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Tri-Valley Central School District Announces Top 10 Seniors of the Class of 2025



Pictured from left to right in each row, starting from the bottom: Isabella Maiori, Katelyn Sauer, Mya Ibarra, Kristoff Angelo Guanzon, Jenna Carmody, Nicholas Bender, Van Furman, Michael (Misha) Khodakovski, and William Seward

Grahamsville, NY–June 5, 2025 The Tri-Valley Central School District is proud to recognize the Top 10 seniors of the Class of 2025. These students have demonstrated outstanding academic achievement, perseverance, and a strong commitment to excellence throughout their high school careers.

We are incredibly proud of these remarkable students. Their academic dedication and hard work exemplify the values of our district and the promise of future success.

The Top 10 students, along with their weighted grade point averages (WGPA's), are as follows:

William Seward – WGPA: 99.20

Jenna Carmody – WGPA: 97.50

Nicholas Bender – WGPA: 96.60

Katelyn Sauer – WGPA: 96.19

Kristoff Angelo Guanzon – WGPA: 95.87

Mya Ibarra – WGPA: 95.85

Chrissy Wachter – WGPA: 95.76

Michael (Misha) Khodakovski – WGPA: 95.21

Van Furman – WGPA: 94.85

Isabella Maiori – WGPA: 94.45

The Tri-Valley Central School District congratulates each of these students on this well-deserved recognition and wishes them continued success in all future endeavors.

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On the Front Burner:

For what is the hope of the hypocrite, though he hath gained, when God taketh away his soul?
Job 27:8

DAYS OF YORE....

Today's History

June 8, 1955 -

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Van Keuren of Curry are proud parents of a daughter, born in Maimonides Hospital, Liberty on Sunday. She weighed 4 lbs.

Mr. Pieres D. Moore of Ellenville pass away in Kingston on June 3rd at the age of 86. He was born in Claryville, the son of Leonard and Mary Ann Moore, on January 16, 1869. Survivors include four daughters: Mrs. Clark Ryan of Peekamoose Mrs. Archie Moore and Mrs. Kenneth Slater of Ellenville and Mrs. Chauncey Slater of Kerhonkson; and one son, Mr. Earl Moore of Pataukunk.

Miss Anne Eaton was the guest of honor at a shower at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Krom on Tuesday evening, May 24th. The hostesses were Miss Helen Krom and Mrs. Leo Bertholf. Miss Eaton will be married to Richard Krom in July.

May 26, 1965 -

The organ pipes in the Reformed Dutch Church in Grahamsville have been repainted by Miss Irene Moore. All members and friends of the church wish to thank her for her patience in doing such beautiful work.

The local Central Hudson Kitchen Contest was held on Tuesday, May 4th, in the Home Economics Dept. at TVS. Judges for the contest were Mrs. Dion Garigliano, Miss Audrey Kelly and Mrs. Howard Bernstein. We are pleased to announce the following winners: 1st place, Linda Strangeway, 12th grade; 2nd place, Nancy Everett, 10th grade; 3rd place, Eileen Hoffman, 10th grade.

June 11, 1975

Mrs. Dorothy Carroll, wife of the late John Carroll of Syracuse, N.Y., has announced the engagement of her daughter, Nancy, to Staff Sgt. John H. Wolfe, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Wolfe of Neversink. Miss Carroll was graduated from SUNY Potsdam and presently employed as the Project Director of the nutrition program for the elderly in Jefferson County. Her fiancé is also a graduate of Potsdam and is currently stationed at Griffiss AFB in Rome, N.Y. A September wedding is planned.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold D. Brown, Jr. of Grahamsville, have announced the engagement of their daughter, Denise, to Howard Petro, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Petro of Bradley. Miss Brown is a 1974 graduate of TVCS, Grahamsville and is employed at the Ellenville Medical Group. Her fiancé is a 1970 graduate of TVCS and is currently employed by Water Tunnel Contractors, New York, N.Y. Wedding plans are incomplete.

June 6, 1985 -

The following local students have graduated from Sullivan County Community College on June 2, 1985: Martha Ahrens, Phillip Davis, Mia J. Low, Paul J. Nyhof and Andrew W. Wakefield. Congratulations to all!

Thomas V. Grace of Hastings Drive, Grahamsville, has been promoted to Full Professor. He has been associated with the SCCC's Social and Behavioral Sciences division since 1967 and is currently chairman of the college's Academic Affairs Committee. He received his B.S. degree from Bloomsburg State College and his M.S. degree from Bucknell University.

LOOKING BACK

Beatrice Akerley
June 16, 1996

Looing back to the year of 1926, whiie our family was living on the "Old Man Davis" farm, we had one of the coldest autumns I can recall. Early one Sunday morning in November I was awakened by a freezing rain beating on our windows. It wasn't the usual cold freezing rain, for it froze where it fell and around ten o'clock it stopped raining, leaving the ground clear, hard and frozen solid. The ground was very slippery and the children loved it. Out came their hand sleighs. Behind our house was a little hill where they usually went coasting, and at the top a rolling meadow which their Dad was planning on using for buckwheat in the spring. There they found they could speed from fence to fence without a single shove. They played on the hill all the afternoon, only coming in the house now and then. That evening after supper, they implored their Dad and me to come on the hill with them. They said it was so pretty up there, and just to please them we tagged along.

Our reward was a sight worthy of a poet's pen. The moon and the stars shining like crystal in the cold, clear night turned the meadow into a lake of glass.

As we were walking back, to the house one of the children asked their Dad, "Will the ice be there tomorrow?" "Probably not," he answered.

He was right - the ice had all disappeared the following day, but beautiful memories remain forever.

Household Hint:

Make Needlework and Sewing Easier

There's no need to get frustrated over threads that knot up while you stitch. When you are ready to start hand sewing or doing needlework. Run the thread between a folded dryer sheet to keep it tangle-free. The silicon coating will help the thread smoothly through the fabric.

Nature Column - L. Comando

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

The Dogwood Tree - A Tree with a Legend

If you are heading toward Ellenville on Route 55A you will see quite a few dogwood trees in bloom. Wild dogwood trees are small trees with a straggling spreading crown. They are a beautiful flowering species that are most easily identified when they are in bloom.



In the wild, as a rule they can be found at the forest edge and frequently on dry ridges.

Flowering dogwood (*Cornus florida*) is a small deciduous tree that can grow to 33 ft. high. Typically they are an under-story species near hardwood and coniferous forests. The flowers, the parts that garner the most attention are actually a modified type of leaf known as a bract. The bract that surrounds the smaller flower heads attracts the pollinating birds and insects to the dogwood trees. The flowers are individually small and inconspicuous, with four greenish-yellow bracts 0.16 in long.

Around 20 flowers are produced in a dense, rounded, umbel-shaped inflorescence, or complete flower-head that measures between 0.39-0.79 inches in diameter that will produce clusters of fruit. The clusters have two to ten separate drupes which ripen in the late summer and the early fall to a bright red. They are an important food source for birds, who then distribute the seeds.

The leaves of the flowering dogwood are opposite, simple, egg-shaped, 3-5 inches long, dark green, with slightly wavy edges. Twigs are flexible, slender, reddish-gray to purplish, or greenish with red dots, hairy, with flower buds terminal. Leaf buds are compressed and oval.

The bark is dark gray to brown with thin, squarish plates. Native Americans used the bark and roots as a malaria remedy, and its twigs were chewed to whiten teeth. During the Civil War, boiled dogwood bark was used as a substitute for quinine. The bark is also used to make dyes.

In some states, the flowering dogwood is considered an endangered species.

As a child I remembered that we were not allowed pick any of the beautiful flowers from the dogwood trees. This was not based on the fact that it might have been an endangered species, but more on a legend that many of us who were around in the '40's and '50's may recall.

The legend—Two thousand years ago, the 'dagwood' tree as it was called was the size of a mighty oak tree. It was valued for its strong wood that was used to make daggers. It was also the best wood to build the crosses for executing criminals.

The legend stated that the cross on which Jesus was crucified was made from 'dagwood'.

Three days after the death of Jesus of Nazereth, alarming news about the 'dagwood' trees spread throughout the land. All of the finest 'dagwood' trees were withering!

It was told that an old wood cutter who gathered the wood for Jesus' cross wanted to witness this himself and journeyed to where the mighty forest once stood. Seeing this for himself the old man said, "No one could ever make a cross out of this twisted wood. Our finest tree has gone to the dogs!"

According to the legend when Jesus was hanging on the cross he took pity on those who sorrowed and suffered because of this greatly distressed tree and said to it: "Because of your sorrow and pity for My sufferings, never again will this tree grow large enough to be used as a gibbet. Henceforth it will be slender, bent and twisted and its blossoms will be in the form of a cross -- two long and two short petals. In the center of the outer edge of each petal there will be nail prints -- brown with rust and stained with red -- and in the center of the flower will be a crown of thorns, and all who see this will remember."



Frederick Cook Society Takes History on the Road Neversink General Store Hosting Exhibit

Hurleyville, NY - On Saturday, June 28, from 5-8 p.m., the **Frederick A. Cook Society** (based in the Sullivan County Museum in Hurleyville), in partnership with **The Gallery at the Neversink General Store**, will present an exhibition of photographs taken by Dr. Frederick Cook during his expeditions to Greenland, Antarctica, Alaska, South America and the North Pole.

Dr. Cook (1865-1940) is the Sullivan County native who achieved international fame for his visionary work as an explorer.

Curated by Cook Society Executive Director Carol Smith, the exhibition is part of the Society's educational outreach mission.

"These are some of the first images of the last unexplored places on Earth," says Smith. "This is an absolutely extraordinary body of work from one of the greatest adventurers the world has ever known."

The opening reception for the Neversink Gallery exhibition will include refreshments, and of course, live music by the Americana band Little Sparrow. The Neversink Gallery is located at 4 Schumway Road, just off Route 55 in Neversink.

The exhibition is dedicated to the Society's beloved friend and lifelong supporter, the late Carol Smythe.

The Cook Society maintains a gallery and research library open to the public six days a week at the County Museum on Main Street in Hurleyville (www.scnyhistory.org).

For more information, call 845 671-9548 or visit www.frederickcookpolar.org.



Frederick A. Cook



51st Annual Grahamsville Gallop Race Results

The 51st Grahamsville Gallop was held on a cool, windy Sunday, June 1st at the Iatauro Sports Complex at Tri-Valley Central School. Fifty youth ran in the age group races, and family groups participated in the new Family Relay in which one person runs 200 meters, 2 run 100 meters and the fourth person runs 400 meters. All runners received either a trophy (places 1-3) or a medal.

Thank you to the Tri-Valley administration for allowing the Gallop to be held on school grounds. Thank you also to Tyler Eckhoff, Skyler Musa, Travis Wolfe and the Tri-Valley Track Team, who helped organize and run the event. We also thank all parents and grandparents who continue the tradition by bringing their children to participate.

The first Grahamsville Gallop was held in 1972, organized by Norton Hyman. It was then run by Joe and Missy Iatauro through 2013.

RESULTS:

Girls Age 3 and Under (80 Meters)

1 Abigail Garigliano	23.50
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Boys Age 3 and Under (80 Meters)

1 Finley Winters	26.0
2 Skyler Wolfe	28.0
3 Jack Poley	30.12
4 Evan Lewis	38.61
5 Scott Garigliano	42.10
6 Cooper Garigliano	1:02.59
7 Aidan Knox	1:09.66

Girls Age 4 (100 Meters)

1 Raynie Winters	27.54
2 Harper Haynes	31.0
3 Kylie Knox	34.35
4 Blair Bonnell	35:47
5 Harper Guara	36.0
6 Gwen Dirie	DNF

Boys Age 4 (100 Meters)

1 Luke Garigliano	26.22
2 Charlie Bonnell	38.52

Girls Age 5 (200 Meters)

1 Ellie Knox	49.15
2 Daniella Connolly	50.00
3 Genavieve Poley	58.43
4 Ava Festa	1:01.81

Boys Age 5 (200 Meters)

1 Finley Wolfe	45.36
2 Logan Winters	46.0
3 Camden Garigliano	54.83

4 Konrad Krier	56.42
5 Oliver Pietrzko	1:04

Girls Age 6 (400 Meters)

1 Dionne Liles	1:49
2 Hannah Conjura	2:00
3 Peyton Kushetsky	2:05
4 Vada Ward	2:11
5 Becca Garigliano	2:24
6 Everly Connolly	2:27

Boys Age 6 (400 Meters)

1 Henry Taylor	1:42
2 Rylin Illing	1:45
3 Joey Bonnell	2:01
4 Michael Carey	2:03
5 Bennett Guara	DNF

Girls Age 7 (400 Meters)

1 Whitney Dirie	1:55
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Boys Age 7 (400 Meters)

1 Anthony Caracia	1:35
2 Connor Garigliano	1:41
3 Eddie Bonnell	1:44

Girls Age 8 (400 Meters)

1 Kaia Krier	1:52
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Boys Age 8 (400 Meters)

1 Miles McCarthy	1:25
2 Messiah Liles	2:08
3 Blake Delaney	2:41

Girls Age 9 (400 Meters)

None

Boys Age 9 (400 Meters)

1 Matthew Conjura	1:36
2 Jayce Walter	1:53
3 Franco Jelsomino	1:57

Girls Age 10 (400 Meters)

1 Gwen Illing	1:4
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Boys Age 10 (400 Meters)

1 Giuseppe Caraccia	1:26
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Boys Age 11 (800 Meters)

1 William Conjura	
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Family Relay (200, 100, 100, 400)

1 Eddie McCarthy Family	
2 Tom and Kylie Conjura Family	
3 Dion Liles Family	



Legacy Mysterious Book Report No. 136

The Warehouse

Mysterious Book Report No. 392

Published June 8, 2023
by John Dwaine McKenna

Seldom, if ever, does a genre novel manage to hit as many topics at once as **The Warehouse**, (Crown, \$27.00, 355 pages, ISBN 978-1--848-2379-3) by Rob Hart. The

story is altogether plausible, frighteningly real, and a possible roadmap to where the world is heading if we don't do something to corral the corporate monsters that are gobbling every small business in sight growing fatter and fatter in our midst . . . while Congress does nothing. The prescience of this enjoyable and very readable novel is breathtaking.

The story begins when a broke young man named Paxton applies for a job at a Master Cloud facility. It's a shipping center for an on-line company called the Cloud Corporation . . . commonly "The Warehouse." It's only one of many such facilities, a place so large that once inside, it's impossible to see where the walls begin or end, while outside, the fleets of delivery drones are so massive that they blot out the sun.

Paxton is hired as a security guard and becomes one of three narrators who'll tell the tale. The other two are a young woman on a secret mission, whose name is Zinnia. She's a picker . . . someone who retrieves items throughout the voluminous building . . . and sends them on for shipping. The third, and last of the protagonists is Gibson, the founder of the Cloud Corporation. He's writing his memoirs as he travels the country in a luxury custom built bus, visiting various Mother Cloud centers and polishing his image . . . as he's dying of cancer.

Together the three disparate points of view reveal the whole account of a turbocharged Amazon-like company on steroids. It's one that has first readers, other writers and commentators of all kinds raving . . . while at the same time scaring the rest of us out of our shorts, because it appears to be so close to actuality. Read the Warehouse for yourself and see why Publisher's Weekly calls it "Rob Hart's Break out book." The MBR agrees. It's the most thought provoking of all dystopian thrillers we've ever reviewed!

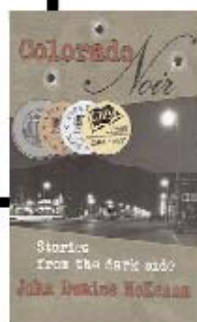
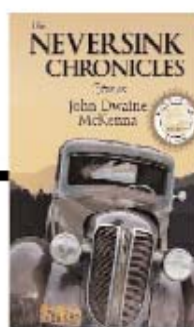
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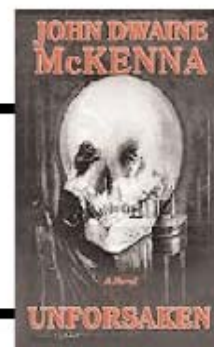
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The Olive Jar

by Carol Olsen LaMonda

Times Have Changed

As I was switching out the contents of one purse, or pocketbook, to one of my two dozen others, I was cleaning out the extraneous debris of used tissues, crumbled paper wrappers, receipts, and loose change, I realized how different were the things I carried back in my thirties compared to now.



Below is the comparison of what was carried around when I was much younger and what I deem most important to lug around with me now.

Once I carried a bulky wallet stuffed with photos and identification cards, a few bills, and coins. Now I make sure I have one credit card and a few twenties.

I used to have a small notebook and an address book and a pen. Now I carry a phone with all my photos and important information.

I always had some emergency feminine products; now I carry a spare pair of cotton undies.

I packed a makeup kit complete with cosmetics and manicure kit. Now I make sure a pair of scissors and an emery board are with me.

My purse always contained scented hand lotion; now it is hand sanitizer.

I always made sure I had a spare lipstick; now it's a medicated lip balm.

I had a pack of cigarettes and a book of matches in my bag; now I regret that and have not indulged in fifty-some years.

I made sure to have a pack of gum with me. Now I have cough drops and hard candy.

My house key was always on my car ignition key chain. Now my car fob works without the key and my automatic garage door opens to let me enter my home.

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*. This local author has been busy guesting at book clubs who have chosen this local memoir as their book choice. **Feel the warmth of "Prosilio" as you read Carol's memoirs cuddled up in your favorite chair. It also makes a great gift!** *Prosilio* is available at Amazon or Barnes and Noble on-line as a soft or hard cover or as a downloadable e-book for Nook or Kindle. Go to:

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Central Hudson Supports DPL Programs with Generous Grant!

By Lisa Carroll

GRAHAMSVILLE-This past Thursday, June 5, Linda Selcanin, Regional Affairs Liaison at Central Hudson, presented the Daniel Pierce Library with a donation, in effect furthering our adult programming opportunities for 2025.

“Central Hudson is proud to support the Daniel Pierce Library with this \$8,000 donation, which will help fund vital programs that promote literacy, learning, and community engagement,” said Selcanin. “This partnership reflects our commitment to community improvement and empowering lives across the Hudson Valley. We're proud to continue giving back-125 years and counting.”

Cathy Russo, Daniel Pierce Library Manager, echoed Selcanin's sentiments, “the adult services and programs we offer speak to the library's mission in promoting literacy, continued education and social and community engagement. We appreciate Central Hudson's commitment to our programs and look forward to a continued relationship. Their donation will allow us to further develop our adult program offerings.”

We cannot emphasize enough how much we appreciate the generosity of our local corporations and businesses, as well as, our patrons and community. The continued support; be it financial, through manpower and volunteerism, gifted time and all other avenues for our library is treasured.



This past Thursday, June 5, Linda Selcanin, Regional Affairs Liaison at Central Hudson, presented the Daniel Pierce Library with a donation. We greatly appreciate this generous contribution! Pictured from left to right: Mari Martin, Daniel Pierce Library Board of Trustees President, Linda Selcanin, Regional Affairs Liaison at Central Hudson, Cathy Russo, Daniel Pierce Library Manager and Nicole Richardson, Daniel Pierce Library Community Programs Associate.



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In other news,

Our Bonsai for Beginners program held Saturday, June 7 from 11:30AM to 1:00PM was a hit! Everyone had a great time and learned valuable horticultural skills from Paul Manning, an experienced horticulturist and bonsai enthusiast.

