer-10436285?e=312b345437>

Acid Rain Report

Jody Hoyt reported during June there were six measurable rain events recorded in Boiceville measuring 5.19 inches, having a 5.8 weighted average pH. By comparison, in June 2023 there were seven rain events measuring 4.93 inches having a 5.6 weighted average pH.

Membership

If you have membership questions or concerns, or know someone who wants to join our chapter, please contact Russell Martin at: <mailto:rmartintu@gmail.com>

Until next time,
Ed Ostapczuk



After the fishing outing, at the Boiceville Inn

Photo by Ed Ostapczuk

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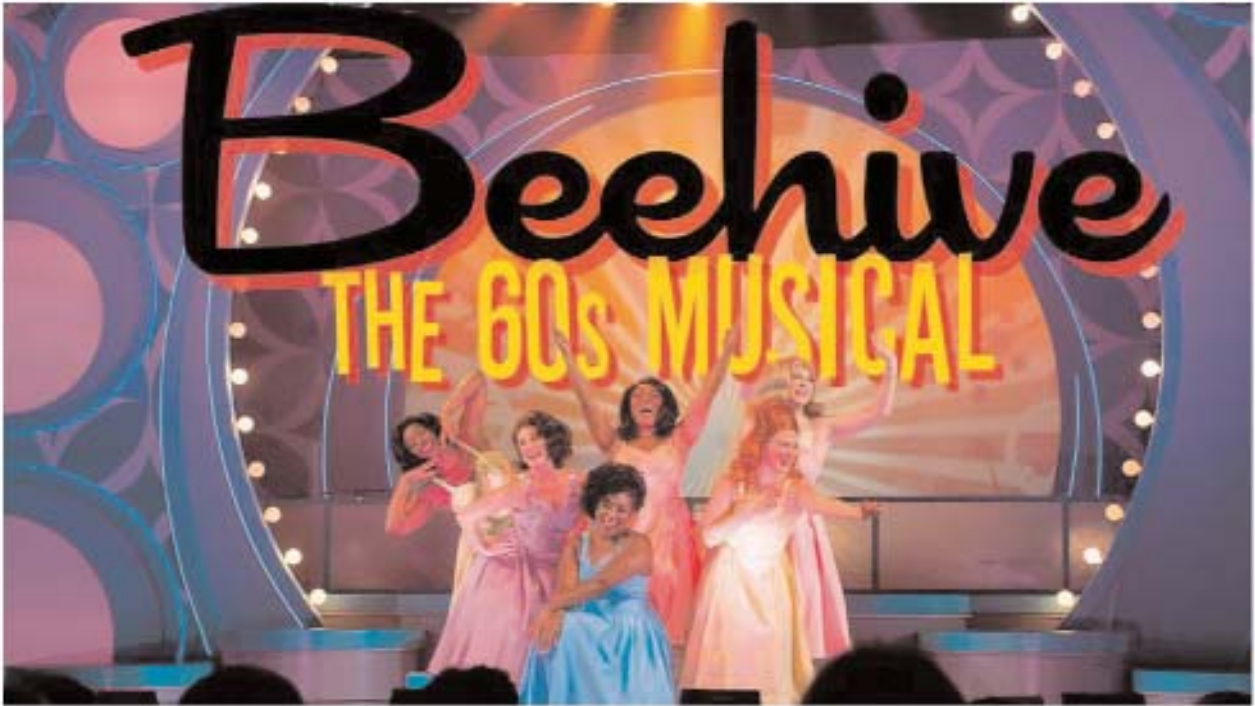
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Ellenville Regional Hospital Auxiliary Presents:

“A Taste of Broadway III”

The Shadowland Theatre at 157 Canal St. is featuring this rollicking '60's Broadway musical coupled with lunch at Gaby's Café, 141 Canal St., Ellenville, NY.

Date: Sunday, August 25th – Lunch at 11:45, 2 pm show.

Price: \$99 includes lunch, show and fundraiser.

*If you are a paid season subscriber to Shadowland, your price is \$74.

(Please make check payable to: “ERH Auxiliary” along with your phone #, choice of entrée and if you are a season subscriber.

Mail to Helene Morris, PO Box 105 Spring Glen, NY 12483

Call 845-210-7120 with any seating requirements or questions.

“A TASTE OF BROADWAY III”

Sunday, August 25, 2024

Lunch at Gaby's Café before the Show

11:45 Start/Open Seating (Cash Bar)

Menu

Chips & Salsa

Gaby's House Salad

Choice of Entrees

Pollo 5 de Mayo

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

Pernil al Horno

Roast Pork, Gaby's Style

Pasta Primavera

Roasted Vegetable over Pasta

Dessert

Assorted Cookies,

Soda/Coffee/Tea Included

(Please call Helene Morris, Auxiliary Event Coordinator at 845-210-7120 with your selection)



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Come join us at the **24th ANNUAL NRAMA ANTIQUE TRACTOR SHOW**

On **September 21st** (raindate Sept. 22nd)

At the **Grahamsville Fairgrounds** (Grahamsville NY)

From **10-6**

Be part of a fun day filled with tractors, farm machinery displays and demonstrations:
live entertainment; craft, sports & yard sale vendors;

beer garden with Bridge & Tunnel local brewery; and lots of food including the Grahamsville Fire Dept. famous chicken BBQ (from 4-6).

For more info on the **tractors and antique vehicles** contact Paul Kelly @ 845-985-0081

***For more information on **how to become a vendor** or if you have any **antique household & small farm equipment you want to display** contact Cher Woehl @ 845-985-2401 OR at cherwoehl@gmail.com ***
(LEAVE A MESSAGE IF NO ANSWER)

Check out our NRAMA Facebook page for more details on the show and info on how to get your raffle tickets (for some incredible gift card prizes!)

Sullivan O&W Rail Trail Alliance Announces 3rd Annual BowWO&W Celebrate the dog days of summer with a community dog walk

[South Fallsburg, NY] - Come out and celebrate the dog days of summer at the 3rd annual Bow WO&W Dog Walk on Thursday, August 15th from 5:30 to 7:30 PM on the new Tunnel Bypass segment of the Sullivan O&W Rail Trail. Meet at the trailhead next to the Dogpatch Town Park located at 14 Old Country Road in South Fallsburg.

At 5:00PM there will be a ribbon cutting hosted by the Town of Fallsburg to officially open this new 1.1-mile section of the Sullivan O&W Rail Trail.

"The Town of Fallsburg is thrilled to be the host of this year's BowWO&W Dog Walk starting at the new Dogpatch Town Park. Town staff from the Highway Department and Parks Department worked very hard to create this trail over the past year, and they did a phenomenal job," stated Town Supervisor Michael Bensimon. "This new trail will eventually connect to a planned pedestrian bridge and boardwalk over the Neversink River where the old train trestle used to be, and our hope is that it becomes a regional tourist destination like the Walkway over the Hudson. We are extremely grateful to everyone that has contributed their time and effort into this successful project."

"The BowWO&W is an excellent opportunity to explore this new section of the Sullivan O&W Rail Trail, meet other trail users and get you, your dog and your family out for a summer evening walk," says Shannon Cilento of Sullivan 180, a member of the Sullivan O&W Rail Trail Alliance. "Be advised that this new trail is not flat like the rest of the O&W Rail Trail, so be prepared to tackle some hills and moderately steep grades."

Even if you don't plan to hike the trail, everyone is encouraged to bring their dog and enjoy the dog park. Dog-related vendors and organizations will also be tabling at the park including Catskill Animal Rescue, Catskill Veterinary Services, Great Companion Dog Training, and Lilly Bear Treats, just to name a few.

New Play at the Tusten Theatre Adds to Vibrant Theatre Scene in the Sullivan Catskills

This August, join the Delaware Valley Arts Alliance (DVAA) for the exclusive presentation of the original play (O)n the 5:31 at the Tusten Theatre in Narrowsburg. Featuring the talented Raye Levine Spielberg, Ivette Dumeng, and Tucker Lewis, this limited run offers local audiences a chance to experience a new theatrical work before it heads to NYC.