Our 2025 “Color Our World” Summer Reading Program information and registration is available through our website. Please register as soon as possible if you (or your children) are interested in attending one of these exciting summer programs. While you can print the different reading logs and bingo game sheets at home, we also have copies available here (which makes it even easier to pick out the books to read for bingo).

If you're ready for the perfect “beach read” we have you covered. Check out our adult summer picks atop the stacks in the adult fiction area. Most are the perfect easy, uplifting, HEA's (happily ever after's), with some mysteries and thrillers thrown in for good measure.



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Shadowland Stages' Revival of 'I'm Not Rappaport' starring Judd Hirsch

SHADOWLAND STAGES celebrates our landmark 40th Anniversary Season this year, marking four decades as one of the region's leading professional theatre companies. We are kicking off the season with the Herb Gardner comedy *I'm Not Rappaport* starring Tony Award winner Judd Hirsch and directed by Tony nominee Neil Pepe.

From May 30 through June 29, the Shadowland Mainstage will host Herb Gardner's classic comedy *I'm Not Rappaport*, which premiered 40 years ago on Broadway. Joining Hirsch in the cast will be Eugene Lee (*A Soldier's Play*, *Gem of the Ocean*) as Midge, Cassie Beck (*The Humans*) as Clara, Zane Pais (*Modern Love*) as The Cowboy, Jim Bracchitta (*The Exonerated*, *Gypsy*) as Danforth, Lena Pepe (*Cornelia Street*) as Laurie, and Owen Campbell (*The Americans*) as Gilley.

The stage manger is Nicole Caroselli, and assistant stage manager is Aidan Countryman. The lighting design is by

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Tony-winner Ken Posner (*Wicked*), scenic design by Christopher and Justin Swader, costume design by Lizzie Donelan, sound design by Jeff Knapp, props by Julia Register, and fight direction by Thomas Schall.

Focused on a bench in Central Park, the play follows two feisty octogenarians-Nat, a fiery idealist clinging to his independence, and Midge, a superintendent dodging his tenants-as they resist being pushed aside by society. It's a rich and relevant comedy, brimming with heart and humanity.

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'I'M NOT RAPPAPORT' runs through June 29th. Performances are held Thursday through Saturday at 8 PM and Saturdays & Sundays at 2 PM, with preview performances on the first Friday at 8 PM and Saturday at 2 PM of each run.

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'I'M NOT RAPPAPORT,' starring Tony Award winner Judd Hirsch and Eugene Lee, and directed by Tony nominee and Artistic Director of Atlantic Theater Company Neil Pepe, is officially OPEN! Tickets are selling fast for this 'powerhouse' production.

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Chief Oren Lyons at the UN "Iroquois Power for the 21st Century"

June 15, 2025 at 7pm

13 Charles Bach Rd.
Saugerties, NY 12477

This is a free film event. We serve vegetarian sandwiches, desserts and drink during intermission. A seven episode extravaganza exclusively from the Iroquois point of view. In 1978 filmmaker Nathan Koenig heard and captured a most powerful, mindful speech at the Cathedral of St. John the Divine in New York City. The orator was Onondaga Faithkeeper Oren Lyons.

When Woodstock Museum founder Shelli Lipton was introduced to this speech, she joined the effort to learn about Haudensaunee aka Iroquois governing under the Great Law of Peace, the confederacy of Five Nations who agreed to stop warring and fighting among themselves and achieve a new paradigm of peace. Eventually a Sixth Nation joined the confederacy and became instrumental in helping the American Revolutionaries.

Nathan and Shelli followed their instinct expanding the film with Iroquois scholars, historians, imagery collected via museums, libraries and private collections to add visual power by conveying the story with outstanding visuals. The United States Founding Fathers were so impressed with Haudensaunee government they invited these Native Americans to be consultants to teach them about a Constitution and Bill of Rights which helped shape the U.S. Constitution. The Haudensaunee were honored with deeded territory in the park across from Independence Hall complete with the original Liberty Bell.

The shocking part of this historical story is how the United States fell short in adding some of these laws. That's why we are a troublesome divided nation these days.



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UC Health Department Announce a **FREE** Measles Vaccination Clinic

In response to the national and global measles outbreak, the Ulster County Health Department is pleased to announce a **FREE** measles vaccination clinic:

Date: Tuesday, June 17
Time: 11 AM - 2 PM and 5 PM - 7 PM
Location: the Trudy Center
50 Center Street, Ellenville

Nurses will provide free first-time vaccinations for babies, children, and people of all ages, as well as boosters for older residents born between 1963 and 1967.

To date, more than 1,000 cases of measles have been reported in 34 states in the ongoing outbreak, and three people have died - the first deaths from measles in the U.S. in a decade. Because measles outbreaks continue to pose significant public health risks, the Ulster County Department of Health urges residents - especially parents of young children - to prioritize vaccination.

Measles is a highly contagious virus that can be prevented with the safe and effective MMR (measles, mumps, and rubella) vaccine. Nearly all cases of measles in the U.S. occur in persons who are unvaccinated or whose vaccination status is unknown. Only 4% of cases have occurred in persons receiving at least one dose of the vaccine, according to the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

The CDC recommends that all children receive two doses of the MMR vaccine. The first dose should be administered at 12 through 15 months of age, and the second dose at 4 through 6 years of age. This schedule provides long-term protection and is the most effective way to prevent measles infection and its potentially devastating complications.

Adults born between 1963 and 1967 should review their vaccination records, if possible, as they may have received a less effective measles vaccine before the live MMR vaccine was used exclusively in 1968. A one-time booster may be recommended, especially for those traveling internationally or working in health-care or education.

Learn more about measles by reaching out to the Ulster County Department of Health at (845) 340-3070 with any questions.

Reservations are not required, but residents are encouraged to notify organizers in advance to ensure adequate vaccines and staffing. For questions or to confirm attendance, please contact Janet Nuñez, Trudy Center Site Program Manager, at (845) 210-8101 or via email at jnun@co.ulster.ny.us.

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Knightly News - Children's Opera

June 14 at 10am and 2pm, June 15 at 2pm

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Knightly News is an opera for children by Jonathan Stinson, the Artist in Residence at DVO for 2025.

"Knightly News" is a one-act family opera, music composed by Jonathan Stinson and lyrics by Jonathan Stinson and Sarah Rogevich. Originally commissioned by Chicago Opera Playhouse, productions have been performed by Atlanta Opera, Green Light Vocal Productions in Illinois, and multiple schools throughout the country.

Characters from "Cinderella", "Little Red Riding Hood", and "The Three Little Pigs" make up the cast. Little Red has a crush on Prince Charming who has become a television news reporter. Pig and Little Red decide to look for Pig's brothers and Little Red's grandmother who all disappeared after witnesses heard a "huff and a puff". In their search they are interviewed by Prince Charming who is still looking for a girl with the right sized foot to fit into a slipper left behind by a dance partner. Little Red convinces him he should stop looking and choose her, someone who would never run away from him. He agrees. Soon they are joined by the disguised Big Bad Wolf who pretends to want to help them search for their missing family members when, in fact, he really wants to eat them. But Wolf gives himself away. He is distressed that he is a failure at being a big, bad, wolf but Pig recognizes his talent as a demolition expert and hires him in her building business.

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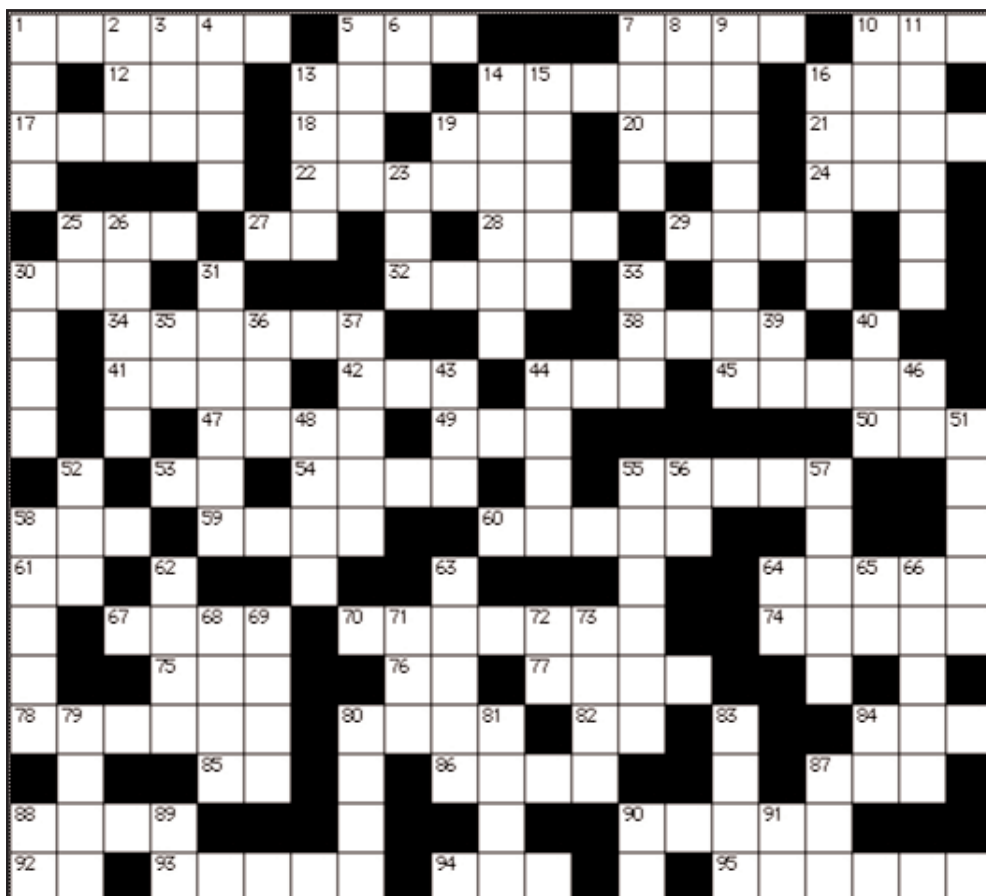
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7 Unit of electrical power
10 Supporter
12 Electrically charged molecule
13 Two-thousand pounds
14 Vandalism
16 Extremely long period
17 Blundering; unproductive
18 Exist
19 Friend
20 Not involved with (prefix)
21 Spike
22 Break free
24 Tall hardy shade tree
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29 To feel a glow
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32 Rhymester
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39 Competent
41 Straight dividing mark
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50 Inflict in mind
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54 Indefinite period of time
55 Celestial bodies
58 Oil product
59 Steals
60 Condition
61 That thing
64 Fine coffee
67 Device for lifting a heavy object
70 Cultivated lands

74 Reel
75 Rage
76 Regarding
77 Combination of meridian stretching exercise
78 Circling around a central point in a flat curve
80 Exude
82 Post Script
84 Allow
85 British Petroleum
86 Waste away
87 Below average
88 Young girl in Scotland
90 Damp
92 Resting atop
93 Freed from worry
94 Affirmative
95 "Yankee" — Dandy"

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2 Untruth
3 Bang!

4 Expressing division
5 She made the first US flag in June of 1776
6 United Nations
7 To have a need
8 Before now
9 Long flexible growth where a snails' eyes are located
10 Young offspring of a mare
11 Creature
13 Attaches
14 Debonair
15 Perceptive
16 Foe
19 Father
23 Head covering
25 That is to say
26 Aroma
30 Guide
31 Denoting a dealer or trader
33 Paddle used to row a boat
35 Roman six
36 Grassy land
37 Calms
39 Printer's measure

40 Hot brewed beverage
43 Able
44 Hardy domesticated ruminant mammal
46 Rhode Island
48 Newborn
51 Lawful
52 Chapeau
55 State of equilibrium
56 Chem element Tellurium
57 Comes to a halt
58 Breathing organs of water animals
62 Cave
63 Move slowly
64 Feminine title
65 Colo-rado
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BBQ Shrimp Scampi for Father's Day

1/4 cup olive oil
1/4 cup lemon juice
3 tablespoons chopped fresh parsley
1 tablespoon minced garlic
ground black pepper to taste
crushed red pepper flakes to taste (optional)
1 1/2 pounds medium shrimp, peeled and deveined

In a large, non-reactive bowl, stir together the olive oil, lemon juice, parsley, garlic, and black pepper. Season with crushed red pepper, if desired. Add shrimp, and toss to coat. Marinate in the refrigerator for 30 minutes.

Preheat grill for high heat. Thread shrimp onto skewers, piercing once near the tail and once near the head. Discard any remaining marinade.

Lightly oil grill grate. Grill for 2 to 3 minutes per side, or until opaque.

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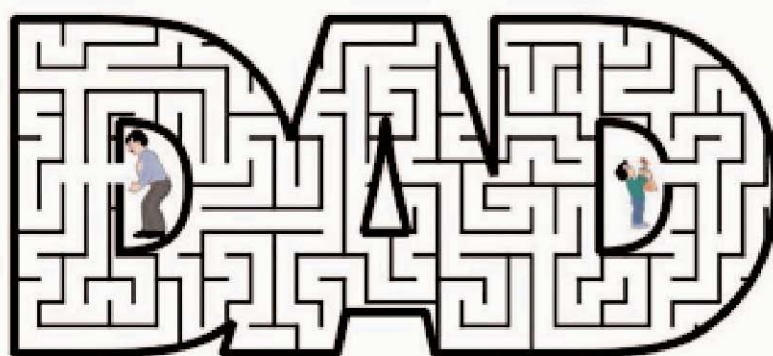
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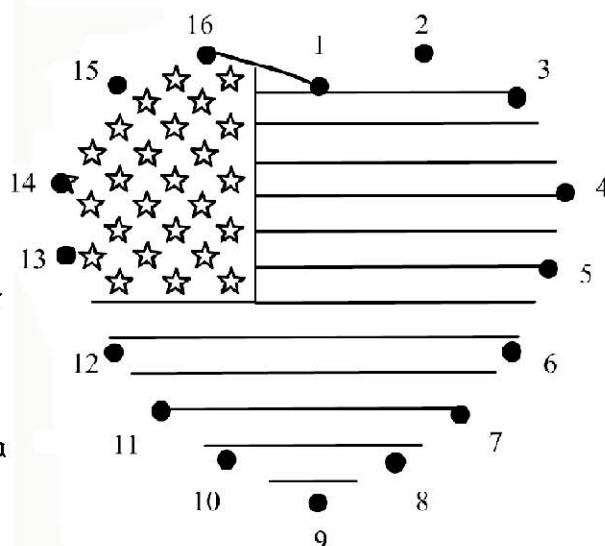
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LEGALS/PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING OF THE QUALIFIED VOTERS OF TRI-VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT Daniel Pierce Library Budget Vote

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Library Budget Hearing of the residents of the Tri-Valley Central School District at Grahamsville, Sullivan County, New York will be held at the Daniel Pierce Library (the "Library") at Grahamsville, New York on: Tuesday, June 10, 2025, at 6:30 P.M. (EDST) for the purpose of presenting the Library's budget for the 2025-2026 school year.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that a copy of the budget statement showing the amount of money which will be required for the following year for Library purposes, exclusive of public money, together with the text of any proposition which will be presented to the voters, may be obtained at the Office of the Superintendent, Tri-Valley Central School, Grahamsville, New York and any school building, by any resident in the District between the hours of 9:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M. on each day except Saturday, Sunday, or holidays during the fourteen days immediately preceding the Special Meeting.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that a Special Meeting of the qualified voters of the Tri-Valley Central School District shall be held at the Daniel Pierce Library, 328 Main Street, Grahamsville, Sullivan County, New York, 12740, on Tuesday, June 17, 2025, between the hours of 1:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. (EDST). The following proposition will be submitted for voter approval at said meeting:

PROPOSITION

Shall the Tri-Valley Central School District, Sullivan County, New York, be authorized to levy taxes in the amount of \$533,438 separate and distinct from the School District's tax levy, for the annual support of the Daniel Pierce Library, Grahamsville, New York, and pay over such monies to the trustees of the Daniel Pierce Library for library services for the benefit of residents of the School District beginning in the 2025-2026 fiscal year and each year thereafter?

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that pursuant to a prior resolution of the District, personal voter registration is in effect. A date for personal voter registration has been set for Wednesday, June 4, 2025 in the Administration Building, between the hours of 4:00 P.M. and 8:00 P.M. Voters may also register at the Office of the District Clerk on any business day through Thursday, June 12, 2025 between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M. Residents are reminded that their registration is valid if they have voted at any school or general election held within the 4 calendar year period prior to June 17, 2025. If a voter is eligible to vote under Article 5 of the Election Law and is registered with the Sullivan or Ulster County Board of Elections, he/she is also eligible to vote at this Special Meeting. The register of voters prepared pursuant to Section 2014 of the Education Law shall be available in the office of the District Clerk, to any qualified voter, on each of the five (5) days prior to the Special meeting, except Sunday, and at the polling place on the day of the vote.

LEGALS/PUBLIC NOTICES (From Pg. 17)

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that military voters who are qualified voters of the District may apply for a Military Ballot by requesting an application from the District Clerk at (845) 985-2296, ext. 5202 and samanthadamms@trivalleycsd.org. For a military voter to be issued a Military Ballot, the District Clerk must have received a valid ballot application no later than 5:00 p.m. on May 22, 2025. Military voters who are not currently registered to vote may apply to register as a qualified voter by filling out a Military Voter Registration Application, which can also be obtained by requesting an application from the District Clerk. Military Voter Registration Applications must be received by the District Clerk no later than 5:00 p.m. on May 22, 2025. Military voters may indicate a preference for receiving a military voter registration application, military ballot application, and/or military ballot by mail, fax, or e-mail in their request for such registration, ballot application, or ballot. The District will transmit Military Ballots to military voters no later than May 23, 2025. Completed Military Ballots must be received by the District by 5:00 p.m. on June 17, 2025, in order to be counted.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that in accordance with Section 2018-a of the Education Law, applications for ABSENTEE BALLOTS may be applied for at the office of the District Clerk. Absentee ballots must be applied for unless the voter's registration is marked "permanently disabled" by the County Board of Elections. Such applications must be received by the District Clerk at least seven (7) days before the Special Meeting if the absentee ballot is to be mailed to the voter (Tuesday, June 10, 2025) OR the day before the Special Meeting (Monday, June 16, 2025), if the ballot is to be picked up personally by the voter or their authorized agent. Absentee ballots must be received in the office of the District Clerk not later than 5:00 P.M. on the day of the Special Meeting. A list of all persons to whom absentee ballots have been issued shall be available for public inspection during regular office hours (9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.) until the day of the Special Meeting. Any qualified voter may, upon examination of such list, file a written challenge of the qualifications of a voter whose name appears on such list, stating the reasons for the challenge.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that in accordance with Section 2018-e of the Education Law, applications for EARLY MAIL BALLOTS may be applied for at the office of the District Clerk. Such applications must be received by the District Clerk at least seven (7) days before the Special Meeting if the early mail ballot is to be mailed to the voter (Tuesday, June 10, 2025) OR the day before the Special Meeting (Monday, June 16, 2025), if the ballot is to be picked up personally by the voter or their authorized agent. Early mail ballots must be received in the office of the District Clerk not later than 5:00 P.M. on the day of the Special Meeting. A list of all persons to whom early mail ballots shall have been issued will be available for public inspection during regular office hours (9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.) until the day of the Special Meeting. Any qualified voter may, upon examination of such list, file a written challenge of the qualifications of a voter whose name appears on such list, stating the reasons for the challenge.