Tickets:

<https://delawarevalleyartsalliance.org/on-the-531>

SYNOPSIS

Written and directed by Mando Alvarado, (O)n the 5:31 takes

a trip into what is remembered and what could have been.

Traveling back and forth across the ten-year span of a relationship, a grieving widow tries to piece together the fragments of his marriage from memory. Benny struggles to complete his wife's dying wishes after discovering her infidelity and coming clean about his own. In the end, he'll come to understand that he wasn't the only one who lost the love of their life.

Alvarado's play explores life's twists and turns, the power of memory, and the difference between reality and how we remember it.

CAST & CREATIVES

Raye Levine Spielberg (Sandra): Raye has deep roots in the Upper Delaware River Valley. She and her husband, Sawyer Spielberg (Producer), previously collaborated on the film Merry Good Enough, which was shown at the Tusten Theatre in November 2023. This year they star together in the short thriller Pink Flags. Raye's notable theatre credits include Extinction by Gabe McKinley, Leviticus by Mandi Riggi, The Vote in Orange, and Parkslope.

Tucker Lewis (Benny): Tucker has appeared in popular TV shows like The Undoing (HBO), Ramy (Hulu/A24), and Power (Starz).

Ivette Dumeng (Gina): Ivette is an award-winning stage actress known for her roles as Esperanza in Candlelight, Charlie Chaplin in The Chaplin Plays, and Francesca De La Tours in The Real Machiavelli.

Mando Alvarado (Playwright and Director) is an award-winning playwright/screenwriter from South Texas. Alvarado co-wrote the bilingual musical El Otro Oz, which some will remember from the first year of Forestburgh Playhouse's "In The Works-In The Woods Festival." El Otro Oz has since continued to succeed with performances in NYC and LA.

SULLIVAN CATSKILLS THEATRE SCENE

The Sullivan Catskills are a thriving hub for independent theatre and performing arts. The region's nurturing environment and proximity to NYC make it an ideal incubator for developing new works.

DVAA is at the heart of Sullivan County's theatre scene, supporting it through various initiatives. DVAA administers grants to local theatre organizations, provides rehearsal and performance spaces at the Tusten Theatre and Krause Recital Hall, and produces original performing arts events throughout the year.

Don't miss your chance to be part of this vibrant theatre community. Grab your tickets for (O)n the 5:31 and join DVAA in celebrating the magic of live theater in the Sullivan Catskills.

PERFORMANCE SCHEDULE

Friday, August 2 - 7:00 PM

Saturday, August 3 - 7:00 PM

Sunday, August 4 - 2:00 PM (Matinee)

TICKETS & LOCATION

Performances take place at the Tusten Theatre, 210 Bridge Street in Narrowsburg, NY.

Tickets \$25 advance / \$30 at door (\$20/\$25 DVAA Members). Kids 12 and under are free. Box office/concession opens 30 minutes before show.

Tickets may be purchased by calling (845) 252-7576 or online at delawarevalleyartsalliance.org.

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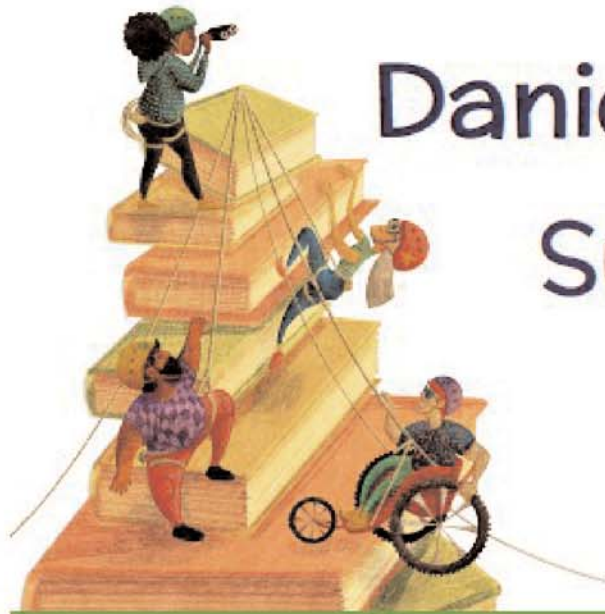
Nick was diagnosed with Tuberous Sclerosis Complex (TSC) at birth. TSC is a neurological disorder that produces seizures, tumors, and lesions that effect the organs of the body and can cause Autism. Nick has been battling with seizures his whole life from infantile spasms to adult grand-mal seizures. May 2019 we heard the worst news that Nick's function was under 10% on both kidneys. Since then Nick has had multiple surgeries so he could get the proper dialysis preformed. Nick goes in center for 4 hours 3 times a week. Not what the sweetest, kindest, 31 year old should be going through.

Nick has such a big heart and is loved by so many in our community. We all want Nick to have the best quality of life and going through dialysis does not provide that quality. We hope and pray a kidney comes to us and that Nick will be able to live a happy and healthy life doing what he loves and that is to bicycle all throughout our town making people smile. Nick is a big part of the community, he takes pride with his volunteer work with the EMS and is the Honorary member of the Monticello Fire Department.

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

*For any other questions
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Pick up reading logs, BINGO sheets and bookmark contest entry forms at the library or download them from our website.

Children 5-18 years old will be eligible for a single-day splash pass generously provided by the Kartrite Resort & Waterpark upon completion of our summer program.

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2024 SHOW DATES

THURSDAY 7/4/24: LIBERTY RISING STREET FAIR

ANY MAKE ANY MODEL CAR CLUB SHOW, ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PARKING LOT, NORTH MAIN STREET, LIBERTY, NY 12754

SHOW TIME 9:00 AM TILL 4:00 PM JUDGING 1:00 PM TROPHIES GIVEN OUT AT 3:00 PM
PARADE LINE UP 11:30 AM.

PRICE \$15.00 PER VEHICLE TROPHIES WILL BE TOP 25; KIDS CHOICE; JUST BECAUSE;
CLUB PICK; CHAMBER CHOICE AND BEST OF SHOW. RAIN DATE 7/6/24.

SATURDAY 7/13/24 WURTSBORO FOUNDERS DAY

ANY MAKE ANY MODEL CAR CLUB SHOW, MAIN STREET WURTSBORO, NEW YORK 12790

SHOW TIME 10:00 AM TILL 5:00 PM JUDGING 1:00 PM TROPHIES GIVEN OUT AT 3:30 PM

PRICE \$15.00 PER VEHICLE TROPHIES WILL BE TOP 30; KIDS CHOICE; JUST BECAUSE;
BOARD OF TRADE CHOICE; CLUB PICK AND BEST OF SHOW.

SUNDAY 8/11/24 MONTICELLO BAGEL FEST

ANY MAKE ANY MODEL CAR CLUB SHOW, BROADWAY MONTICELLO, NY 12701

SHOW TIME 10:00 AM TILL 5:00 PM JUDGING 1:00 PM TROPHIES GIVEN OUT 3:30 PM

PRICE \$15.00 PER VEHICLE TROPHIES WILL BE: TOP 40; KIDS CHOICE; JUST BECAUSE;
CLUB PICK; CHAMBER CHOICE AND BEST OF SHOW

SATURDAY 9/21/24 OUTPOST BBQ SHOW

ANY MAKE ANY MODEL CAR CLUB SHOW, 6611 ROUTE 209 KERHONKSON, NY 12446

SHOW TIME 10:00 AM UNTIL 5:00 PM JUDGING 1:00 PM TROPHIES GIVEN OUT 4:00 PM

PRICE PER VEHICLE \$15.00 TROPHIES WILL BE: TOP 25; KIDS CHOICE; JUST BECAUSE;
CLUB PICK; OUTPOST BBQ CHOICE AND BEST OF SHOW.