By order of the Board of Education
Tri-Valley Central School District
Grahamsville, New York
Samantha Damms, District Clerk

Dated: May 21, 2025

LEGALS/PUBLIC NOTICES

By order of the Board of Commissioners Claryville Fire District:

The Claryville Fire District regular meeting is changed from July 1, 2025 to July 8, 2025 at 6:60 pm at the Claryville Fire Department Warren Cole Hall.

Anne-Marie Kremer/Secretary

6/12

The **Village of Monticello Board of Trustees** will be having a **Public Hearing** for the **25/26 Village Budget at 5:00pm** and a **Joint Meeting of all of the Village Boards** in the Village on **Thursday, June 12th, 2025 at 7:00pm**. All are welcomed to attend both meetings.

Summer Food Service Program(SFSP)

The Sullivan BOCES announces its participation in the Summer Food Service Program (SFSP). Meals will be provided to all children 18 years and under without charge. In accordance with Federal civil rights law and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) civil rights regulations and policies, the USDA, its Agencies, offices, and employees, and institutions participating in or administering USDA programs are prohibited from discriminating based on race, color, national origin, sex, disability, age, or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights activity in any program conducted or funded by USDA.

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Site Address			52 Ferndale Loomis Rd Liberty, NY 12754
Start Date	End Date	Meal Available	Service Time
07/07/25	08/22/25	Breakfast	08:00am-09:30am
07/07/25	08/22/25	Lunch	10:30am-12:00pm

MHSSC Recognizes Fallsburg Board Member and Community Partner

FALLSBURG - On June 4, 2025, Fallsburg Board of Education member, Renee Kates, and co-founder of the A Single Bite program, Sims Foster, were honored with Awards for Excellence by the Mid-Hudson School Study Council. Ms. Kates was the award winner in the School Board Service category, while Mr. Foster was recognized in the Community Service category.



Although the original ceremony took place on May 7th at the North Rockland Central School District, Mr. Foster was unable to attend due to a scheduling conflict. His recognition was instead postponed to the most recent Board of Education meeting.

A Single Bite is an initiative that was supported by Catskill Food Hub, a nonprofit organization dedicated to improving health outcomes and supporting local agriculture. For several years, the program has established itself as a crucial safety net for families across Sullivan County. According to its website, they have delivered over 200,000 servings of food to families in need since early 2020 -equivalent to about 700 servings per week.

Distributing meals to families is not the program's only mission. Mr. Foster has also implemented an education component, donated backpacks, and organized field trips for students to visit farms and restaurants that use locally sourced food.

Among those in attendance during the recognition ceremony was Ms. Robbie Greene, Executive Director of the Mid-Hudson School Study Council, who presented the award to Mr. Foster. "Through Sims Foster's leadership and generosity, he has demonstrated an unwavering commitment to equity and social responsibility, ensuring that no child in the Fallsburg school community goes hungry," said Ms. Greene.

Renee Kates, who received her certificate at the ceremony in May, was recognized for her eight-year tenure on the Board of Education. Most notably, she has played a key role in implementing several ambitious building projects and initiatives. She is also known for her unparalleled ability to connect with others and build lasting relationships.

The Fallsburg Central School District wishes to congratulate Ms. Kates and Mr. Foster for receiving this prestigious honor. The district is proud of its community members who are committed to education and a better future.

Emergency Medical Services Heroes Recognized *National EMS Week Celebrated in Sullivan County*

Monticello, NY – Garnet Health and Sullivan County's Bureau of EMS proudly hosted local emergency medical agencies at Garnet Health Medical Center - Catskills in Harris on May 20 for the annual EMS Appreciation Luncheon.

"Our EMS providers give so much to the communities they serve, so we want to give a little something back to them," stated Public Safety Commissioner Scott Schulte. "They should know that we all value the commitment and talent they bring to the community, often saving lives in the process."

"At Garnet Health Medical Center – Catskills, we are deeply grateful for our EMS providers, not just during EMS Week, but every single day. These dedicated professionals are often the first on the scene, delivering critical care and compassion in the moments when it matters most," said Jerry Dunlavey, CEO, Garnet Health Medical Center – Catskills. "Their commitment, courage, and partnership are essential to the health and safety of our community, and we are proud to work alongside them in service to our region."

In addition to being served a meal courtesy of Garnet Health, attendees joined in a celebration of various awardees who were nominated by their peers:

BLS (Basic Life Support) Provider of the Year Tyler Naumchik of SeniorCare and Mamakating EMS - This award goes to an EMT who is recognized for their contributions to the community, including dedication, responsibility, professional behavior, ingenuity, special skill or insight in the EMS environment.

Naumchik comes from a family of EMS professionals and began his EMT career in 2022. He credits his friend and colleague Nick Cavallucci for helping develop him into the EMT he has become.

One particular event of note was Naumchik's response to a case involving a 64-year-old female patient complaining of respiratory distress who experienced cardiac arrest moments after his arrival. He immediately initiated CPR with the help of the Monticello Fire Department and Rock Hill EMS until ALS arrived. Naumchik transferred patient care to the ALS provider and continued to assist in patient care and cardiac arrest management during transport to Garnet Health Medical Center - Catskills. The patient was revived, and she was ultimately discharged from the hospital.

ALS (Advanced Life Support) Provider of the Year Susan Sherwood of SeniorCare and Livingston Manor EMS - This award goes to an ALS provider who is recognized for their contributions to the community, including dedication, responsibility, professional behavior,

ingenuity, special skill or insight in the EMS environment.

Sherwood began as an EMT in 1999, moving on to gain her Paramedic certification in 2005. She has worked for several EMS agencies, while volunteering for Livingston Manor EMS for the past 15 years.

Sherwood is known as an excellent EMT-P who knows her profession. She consistently is quick to analyze a patient's needs and responds with the most appropriate treatment. She works extremely well with new EMS providers, building their confidence, delegating tasks when appropriate to BLS providers and being a great mentor to the profession.

Agency of the Year Highland Ambulance Service of Eldred - This award goes to an agency which strives for consistency in EMS excellence and exhibits exemplary performance when providing or supporting prehospital emergency medical care.

Highland EMS was born out of the resurrection of the American Legion Ambulance Corps, requiring members to start from scratch in their organizational structure while maintaining patient care to their community. They are handling their call volume as well as assisting with mutual aid on numerous occasions. They are also growing in their skills and capabilities to provide improved services to their community.

Youth Provider of the Year Jayden Stephens of Rock Hill EMS - This award goes to a CFR, EMT or First Aid-certified youth who is recognized for their dedication, responsibility, professional behavior, ingenuity, special skill or insight in the EMS community.

Stephens has been with Rock Hill EMS for under a year and spends countless hours helping wherever he is needed, both with calls and events/committees. He is the first one to raise his hand to volunteer and the first to call in when a page goes out. He has helped lead drills and become a fixture at the corps' building in such a short time. At 16 years old, he is mature beyond his years. Stephens is currently enrolled in the NYS EMT program at SUNY Sullivan and will be testing soon.

Harriet C Weber EMS Leadership Award, Alex Rau of Livingston Manor EMS and Sullivan County Division of Public Safety - This award goes to an individual exhibiting longevity, innovation/dedication, responsibility, executive and management skills in establishing, maintaining, promoting or expanding EMS organizations, agencies, committees at the community and/or State level.

Rau has consistently demonstrated a deep and unwavering commitment to EMS through his long-standing involvement and the wide range of leadership roles he has held. His dedication is evident not only at the local level, where he serves as a key member of his community ambulance squad, but also at the County, regional, and State levels, where he takes on significant responsibilities that shape EMS policy and practice. (Contd. Pg. 21)

Emergency Medical Services Heroes Recognized

(From Pg. 20)

A strong advocate for EMS advancement, Rau has effectively promoted the profession from the local level to the New York State level. His leadership has cultivated a culture of pride and dedication within his ambulance corps, leading to improved recruitment and retention of volunteers. Above all, his work is driven by a clear and consistent focus on doing what is best for the patient.

EMS Education of Excellence, Diana Duffy of the SUNY Sullivan EMT Program - This award goes to an individual who - through outstanding teaching, educational administration/coordination, publication or research - has significantly improved prehospital services at the local, county, regional or state level.

Duffy brings the best of both prehospital and ER knowledge to her classes. Considering her 30-year career as a volunteer EMT and as a Paramedic, Duffy has a unique advantage when it comes to educating the future of EMS. She serves as a CIC for both SUNY Sullivan and Orange County EMS. She constantly challenges all of her students, from the newbies getting their first card to the old-timers who have seen as much as she has over the years. Her entire EMS career has paralleled her 40 years as an ER nurse. She realized early on that, in order to teach and precept EMT/Paramedic students, she needed to become one of them; so she did.

Registered Nurse of Excellence, Julie Swendsen, RN, of Garnet Health Medical Center – Catskills - The RN of Excellence Award goes to someone who demonstrates dedication, responsibility, professional behavior, ingenuity, special skill or insight.

Whether Swendsen is the charge nurse or the nurse responsible for a patient, she attends carefully to her job with compassion and great professionalism. She always listens to the EMT giving the report, and is always willing to discuss and share best practices. She also answers questions about illnesses and injuries. She is open and honest with patients and caregivers alike. Even when she is tired or has dealt with difficult patients, she has a smile and a kind word.

Physician of Excellence, Nicki Maxwell, DO, of Garnet Health Medical Center – Catskills - This award is bestowed upon a physician who demonstrates dedication, responsibility, professional behavior, special skill or insight in the prehospital environment.

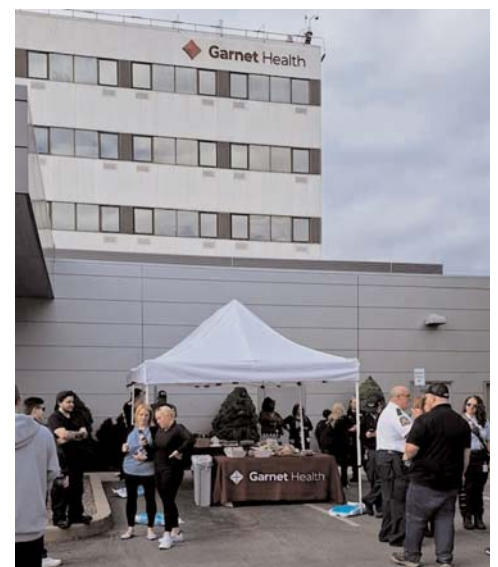
Dr. Maxwell is an exceptional emergency room physician who consistently goes above and beyond in her care for patients and in her collaboration with EMS personnel. She actively listens to reports provided by EMTs, recognizing their value and incorporating them into her assessment and treatment plans.

Her approach to patient care is marked by a deep understanding of each individual's situation, combined with genuine compassion. She takes the time to explain procedures and tests to patients in clear, reassuring language, which helps put them at ease during stressful situations.



Awardees honored at the EMS Appreciation Luncheon included, from the left, Mike Sherwood, Chris Tambini and Tony LaRuffa (all representing Highland Ambulance Service), Diana Duffy, Alex Rau, Susan Sherwood, Dr. Nicki Maxwell and Jayden Stephens.

The EMS Appreciation Luncheon was held May 20 at Garnet Health Medical Center – Catskills in Harris.



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Supper**
5:30 pm
July 5, 2025

*Sundown
United Methodist
Church Hall*

St. Mary's and St. Andrews Church
139 S Main Street • Ellenville, NY 12740

Mass Times

SUNDAY EUCHARIST

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

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

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Thrift Sale

Sat., June 21st
9 am - 12 noon



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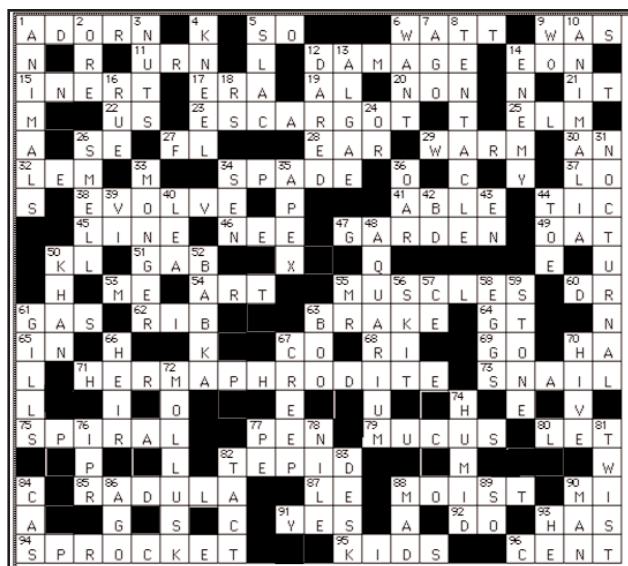
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Ans to last week's Crossword



Sundown United Methodist Church Covered Dish Supper

Saturday,

July 5, 2025 5:30 pm
at the Church Hall**Check out the tables with Yard Sale items
available for sale***(Covered Dish Suppers are held the
First Saturday of each month at 5:30 pm
at the Church Hall)*

All Aboard!
Join the Fun!
Play Mexican Train
FREE FUN
every FRIDAY 1-4 pm

In the upstairs meeting room
at the Neversink Town Hall

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People to
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9	3	8	6	5	4	7	1	2
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All sales are from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon

May - 17th
June - 7th and 21st
July - 5th and 19th
August - 2nd and 16th

Sept - 6th and 20th
October - 4th and 18th
Nov - 1st and 15th
(weather permitting)

Dec 6th – Holiday Craft Fair

Donations accepted in the thrift building on Tuesdays,
starting March 11, 2025, from 9:30 to 11:30 or by appoint-
ment. Call Ruth at 845-985-7222.

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Harriet Wilkin, Pastor

The Boiceville Inn Dinner Theater Presents

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By: Robert Harling

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Dates: June 13, 14, and 15, 2025

Friday and Saturday Dinner served at 6:00 p.m.
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LOCAL CALENDAR OF EVENTS

6/11/25	Town of Neversink - Board Meeting
6/14/25	Sundown UMC Ladies Indoor Yard Sale 9 am - 1 pm
6/15/25	Claryville FD All You Can Eat Father's Day Pancake Breakfast 8 am - 12 noon
6/18/25	Neversink Rondout Antique Machinery Association Grahamsville Firehouse 7 pm
6/19/25	Town of Denning Planning Board Meeting 6:00 pm Denning Town of Town Hall
6/19/25	Neversink Fire District Commissioner Meeting 7:00pm
6/21/25	Grahamsville UMC Thrift Sale 9 am - 12 Noon
7/5/25	Sundown UMC Covered Dish Supper 5:30 Church
7/8/25	Claryville Fire District Monthly Meeting 6:30 pm (NOTE CHANGE OF DATE)
7/8/25	Denning Town Board & Business Meeting 6:00 pm Denning Town Hall

TOWN OF OLIVE MEETINGS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

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

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

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

Weekly Update For The Week Of

June 9 - June 13, 2025

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

Monday, June 9

- o **5:00 PM - Ulster County Community Services Board**, in the Ulster County Department of Mental Health, 368 Broadway, Kingston
- o **6:00 PM - Public Works & Capital Projects Committee**, in the Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston & Via Legislature Livestream

Tuesday, June 10

- o **5:00 PM - Ulster County Board of Health**, in the Director's Conference Room, 239 Golden Hill Lane, Kingston
- o **6:00 PM - Ulster County Board of Ethics**, in the Ulster County Human Services Complex, Building #2 - Veterans Agency Entrance, 100 Development Court, Kingston
- o **6:00 PM - Ulster County Transportation Council**, in the Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston

Wednesday, June 11

- o No Meetings

Thursday, June 12

- o **4:00 PM - Laws, Rules & Government Services Committee**, in the Legislative, Chambers, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston & Via Legislature Livestream
- o **5:00 PM (or Immediately Following Laws, Rules & Government Services Committee) - Ways & Means Committee**, in the Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston & Via Legislature Livestream
- o **5:15 PM - Ulster County Resource Recovery Agency Zero Waste Committee**, in the Ulster County Resource Recovery Agency, 999 Flatbush Road, Kingston
- o **5:30 PM - Ulster County Youth Board**, in the Restorative Justice & Community Empowerment Center, 733 Broadway, Kingston
- o **6:15 PM - Ulster County Resource Recovery Agency Regular Board Meeting**, in the Ulster County Resource Recovery Agency, 999 Flatbush Road, Kingston

Friday, June 13

- o No Meetings

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Saturday, June 14



12:00 - 3:00 PM



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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR:

China Sabotaging Solar Arrays

I have always been concerned about the quality and security of products imported from China. Their quality control is abysmal, and over the decades there have been many instances of poor-quality imports from China, including lead paint in toys, contaminated pet food and toothpaste, faulty mass transit vehicles, radioactive dry wall, carcinogenic fish and contaminated candy. Another major concern is the possibility of China intentionally building in failure of their products, which could compromise the proper functioning of U.S. systems.

It was recently reported Chinese "kill switches" have been found in solar arrays at U.S. solar facilities. They were found inside of power inverters manufactured by Chinese companies. The power inverters link solar or wind farms with the overall power system. The "kill switches" can be remotely activated, and this occurred at a location in the U.S. in November.

Chinese companies provide about half of the solar power inverters in the world, and any widespread control of power grids could compromise operations, cause widespread blackouts and endanger national security. Communist China is an adversary who could sabotage products and systems shipped to the U.S. People, companies and government agencies should be wary of Chinese products and should conduct in-depth testing of the products before accepting them.

Donald Moskowitz
Londonderry NH

Dear Friends,

I wanted to reach out with a few announcements to keep everyone in the loop at Rondout Valley Veterinary Associates. First, we have added another veterinary associate, Dr. Jesse Page. She will be with us part time and has started seeing appointments already. To learn more about Dr. Page please either visit our website, www.rvvets.com, or one of our social media platforms: **Facebook Rondout Valley Vets**, or **Instagram @rondoutvalleyvets**. We are so excited to have her join the team!

Second, with our change to our new software we are bringing Pet Desk back. I know many of you have missed it and being able to keep track of your animal's needs and request things through the app. You can get the app on your app store of choice and search for: PetDesk - Pet Health Reminders.

Lastly, the office will be closed Saturday, June 21. The clinic will be having some work done on it that requires us to shut for a week-end. We apologize for the inconvenience. There will be reminders on our social media as it gets closer and please be aware of where your nearest emergency clinic is located if needed. There are names and phone numbers of emergency clinics on our website and answering machine when we are closed. There will be some parking lot work being done in the near future as well. We will be open but a different entrance/exit may need to be used depending on the day.

I hope everyone is having a good start to almost summer. As always, we appreciate you supporting our local small business.

Sincerely,
Dr. Kathleen Laux
Rondout Valley Veterinary Associates
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Kerhonkson, NY 12446
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Claryville Volunteer Fire Department Craft and Vendor Fair & Community Yard Sale

All Vendors are wanted!

New, Used, and Handmade items -- Something for Everyone!!

When: Saturday, August 23rd, 2025

Rain or Shine

Where: Claryville Fire Dept.
1500 Denning Rd
Claryville, NY 12725

Time: 10 AM – 3 PM

Setup start time: 8 AM Break Down by 3 PM - *vendors must stay until 3pm*

Regulations for Sellers:

- Open to all sellers, artisans, antique dealers, and crafters on a first-come, first-served basis.
- **No food vendors or baked goods** (sold exclusively by the fire department).
- Food will be available for purchase throughout the day.
- **Fee:** \$20 per table (8 ft long or 8 ft picnic table). If an outlet is required, the fee is \$25 per table. Tables are provided.
- **Claryville Fire Dept. is not responsible for any lost, damaged, or stolen merchandise**

For more information or to register, please contact Jennifer at 845-807-6563; email at claryvillefd@gmail.com.

Payment and registration must be submitted by July 1st to reserve your spot. Payment will no longer be accepted on the day of the event!



Claryville Volunteer Fire Department Craft and Vendor Fair & Community Yard Sale

Claryville Craft and Vendor Fair and Community Yard Sale Registration Form

Saturday, August 23rd, 2025

Rain or Shine

Vendors Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone number: _____ Email: _____

Description of Merchandise: _____

of tables needed: _____ Electricity needed (inside the building only): Yes ___ No ___

Choose type of table: 8ft table _____ or 8ft picnic table (outside) _____

Please check if you would like to be either outside under the pavilion or inside the building.

*****spots inside the building are first come first serve based on postage date of application*****

Pavilion: _____ Inside the building: _____

Amount Due: _____ Check if paid: cash: _____ check #: _____

Signature of vendor: _____ Date: _____

Cost: \$20.00 per 8ft table or \$25.00 an 8ft table with *electricity*. *Please note vendor spot fee is nonrefundable * Initials _____

Donation for door prize (item donated by vendor for raffle) Yes ___ No ___

Event time: is 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM Set Up is 8:00 AM

****I understand that Claryville Fire Dept shall not be held responsible for any lost, damage or stolen merchandise**** Initials: _____ date: _____

Vendors are responsible for leaving their area in the same condition as they found it.

Registration forms and payment must be submitted by July 1st to reserve your spot!

****Payment will no longer be accepted the day of the event! ****

Make checks payable to Claryville Volunteer Fire Department

1500 Denning Road Claryville, NY 12725

Attn: Jennifer Pisaniello

Sundown UMC Ladies Indoor Thrift & Yard Sale Every Saturday

Something different every week!

Come have some fun!

Look for that special bargain or treasure

**9:00 am
to
1:00 pm**



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

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

Kind Cotton Donates Books to Benjamin Cosor Elementary

FALLSBURG - In a world where you can be anything, be kind to one another. That sentiment rings very true in the halls of Benjamin Cosor Elementary School. However, a dedicated teacher, Susan Kentop, and her friend, Kaitlin Johnstone, took their acts of kindness to a higher level through the love of reading.

Ms. Johnstone, an Ellenville, New York native, spent several years as a Kindergarten teacher in Florida before embarking on an ambitious new venture.

Together with her husband, Kevin, she co-founded a clothing business called Kind Cotton, which promotes messages of inclusivity, justice, and advocacy.

The idea came to light when Kaitlin, as a Kindergarten teacher, realized just how important it was for children to read for pleasure. She fondly remembered how deeply stories and characters had resonated with her as a child. She took it upon herself to spread the love of reading as far as possible through Kind Cotton. With every item of clothing purchased, a book is donated directly to a child.

In 2022, Susan and Kaitlin reconnected. During their conversation, Kaitlin shared how much Kind Cotton had grown and the countless books she donated. Susan was deeply impressed by her meteoric success. In which case, Kaitlin agreed to have up to 1,000 books donated to students at Benjamin Cosor Elementary School.

At the time, students were overjoyed to see Ms. Kentop rolled a cart full of books into their classroom. The impact of that donation was so great that in May of this year, another order-estimated at six to eight dozen books-was delivered.

The selfless and compassionate efforts made by Susan and Kaitlin can serve as a reminder that even small acts of kindness are more than enough to enact lasting positive change. When asked about her relationship with Kaitlin and her passion to spread the joy of reading, Susan replied, "I'm so proud of who she's become-and what an empathetic person she has become. It's impressive to see a small-town girl giving back [to the community]."





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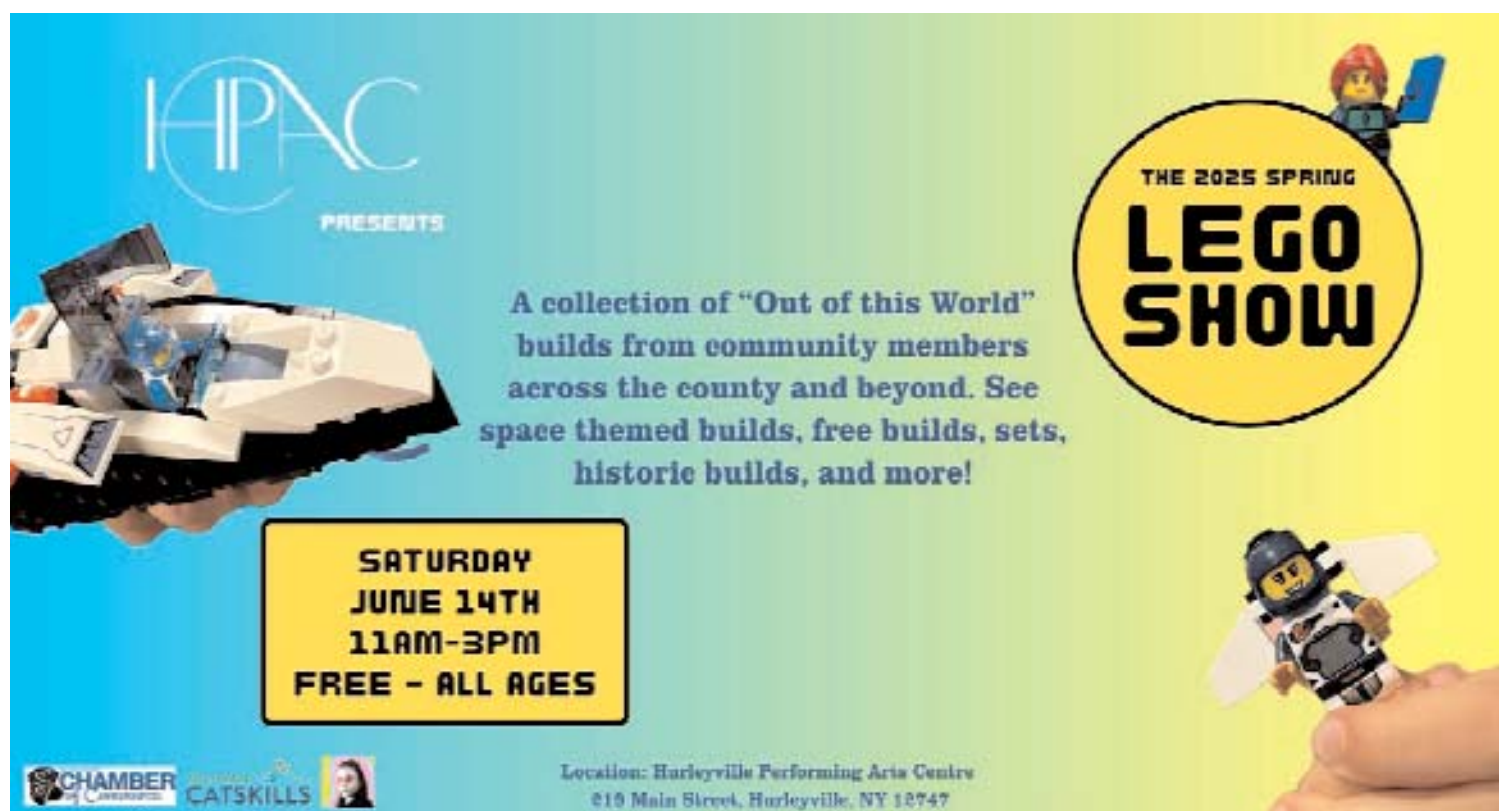
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AUGUST 10, 2025 AT 9AM



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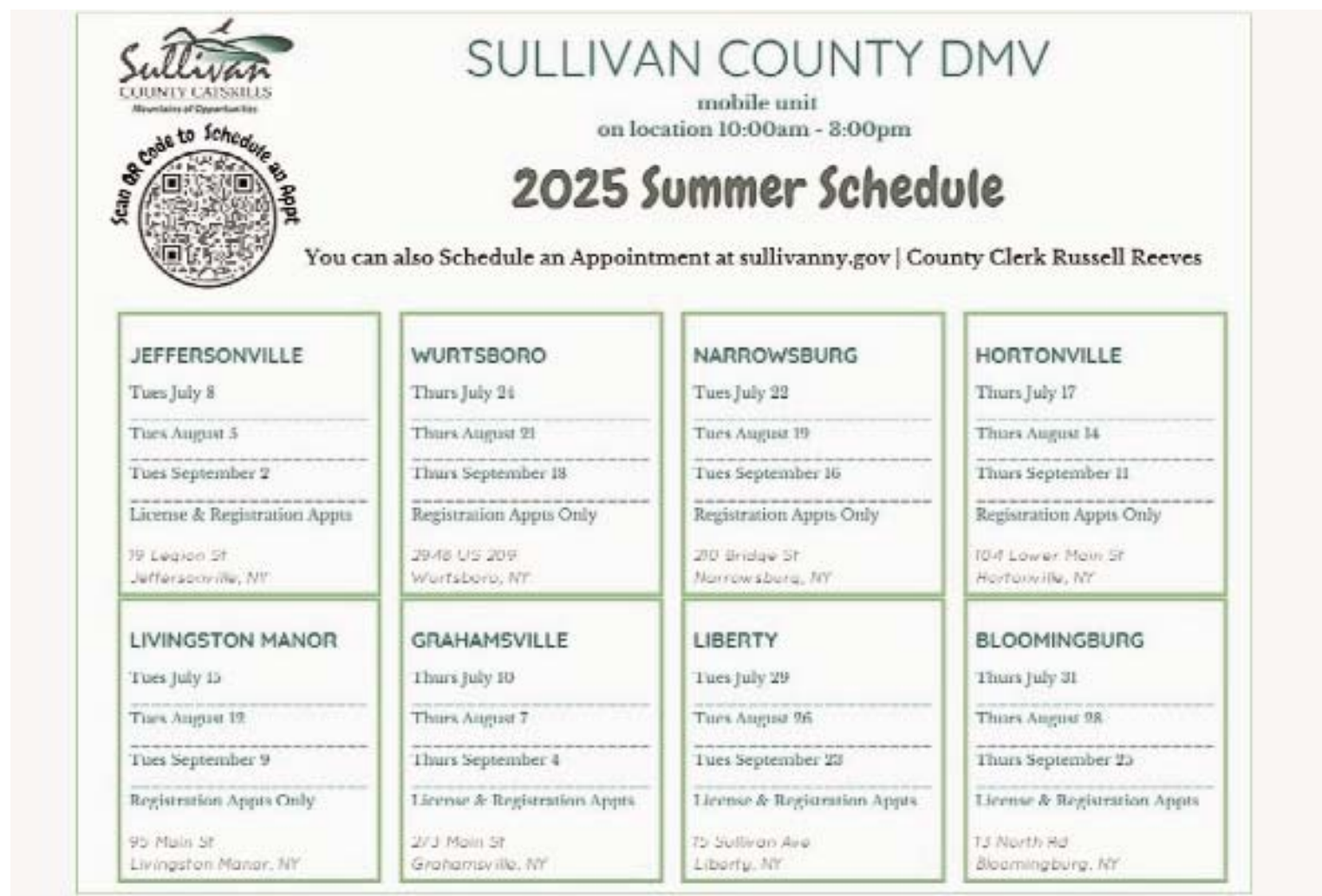
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THE 2025 SPRING LEGO SHOW

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2025 Summer Schedule

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LIVINGSTON MANOR Tues July 15 Tues August 12 Tues September 9 Registration Appts Only 95 Main St Livingston Manor, NY	GRAHAMSVILLE Thurs July 10 Thurs August 7 Thurs September 4 License & Registration Appts 273 Main St Grahamsville, NY	LIBERTY Tues July 29 Tues August 26 Tues September 23 License & Registration Appts 75 Sullivan Ave Liberty, NY	BLOOMINGBURG Thurs July 31 Thurs August 28 Thurs September 25 License & Registration Appts 13 North Rd Bloomingburg, NY



Sundown
United
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Church



June 7, 2025
5:30 pm

Bring a covered dish to share
Enjoy good food and fellowship

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

Sundown United Methodist Church Hall
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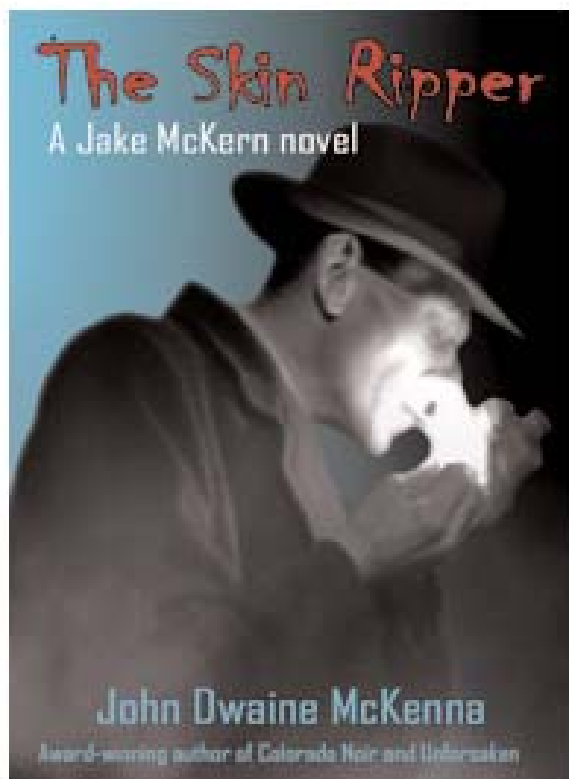
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To date, more than 1,000 cases of measles have been reported in 34 states in the ongoing outbreak, and three people have died — the first deaths from measles in the U.S. in a decade.

Because measles outbreaks continue to pose significant public health risks, the Ulster County Department of Health urges residents — especially parents of young children — to prioritize vaccination. Measles is a highly contagious virus that can be prevented with the safe and effective MMR (measles, mumps, and rubella) vaccine. Nearly all cases of measles in the U.S. occur in persons who are unvaccinated or whose vaccination status is unknown. Only 4% of cases have occurred in persons receiving at least one dose of the vaccine, according to the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). The CDC recommends that all children receive two doses of the MMR vaccine. The first dose should be administered at 12 through 15 months of age, and the second dose at 4 through 6 years of age. This schedule provides long-term protection and is the most effective way to prevent measles infection and its potentially devastating complications.

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Next January 11 begins three glorious days at sea for some lucky seafarers. Barry Gleen has offered to donate all commissions from this trip to Temple Sholom.



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A single cabin will cost \$2155, and couples will pay between \$3275 and \$4463 for a double balcony cabin with drinks and WiFi included. The higher price includes a dedicated restaurant and a cruise long pass to the spa for two. A \$500 deposit is refundable. Each cabin will receive \$100 in on-board credit.

Additional amenities for the cruisers may include a private restaurant and an unlimited spa pass. In Nassau, passengers will have the option of taking a 5-minute water taxi ride to Royal's new private beach club on a barrier island. The beach club, which has three different sections and a large pool, can handle about 4000 guests. It features Bahamian dishes as well as beach favorites.

The ship will return to Miami on January 18, 2026.

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DEC Announces New State Record Fallfish Second Record-Breaking Fish Caught Within 10 Days

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) today announced that a second fish species made the record books just 10 days after a channel catfish record was broken. Alex Pidhorodeckyj of Peekskill, NY, reeled in a 4 lb. 1 oz. fallfish from the St. Lawrence River near Massena while jigging for walleye and pike. Pidhorodeckyj's catch broke the previous fallfish record caught in 2009 by half a pound.

"A second New York State record broken in a matter of days is exciting news for our fisheries and our state," said Commissioner Amanda Lefton. "DEC congratulates Alex Pidhorodeckyj on this record catch and advises anglers there are even more records waiting just below the water's surface. With summer right around the corner, I encourage New Yorkers to get outside and experience how fun fishing can be across our abundant lakes, rivers, and streams."

Fallfish are the largest native minnow species in New York State and are commonly found in medium-sized streams to large, warmwater rivers. Not often sought after by anglers, fallfish are usually caught while targeting other species, such as smallmouth bass or trout. Fallfish have a reputation for putting up a good fight when caught.

Pidhorodeckyj submitted details of his winning catch as part of DEC's newly revamped Angler Achievement Awards Program, which tracks state record fish and recognizes anglers who catch any of the 40 eligible fish species that meet or exceed the minimum qualifying lengths established for that species. 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 program's three categories 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. For official program rules, eligible species, and associated minimum qualifying lengths, visit the Angler Achievement Awards webpage.

The program further supports Governor Kathy Hochul's "Get Offline, Get Outside" initiative that promotes physical and mental health by helping encourage New York's children and families to put down their phones and computers, take a break from social media, and enjoy recreation and outdoor social gatherings. Anglers are encouraged to check out the Tackle Box feature in DEC's HuntFishNY app that provides one-stop-shopping for.

Get Offline, Get Outside: Governor Hochul Announces 2025 "Get Outdoors & Get Together Day" Celebrations on Saturday, June 14

Inclusive and Accessible Family-Friendly Recreation at State Parks and DEC Lands Across New York State

Governor Kathy Hochul today announced that New York's "Get Outdoors & Get Together Day" celebrations will be held on Saturday, June 14 this year with events happening at more than 20 locations across New York State as part of the Governor's initiative to "Get Offline, Get Outside," and to ensure inclusivity of access to state public lands. The events bring people of all abilities, ages, identities, and backgrounds together for a day of fun and healthy activities.

"Get Outdoors & Get Together Day is an opportunity for every New Yorker to visit our world-renowned state parks and public lands, and gather with family and friends while learning something new," Governor

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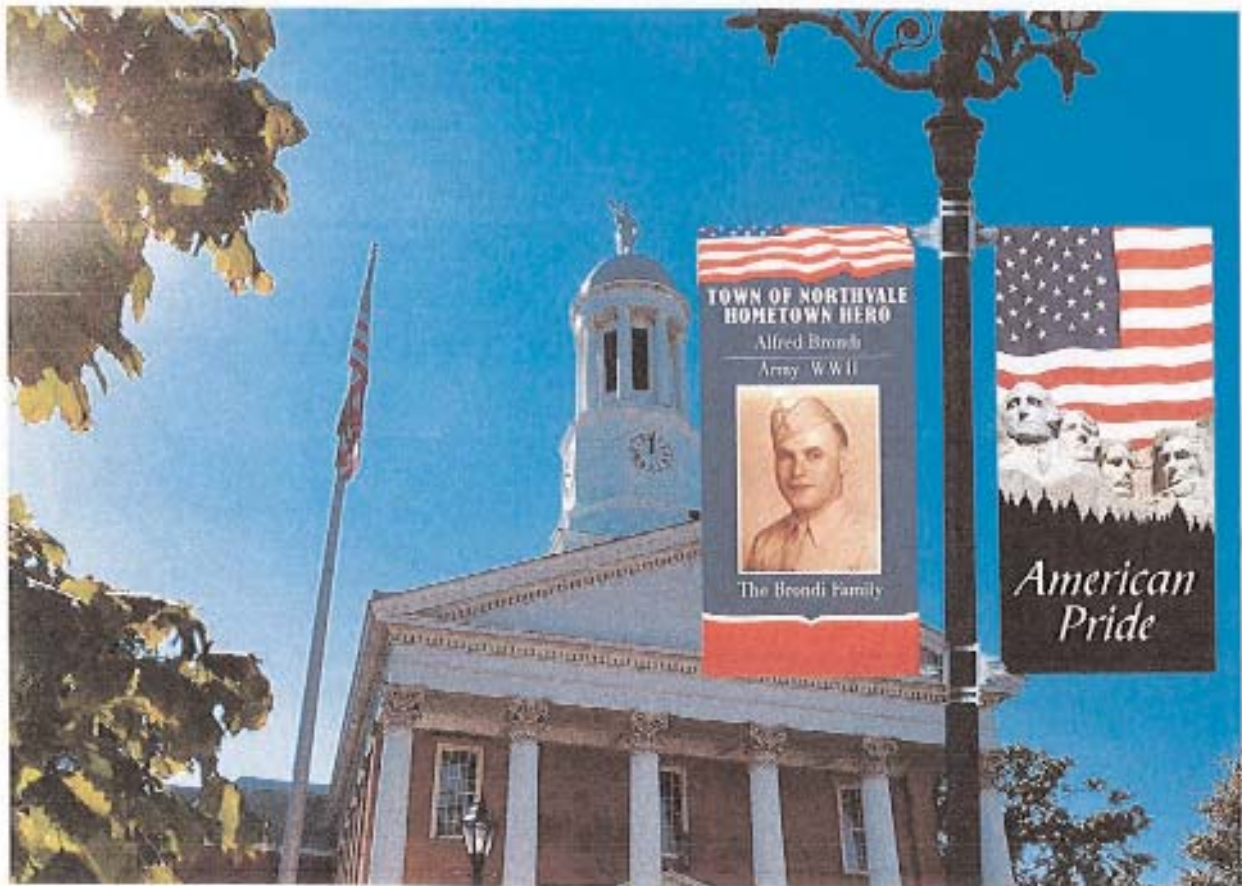
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Hochul said. "My Administration has prioritized accessibility and our state parks and lands are here for all New Yorkers to enjoy, no matter their background or abilities. Everyone is welcome."