PHOENICIA PLAYHOUSE PRESENTS

July 11,12,13,14*
July 18,19,20,21*
July 25,26,27,28*

Thursday - Saturday at 7pm
*Sundays at 2pm

JULY 11-28

The **WIZARD OF OZ**

By L. Frank Baum With Music and Lyrics by Harold Arlen and E. Y. Harburg
THE WIZARD OF OZ is presented by arrangement with Concord Theatricals on behalf of Tams-Witmark LLC. www.concordtheatricals.com

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Thu. Jul 11th 2024, 7:00 pm
 Fri. Jul 12th 2024, 7:00 pm
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 Sun. Jul 14th 2024, 2:00 pm
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 Fri. Jul 19th 2024, 7:00 pm
 Sat. Jul 20th 2024, 7:00 pm
 Sun. Jul 21st 2024, 2:00 pm
 Thu. Jul 25th 2024, 7:00 pm
 Fri. Jul 26th 2024, 7:00 pm
 Sat. Jul 27th 2024, 7:00 pm
 Sun. Jul 28th 2024, 2:00 pm

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As we come together as a nation and community during turbulent times, I want you to know I'm fighting every day for Hudson Valley families. Whether it is strengthening Medicare for seniors, supporting our brave first responders, or continuing to hold Central Hudson's feet to the fire, here's how I worked to deliver for our community this week:

MAKING HEALTHCARE MORE AFFORDABLE FOR SENIORS AND SUPPORTING FIRST RESPONDERS

Our families and neighbors are safer and healthier because of the dedicated care that paramedics and EMTs provide. They deserve to be compensated - no matter where they administer care.

That's why I'm proud to co-lead the Improving Access to Emergency Medical Services for Seniors Act to allow seniors on Medicare to be treated on-site by paramedics and emergency responders and ensure that healthcare personnel receive proper compensation from Medicare reimbursements.

This bill will ensure that our highly trained first responders are fully supported in continuing to save lives and serve our seniors. I will keep fighting for the resources that our first responders need and deserve.

HONORING AN AMERICAN HERO

Ulster County native Col. Roger Donlon demonstrated unparalleled bravery and heroism during the Vietnam War, earning the War's first Medal of Honor.

His contributions to the Ulster County veterans community were invaluable and we are forever indebted to him.

It was an honor to join in his celebration of life alongside his countless friends and family and present his wife with a Congressional Record and a flag flown over the United States Capitol in his memory.

THANKING OUR FIREFIGHTERS

Our firefighters are heroes - undertaking great risks every day to keep our families and communities safe.

It was an honor to join in celebrating and thanking firefighters from across the Hudson Valley at the Port Jervis Fire Department's Inspection Day Parade. Watch the video of the parade here! https://midhudsonnews.com/2024/07/15/port-jervis-celebrates-firefighters-for-over-160-years-video/?fbclid=IwZXh0bgNhZW0CMTEAAR0OWyQakS_icdP57D6n2xJciqVEAZ_VulYk5pxlgpfMiw_hbRHnMHFg00k_aem_mMaFVNzUG1znoRJaEROfDQ#google_vignette

FIGHTING TO HOLD CENTRAL HUDSON ACCOUNTABLE

From day one, I've been fighting to lower costs and hold Central Hudson accountable.

With Hudson Valley families feeling the economic pressure, allowing any rate increase is completely unacceptable. <https://patryan.house.gov/media/press-releases/congressman-pat-ryans-statement-central-hudsons-rate-increase>

We're all still reeling from years of systemic failure by Central Hudson - while their profits continue to grow at our expense.

We can't back down.

HEARING DIRECTLY FROM YOU

Hearing directly from you is how I can best fight for your pri-

orities in Congress and I want to hear from each and every voice in the Hudson Valley.

That's why on Wednesday, July 31, from 7:30PM to 8:30PM, I'm hosting a telephone town hall. This means that everyone from NY-18 can have the opportunity to join, ask me questions, and make their voices heard by calling 866-767-0662 at 7:30PM on Wednesday, July 31. If you can't join by phone, the town hall will also be streamed at <https://patryan.house.gov/live>

BRINGING MY OFFICE TO YOU

Everyone deserves the assistance they need, right where they're at. My team is bringing assistance with federal agencies right to you in your neighborhood when the C.A.R.E.S. Van hits the road again this week.

If you need assistance with anything from VA benefits to IRS returns, or just want to meet my team and enjoy the summer - hope you'll join one of this week's events!

HELPING YOU MAKE YOUR SUMMER VACATION

When my team helped Ellen make her dream vacation, we couldn't have been prouder to hear that she and her husband were "Rarely happier than this moment."

That's why my team and I work day in and day out to cut through bureaucratic red tape and get you the results you deserve.

If last minute passport problems are threatening to ruin your summer travel or if you need help navigating a federal agency, please reach out to my team by calling (845) 443-2930 or here on my website .

CONGRATULATING NATIONAL CHAMPIONS

A big shout out to the Mount Academy students for winning the SkillsUSA national championship in welding!

When we invest in technical education for our students, they prove there's nothing they can't accomplish.

Way to go Ron, Roland, and Rob - NY-18 is proud of you! Read more here. https://midhudsonnews.com/2024/07/07/mount-academy-wins-gold-medal-in-welding-at-national-skills-usa-event/?fbclid=IwZXh0bgNhZW0CMTEAAR0VuUSApmbIwEMUizg8fdPIlyM3w4_m2pBXCBZ3d-H_WTUIEwXXiazLnMo_aem_FEZsEvvQQUv1_itt_ibXng#google_vignette

OPENING THE APPLICATION FOR SERVICE ACADEMY NOMINATIONS

As the first West Point graduate to represent the Military Academy in Congress, I'm always excited to nominate the next generation of our nation's leaders to our service academies.

The application to apply for a nomination to the class of 2029 at a Service Academy is now live on my website here <https://patryan.house.gov/se>

Learn more here or by calling my district office at (845) 443-2930. Applications are due by November 1, 2024.

SUPPORTING MUSIC EDUCATION

A huge congratulations to Bard College's Longy School of Music for being awarded a \$30,000 grant from the National Endowment for the Arts!

The grant will help fund the school's Side-by-Side Series that partners K through 12th graders with skilled musicians for one-on-one music lessons and mentorship.

Amazing work!

GETTING OUTSIDE FOR NATIONAL PARKS AND RECREATION MONTH

From the oldest section of the Appalachian Trail to following in the footsteps of President Franklin Roosevelt in Hyde Park, NY-18 has some magnificent places you can visit to celebrate National Parks and Recreation month!

Learn more and plan your visit to a National Park at [NPS.gov](https://nps.gov)



God Bless President Trump

There are still many questions surrounding the assassination attempt, and Americans deserve and demand answers. First and foremost, my prayers remain with President Trump, his family, and the innocent victims, including Corey Comperatore.

I am very grateful to the members of the Secret Service and the local law enforcement officers who risked their lives to protect President Trump and to the American patriots at the rally who remained calm and assisted the injured.

What happened on Saturday night was a severe security failure, and it must be thoroughly investigated to hold all those responsible accountable. This includes the immediate resignation of Secret Service Director Kimberly Cheatle.

It is imperative that we address these failures immediately for the sake of President Joe Biden, former President Donald Trump, and Robert F. Kennedy.

Demanding an Investigation into Election Interference by Intelligence Officials Over Hunter Biden Laptop

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8bgj8EYBbiw>

Following the 2020 Election, evidence has revealed that Secretary Blinken and the 51 signatories of the "Public Statement on the Hunter Biden Emails" used their standing in the intelligence community to push false "Russian disinformation" narratives, despite this being debunked in 2019. These intelligence officials deliberately misled the American electorate just months before an election, violating the Hatch Act, engaging in election interference, and possibly making false statements while retaining top-level security clearances.

I sent a letter to Attorney General Merrick Garland and FBI Director Christopher Wray, demanding they investigate Secretary of State Blinken and the 51 intelligence officials. It is crucial that they fully investigate and prosecute any unlawful activities.

READ MORE: House Republican calls on 'The 51' to be prosecuted for alleged Hunter Biden laptop cover-up

<https://www.foxnews.com/politics/tenney-calls-the-51-prosecuted-alleged-hunter-biden-laptop-coverup>

Banning Illegal Immigrants From Voting in U.S. Elections

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PnE8h1vHLfk>

Since President Biden took office, there have been over 9.7 million illegal immigrant encounters nationwide, threatening our communities, our national security, and now our elections. That's why I voted in favor of the SAVE Act to ban illegal immigrants from voting in American elections. Nearly 80% of voters oppose illegal immigrants voting in any U.S. election. Yet, Democrats oppose the SAVE Act because they want the millions of illegal immigrants they have allowed into our country to be able to vote and sway our elections. This is an insult to every single American and highlights the urgent need to have the SAVE Act signed into law. We must defend this most sacred right and ensure only American citizens have a say at the ballot box.