This year's event is hosted by the State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) and the Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation (Parks), in partnership with the Office of the Chief Disability Officer, the Office for People With Developmental Disabilities (OPWDD), the Department of Veterans' Services (DVS), the Office of Mental Health (OMH) and the Justice Center for the Protection of People with Special Needs.

At 23 locations across the state, participants will be encouraged to discover new skills and enjoy a range of introductory-level outdoor recreation activities such as fishing, nature walks and hikes, birding, archery, paddling, camping demonstrations, and more. Each event will highlight ways to enjoy the outdoors safely and sustainably. All locations will offer a selection of accessible activities, and use of adaptive equipment and demonstrations will be provided at many sites, including trail and beach mobility aids, archery assist stands, arm supports for fishing, and more. Certain sites will also feature sample assistive technology device loans from New York's regional Technology-Related Assistance for Individuals with Disabilities (TRAID) centers.

New York's Get Outdoors & Get Together Day coincides with National Get Outdoors Day, an annual event to encourage healthy, active outdoor fun. Most "Get Outdoors & Get Together Day" celebrations will be held from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m., with a few exceptions. Exact times and locations are available on the Parks and DEC websites.



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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!

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Fallsburg CSD Hosts Second Annual Community Awards Banquet

FALLSBURG - On May 30, 2025, the Fallsburg Central School District hosted their second annual Community Awards Banquet at Tarry Brae Golf Course. The ceremony recognized twenty-one seniors who received scholarships from the Fallsburg Alumni Association, Kiwanis Club of Woodridge, Lions Club, and Samuel Beytin Fallsburg Central Community Scholarship Fund. The scholarship recipients are as followed:



Candy Gold Memorial Scholarship: Elisheva Sudranski.

Edward Bryan Scholarship: Emy Sierra Mejia.

Esthyr Mintz-Flanagan Scholarship: Luciano Esposito.

Fallsburg Alumni Association Award: Maya Ballard and Erli Maldonado Garcia.

Fallsburg Lions Annual Achievement Award: Maya Ballard, Isabelle Batista, Hannah Johnson, Nancy Martinez Cadena, Owen Messenger (Monticello CSD) and Bella Muscia.

Jack Leshner Memorial Award: Nancy Martinez Cadena.

Samuel Beytin Fallsburg Central Community Scholarship: Hannah Johnson, Nancy Martinez Cadena, Bella Muscia, Vivian Ordonez Cabrera, Dalila Ortiz Fuentes, Angie Rodriguez, Jaily Sebastian, and Jordyn Wall-Carty.

Sheryl Kalter Memorial Scholarship: Daris Koljenovic.

Woodridge Kiwanis Scholarship: Isabelle Batista, Evyonna Gilliard, Erli Maldonado Garcia, Rachel Montenegro Sandoval, Bella Muscia, Brianna Noller, Cecelia Riker Lainez, Nicholas Storms, and Elisheva Sudranski.



From President's Corner

Lori Orestano-James

So much to do...so little time left in the Rotary Year 2024-25. So...

A reminder to sell your Bar-B-Que tickets for the BBQ scheduled for next week. If you still have not received your tickets, please contact me to set a time to meet. We will need everyone's sale count by next Sunday so we know what we have left to sell at the door. This is generally a sold out event, so the count is important. Three tickets are part of your dues. Seven tickets are to sell or return. If you don't sell or return them, you will be invoiced for the outstanding tickets. So...let's make this another sell out year.

Those assisting for set up are asked to arrive at DeHoyas Park at 2:30.

There will be a Monster Run Committee Meeting tonight at 5:30. Please see the story section of the MontiGram for more information on registering for the race (and, of course - to share the info!)

Monticello Rotary is set to sponsor the new Rotary Club - Sullivan Central Rotary Club. The club is formed to start on July 1, 2025. The work done to make this happen was a labor of love of what Rotary means to so many. We are excited to sponsor the new club, look forward to our continued work together, to assist as its sponsor club, and to grow together in this new Rotary direction.

The Annual Dues Notice have been sent to your email addresses. A reminder to all that the Annual Rotary Year begins on July 1, 2025 and dues should be paid accordingly. Any questions or concerns, please let me know after you receive your invoice.

Guest Speaker - Barry Paxen, Publisher of The Canvas. We will also present our Rotary Scholarships.

Agenda for June 10, 2025

1. Meeting Called to Order - President Lori Orestano-James
2. Pledge of Allegiance - Past President Les Kristt
3. Introduction of Guests of Members - Full Membership
4. Program (See above)
5. Committee Reports:

Scholarship Committee Presentation - Marty Miller

Rotary Radio - Rick Stein

BBQ - Alex Rey

Golf Tournament - Bob Ernst

6. Regional Updates/District Updates - 7210 Conference Report Out

7. Old Business

8. New Business

9. Happy Dollars

10. 50/50

11. Adjourn

Link for Zoom Meeting Sign-on:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88506100931?pwd=MUNmWnhZanR6M2lCSy9McjNQSTBudz09>

Some upcoming important dates to mark on your calendar:

Monster Run Meeting - June 10, 2025, 5:30 - Albella Restaurant
Monticello Rotary Scholarship Presentations - Tuesday, June 10, 2025 during our regular meeting.

Monticello Rotary Annual Chicken Bar-B-Que and Scholarship Presentation Awards Night - Tuesday, June 17, 2025
 4pm - 7pm. DeHoyas Park Rotary Pavilion, Monticello.

Our Motto: Service Above Self -

How have you meet that goal lately?

Lastly, our meetings are hybrid. We would love to see you at

our meetings either in-person or and/or Zoom. For those of you who attend regularly, we thank you for your commitment.

With Rotary Pride,

Lori Orestano-James

President Monticello Rotary 2024-2025

Stories

Monti Rotary Set for 47th Annual Monster Run

The Monticello Rotary Club 47th Annual Monster Run Classic will be held on Sunday, August 3, 2025 starting at 8:30am at Resorts World-Catskills in Monticello, New York. The proceeds from the 2025 Monster Classic race will benefit the Sullivan County Veterans Coalition and is an event run by Monticello Rotary as part of Sullivan County Patriots Day.

Each year this community event draws hundreds of walkers, runners and spectators from all over New York State. This race is expected to draw another very large turnout for this year's event.

The race consists of 5K and 10K running and 5K walk events for the whole family. This course proves to be challenging and is considered by many one of the best run/walk courses in the area. In addition, health, wellness and running related businesses will have information and free screenings on site during the event. Raffles, door prizes and an auction round out this family fun filled event.

The major goal of Rotary is to serve the community. The proceeds for this year's race will help local veterans to meet needs of everyday living. According to Monticello Rotary Club President Les Kristt, "Too many of our veterans need assistance with heating, food, transportation for medical serves, rent and mortgage assistance just to name a few. They have given to us all through their service to our country. Monticello Rotary is glad to sponsor this race to raise awareness and funds as a way of giving back to those who served and are currently serving."

Many veterans sign up to participate. Their motto is, "Our Colors: Red, White & Blue Never Run.....Except for the Monti Rotary Monster Run!" They look forward to running/walking with those they served to protect.

Special thanks to Resorts World Casino for serving as a title sponsor and enabling Monticello Rotary to return the race to its Monster Classic home. Sponsorships at other levels are still available.

So, whether you choose to run or walk any of the races, cheer on and be a supportive spectator, come out to show your patriotic support for the veterans, volunteer for the race needs, win some wonderful prizes or you are just attending to enjoy a beautiful Sunday morning in the Catskills, you will be sure to have a great time while supporting a great cause!

Registrations can be completed online prior to the event at <https://runsignup.com/Race/NY/Monticello/MonsterClassic> For further information about the race, please contact Race Co-Chairs Orshii Boldiis or Les Kristt via email at RotaryMontiMonsterRun@hotmail.com or call (845) 798-1770.

Monticello Rotary Supports DARE

The Monticello Rotary Club was pleased to present a check for \$750, to Sheriff Mike Schiff and his team (Undersheriff Eric Chabody and Sgt. Rose Ionta - Youth Division) to support the DARE program. Monti Rotary has been a longtime supporter of the Sullivan County Sheriff Offices' DARE program. As a matter of fact, the Monticello Rotary Club was instrumental in bringing the DARE Program to Sullivan County.

In 1988-89, Richard Sush was the First Vice President for Monticello Rotary Club. As incoming President for the 1989-90 year, he had the responsibility to choose a project for the service club to work on during his presidency. Since his background is in counseling, he felt strongly about finding a program/project focused on the drug abuse issues of the day as the club's goal for his year as President. He researched options and discovered a program which had education of students and police in schools as the foundation of the program that he liked - DARE. (Contd. Pg. 48)

Montigram (From Pg. 47)

Over the years, some amazing law enforcement leaders such as Cheryl Crumley, Don Starner, Willie Van Hage, Jason Corley, and Luis Alvarez to name a few, have ensured that all 5th grade students in Sullivan County have the opportunity to become a DARE Graduate.



When Sheriff Mike Schiff took office in 2005, he made a commitment the Sullivan County Community to be sure the DARE Program would be rebuilt and supported as part of an effort to provide youth services in Sullivan County. He created a Youth Division in Sullivan County to provide DARE, School Resource Officers, Summer Camp Initiatives, Professional Development to Sheriff Deputies in working with youth, and networked across the county creating a strong working relationship with youth services providers.

Monticello Rotary is proud to remain a partner in the DARE Program with Sheriff Schiff and his team. Some say that DARE doesn't work. Monticello Rotary President Lori James who presented the donation on behalf of Monticello Rotary responds to that opinion stating, "The reality is, if just one life is influenced for good in the anti-drug message and more importantly, the positive choices taught through this program, then that is a life helped and saved. And, that is the very definition of success."

Sheriff Schiff and his team spoke to the Monticello Rotary Club to give an update on DARE and Youth Services available to our schools and community. Sheriff Schiff thanked the club for its unwavering support of DARE all the years.

Monti Rotary Delivers Over \$7300 Donation from Taste of Sullivan

Monticello Rotary was proud to present a check for over \$7300 to CEO Kathy Kreiter from the Sullivan County Federation for the Homeless.

The Monticello Rotary held its 2nd Annual Taste of Sullivan at SUNY Sullivan in April hoping to top the over \$3000 donated from the event last year. And boy - did Monticello Rotary deliver more than doubling last years efforts to ensure food security and homelessness have continued funding in our community.

ToS Chair Helen Diehl thanked all the club members for their support in the success in making this event possible. In addition, she reminded all to support the Sullivan County Restaurants who supported our event providing a sampling of their signature dishes and the many who provided gift certificates for the raffle.

Monticello Rotary President Lori Orestano-James praised Helen Diehl for her amazing vision and organizational skills in putting the event together. "The need in our community is great and having people like Helen and her team in place to lend that helping hand, ensures that at least one other life is improved."

Monticello Rotary supports The Sullivan County Federation throughout the year with community service projects such as Food Drives, Coat/Sock/Mitten Drives, Taste of Sullivan, and volunteer help at the Federation. Please visit the Federation online at <http://www.scfederation.org/> to find out how you can help in the efforts of "Service Above Self."

SCDW Fabulous Production -Sister Act, A Divine Musical Comedy

The Sullivan County Dramatic Workshop is blessed with its fabulous production, Sister Act, A divine musical comedy, live on-stage at the Rivoli Theatre in South Fallsburg. This show is full of music, mishaps and nuns on the run as Disco Diva, Deloris Van Cartier (played by Kayla Lindstadt), hides in a convent after witnessing her boyfriend, Curtis Jackson (Dylan Jones), commit murder!

With a huge cast of talented local actors, backed by an equally large support company, you will probably recognize the names of the volunteers who build and paint the sets, design

and sew the costumes, manage the stage, play in the pit band, man the concession and do whatever needs to be done.

Sister Act is skillfully directed by Alexis Costa with gifted Musical Director Amy Phillips. The multi-skilled Producer is Anna Puleo.

You don't want to miss this heavenly, musical comedy that proves nothing can stand in the way of "sisterhood".

Performances are at the Rivoli Theatre in South Fallsburg on Fridays and Saturdays, June 13, 14, 20 & 21 at 8:00 PM and Sundays, June 15 & 22 at 2:00 PM. General admission is \$18; \$15 for seniors, students, military. Advance tickets at onthestage.tickets.sullivan-county-dramatic-workshop.



June Agricultural Workshops from CCE Sullivan's Agricultural Department

LIBERTY, NY - Every program at CCE Sullivan, no matter its subject focus, strives to improve the quality of life for residents in Sullivan County through educational resources and opportunities. For June, Cornell Cooperative Extension Sullivan County's (CCESC) agricultural department is excited to announce the following programs and workshops geared to support farmers through the year:

1. **Farmland Forever:** Understanding Easements and Funding for Long-Term Farm Viability

Wednesday, June 4th, 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

CCE Sullivan, 64 Ferndale Loomis Rd., Liberty, NY

Learn how conservation easements can be tailored to protect farmland, support farm viability, and preserve working landscapes for future generations. We will begin with a presentation from Michael Sweeton, Orange County Land Trust Community Liason, on agriculture friendly conservation easements. Shanna Abeles, OCLT Conservation Project Manager, will provide an overview of New York State's Farmland Protection Implementation Grant (FPIG) program, followed by a Q&A and open discussion.

2. **Farmer Mixer and Tour at Little Pebble Farm**

Tuesday June 10th 5:00 PM - 1:00 PM

101-103 Knob Hill Rd., Wurtsboro, NY

Join us at Little Pebble Farm for great conversation and community with seasoned, beginner, and aspiring farmers in our region! This is a potluck, please bring food and drinks to share.

3. **Lunch & Learn Webinar with NY FarmNet**

Thursday, June 12th, 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM - Webinar

Learn about the business support and personal well-being services NY Farm Net provides to New York's agricultural community. Join us for a presentation and stay for a Q&A session! Learn about the free and confidential services available including business services such as:

- o financial planning
- o farm business planning
- o transition and succession planning
- o risk management
- o market diversification support.

Additionally, they offer personal well-being services including stress management, mental health support, family and relationship assistance, crisis intervention, and behavioral health resources.

Participation in these programs is free to all attendees! If interested in any of these opportunities, please visit <https://sullivancce.org/events> to learn more and to register. Registration is required. Those with related questions can contact the CCESC office at (845) 292-6180 or sullivan@cornell.edu. Many more agricultural programs and events are to come, so stay tuned!

Cornell Cooperative Extension Sullivan County provides equal program and employment opportunities. The public can contact the office to request accommodations.

Sullivan Fresh Cooking Class Fundraiser Returns with Summer Flavors and Community Impact

Liberty, NY - Following the overwhelming success of our March cooking class, Cornell Cooperative Extension Sullivan County is thrilled to announce the next installment of our community-centered culinary series: the Sullivan Fresh Cooking Class and Fundraiser, taking place on Wednesday, June 18, 2025, from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM in our brand-new, fully-equipped teaching kitchen in the Extension Education Center at 64 Ferndale-Loomis Road, Liberty, NY 12754.

Led by the talented Chef Erin Moore, this hands-on workshop will explore the vibrant flavors of summer. Participants will cook a full seasonal dinner using farm-fresh, locally sourced ingredients while learning practical kitchen skills and food knowledge. Chef Erin will guide attendees through the preparation process, sharing her culinary expertise and passion for food justice.

Chef Erin, a Wurtsboro native and founder of Hermana Catering, brings years of experience from NYC's elite culinary scene and a deep commitment to community nourishment. Her motto, "Food should be luxurious but not a luxury," reflects the spirit of this event.

A Proven Recipe for Success

Our March 13th class was a triumph, raising funds for the Sullivan Fresh Food Security Program and bringing together community members for an evening of learning, laughter, and delicious food. Attendees praised the event for its welcoming atmosphere, practical tips, and the joy of cooking and dining together.

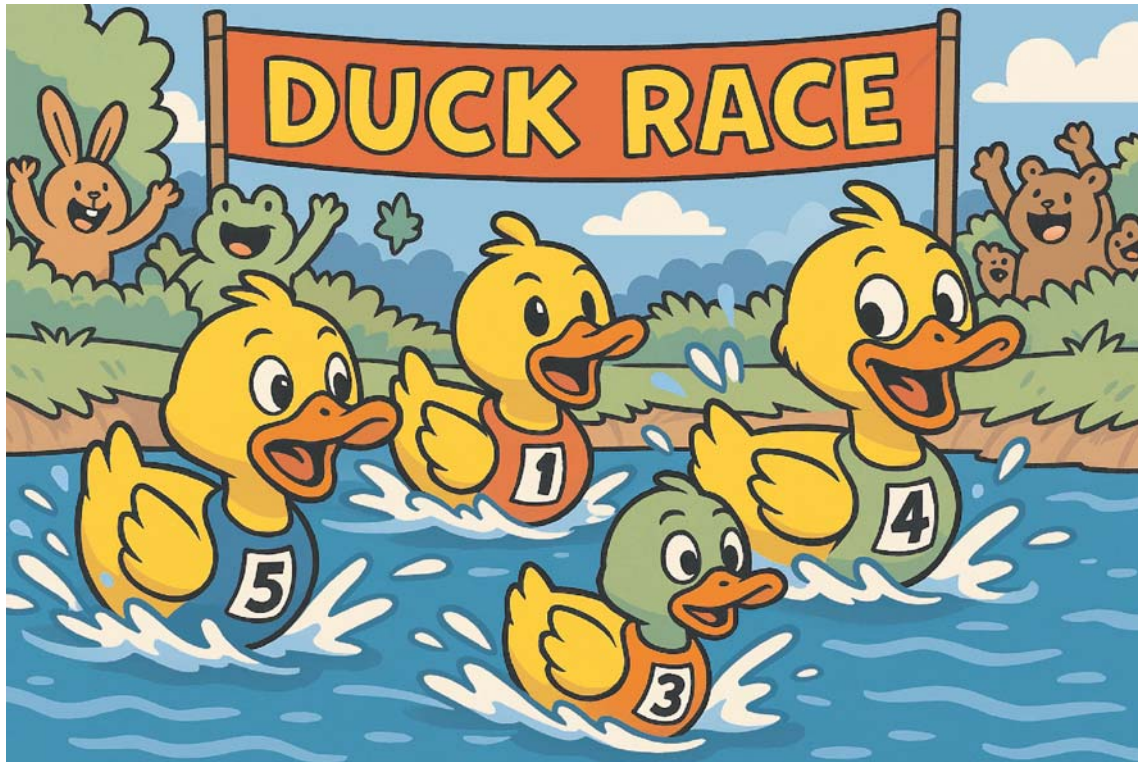
Support a Worthy Cause

Registration for the class includes a \$65.00 fee, of which all proceeds will be put towards and benefit the Sullivan Fresh Food Security Program. This program works to ensure access to healthy, nutritious food for all Sullivan County residents through Farmers Markets, Mobile Markets and the Community Cupboard Food Pantry. All participation helps fund future programming for underserved communities and strengthens our local food system.