READ MORE: 'Terrible message': GOP lawmaker fumes after only 5 House Dems support bill requiring citizenship to vote

<https://www.foxnews.com/politics/terrible-message-gop-lawmaker-fumes-after-5-house-dems-support-bill-requiring-citizenship-vote>

Defending Title IX in New York

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=e6FYjQuWMWw>

The future of women's sports in our state is once again under attack. <https://www.whec.com/top-news/from-naples-to-paris-meghan-musnickis-journey-to-become-four-time-olympic-rower-for-team-usa/>

New York State Attorney General Letitia James is attempting to block a new Nassau County law that prohibits biological males from competing in girls' and women's sports. This move directly undermines female athletes in our state.

I recently supported H.J.Res 165, a resolution aimed at overturning the Department of Education's new rule that would mandate the inclusion of biological males in women's sports. Such policies disregard the inherent physical differences between men and women, leading to an unfair advantage and depriving women and girls of the athletic opportunities protected by Title IX.

As a former athlete, I will continue to work to safeguard Title IX for women in our state and across the nation!

Bills Cosponsored by Tenney

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

The Dismantle DEI Act: would ban any Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion programs and rescind any executive orders regarding DEI. This bill would also end DEI training and programming, DEI pledges, and prohibit taxpayer funding for entities that use DEI hiring practices.

The CUTS Act: rescinds unobligated COVID-19 relief funds and certain infrastructure funds to offset the cost of supplemental foreign assistance totaling \$95 billion made available for fiscal year 2024.

Providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Environmental Protection Agency relating to "Reconsideration of the National Ambient Air Quality Standards for Particulate Matter:" Nullifies the EPA's rule for fine particulate matter, otherwise known as PM 2.5. This rule sets strict air quality standards for particulate matter and will have disastrous effects on the economy and manufacturing nationwide.

The CDC Must Delay Burdensome Pet Travel Rule

I am actively working to address concerns with the new CDC rule that will impose strict requirements on dogs entering the United States from Canada, set to take effect on August 1, 2024. This rule mandates that all dogs must be older than six months, "appear healthy," possess a USDA-endorsed export health certificate, and have a CDC-approved Dog Import Form. Not only is this rule unnecessary and burdensome, but it will also be costly for pet owners in our community. I signed a letter expressing my concerns about the logistical challenges of importing younger puppies, the confusion surrounding the new form, and the potential negative impact on lawful canine activities across borders. We must prevent this government overreach which will prevent Western New York families from traveling to Canada with their beloved pets to visit family and friends. I urge the CDC to reconsider this policy and implement an 18-month delay to prioritize the rights of pet owners and their pups over this unnecessary power grab.

Congratulations to NY-24 Native Meghan Musnicki

Congratulations to NY-24 native Meghan Musnicki on being named to the U.S. Olympic Rowing team! Originally from Naples, she is a two-time Olympic gold medalist and three-time Olympian, with an impressive record of five gold medals and one bronze medal at the World Rowing Championships. We are thrilled to watch you represent our community on the world's biggest stage and eagerly anticipate seeing you and the rest of Team USA bring home the gold!

READ MORE: From Ontario County to Paris: Meghan Musnicki's journey to become four-time Olympic rower for Team USA

<https://www.whec.com/top-news/from-naples-to-paris-meghan-musnickis-journey-to-become-four-time-olympic-rower-for-team-usa/>



Molinaro Memo

Less than a week ago, we witnessed an attempt on former President Donald Trump's life. I am pushing to address this massive security breach, to understand how it could have occurred, and what measures we need to implement to prevent such threats in the future.

It also serves as a time for reflection. To tone down the political rhetoric and come together as one nation. We don't agree on everything, and we don't have to. But we do need to be able to talk, connect, and try to understand one another.

From the beginning I have been committed to working across the aisle and representing everyone from my district, regardless of party. You have my word that will continue.

Middle-income families across the United States are facing significant financial pressures as living costs continue to rise faster than incomes.

I am deeply concerned about the impact this has on our wallets and our well-being, and it underscores the urgent need for policies that support economic stability and affordability for all Americans.

That's why I introduced the Lower Grocery Prices Act, that aims to rein in the price of groceries and address the cost of living crisis. And I will continue to advocate for solutions that ensure families can thrive, not just survive.

Molinaro introduces bill to create registry for migrants convicted of felonies

In our ongoing efforts to enhance public safety and accountability, I have introduced a bill aimed at creating a registry for migrants convicted of felonies.

This proposed legislation is designed to ensure that law enforcement agencies have access to critical information, helping to protect our communities and uphold the rule of law. By implementing this registry, we can better track individuals who have committed serious crimes and ensure they are held accountable.

This initiative is a crucial step in maintaining the safety and security of our neighborhoods, and I am committed to working tirelessly to see it through.

Upstate NY health plans support legislation to defend Medicare Advantage Plans for seniors

As your representative in Congress, I am committed to ensuring that our seniors receive the healthcare they deserve.

I am proud to support recent legislation aimed at defending Medicare Advantage plans, which are vital for many Upstate New Yorkers. These plans provide comprehensive care and essential benefits tailored to the needs of our senior citizens.

By safeguarding Medicare Advantage, we are upholding our promise to protect the health and well-being of our aging population, ensuring they have access to the quality healthcare they need to live with dignity and peace of mind.

Molinaro Called for Resignation of Secret Service Director Following Failure at Trump Rally

Washington, DC - U.S. Rep. Marc Molinaro (NY-19) released the following statement calling for the resignation of Secret Service Director Kimberly Cheatle:

"I withheld judgement on Secret Service Director Kimberly Cheatle until Congress could hear from her directly. She admitted it was a mission failure, admitted the buck stops with her, has tried to deflect responsibility, and will not adequately explain what went wrong. She must step aside and allow new leadership at the Secret Service."

Rep. Molinaro Statement on Sullivan County Prison Closure

Liberty, NY - U.S. Rep. Marc Molinaro (NY-19) released the following statement on Governor Kathy Hochul's decision to close the Sullivan Correctional Facility in Woodbourne:

"It's disgraceful that Governor Hochul, as part of her pro-crime platform, is now closing the Sullivan County Correctional Facility with limited notice. This reckless decision not only jeopardizes the livelihoods and safety of corrections officers and staff, but also threatens the economic stability of our community. Prison closures have severe repercussions. They uproot staff, strain remaining facilities, and increase safety risk to workers and inmates due to overcrowding. Not to mention it rarely results in savings. Our community deserves far better than this irresponsible and dangerous policy from Governor Hochul."

Rep. Molinaro Slams Gov. Hochul's Ignorant Remark about Disability & Senior Service Program Demands Public Apology

Binghamton, NY - U.S. Rep. Marc Molinaro (NY-19) released the following statement on Governor Kathy Hochul calling the Consumer Directed Personal Assistance Program (CDPAP) program a 'racket':

"Governor Hochul's comments were as insulting as they are ignorant and she needs to apologize. This was a program that gave seniors and those with disabilities the freedom to choose their own caregiver. Because this Governor isn't competent enough to run the program, she ripped it up and now is forcing vulnerable New Yorkers to navigate a broken & bloated state bureaucracy.

"If Governor Hochul wants to find a racket - look in the mirror. The real racket is the Governor who preaches about caring, while plugging a budget hole she created on the backs of those who can afford it least."

Background:

In 2015, Rep. Molinaro created the 'Think DIFFERENTLY' initiative to break down barriers for individuals with disabilities and has built off the initiative in Congress. He also is a strong supporter of CDPAP and has led the opposition against Governor Hochul's most recent budget, which cuts funding from the program and eliminates nearly all fiscal intermediaries (FI) jobs.