Spaces are limited and filling fast! Participants are encouraged to reserve a spot today at \$65 per person and be part of a movement that's changing lives-one meal at a time. Registration is required. Those with related questions can contact the CCESC office at (845) 292-6180 or sullivan@cornell.edu. To learn more about the Sullivan Fresh program, visit our website at

www.sullivanfreshmarkets.org.

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OUR DUCK RACE MASCOT IS
MISSING!!
HELP US FIND HIM.

Three years ago, Kiwanis of Woodridge welcomed its first annual Kiwanis Duck Race, a cheerful splash-fest where rubber ducks raced down the Morningside Creek for charity. What started as a simple fundraiser soon became our best fun event!

Last year, a lack of rain meant water in the creek was non-existent. Hurleyville Fire Department stepped in to rescue the event by flooding the creek with water from their tanker. We can't thank them enough!

This year our prized golden duck, Patty Quack, the honorary race leader set to kick off the event this year in style, has mysteriously vanished. Townsfolk have various theories: a rogue squirrel with a taste for rubber? A jealous rival duck? A daring heist by a duck-loving secret society? Everyone is encouraged to submit their own theories about what really happened to Paddy Quack at kiwanisofwoodridge@gmail.com

The hunt is on! A reward is offered for the best "Missing" poster. Bring your "Missing" poster to the Duck Race for judging. You could win a great prize. (Posters will be judged in the following categories - Children 5 - 12; Adult 13 and up). Judging will be done by "Paddy Quack & friends - if he's found on time .

See you at the Duck Race - Morningside Park, Hurleyville, NY on Saturday, July 12, 2025@ 11:00 A.M.!

Flea Market/Craft Fair

Saturday, July 12th, 10am-4pm
Big Indian Park
Route 28, Big Indian, NY

- ▶ Food - Ice Cream - Local Treats
- ▶ Local Vendors
- ▶ Fun for all!
- ▶ Raffle and prizes!
- ▶ Come out and support your local Fire Co!



Vendors Wanted

- \$25.00 per space
- Bring your own tables, tents, chairs
- Clean out your closets, garages and sell all those unwanted items!

Vendors - Fill out the below and return with your \$25.00 Fee:

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Phone: _____ Email: _____

What you are selling: _____

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Mail to: Mary Lou Stapleton, Box 85, Big Indian, NY 12410

Questions to: marylou.stapleton@aol.com



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Setting the Record Straight on the One Big Beautiful Bill

Just a few weeks ago, the House passed the One Big Beautiful Bill, a major step toward lowering taxes for hardworking American families and small businesses, securing our borders, unleashing American energy, and restoring common sense in Washington.

Now, as this historic America First legislation moves to the Senate for consideration, misinformation is spreading fast. We want to make sure you have the facts about how this bill will benefit NY-24.

Our office remains committed to keeping you informed and ensuring transparency while standing up for policies that put American families first.

QUESTION: Did the Reconciliation bill cut Medicaid?

Absolutely not. This bill strengthens and sustains vital programs like Medicaid for Americans who need and deserve them the most. There are currently 4.8 million able-bodied adults choosing not to work and 1.4 million illegal immigrants enrolled in Medicaid. This legislation protects Medicaid for those who truly need it, including mothers, children, people with disabilities, and elderly Americans, by removing ineligible individuals from the rolls. That means no cuts to care for the vulnerable and a system no longer burdened by those who aren't working or who do not qualify.

QUESTION: Are the bill's work requirements for SNAP too burdensome?

Currently, only 28% of able-bodied adults without dependents (ABAWDs) on SNAP have earned income from work. These work requirements are not cruel - they reflect the dignity of work. ABAWDs are simply being asked to work, volunteer, or participate in job training for 20 hours per week. By doing so, we are ensuring SNAP prioritizes American citizens and remains viable for future generations. We are working to close loopholes that enable abuse, encourage state cost-sharing, and reinstate reasonable, historically bipartisan work requirements to this critical program.

QUESTION: Does this bill pay for tax cuts for billionaires

This legislation contains an extension of the 2017 Tax Cuts and Jobs Act, which primarily benefited working-class Americans. Thanks to the Trump Tax Cuts, the top 1% paid MORE income taxes than ever before-over 45% of all taxes. Now, the top 10% of earners pay over 75% of all income taxes. Meanwhile, the bottom 50% of earners paid LESS income taxes than ever before. To maintain these tax cuts for working families, we must extend and expand the TCJA, which will be done in the One Big Beautiful Bill. Failing to do so would result in a 25% tax increase for the average NY-24 family. This means a family of 4 making \$69,878, the median income in NY-24, would see a \$1,373 tax increase. That's roughly 7 weeks of groceries for the typical family of 4.

Unleashing American Energy with the Freedom to Frack Act

President Trump has taken bold and decisive steps to unleash American energy dominance through a series of Executive Orders. Now it's time for states like New York to fall in line. That's why I reintroduced the Freedom to Frack Act, legislation that pushes back against Albany's anti-science, politically driven ban on hydraulic fracturing. New York's refusal to embrace our nation's abundant natural resources is not only economically irresponsible, it's un-American. This bill ensures that states standing in the way of American energy independence face consequences, including the loss of federal funding. For too long, New York's baseless energy restrictions have blocked access to valuable resources, costing jobs and hindering growth. By lifting these barriers, we can boost our economy, create thousands of good-paying jobs, and fully tap into America's energy potential.

Standing Strong Against a Nuclear Iran

This week, I led a letter calling for the Trump administration to remain firm in its negotiations with Iran and ensure that any nuclear agreement fully and permanently dismantles Iran's ability to enrich uranium.

Iran's continued uranium enrichment, dangerously close to weapons-grade level, is one of the greatest threats to peace in the Middle East and to our own national security. That's why I'm calling on the administration to reject any deal that doesn't eliminate this capability outright. If Iran refuses to cooperate, we're also urging the administration to work with our allies and trigger snapback sanctions-a powerful enforcement tool to hold the IRGC accountable.

This is a critical moment for U.S. foreign policy. We must stand united and send a clear message: no uranium enrichment or no deal.

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

H.R.3699, Energy Choice Act: This bill bars state and local governments from blocking or restricting the connection, reconnection, installation, modification, transportation, distribution, or expansion of any energy source legally sold in America for end-use delivery. Doing so will restore certainty for both energy producers and consumers by stopping reckless and economically damaging bans on proven energy sources. This bill guarantees that all Americans retain access to dependable, affordable energy without being penalized by ideologically driven restrictions.

H.R. 3164, the Ensuring Community Access to Pharmacist Services (ECAPS) Act: This bipartisan bill that allows Medicare to reimburse pharmacists for providing essential testing and treatment services for common infectious diseases like flu, RSV, strep throat, and COVID-19. The bill applies only in states that already permit pharmacists to perform these services under state law. This legislation is especially important for seniors and rural residents in New York's 24th district, who often face barriers to accessing timely care. Pharmacists are among the most accessible healthcare providers, with nearly 90% of Americans live within five miles of a pharmacy, and in many rural areas, pharmacists are the only available provider. By authorizing Medicare Part B payment for pharmacist-delivered care, ECAPS helps ensure vulnerable populations can receive prompt diagnosis and treatment for conditions that, if left unaddressed, can become life-threatening. (Contd. Pg. 54)

This Week with Claudia

(From Pg. 53)

Transparency in Congress and a well-informed electorate are vital to preserving our self-governing Constitutional Republic. My constituents deserve to know how their members of Congress vote, which is why I have explained every vote I have cast in Congress since I was first elected.

Monday, June 3

I voted "Yes" on H.R. 1642, the Connecting Small Businesses with Career and Technical Education Graduates Act. This bill directs Small Business Development Centers (SBDCs) and Women's Business Centers (WBCs) to promote career and technical education (CTE) by connecting small businesses with CTE program graduates for hiring opportunities. It also requires SBDCs and WBCs to inform CTE students and alumni about the tools, resources, and services available to help them launch and grow their own small businesses. This will help expand career opportunities and entrepreneurship among CTE students and grow our workforce. This bill passed by a vote of 396-5.

I voted "Yes" on H.R. 1804, the 7(a) Loan Agent Oversight Act. This bill requires the Office of Credit Risk Management to submit an annual report to Congress detailing the number of 7(a) loan agents assisting applicants, the number of fraudulent loans involving those agents, and other key data to support congressional oversight of the 7(a) loan agent program. This will improve transparency and accountability in lending involving 7(a) loan agents. This bill passed by a vote of 405-3.

Tuesday, June 4

I voted "Yes" on H.R. 2483, the SUPPORT for Patients and Communities Reauthorization Act of 2025. This bill reauthorizes substance use treatment and prevention programs that have been a critical tool in our efforts to address the fentanyl and opioid crisis that continues to devastate families and communities in upstate New York. With fentanyl now responsible for 70% of all overdose deaths, reauthorizing these public health programs is more important than ever. H.R. 2483 ensures that first responders have access to naloxone, expands treatment options for pregnant and postpartum women, strengthens Prescription Drug Monitoring Programs, supports workforce reintegration for those in recovery, and continues funding for Comprehensive Opioid Recovery Centers. This bill provides real solutions to help those struggling with addiction, protects public safety, and restores hope for New York communities. This bill passed by a vote of 366-57.

Thursday, June 5

I voted "Yes" on H.R. 2931, the Save SBA from Sanctuary Cities Act of 2025. This bill directs the Administrator of the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) to relocate offices located within sanctuary cities and jurisdictions to non-sanctuary municipalities. The offices may relocate within a state as long as they move to another local jurisdiction that is not a sanctuary jurisdiction. Small businesses are the backbone of our communities, and this legislation ensures that federal resources are safeguarded for communities that adhere to federal immigration enforcement and prioritize the safety of American citizens. This bill passed by a vote of 211-199.

I voted "Yes" on H.R. 2987, the CEASE Act of 2025. This bill would limit the number of for-profit Small Business Lending Companies (SBLCs) programs under the Small Business Administration (SBA) to 16. In 2023, the Biden Administration issued a final rule that lifted the SBA's longstanding moratorium on licensing for new SBLCs and added a new type of lending entity called a Community Advantage (CA) SBLC which was nothing more than a thinly veiled attempt to include more DEI lend-

ing programs. This bill passed by a vote of 214-198.

Friday, June 6

I voted "Yes" on H.R. 2966, the American Entrepreneurs First Act of 2025. This bill would direct the Administrator of the Small Business Administration (SBA) to strengthen eligibility requirements for the 7(a) small business loan and 504 small business loan programs to require citizenship verification. This bill comes after a statement on March 6, 2025, by SBA Administrator Loeffler that the SBA had halted a loan approved under the Biden administration for \$783,000 that was for a business owned by an illegal immigrant. Strengthening requirements to ensure SBA resources and program funds are not accessed by illegal aliens and other unqualified individuals is key to safeguarding taxpayer dollars and eliminating fraud, waste, and abuse. This bill passed by a vote of 217-190.



It was another busy week in Washington. I wanted to take a moment and update you on what I've been doing to make the Hudson Valley more affordable, more safe, and more free:

FIGHTING TO END CORRUPTION AND CLEAN UP D.C.

For too long, politicians in both parties have put their own gain ahead of what's best for the American people.

The brazen corruption of the last few months has only highlighted the need for urgent action. It is time for comprehensive reform to ensure politicians serve the people, not themselves.

No more getting rich off trading stocks. An end to Members of Congress becoming lobbyists. Getting rid of kickbacks for billionaire friends.

I'm proud to be working alongside a group of next-generation lawmakers who refuse to accept the status quo.

We're here to clean things up.

CONDEMNING THE ANTISEMITIC ATTACK IN BOULDER

I was heartbroken and horrified to hear about the blatant, cruel antisemitic attack in Boulder.

Antisemitism has absolutely no place in our country.

My heart is with Jewish communities across the Hudson Valley & nation.

HONORING A HUDSON VALLEY KOREAN WAR HERO

In January, after years of pushing, I was proud to be at the White House as PFC Charles Johnson was finally awarded the Medal of Honor he earned in Korea.

Last weekend, I joined his family at Arlington High School to honor his extraordinary life and rename the Millbrook VFW in his memory.

Read more: Mid Hudson News: Medal of Honor recipient posthumously honored by hundreds

<https://midhudsonnews.com/2025/05/29/medal-of-honor-recipient-posthumously-honored-by-hundreds/>

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

Every person in the Hudson Valley, no matter where they live, deserves access to high quality services in their own home town. (Contd. Pg. 55)

Pat Ryan (From Pg. 54)

We're marshaling every tool at our disposal to help folks with our C.A.R.E.S Van. Now more than ever, people need support.

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

This week I was excited to announce our C.A.R.E.S. Van events for June! Check out the schedule below to find an event near you!

Learn more about the C.A.R.E.S. Van: Spectrum News: Hudson Valley residents seek answers on Medicaid, Social Security <https://spectrumlocalnews.com/nys/hudson-valley/news/2025/05/20/congressman-pat-ryan-s-c-a-r-e-s-van-visits-plattekill-library>

And view the full event schedule: After Voting Against GOP Bill That Drives Up Costs and Takes Healthcare From Hudson Valley Families, Congressman Ryan's C.A.R.E.S. Van to Provide Direct Assistance Across the Hudson Valley in June

<https://patryan.house.gov/media/press-releases/after-voting-against-gop-bill-drives-costs-and-takes-healthcare-hudson-valley>

MOURNING JUDIH AND GADI HAGGAI

Orange County's Judih Weinstein Haggai was a beloved teacher; Gadi was a talented musician.

The past 600+ days have brought unimaginable grief to the Haggai family. Though the pain of 10/7 will never fade, finally, we have some closure.

May their memory be a blessing.

Read more: BBC: Israeli military recovers two hostages' bodies in southern Gaza

[https://www.bbc.com/news/articles/c989rl23zzno?at_link_id=D486A576-41E1-11F0-965F-](https://www.bbc.com/news/articles/c989rl23zzno?at_link_id=D486A576-41E1-11F0-965F-A151D5B5CA9B&at_campaign=Social_Flow&at_link_type=web_link&at_format=link&at_bbc_team=editorial&at_medium=social&at_ptr_name=twitter&at_link_origin=BBCBreaking&at_campaign_type=owned)

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THANKING GOSHEN FIREFIGHTERS FOR THEIR BRAVERY

I'm absolutely heartbroken to hear about the tragic fire in Goshen that stole the lives of a father & his two sons.

I want to thank our first responders for their bravery - my heart is with the entire Goshen community.

DELIVERING RELIEF FOR ORANGE COUNTY FLOOD VICTIMS

Last week I was excited to announce that we secured the Town of Woodbury \$2 million to repair severe damage to the Earl Reservoir Dam.

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

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

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

I'll keep pushing to ensure everyone in our Hudson

Valley community gets the relief they deserve.

You can read the full press release and learn more about my continuing efforts to recover from the 2023 floods and deliver relief here: Congressman Pat Ryan Delivers Relief to Orange County Flood Victims <https://patryan.house.gov/media/press-releases/congressman-pat-ryan-delivers-relief-orange-county-flood-victims>

CELEBRATING PRIDE MONTH IN THE HUDSON VALLEY

The Hudson Valley is a home for everyone - no matter who you are or who you love.

This month and every single day, I'll continue fighting for equality for every member of our community.

My team attended the New Paltz Pride Parade this week to kick things off, and I'm looking forward to celebrating with communities across the Hudson Valley all month.

COMMEMORATING D-DAY

81 years ago, Allied forces bravely stormed the beaches at Normandy to fight for freedom and defend democracy.

As we commemorate D-Day, let us remember the heroes of that day and honor the sacrifices they made for our country.

CELEBRATING SHAVUOT

This week marked the holiday of Shavuot, which commemorates the receiving of the Torah at Mount Sinai.

To everyone who celebrated across the Hudson Valley, Chag Sameach!

RECOGNIZING WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY!

From combating PCBs in the Hudson River, to fighting PFAS contamination at Stewart, to removing toxic lead cables in Wappingers Falls, this this World Environment Day & every day, I'm pushing for the clean water, soil, & air that Hudson Valley families deserve.

ORANGE COUNTY SENIOR HEALTH AND FITNESS DAY

It was great to have my team attend the Orange County Senior Health and Fitness Day last week! There were more than 500 community members in attendance.

Special shout out to Jerry Dash, a Korean War veteran who was honored and celebrated his 90th birthday at the event.

GRANTS CORNER

APPLICATIONS OPEN FOR:

Upcoming CFA Information Sessions

The Mid-Hudson Consolidated Funding Application (CFA) information sessions offer valuable opportunities to become familiar with the application process and connect directly with agency representatives.

Join Empire State Development (ESD) for a CFA information session to learn more about the funding opportunities available through this year's application round. ESD team members will be available to answer questions.

Virtual Session - Wednesday, June 11, 2025

Focus: Municipal Applicants

10:00AM - 11:00AM

Virtual Session - Wednesday, June 18, 2025

Focus: For-Profit Business, Not-for-Profits, etc.

3:00PM - 4:00PM (Contd. Pg 56)

Pat Ryan (From Pg. 55)

In-Person Session - Thursday, June 26, 2025

All Interested Applicants

10:00AM - 11:00AM

New York Medical College, 40 Sunshine Cottage Road, Valhalla, NY 1095, Terence Cardinal Cooke Auditorium, Basic Sciences Building

FY2024 Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER) and Fire Prevention & Safety (FP&S)

The SAFER Program provides funding directly to fire departments and volunteer firefighter interest organizations to assist in increasing the number of firefighters.

The FP&S Program supports projects that enhance the safety of the public and firefighters from fire and related hazards.

The FY2024 SAFER and FP&S application periods opened May 23 at 9 a.m. ET and will close on THURSDAY July 3 at 5 p.m. ET.

First Round of FY 2026 New York State Council on the Arts Grants

The FY2026 application periods for Support for Organizations, Support for Artists, Support for Targeted Opportunities, and Support for Re-grants and Services are now open.

This grant opportunity offers essential funding for general operations, artist support, rehearsal space, apprenticeships, and residencies.

The deadline to apply is Thursday, June 26, 2025, at 5 p.m.

FY2025 Regional Food System Partnerships Program (RFSP)

The RFSP supports partnerships that connect public and private resources to plan and develop local or regional food systems. The RFSP focuses on building and strengthening local or regional food economy viability and resilience. Applicants will work with their partners to catalyze the development of local or regional food systems.