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

1. Addressing military brain trauma

Service members who regularly fire heavy weapons are at increased risk of traumatic brain injuries. Kirsten is fighting to address traumatic brain injuries among our service members and veterans.

This week, in Endicott , Corning , Westhampton Beach , and New York City , Kirsten stood with veterans to announce the Blast Overpressure Safety Act , legislation that would address and study traumatic brain injuries in affected service members and veterans. The bill would provide resources to investigate these brain injuries, track exposure to blasts from weapons, and help service members access the care they need.

2. Calling on FEMA to stand ready

As heavy wind, rain, and reported tornadoes devastated communities across Upstate New York this week, Kirsten and Senator Schumer called on the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) to stand ready to quickly approve a disaster declaration if requested by the state. If a disaster declaration is requested and approved, FEMA will be able to swiftly provide assistance to Upstate communities impacted by the severe weather. Read more. <https://www.rochesterfirst.com/news/nys-schumer-gillibrand-stand-ready-to-approve-disaster-declaration-request/>

3. Delivering for New York

Kirsten is committed to bringing federal dollars home to New York.

Just this week, she delivered:

\$50 million to revitalize Syracuse's 15th Ward and expand affordable housing surrounding I-81.

Nearly \$1.5 million to provide protective gear, training, and critical resources to 16 fire departments across New York State. Read more.

<https://www.gillibrand.senate.gov/news/press/release/schumer-gillibrand-announce-nearly-1-5-million-in-federal-funding-for-fire-departments-across-new-york-state/>

Over \$245,000 to improve emergency alert systems and public safety throughout the Catskill Mountains and the North Country. Read more.

<https://www.gillibrand.senate.gov/news/press/release/gillibrand-announces-over-245000-to-improve-emergency-alert-systems-and-public-safety/>

DEC Announces Falconry, Wildlife Rehabilitator, and Leashed Tracking Dog Examinations

Exams Will be Held Online Aug. 9, 2024;
Registration Deadline Aug. 7, 2024

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) today announced that examinations for individuals seeking a license to practice the sport of falconry, become

a volunteer wildlife rehabilitator, or use leashed tracking dogs to find wounded or injured big game animals are scheduled for Aug. 9, 2024. DEC is offering the examinations online and at no cost to participants to increase access to the examinations.

The registration deadline is Aug. 7. To register, visit the 2024 Special Licenses Exams Registration website. Applicants will receive an email acknowledgement of registration; an additional one-time link to access the website on the date of the exams is sent to registrants at a later date. The link to the exam registration webpage can also be found on each of the individual license webpages at Division of Fish and Wildlife Special Licenses and Permits.

Apprentice Falconry License

Falconry has a rich history and tradition throughout the world and requires a significant commitment of time and effort. Apprentices are limited to possessing one bird, either an American kestrel or a red-tailed hawk. To qualify for the Apprentice Falconry License, applicants must:

score 80 percent or higher on the written exam;

be at least 14 years of age;

possess a valid New York State hunting license;

maintain DEC-approved facilities for housing falconry raptors; and

be a resident of New York State.

A falconry study guide and examination manual are available from DEC at no cost on the DEC Falconry License webpage. The cost of a five-year falconry license is \$40. Birds of prey are protected species and cannot be possessed without a license or other authorization from DEC.

Wildlife Rehabilitator License

Wildlife rehabilitators provide for the care of injured, sick, and orphaned wild animals for the purpose of returning rehabilitated animals to the wild. Prospective applicants are encouraged to gain experience by serving as an assistant to a licensed wildlife rehabilitator. To qualify for the Wildlife Rehabilitator License, applicants must:

score 80 percent or higher on the written exam;

be at least 16 years of age;

be interviewed by DEC Regional wildlife staff; and

be a resident of New York State.

A wildlife rehabilitator study guide and examination manual are available from DEC at no cost on the DEC Wildlife Rehabilitator License webpage. There is no cost for the five-year wildlife rehabilitation license.

Leashed Tracking Dog Handler

Leashed tracking dog handlers use their dogs to track and recover dead, wounded, or injured big game. Leashed tracking dog handlers provide a valuable service in aiding hunters in locating wounded big game that otherwise may go unrecovered. To qualify for a Leashed Tracking Dog Handler License, applicants must:

score 80 percent or higher on the written exam; and

possess a valid New York State hunting license.

A leashed tracking dog study guide is available from DEC at no cost on the DEC Leashed Tracking Dog License webpage. While the exam is free, first-time license applicants have a non-refundable \$25 license application fee. The five-year leashed tracking dog license is \$50.

For questions or assistance, contact DEC's Special Licenses Unit:

DEC Special Licenses Unit
625 Broadway, Albany, NY 12233-4752
Phone: 518-402-8985, Fax: 518-402-8925
Email: SpecialLicenses@dec.ny.gov



DUCK RACE

Thursday, August 8th, 6 PM
Veterans' Park • Wurtsboro, NY

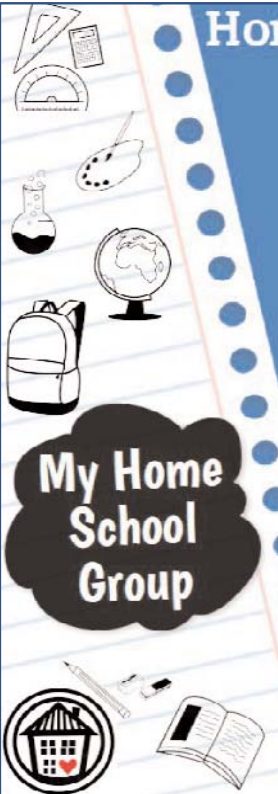
\$5.00 A Duck

★ PRIZES ★

- 1st Place \$200
- 2nd Place \$100
- 3rd Place \$50
- Unlucky Duck \$10

All Proceeds go to the WBOT Scholarship Fund!

Ducks are Available for Purchase at Music in the Park, Founders' Day Street Fair & On our Website www.Wurtsboro.org

Homeschooling Group

4th Tuesday of each month
1:00 - 3:00 p.m.
at the Daniel Pierce Library

We invite all Tri-Valley resident homeschooling families to join a self-guided group that meets monthly at the Daniel Pierce Library.


Together this group will share lessons, network, set up future field trips, have various guest speakers and programs. You can also... borrow books, check out DVD's, access the internet, research online databases and utilize library space! (If you have a RCLS library card).

Please join in, the possibilities are endless!

Contact Dana Wright for more information:
myhomeschool101@yahoo.com

My Home School Group

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Save the date ...

Catholic Charities 2024 Golf for Charity Outing



Monday, September 16
West Hills Country Club Middletown, NY

For foursomes, sponsorships, and tee signs,
contact: Kristin.Jensen@cccsos.org

WE'RE HIRING!

Join our team!

Daniel Pierce Library

Part Time Buildings & Grounds Crew Member

Candidate will be is responsible for day-to-day general maintenance of the library.

Applicants may drop off or email an application and resume to Beth Wolpert at bwolpert@rcls.org.

144th Grahamsville Little World's Fair 2024 Youth & Entertainment Schedule

Thursday, August 15th, 2024

- 2:00 PM 4-H Fun Horse Show - *Main Ring*
2:00 PM Youth Rabbit and Cavy Showmanship
& Judging - *Livestock Building*
4:00 PM Youth Poultry Show - *Livestock Building*

Friday, August 16th, 2024

- 9:00 AM Open Horse Show - *Main Ring*
9:30 AM Youth Swine Show - *Upper Ring*
11:00 AM Youth and Open Sheep Show - *Upper Ring*
12:00 PM Rides Open (General Admission)
1:00 PM Youth Alpaca Show - *Upper Ring*
3:00 PM Live Music with Albi Beluli - *Beer Garden*
- 6:00 PM
3:30 PM Wee-Wee-Wee Racing Pigs - *Pig Race Ring*
4:00 PM Youth and Open Goat Show - *Upper Ring*
4:00 PM BubbleDad! - *Main Stage*
5:00 PM Wee-Wee-Wee Racing Pigs - *Pig Race Ring*
5:30 PM BubbleDad! - *Main Stage*
6:00 PM Power Wheels Derby - *Main Ring*
7:00 PM Opening Ceremony for the 144th
Grahamsville Little World's Fair - *Secretary's Booth*
7:00 PM Wee-Wee-Wee Racing Pigs - *Pig Race Ring*
7:30 PM BubbleDad! Wandering Bubbles
8:00 PM Live Music With Far Beyond Gone - *Main Stage*
- 11:00 PM

Saturday, August 17th, 2024

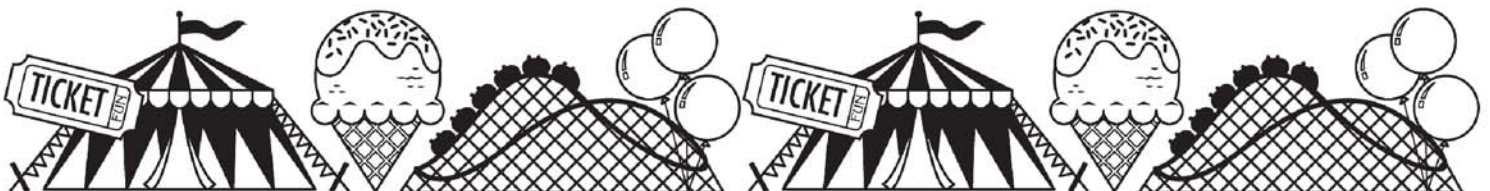
- 10:00 AM Youth and Open Dairy Show - *Upper Ring*
10:00 AM Rides Open for Sensory Friendly Hours
- Noon
10:00 AM Children's Scavenger Hunt
- 5:00 PM hosted by the Neversink Parks & Rec
- *Backside of Fire Department Building*
11:00 AM Watermelon Eating Contest - *Main Stage*
11:00 AM Live Music with Old King Code - *Beer Garden*
- 2:00 PM
12:00 PM Rides Open (General Admission)
12:00 PM Lumberjack Show - *Main Ring*
- 5:00 PM

- 12:00 PM BubbleDad! - *Main Stage*
1:00 PM Wee-Wee-Wee Racing Pigs - *Pig Race Ring*
2:00 PM BubbleDad! Wandering Bubbles
2:00 PM Live Music With Shades - *Main Stage*
- 5:00 PM
3:00 PM 4-H Chicken Races - *Upper Ring*
4:00 PM Wee-Wee-Wee Racing Pigs - *Pig Race Ring*
5:00 PM Live Music with Jesse Noren - *Beer Garden*
- 8:00 PM
5:30 PM BubbleDad! - *Main Stage*
6:00 PM Bessie Bingo - *Upper Ring*
7:00 PM Wee-Wee-Wee Racing Pigs - *Pig Race Ring*
8:00 PM Live Music With The Other Band - *Main Stage*
- 11:00 PM
9:30 PM Spectacular Fireworks Display

Sunday, August 18th, 2024

- 9:30 AM Youth and Open Beef Show & Animal Costume
Class - *Upper Ring*
10:00 AM Youth Horse Exhibition "A Day With Horses"
- 5:00 PM - *Horse Barn*
10:00 AM Horseshoe Tournament (all day) - *Horseshoe Pits*
11:30 AM BubbleDad! - *Main Stage*
12:00 PM Draft Horse Pull - *Main Ring*
- 4:00 PM
12:00 PM Rides Open (General Admission)
12:00 PM Cruizin' the Grahamsville Fair Classic Car Show
- 4:00 PM - *Lower Parking Lot*
12:00 PM Wee-Wee-Wee Racing Pigs - *Pig Race Ring*
12:00 PM Live Music with Shane Rennison - *Beer Garden*
- 3:00 PM
12:30 PM BubbleDad! - *Main Stage*
1:00 PM 4-H Ag Auction - *Upper Ring*
1:30 PM Wee-Wee-Wee Racing Pigs - *Pig Race Ring*
2:30 PM BubbleDad! Wandering Bubbles
3:00 PM Live Music With The Deadbeats - *Main Stage*
- 6:00 PM
3:30 PM Wee-Wee-Wee Racing Pigs - *Pig Race Ring*

Program times and events are subject to change without notice



CCE Sullivan is now a location to pick up Frequent Fairgoers Official Passports!

LIBERTY, NY - The New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets recently announced the launch of the 2024 NYS Fairs Passport Program. The program is designed as a fun way to engage families by offering Frequent Fairgoer Passports for fairgoers of all ages to collect stamps, buttons, and enter to win prizes in multiple county and local fairs across the state! Local Extension offices, State Welcome Centers, and State Parks have been designated as pick up spots for Frequent Fairgoer Passports. Cornell Cooperative Extension Sullivan County is happy to be one of them with 200 passports available!

Individuals and families interested in attaining Frequent Fairgoer Passports are urged to stop by the front desk of the Extension Education Center at 64 Ferndale-Loomis Road in Liberty. Passports are also available at the Hudson Valley Welcome Center Taste NY Store in Central Valley. There is no cost to pick up the passports. Interested individuals will receive a passport booklet, a plastic sleeve, and a lanyard to take with them to local and county fairs. Individuals and families can then collect unique stamps and buttons from each fair they attend at no cost. Additionally, in coordination with the Taste NY Find Me at the Fair promotion, fairgoers can join a scavenger hunt and

enter unique codes from each fair to enter in a prize drawing. The more fairs a fairgoer attends, the more times the fairgoer's name is entered into the drawing, increasing their chance of winning great New York State made prizes.

Interested participants with questions can contact our office at (845) 292-6180 or sullivan@cornell.edu. Further information on the 2024 NYS Fairs Passport Program, how it works, and more information on local and county fairs can be found on the new official website, <https://findyourfair.com/>.

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- Manners
- Listening
- Hygiene
- Emotions

Social skills classes will be held in person at ATI Main Office at 309 E Broadway in Monticello, NY. Parents may be required to attend some sessions with their child to offer guidance and support.

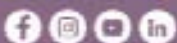
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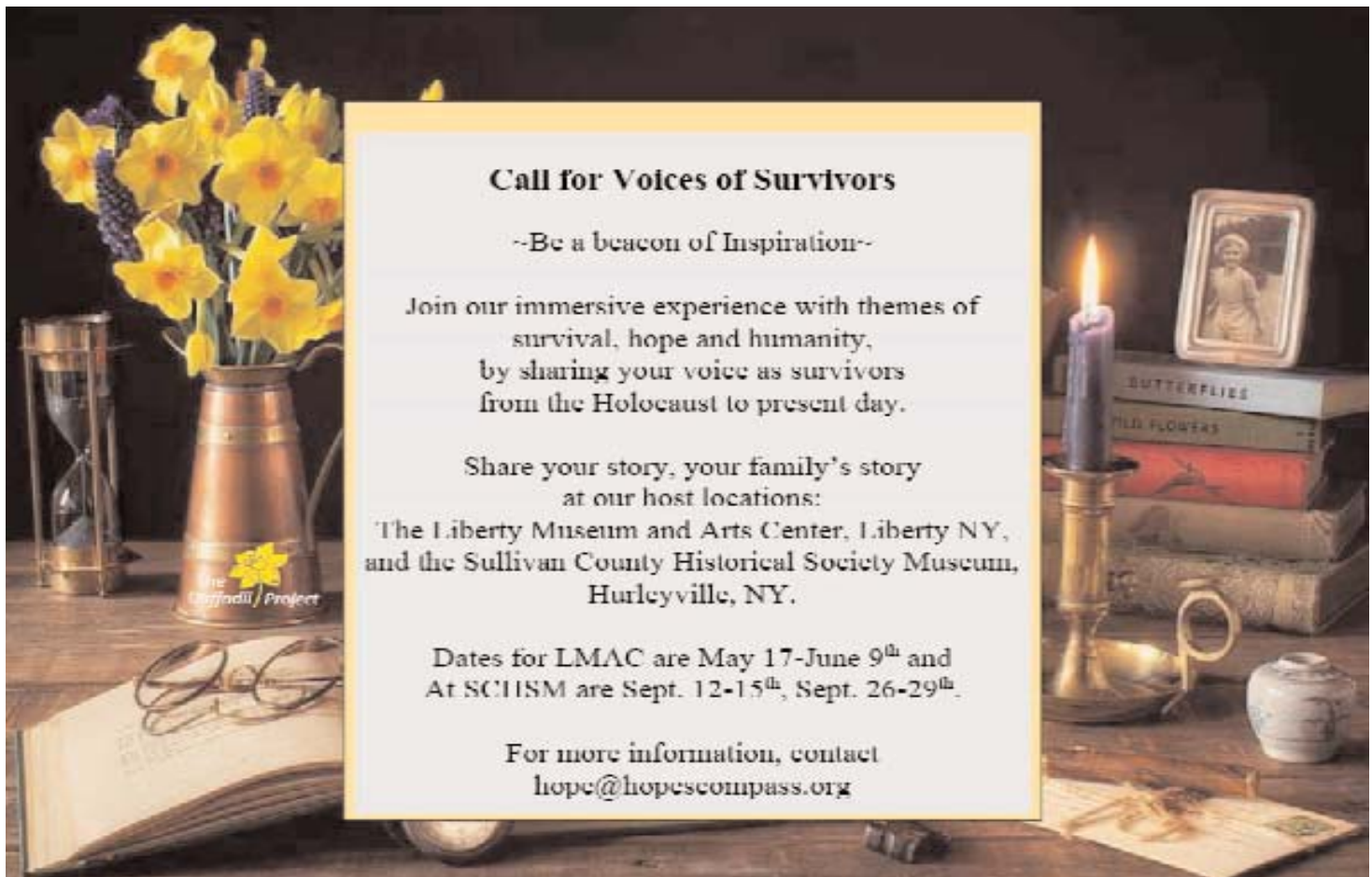
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Are You Ready?