RFSP offers two types of projects, 24-month Planning and Design and 36-month Implementation and Expansion Projects.

Applications are due on June 27, 2025.

National Fish and Wildlife Foundation Request for Proposals**Acres for America 2025**

Acres for America is the NFWF's premier land conservation program and was established to provide urgently needed funding for projects that conserve important large-scale habitats for fish, wildlife, and plants through voluntary land acquisitions and perpetual conservation easements.

This Request for Proposals will gather pre-proposals nationwide. NFWF will then choose a few applicants to submit full proposals. Applicants are encouraged to contact their regional NFWF office before submitting a pre-proposal to discuss project concepts and ideas.

Invite-Only Full Proposal Due Date: July 9, 2025, by 11:59 pm ET

Northeast Forests and Rivers Fund 2025

The National Fish and Wildlife Foundation is soliciting proposals for the Northeast Forests and Rivers Fund to restore and sustain healthy rivers, forests and grasslands that provide habitat for diverse fish and wildlife populations.

Full Proposal Due Date: June 26, 2025, 11:59 PM EDT

2025 COPS Office School Violence Prevention Program

The goal of this program is to improve security at schools and on school grounds through the implementation of evidence-based school safety programs and technology.

Applications are due by June 26, 2025 at 4:59 PM ET.

2025 COPS Hiring Program (CHP)

The goal of this program is to provide funding directly to law enforcement agencies to hire and/or rehire additional career law enforcement officers in an effort to increase their community policing capacity and crime prevention efforts.

Applications are due by Tuesday, July 1, 2025, at 4:59 PM ET.

FY 2025 Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A)

The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) established the Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) competitive grant program with \$5 billion in appropriated funds over 5 years, 2022-2026. The SS4A program funds regional, local, and Tribal initiatives through grants to prevent roadway fatalities and serious injuries. The SS4A program provides funding for two main types of grants: Planning and Demonstration Grants for Action Plans, including supplemental safety planning and/or safety demonstration activities, and Implementation Grants.

The FY 2025 NOFO substantively differs from the FY 2024 NOFO, be sure to review it closely. The deadline for applications is June 26, 2025, at 5:00 p.m. (EDT)

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

COPS Anti-Methamphetamine Program (CAMP)

The 2025 COPS Anti-Methamphetamine Program is a competitive grant program that advances public safety by providing funds directly to state law enforcement agencies to investigate illicit activities related to the manufacture and distribution of methamphetamine.

Up to \$16 million is available for this program.

Applications are due by July 2, 2025 at 4:59 PM ET.

Anti-Heroin Task Force (AHTF) Program

The 2025 Anti-Heroin Task Force program is a competitive grant program that assists state law enforcement agencies in states with high per capita rates of primary treatment admissions for both heroin and other opioids. AHTF funds must be used for investigative purposes to locate or investigate illicit activities through statewide collaboration related to the distribution of heroin, fentanyl, carfentanil, or other opioids, or the unlawful distribution of prescription opioids.

Up to \$35 million is available for this program.

Applications are due by July 2, 2025 at 4:59 PM ET.

Law Enforcement Mental Health and Wellness Act (LEMHWA) Program

The 2025 Law Enforcement Mental Health and Wellness Act program funds the delivery of and access to mental health and wellness services, training, and programming for employees of law enforcement agencies and their families through the implementation of peer support, training, family resources, suicide prevention, stress reduction, clinical support, and other promising practices for wellness programs.

The 2025 LEMHWA program will fund projects that:

Increase law enforcement agency capacity to provide mental health and wellness training and resources for employees of law enforcement agencies and their families.

Increase law enforcement agency capacity to implement peer support networks for crisis and non-crisis circumstances. (Contd. Pg. 59)

Pat Ryan (From Pg. 56 Increase law enforcement agency capacity to address and reduce the stigma associated with officer mental health and wellness by supporting the implementation of mental health education and development of resources.

All local, state, territorial, and tribal law enforcement agencies that have primary law enforcement authority are eligible to apply.

Up to \$9.8 million is available for this program.

Applications are due by June 30, 2025 at 4:59 PM ET.

Community Policing Development (CPD) - Accreditation

The CPD - Accreditation program awards funding for law enforcement agencies to complete the process of accreditation, as well as the work of national and state accreditation bodies that support accreditation.

The FY25 CPD - Accreditation Program has two open funding opportunities:

Enhancing Law Enforcement Accreditation Entities

Supporting Law Enforcement Agencies Seeking Accreditation

Approximately \$4 million is available for this program.

Applications are due by June 30, 2025 at 4:59 PM ET.

Community Policing Development (CPD) - Law Enforcement Products and Resources

The CPD - Law Enforcement Products and Resources program funds the development of products and resources specifically designed for national distribution that offer creative ideas to uplift the image of the law enforcement profession, advance crime fighting, or support community policing efforts through community engagement, problem solving, or organizational change.

High priority areas of focus may include (but are not limited to) topics such as violent crime prevention, immigration issues and border security, child trafficking, street gangs, recruitment and hiring, gun violence and the enforcement of gun laws, opioids and drug market interruption, law enforcement task force engagement, homelessness and squatting, nuisance abatement, and other crime and disorder problems.

All for-profit (commercial) and nonprofit institutions, institutions of higher education, community groups, and faith-based organizations are eligible to apply, and up to \$8 million is available for this program.

Applications are due by June 30, 2025 at 4:59 PM ET.

Collaborative Reform Initiative (CRI)

The Collaborative Reform Initiative encompasses technical assistance programs offering expert services to state, local, territorial, and tribal law enforcement agencies, ranging in scope and complexity. Together, the services are designed to highlight best practices of law enforcement agencies and the many ways they are protecting Americans, enhancing officer safety and wellness, building agencies' capacity for self-improvement and effectiveness, and promoting community policing practices nationwide.

The 2025 CRI program offers an open solicitation for training providers in two topic areas:

Organizational Assessment - to provide in-depth assessments and long-term assistance to achieve and promote efficient agency operations and officer safety and positive policing practices.

Critical Response - to provide targeted technical assis-

tance to law enforcement agencies experiencing high-profile events, major incidents, or sensitive issues of varying need.

Applicant eligibility is limited to for-profit (commercial) organizations, nonprofit organizations, and institutions of higher education.

Approximately \$1 million is available for each open solicitation topic area.

Applications are due by June 30, 2025 at 4:59 PM ET

Safer Outcomes: Enhancing De-Escalation and Crisis Response Training for Law Enforcement (Safer Outcomes)

Safer Outcomes funds are used to promote training on de-escalation and crisis response for law enforcement officers, support personnel employed by law enforcement agencies, and mental health professionals working on crisis intervention teams as employees of a law enforcement agency or under a legal agreement with a law enforcement agency.

Supported training programs must address one or more of the following areas of focus: de-escalation tactics and alternatives to use of force; safely responding to an individual experiencing a mental or behavioral health or suicidal crisis; safe encounters with individuals with disabilities; successfully participating on a crisis intervention team; and making referrals to community-based services and support.

The 2025 Safer Outcomes program will encompass two separate solicitations:

Curriculum integration for law enforcement academies and state-level training commissions

Support for law enforcement agencies

Approximately \$18 million is available for this program.

Applications are due by June 30, 2025 at 4:59 PM ET.

COPS Blue Alert Program

The COPS Office administers the National Blue Alert Network, a voluntary nationwide system to give authorities an early warning of threats against law enforcement and to aid in the apprehension of suspects who have killed or seriously injured an officer or deputy.

The 2025 COPS Blue Alert Program seeks applications from organizations to support the COPS Office with coordinating the Blue Alert system. The primary objectives of the cooperative agreement to be funded are to expand awareness of the Blue Alert system through efforts that educate and inform non-Blue Alert states of the Blue Alert Network and develop monthly summaries of Blue Alert activations throughout the country, including highlighting accounts of heroism by law enforcement surrounding Blue Alert events.

Approximately \$150,000 is available for this program.

Applications are due by June 30, 2025 at 4:59 PM ET.

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

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

I look forward to hearing from you soon!



Welcome to Kirsten's New York Minute!

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

1. Working to lower prescription drug prices

Even with Medicare, the cost of prescription drugs can be astronomical. As a result, many seniors are forced to skip doses, cut pills in half, or otherwise alter their treatment to save money. That is unacceptable.

That's why Kirsten announced the Strengthening Medicare and Reducing Taxpayer (SMART) Prices Act, legislation to reduce the cost of prescription drugs for older Americans. This is a commonsense bill to help our seniors, and Kirsten is committed to fighting for its passage.

Read more

<https://suncommunitynews.com/news/118714/gillibrand-fights-to-lower-cost-of-seniors-prescription-drugs/>

2. Fighting for public broadcasting funding

President Trump's attack on public broadcasting is an attack on the local stations that serve our communities.

Kirsten is leading the charge to demand that the Trump administration back off its plan to rescind over \$1 billion in funding for the Corporation for Public Broadcasting, which allows our New York public broadcasting stations to provide educational programming, reliable and accurate news, and critical emergency alerts.

Read more. <https://www.npr.org/2025/06/04/g-s1-70455/democrats-oppose-trump-public-media-cuts-request-as-gop-plans-vote-to-defund-npr-pbs>

3. Protecting New York's national forest

The Finger Lakes National Forest isn't just a beautiful landscape--it's a thriving ecosystem that needs sustainable management.

President Trump's recent executive order to increase logging in national forests threatens the Finger Lakes National Forest's health and New York's tourism. Exploiting this land is unnecessary and irresponsible, and Kirsten is fighting to prevent it.

Read more

<https://www.fingerlakes1.com/2025/06/03/schumer-gillibrand-trump-logging-finger-lakes/>

4. Supporting aging farmers

To ensure that America's farms stay strong, we must support aging farmers and invest in rural communities.

This week, in her capacity as ranking member of the Senate Aging Committee, Kirsten held a hearing to high-

light the growing crisis posed by an aging agricultural workforce and the urgent need for policies that protect family farms, sustain food production, and support the next generation of American farmers.

Watch the hearing here. <https://www.aging.senate.gov/hearings/the-aging-farm-workforce-americas-vanishing-family-farms>

5. Sign up for Kirsten's Senior Scoop!

Want to learn more about Kirsten's efforts to protect Social Security, Medicare, Medicaid, senior nutrition programs, and more?

Sign up for Kirsten's new monthly newsletter, "Kirsten's Senior Scoop," to learn more about her work as ranking member of the U.S. Senate Special Committee on Aging!

Sign up here. <https://www.gillibrand.senate.gov/help/senate-aging-committee-newsletter/>

6. Helping 9/11 first responders

A retired FDNY member and 9/11 first responder contacted Kirsten's office for assistance after he was informed that, due to budget cuts, treatment for his pancreatic cancer would not be covered by the World Trade Center Health Program (WTCHP).

Kirsten's team contacted the WTCHP to support his request for emergency acceptance. The next day, the constituent was accepted into the program, and he can now begin his lifesaving treatment.

Individual casework is Kirsten's top priority. If you need help with any federal agency, contact her here.

<https://www.gillibrand.senate.gov/help/help-for-new-yorkers/>

Gillibrand Announces Legislation to Reduce the Cost of Prescription Drugs for Seniors

**Millions Of Older Adults Struggle To Afford Their Prescription Medication
Legislation Would Expand On Law That Lowers Costs For Prescription Drugs That Treat Diabetes, Kidney Disease, And Other Common Conditions**

WASHINGTON, D.C. - Today, U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand, the top-ranking Democrat on the Senate Aging Committee, held a virtual press conference to discuss the Strengthening Medicare and Reducing Taxpayer (SMART) Prices Act, legislation to reduce the cost of prescription drugs for seniors.

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Gillibrand Announces Legislation to Reduce the Cost of Prescription Drugs for Seniors

(From Pg. 58) The bill would lower the cost of some of the most expensive and commonly used prescription medications by enhancing the Department of Health and Human Services' (HHS) ability to negotiate directly with pharmaceutical companies on the price of certain prescription drugs covered under Medicare Part D. This will lower costs for people with Medicare while simultaneously reducing drug spending by the federal government.

“Even with Medicare, the cost of prescription drugs can be astronomical; as a result, many seniors are forced to skip doses, cut pills in half, or otherwise alter their treatment in an attempt to save money. That is unacceptable,” said Senator Gillibrand. “In 2022, we made major progress in reducing the cost of life-saving medications by passing legislation that allowed Medicare to negotiate the price of certain prescription drugs, including those that treat diabetes, heart failure, kidney disease, and blood cancer, among other common conditions. This bill expands on that victory and makes dozens more drugs subject to price negotiations. I look forward to getting it passed.”

Throughout her time in Congress, Gillibrand has fought to lower the cost of prescription drugs. In 2022, she helped pass the Inflation Reduction Act, which capped Medicare patients' out-of-pocket prescription drug costs at \$2,000 per year; empowered Medicare to negotiate prescription drug prices; and regulated price increases by drug companies. She is an original cosponsor of the Medicare for All Act, which would provide every American with prescription drug coverage at an affordable cost. In 2023, she joined a bipartisan push to lower out-of-pocket costs for prescription drugs by limiting the use of harmful “copay accumulators,” which prevent copay assistance from counting toward a patient's deductible or out-of-pocket maximum and make it harder for patients to afford their medications.

Specifically, the SMART Prices Act would:

1. Increase the number of drugs and biologics - medications like insulin that come from living sources - that HHS must negotiate to a minimum of 50 drugs in 2028 and for each subsequent year.
2. Increase the amount of savings that Medicare can negotiate off the list price for each drug by adjusting the maximum fair price (MFP) thresholds to match the MFP thresholds that the VA, DOD, and U.S. Public Health Service use in their price negotiations for prescription drugs.
3. Shorten the length of time that drugs and biologics need to be on the market following FDA approval before becoming eligible for negotiation.

Gillibrand Demands That Trump Administration Restore Funding for Youth Mental Health Grants

New York Was Awarded Over \$18 Million Through The Now-Terminated Programs From FY2022-FY2024

Washington, D.C. - U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand is demanding that the Trump administration restore funding to two grant programs that support school-based mental health services, the Mental Health Service Professional Demonstration Grant (MHSP) and the School-Based Mental Health Services Grant (SBMH). MHSP and SBMH were designed to create a workforce development pipeline for school counselors, psychologists, and social workers to address the shortage of school-based mental health professionals in New York and across the country. Thanks to the Bipartisan Safer Communities Act, the programs were slated to provide a combined \$1 billion through Fiscal Year 2026 \$18.2 million of which was already allocated to schools in New York State.

“Protecting the mental health of our kids should not be a partisan issue,” said Senator Gillibrand. “I am appalled by the Trump administration's decision to terminate MHSP and SBMH funding, particularly as the shortage of mental health professionals and school counselors persists nationwide. Thousands of students are set to benefit from the mental health care they're receiving because of these programs, and I am committed to fighting for the restoration of this vital funding.”

Senator Gillibrand's most recent letter to Education Secretary Linda McMahon follows a similar letter that she sent with Senator Catherine Cortez Masto (D-NV) in May. In that letter, the senators discussed the impact of the MHSP and SBMH programs nationwide and asked for the Department of Education's rationale for terminating this funding. The senators received an unsatisfactory response to this outreach last month.

The full text of Senator Gillibrand's most recent letter can be found [here](#) or [below](#):

Dear Secretary McMahon,

I write to you with grave concern over the administration's reports of terminations of youth mental health grant funding to school districts in New York. The Mental Health Service Professional Demonstration Grant (MHSP) and School-Based Mental Health Services Grant (SBMH) programs have benefitted not only New York but countless states across the country in urban and rural settings alike. I wrote to you about these terminations on May 9, 2025, and received an unsatisfactory response from your office on May 30, 2025. Both MHSP and SBMH programs play a vital role in addressing the shortage of school-based mental health professionals.

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Furthermore, they do not undermine standards for fairness, merit, and excellence in education as asserted in your response sent on May 30, 2025.

Your response to my earlier letter indicated that both the MHSP and SBMH programs would end at the end of the grants' current budget periods. This outcome would harm both the students and mental health professionals who benefit from these programs. The demand for behavioral health, mental health, and substance abuse disorder services is projected to increase in the coming years. By 2037, it is estimated that there will be a shortage of 113,830 psychologists, 50,440 psychiatrists, and 39,710 school counselors. The MHSP and SBMH programs directly address this shortage, and discontinuing these programs will negatively impact current and future students.

These funding streams were intended to create a workforce development pipeline for school counselors, psychologists, and social workers. Thousands of students have benefited from the mental health care they received because of these programs. There are also hundreds of future mental health professionals in New York alone who benefit from these programs. However, with current grants set to expire soon, successful programs, like those in Lyons Central School District and the Seneca Falls Central School District, that have built mental health professional pipelines for students in high-need school districts could see their momentum stopped in its tracks. Hundreds of future mental health professionals, who are sorely needed across New York, stand to lose the support of innovative programs that serve my constituents and their families.

I am concerned that the Department is disrupting grant funding that truly represents how the government can address the direct needs of our taxpayers and their families. These programs work, and New York students deserve their continued benefits.

I request your response to the following questions by no later than June 4, 2025:

1. Will the Department commit to answering the nine questions from my original letter sent May 9, 2025, most of which were unaddressed in your response dated on May 30, 2025?
2. How did each MHSP and SBMH grant that received a non-continuation notice violate Federal civil rights law?
3. What are the Department's plans to recompute its mental health program funds in the next grant cycle, including the grant application and selection criteria for the upcoming cycle?
4. How will the Department address service disruptions for New York students after the expiration of this funding?
5. Explain how the Department plans to address mental health workforce shortages stemming from the disruption of this funding.
6. Have New York mental health and education stakeholders been engaged? Please provide a detailed explanation of your engagement processes with stakeholders.

In Response to the Recent Antisemitic Attacks Across the Nation, Gillibrand, Schumer, Nadler, Goldman Stand with Jewish Community Leaders in Calling for Additional Fund to Protect the Jewish Community

NEW YORK, NY - Today, in response to a recent surge in violent antisemitic terror attacks, U.S. Senators Kirsten Gillibrand and Charles E. Schumer and Representatives Jerrold Nadler and Dan Goldman stood with Jewish leaders and other faith leaders requesting that the Nonprofit Security Grant Program (NSGP) be robustly funded to keep communities safe. The funding allocated by this program supports nonprofit organizations most at risk of attack through the acquisition and installation of physical target hardening measures, related preparedness and prevention planning, training, and exercises, and contracted security personnel so that religious and community-based organizations have the critical resources and tools they need to protect lives and property.

"Since October 7, 2023, we have seen a disturbing rise in hate crimes across the country and at home in New York targeted toward members of the Jewish faith," said Senator Gillibrand. "America was founded on the principle of the free exercise of religion. That means that every American has the right to live without fear of being attacked for their faith, and I am fighting to make sure that continues by robustly funding the Nonprofit Security Grant Program. My message to the Jewish community is that I stand united with you against antisemitism, now and always."

"The persistent cascade of intolerance and violence as the state of hate in America rises to a boiling point demands a much stronger federal response, because we are in a crisis," said U.S. Senator Charles Schumer. "In many ways, the vulnerability and increased danger in houses of worship and not-for-profits has never been higher. That is why I am pushing for \$500 million for the Nonprofit Security Grant Program and increased funding for technical assistance to help organizations apply for grants to counter, contain and ultimately crush the fear and the threats plaguing places of worship, religious schools, and other nonprofit organizations. We will fight hard to achieve this funding goal and do all we can to ensure places of worship are safe."