Life Skills Group

WORK READINESS EDITION

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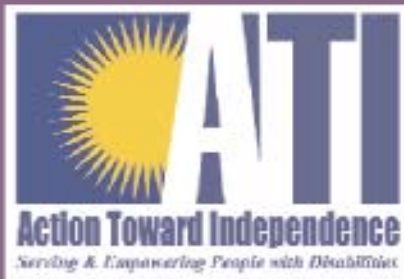
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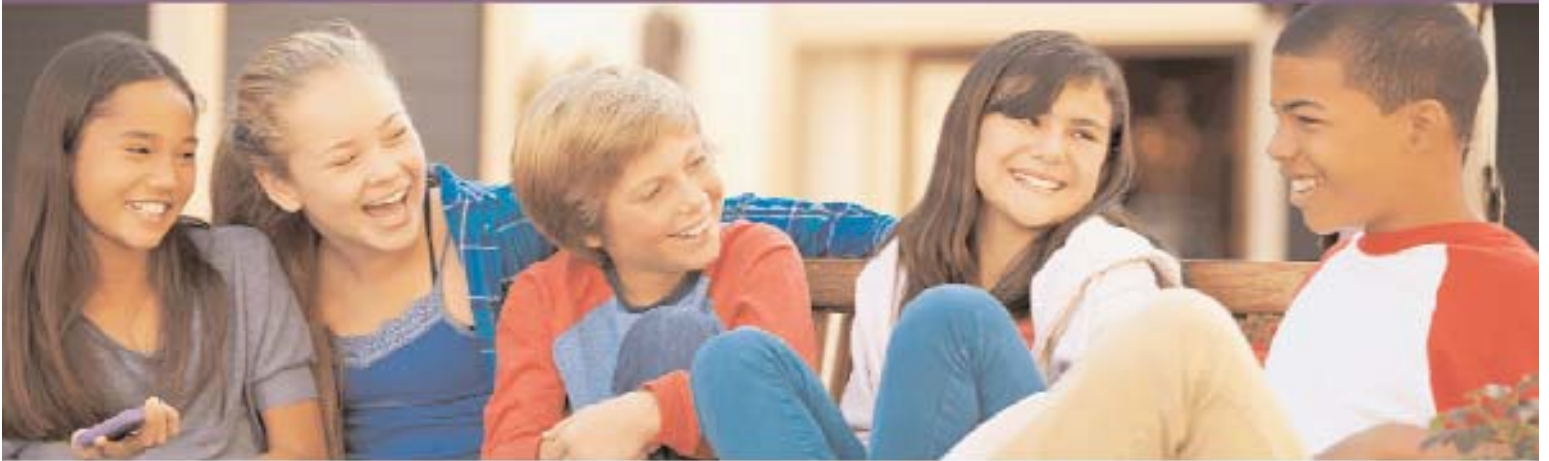
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Middle School Social Skills



Action Toward Independence offers interactive and fun Social Skills groups for children with developmental, learning, emotional, and behavioral disabilities grades 5 - 8.

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Registration is preferred but walk-ins are welcome!

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WHEN:

4:00 PM - 5:30 PM

July 10


Aug. 14


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Oct. 9

Nov. 13.

REGISTER:

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This program is supported with a grant from the NYS Department of Health, OFA, CCE/Caregiver Resource Center Program and the Alzheimer's Association.

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BACKPACKS for HOPE



School Supply Drive

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New Yorkers Celebrate Get Outdoors & Get Together Day!

Enjoy More of Our Shared New York Lands Celebrate Disability Pride Month with Expanded Accessibility!

Water, Water Everywhere

All I Need is the Air That I Breathe

Upcoming Events:

New Yorkers Celebrate Get Outdoors & Get Together Day! Thank you to the thousands of people who came out to celebrate Get Outdoors & Get Together Day on June 8, 2024! The day was full of smiling faces as people participated in free outdoor recreation activities in inclusive and accessible environments across the state. From fishing, to birding, archery, kayaking, and hiking, there was something for everyone to try! Thank you to all those who participated in this wonderful event, and to our staff, partners, and volunteers who helped make the day such a success. Check out our Flickr album highlighting the 2024 event, and make sure to join us next year on Saturday, June 14, 2025, for another full day of outdoor fun!

Enjoy More of Our Shared New York Lands

The Nature Conservancy and DEC have recently announced the State's acquisition of two conservation easements that will both provide public recreational access, protect natural resources, and establish a research preserve on the Follensby Pond property in the Adirondacks. The Nature Conservancy retains ownership of the property, and DEC has acquired two conservation easements that will provide public access to nearly 6,000 acres along a 10 miles span of the Raquette River, as well as to the Follensby Pond and surrounding watershed, respectively. Through a partnership with SUNY ESF's Center for Native Peoples and the Environment, protection of these parcels will also provide opportunities for restoring Indigenous Peoples' access to and caretaking of their ancestral Homelands.

DEC has also announced the completion of Phase I Public Safety and Access Improvements at the Zoar Valley Unique Area. These improvements include a new, accessible trail called the Memorial Trail, which will replace the former Overlook Trail at Valentine Flats. The new trail has been crafted to federal accessibility standards and includes a new split-rail fence marked with four viewing areas at scenic locations, designed to keep visitors a safe distance from the gorge into Cattaraugus Creek. A permanent culvert was also installed to protect water and improve drainage along the trail. Phase II of the construction project is slated to begin in 2025.

A newly installed split-rail fence is featured next to an accessible hiking trail on a sunny summer day.

Celebrate Disability Pride Month with Expanded Accessibility!

July is Disability Pride Month, and DEC is committed to expanding access to our shared outdoor spaces for people of all ages and abilities. Recently, over \$5 million in state accessibility projects were completed to expand recreational opportunities for all New Yorkers to enjoy.

Check out the new, easy-to-use map of Accessible Recreation Destinations for wheelchair accessible features at education centers, campgrounds, day use areas, waterway access sites, trails, and more!

DEC also offers facilities that have been designed to provide shore-based fishing access to anglers and boaters with disabili-

ties. You can find information about Places to Fish and Boat Launch Sites on the DEC website.

All projects advance DEC's Adventure NY initiative, with the goal of connecting New York families and visitors with the great outdoors and improving their experience. Also available are a variety of programs aimed to accommodate people with disabilities, including discounts for outdoor recreation, free and reduced fee sporting licenses, and Motorized Access Permits for People with Disabilities (MAPPWD).

The accessible Beach Access Route at Ausable Point Campground. <https://dec.ny.gov/places-to-go/accessible-recreation/mappwd>

Water, Water Everywhere

Beat the heat this summer by enjoying some of New York State's many aquatic recreation sites! As part of the "Get Offline, Get Outside" campaign, swimming pool entry fees have been waived at New York State Parks. The New York Statewide Investment In More Swimming (NY SWIMS) program aims to expand access to safe swimming throughout the state by promoting access to municipal pools, rivers and lakes, and investing in State parks and pools.

Check out this list of DEC campgrounds and day use areas to find more places to take a dip! Also available are several statewide Learn To Swim programs, aimed at children between the ages of 5 and 10 to promote water safety.

For more water fun, how about a paddle down the Hudson River estuary with staff naturalists from the Hudson River National Estuarine Research Reserve? These free, educational canoe trips provide the opportunity to explore tidal marshes, observe birds and wildlife, and view some spectacular scenery. Find out more information and register for the event!

All I Need is the Air That I Breathe

Getting ready to spend time outdoors? Be sure to check the Air Quality Index (AQI) forecast to plan your daily activities. If the AQI is forecast to exceed 100, DEC and the New York State Department of Health (DOH) will issue an Air Quality Health Advisory with precautionary recommendations for affected areas.

DEC's current AQI forecasts. <http://nyaqinow.net/>

Upcoming Events:

Sat., July 20 - Summer Fishing 101 at Caleb Smith State Park Preserve

Mon., July 22 - Lake Bonita Hike at Moreau Lake State Park

Thu., July 25 - Hudson River Kayak at Moreau Lake State Park

Sat., Aug. 3 - Summer Forest Bathing at Reinstein Woods Nature Preserve & Environmental Education Center

Ongoing:

Summer Nature Weeks at Five Rivers Environmental Education Center

Fishing at the Gantries at Gantry Plaza State Park

Genesee Valley Great Outdoors Week at Genesee Country Village and Museum

Save The Date:

Sat., Sept. 7 - Love Our New York Lands Adirondack and Catskill Park Day

Sat., Sept. 28 - Love Our New York Lands Fish & Wildlife Day

Rabbi Levi Slonim from Binghamton to be in DC at Molinaro's Request and Will Serve as Guest Chaplin



Washington, DC - U.S. Rep. Marc Molinaro (NY-19) today announced Rabbi Levi Slonim, Co-Director of the Chabad Downtown in Binghamton and Director of Development at the Rohr Chabad Center for Jewish Student Life at Binghamton University, has accepted his invitation to be the guest chaplain and offer the opening prayer for the U.S. House of Representatives on Thursday.

Every legislative session, dating back to the First Continental Congress in 1774, has opened up with a prayer. A permanent chaplain position was officially established in 1789, but at the request of members of Congress, a local minister may offer the opening prayer.

Rabbi Levi Slonim is a Binghamton native. He attended the Rabbinical College of Canada and earned his Rabbinic ordination from the Central Rabbinic Court of Chabad of Israel in 2016. His work has taken him across the globe, providing programming in the United States and communities across Europe. He returned to Binghamton in 2008 where he founded the Chabad Center in Binghamton and has worked with Binghamton University as the Director of Development at the Rohr Chabad Center for Jewish Student Life.

Rep. Molinaro said, "Rabbi Slonim's dedication to faith, education, and community service is an inspiration to us all. I am honored to have him in DC to offer the opening prayer on behalf of Binghamton and all of Upstate New York."

Rabbi Slonim said, "It is a true honor and privilege to have been invited to our nation's capital to offer the opening prayer, as a representative of the 19th District of NY. In these most trying times for our nation, I hope to bring a message of unity and purpose. My sincere appreciation to Congressman Molinaro for this special opportunity."

Andrea Shewkes Art Exhibit at The Old Stone House Artworks by Andrea Shewkes

The old Stone House in Hasbrouck

August 1-18th 2024

Opening Reception Saturday, August 3rd, 4-7 pm.

Andrea Shewkes presents a multimedia exposition of an inspired artist through many stages of creating. This includes collage, photography, drawings and paintings in various mediums. She was personally taught by Ad Reinhardt and Philip Pearlstein who were her mentors. Her career as an antiques dealer and collector over the years is highlighted in her choice of frames that compliment the artworks that consolidate her creative journey. She attended Pratt Graphics, in New York City, and received an MFA, and awarded "Best in Class"

from Brooklyn College.

The show is on view Saturdays from 3-6:00 pm, or by appointment by calling (845) 798-5456.

The Old Stone House of Hasbrouck is located at 282 Hasbrouck Road, Woodbourne, New York, 12788. For more information visit www.oldstonehouse.org

Dream on the Farm

Damascus, PA- August 8-18 2024, Thursday-Sunday for a limited two week run, Farm Arts Collective will present Conference for Those Still Living, play #5 of DREAM ON THE FARM, a decade-long series of performances about climate change at the new Agri-Cultural Center on Willow Wisp Organic Farm. Showtime is 6:30 PM and each performance concludes with farm-fresh food.

This year's immersive and original performance, Conference for Those Still Living is collaboratively created and performed by the Farm Arts Collective ensemble, directed by artistic director Tannis Kowalchuk, with music and lyrics composed by Doug Rogers.

The performance ensemble includes company manager Jess Beveridge, and members Pam Arnold, Melissa Bell, Rebekah Creshkoff, Ginny Hack, Annie Hat, Lexee McEntee, John Roth, Yurika Sase, Debra Thomas, Hudson Williams-Enyon. Technical production and lighting design by Kai Brothers, production technician Phoenix Murns; set pieces designed by Kit Sailer and Erin K. Orr; cooking with Alicia Grega and Helen Baldus; poster design by Karen Hudson.

Conference for Those Still Living tells the story of a group of people who are invited to a climate change conference organized by their mutual friend, a world-famous ornithologist named Benjamin Drake. The invited guests include an international mix of artists, scientists, and activists. Each guest has been asked by the ornithologist to prepare a presentation with the prompt: How has climate change affected your life and livelihood?

When the ornithologist does not show up at his own conference, a mystery ensues to his whereabouts. As the presenters carry on with the conference in his mysterious absence, the anxiety and concern for their missing friend is a wrenching parallel for the anxiety they feel about climate change and their own lives. The conference becomes something nobody quite expected.

In this new immersive DREAM ON THE FARM experience, the audience will be immersed in the conference as delegates, and the collective's new Agri-Cultural Center will be transformed into a conference hall. The performance takes place both indoors and out and will feature live music composed by resident composer Doug Rogers and performed by the Farm Arts Collective band.

As part of the play experience, the audience will be invited to walk the farm led by a Willow Wisp Organic Farm farmer, with an interactive a stroll through the "conference exhibit field" where booths will be set up and each actor-presenter will share their research and work with the audience who will be able to stroll and mill about at their leisure for a period of time.

Like all DREAM ON THE FARM shows, the evening will conclude with a shared farm meal with our audience to offer space and nourishment so that we may continue the conversation inspired by the evening's performance.

We believe that Climate Change is the greatest local and global issue of our time. As rural artists, we are compelled to address this issue as it affects everyone, especially the most vulnerable. We have told many stories in the DREAM ON THE FARM series. In fact, we are at the midpoint of this decalogue.

We have observed that art has a profound way of addressing climate change. No other medium can deliver the same impact as live story, music, and theatre. We aim to offer our community an artful message that will hopefully inspire action and ideas for bettering our community.

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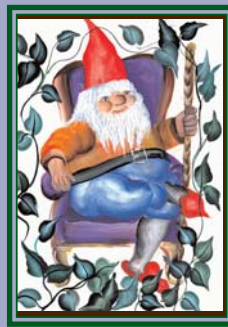
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**DORA THE EXPLORER
IN DORA AND THE
LOST CITY OF GOLD**

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



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

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

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Answer to last week’s Trivia Question: Howard Hughes

This weeks’ Trivia question:

Nia Vardalos wrote and starred in what out-of-the-blue comedy smash movie?

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