"Just 8 days ago, we witnessed the latest in a string of horrific attacks against Jews. This attack fell against the backdrop of a surge of Antisemitism nation-wide, which has especially peaked since Hamas' horrific terrorist attack on October 7th, 2023- the bloodiest day in Jewish history since the Holocaust. This moment demands a swift response. That is why I signed a bipartisan letter last week calling for a \$500 million funding level for the Non-Profit Security Grant Program and I continue to echo that call. Such an increase is a necessary step to help ensure Jews' physical safety.

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I hope both sides of the aisle and all branches of government come together to get this done,” said Rep. Jerry Nadler (NY-12). “In this time of American Jews experiencing an unprecedented rise in antisemitism, I also am sad to have to say that the Trump Administration is acting as a catalyst, not a deterrent.

If President Trump were actually serious about combatting antisemitism, he'd start by firing the known antisemites in his own administration. In this unprecedented time for American Jews, we must ensure antisemites find no safe haven, no matter their political affiliations or positions of power.”

This comes in response to the recent wave of antisemitic attacks across the country, including the arson attack at Pennsylvania Governor Josh Shapiro's home, the murder of two Israeli Embassy staffers in Washington, D.C., and the tragedy in Colorado last Sunday in which 15 people were injured when Molotov cocktails were thrown at them at a peaceful demonstration calling for the release of the hostages in Gaza. In 2024, there were 9,354 antisemitic incidents across the United States. This was an 893% increase over the previous 10 years and represents the highest number of incidents on record since the Anti-Defamation League began tracking these statistics 46 years ago.

“We don't need to look further than the murders of two young Israeli Embassy workers outside the Capital Jewish Museum or the attacks on Jews during a peaceful protest in Boulder to understand that antisemitic hate is not just rising - it's exploding into deadly violence,” said Karen Paikin Barall, Vice President, Government Relations, Jewish Federations of North America. “These are not isolated incidents; they are part of a deeply troubling trend that threatens the safety, dignity, and freedom of the Jewish community. By providing adequate funding, we can help protect places of worship, education, and community gatherings from the growing threats they face. Silence and inaction are not options - lives are on the line.”

“In the face of sharply escalating antisemitic violence nationwide, including the horrific recent antisemitic attacks, the NSGP is a lifeline that enables synagogues, Jewish community centers, and other vulnerable institutions to take meaningful steps to protect their congregants and staff,” said Eric S. Goldstein, CEO, UJA-Federation of New York. “UJA is urgently calling for a significant increase in funding for the NSGP and we are deeply grateful for the steadfast leadership of Senator Gillibrand and Leader Schumer, and members of the New York House delegation, who continue to champion the safety and security of Jewish New Yorkers.”

“Our Jewish communities are reeling from a wave of horrific, antisemitic acts of terror-part of an unprecedented

surge in antisemitism we've witnessed since October 7th across the country and here in New York. In the face of persistent threats targeting Jewish individuals and institutions, it is imperative that the federal government provide robust funding for the Nonprofit Security Grant Program, which is already the law but needs resources to be fully operationalized,” said Mark Treyger, CEO of JCRC-NY. “Increasing Nonprofit Security Grant funding is a vital step toward ensuring that all vulnerable communities can gather and live in safety. JCRC-NY will continue working to uproot antisemitic hate before it takes hold and to build a future grounded in mutual respect and shared humanity. While we continue this important work, we also urge our leaders to call out the inflammatory rhetoric that has predictably led to this surge in antisemitic acts of terror. We are deeply grateful to Leader Schumer, Senator Gillibrand, and members of the Congressional delegation for their leadership on this urgent matter”

“In the aftermath of the horrific attacks against Jewish Americans in Washington, D.C. and Boulder, there's no more compelling argument for robust federal funding for Jewish institutional security. It's time. Last year ADL recorded over 1,700 antisemitic incidents targeting Jewish institutions,” said Jonathan Greenblatt, CEO, ADL. “In this climate of escalating threats, every additional dollar for the Nonprofit Security Grant Program is a lifeline - right now, the demand far outpaces the available resources. I'm proud to be standing with these Congressional leaders pushing for an increase in funding to ensure that synagogues, schools, and community centers can take basic steps to protect themselves.”

“Years ago, a police car in front of a synagogue was a rarity, and today it is a reality,” said Rabbi Joseph Potasnik, Executive Vice President, New York Board of Rabbis. “Years ago, standing up for the Jewish people was most venerable; today it makes you most vulnerable. Thus, we are most grateful to Senators Schumer and Gillibrand for seeking additional funding for security purposes. Their steadfast support is most reassuring, especially during this difficult period.”

Every year, Congress must specifically allocate funding for the NSGP, which helps nonprofits deemed by the Department of Homeland Security to be at risk of attack plan for and ready themselves against potential attacks. In addition to hardening facilities, this program has improved efforts to keep at-risk nonprofit organizations safe by promoting emergency preparedness coordination and collaboration activities between public and private community representatives, as well as with state and local government agencies.

For years, Senator Gillibrand has successfully pushed to include funding for the NSGP in the budget. In Fiscal Year 2024, Gillibrand and Schumer successfully secured \$454.5 million in funding for the NSGP. The Jewish community remains one of the top targets of faith-based hate crimes in the U.S., and that danger has only increased since October 7, 2023. Senators Gillibrand and Schumer will continue to prioritize the safety of these and other faith communities throughout New York State.

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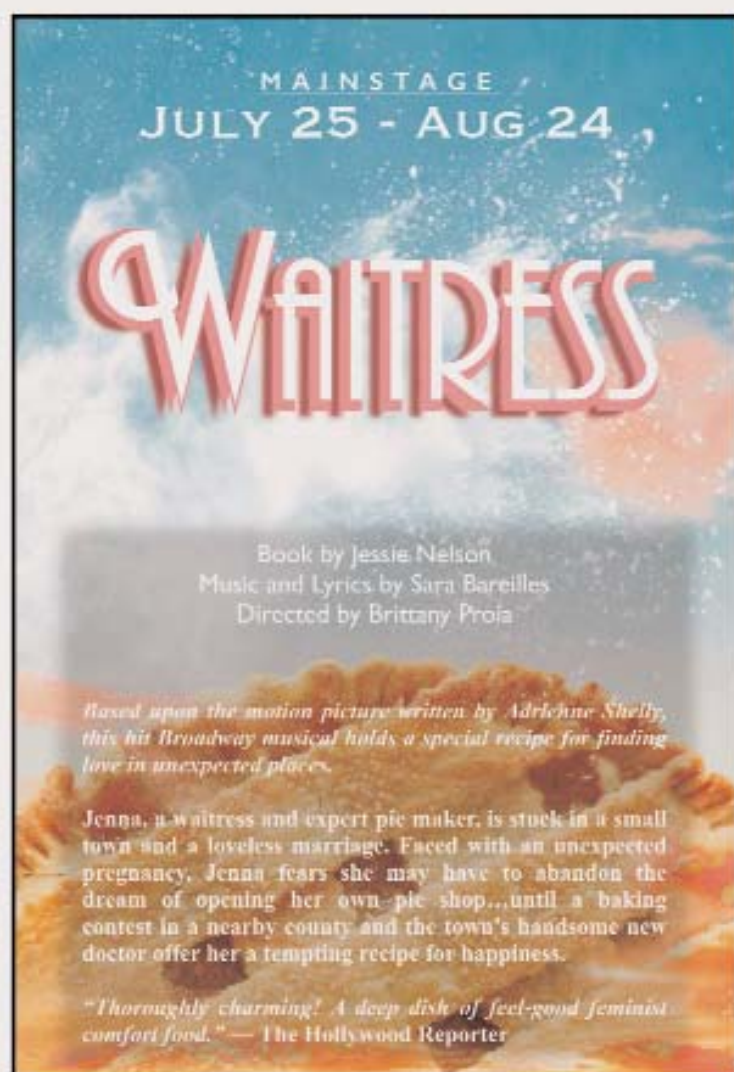


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The event is open only to residents of New York's 19th Congressional District. Space is limited, and registration is required to attend.

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Please note: No signs, banners or noise-making devices are allowed inside the venue. Weapons of any kind are strictly prohibited. Disorderly conduct may result in removal from the event.

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<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/town-hall-with-josh-riley-tickets-1395411887519?aff=iqemail>

News from Ulster Corps

Farm to Food Pantry Blueberry Row Prep & Gleaning

**When: Row Prep - Wednesday June 18th, 8:30-11am
Gleaning - Monday and Wednesday mornings begin-
ning June 25th, 2025, 8:30-11am (Tuesday &
Thursday rain dates)**

Where: 2324 US-209, Hurley, NY

Please join us for blueberry gleaning Monday and Wednesday mornings from 8:30-11am beginning Wednesday June 25th through the end of blueberry season around mid August (Tuesday & Thursday rain dates). We'll be harvesting delicious fresh blueberries donated by the Hudson Valley Farm Hub for local food pantries, shelters and community meal programs. The address is at 2324 US-209, Hurley, NY.

We would also be so grateful for help weeding and prepping the blueberry rows and farm stand, Wednesday June 18th, 8:30-11am (Monday June 23rd rain date).

Volunteers of all ages are welcome (youth volunteers must be supervised by a parent/guardian). Pantry friends are welcome to come glean for their program. Containers will be provided. On-farm training protocol provided upon arrival. Please wear sturdy shoes, sunscreen, long pants, and if possible bring your own water bottle (we will have plastic bottles available too). To volunteer or for more information please call/text 845-481-0331 or email glean@ulstercorps.org or register online here..

Note: If the weather is questionable, be sure to check in with us before 8am the morning you are planning to glean (there is no cell service at the Farm Stand). We ask everyone to please register before coming.

Esopus Repair Cafe Saturday, July 26, 2025, 10am-2pm Ascension Church 1585 Route 9W, West Park

A Repair Cafe is a free community event. You bring your broken but beloved items and together with volunteer repair coaches, WE FIX THEM! People bring all kinds of things to a repair cafe: clocks and other mechanical items; chairs, frames, and other wooden items; electrical items and small appliances; digital devices; clothing and textiles; dolls, stuffed animals, and toys, tools in need of sharpening; jewelry and watches; and so much more! Most items get fixed, and even when they don't - we have a good time trying!

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Rosendale Street Festival

We want YOU to volunteer at the Rosendale Street Festival, July 19th & 20st, 2025

We have many volunteer opportunities, including greeters, musician transportation, merchandise sales, compost collectors, musicians "green room," to name a few. Volunteer shifts are typically a couple of hours, which leaves you so much time to check out the rest of the festival.

And we take care of our volunteers. You should see the spread of foods and cold beverages donated from many of our local restaurants. And this year, a sponsor is donating shirts for all volunteers - so along with the above, you get a shirt too! (Sizes limited and vary.)

It's easy to sign up. Link: <https://evite.me/vZCK8SfD2w>

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Learn more & sign up here:

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2025 Caregiver Resource Center Monthly Virtual Support Groups

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
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Upstate New York Math Team Achieves Strong Results at National ARML Competition



The Upstate New York Math Team at ARML (Penn State) with coaches Dr. Matthew Babbitt (Fort Edward) and Dr. Anthony Villani (Rochester)

UPSTATE NEW YORK - June 6, 2025 - The Upstate New York Math Team, composed of 32 of the region's most advanced high school math students, demonstrated exceptional skill and teamwork at the recent American Regions Mathematics League (ARML) competition held at Penn State University on May 31. The team faced off against thousands of talented peers from across the nation in one of the country's premier high school mathematics contests.

"We are incredibly proud of all our students' dedication and their impressive performance at ARML," said Dr. Japheth Wood, Lead Coach for the Upstate New York Math Team and math professor at Bard College. "They've showcased not only their strong mathematical abilities but also their commitment to teamwork and problem-solving at a national level." The Upstate New York Math Team fielded two main teams and two alternates, with students representing diverse regions across the state, including the Albany area, Ithaca, Corning, Rochester, the Mid-Hudson Valley, the Buffalo area, Rockland County, and the Southern Tier. Team Captain Jacob C. from Corning led one of the main teams.

The Upstate New York B1 team scored a total of 150 points, securing an impressive 13th place in the B Division. The Upstate New York B2 team also performed well, scoring 89 points and earning 37th place in the B Division. Additionally, the team's alternates, competing as Alternates PSU 1, achieved an outstanding 2nd place in the alternate division with 75 points.

Individual brilliance shone through as well. Benjamin Song, a 9th grader at Pittsford Sutherland High School near Rochester (Monroe County), was the highest-scoring student for Upstate New York, solving all 8 Individual problems and correctly answering the second tiebreaker problem in just 113 seconds. This exceptional performance secured him 47th place among all ARML students nationally.

The Upstate New York Math Team, with a legacy stretching back to ARML's founding in 1976, has a storied history of success, including past first-place finishes. The team's mission is to promote and support educational and personal enrichment in mathematics by fostering an ongoing community of math competitors from upstate New York. Team members are selected through a highly competitive process, evaluating their performance in contests like the AMC and NYSML. Beyond the competition, ARML provides invaluable opportunities for students to network, engage with higher-level math, and strengthen the pre-college math community in New York State.

The Upstate New York Math Team is incorporated as a nonprofit and relies on the direct support of families. The organization is actively seeking gifts, donations, and volunteers from individuals and organizations across Upstate New York and beyond to continue its mission of encouraging participation and creating opportunities for mathematical excellence, especially for under-resourced students.

About the Upstate New York Math Team: The Upstate New York Math Team, Inc. is a non-profit organization dedicated to promoting and supporting educational and personal enrichment in mathematics. Its mission is to identify and bring together an ongoing community of math competitors from upstate New York for training, mentorship, and competition, fostering a love for mathematics and encouraging students of all backgrounds to pursue excellence in the field.

About ARML: The American Regions Mathematics League (ARML) is an annual team-based mathematics competition for high school students, established in 1976. It is one of the largest and most prestigious math competitions in the United States, attracting thousands of the nation's brightest young mathematicians to multiple sites across the country.

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Governor Hochul Announce Start of \$80 Million Project to Modernize State Routes 17A and 94 in Orange County

Multi-site Project Will Resurface Over 14 Miles of Roadways; Construct a Roundabout to Enhance Traffic Flow and Improve Emissions

Governor Kathy Hochul today announced that work is beginning on a multi-faceted project to construct a roundabout, replace multiple culverts and resurface State Routes 17A and 94 in the Towns of Warwick and Goshen and the Villages of Warwick, Florida and Goshen, Orange County. In an area known for its apple festivals, black dirt farms, harness racing, and unique shopping experiences, this multi-community \$30 million project will enhance traffic flow, prevent flooding while increasing resiliency, and enhance pedestrian facilities to meet the needs of this growing county in the Hudson Valley.

"This multi-faceted project is part of our ongoing commitment to create 21st Century transportation infrastructure that focuses on the needs of communities across the Hudson Valley," Governor Hochul said. "By creating a state-of-the-art roundabout, miles of multi-modal access to town and village centers, and building for future tourism, we are enhancing safety and easing travel to the many popular destinations that this fast-growing region has to offer."

The centerpiece of the project will be the 14 miles of roadway resurfacing, which will take place along State Routes 94/17A from the New Jersey state line to the Town of Goshen and State Route 94 to Durland Road. Striping with reflective epoxy paint will be added to increase the visibility of pavement markings during storms, further enhancing safety. Traffic signals and curb ramps at adjacent exits and entrances will also be upgraded.

Additionally, the project will construct a roundabout with decorative street lighting along State Route 94 at County Route 1A and Reservoir Road in the Town of Warwick to realign this intersection. The new roundabout will feature native landscaping and will be designed to reduce potential conflict points that motorists and pedestrians encounter, while creating fewer traffic backups. New crosswalks, sidewalks and other pedestrian accommodations will also improve access to nearby destinations.

Roundabouts are engineered to maximize safety and minimize congestion. Compared to some traditional intersections, traffic flows more freely through roundabouts, cutting congestion and commute times. Crashes at roundabouts tend to be less severe because they typically occur at slower speeds. Roundabouts also eliminate the need for electric-powered traffic signals. For tips on how to safely navigate a roundabout, check out this helpful instructional video available on DOT's Youtube channel.

Strong, resilient infrastructure is important to the overall health of communities and this project will modernize drainage systems to better handle stormwater runoff and replace three culverts along State Route 94 and one along State Route 17A to prevent erosion and promote the health and habitat of local streams.

Upgrades to traffic signals, new crosswalks, sidewalk curb ramps, accessible pedestrian signal equipment, drainage and the implementation of new lane configurations will occur at the following intersections:

- o State Route 94 at 17A
- o State Route 94 at Colonial Avenue
- o State Route 94 at Meadow Road
- o State Route 94 at Reservoir Road

Staged construction is expected to include lane shifts, limited daily lane closures and minor detours. The project is scheduled for completion in the summer of 2027.

State Department of Transportation Commissioner Marie Therese Dominguez said, "There is no greater champion for infrastructure

improvements in the Hudson Valley and across the state than Governor Hochul. Visitors come to Orange County for its natural beauty and tourism opportunities, and many have stayed over the years to live, work and raise a family, resulting in its growth. The investments we are making in infrastructure in the region accommodate this growth, and create enhanced mobility with pedestrian enhancements, a smoother ride and overall, a more resilient transportation system."

Senator Chuck Schumer said, "Thanks to millions from my Bipartisan Infrastructure & Jobs Law, we are paving the way for a safer future in the Hudson Valley. This will construct a new roundabout and resurface State Routes 17A and 94, improving traffic flow along this vital corridor and helping connect residents and visitors to Orange County's famous apple festivals and black dirt farms all while creating jobs, jobs, jobs. I'm grateful that Governor Hochul is putting these federal dollars to good use to improve safety and connectivity for New Yorkers in the Hudson Valley."

Representative Pat Ryan said, "When we modernize our infrastructure, we make life more accessible and efficient for Hudson Valley families while promoting critical economic development across the region. This project is a gamechanger for our community; delivering the safer streets, better storm systems, and improved traffic flow that Orange County families deserve. I'll keep working with partners at every level of government to improve traffic safety, modernize outdated infrastructure, and bolster economic growth in every corner of the Hudson Valley."



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March 2003 MSG Jeannine Mannerino established a small grass roots effort to address difficulties of the transition and reintegration for the members of the National Guard, Reserves and Active-Duty members. The grass roots effort was incubated and developed by civilians and several members of the Enlisted Association of the New York National Guard (FANYNG) and members of the Military Association of the New York.

Patriot Hills of New York was nationally endorsed August 12, 2009, by 245 members of the Enlisted Association of the National Guard of the United States (EANGUS).

Patriot Hills of New York mission is to take care of our Veterans and their families by providing assistance with Transition, Reintegration and Therapeutic Resources. Patriot Hills of New York is a portal of services and resources for our Veterans and their families. Providing morale, welfare, educational events and recreational services for our military members and their families. Our vision is to establish a customized community-based resource and retreat center for our Veterans and their Families.

Jeannine has served over 11 Years as a representative for Senator Kirsten Gillibrand's Military Academy Selection Committee; she served over 16 years as the Executive Secretary and 5 years as the Resolutions Committee Chair and Co-Chair for EANGUS; and she served 6 years as the Area 1 Chair for the Enlisted Association of the National Guard of the United States (EANGUS). Jeannine also serves as the NYS Ladies Ancient Order Hibernians as the Military and Veteran Affairs Appointee.

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Dr. Rachel Magnell founded **Kairos Center for Change** in 2013. She is a Spiritual Director, Kairos coach, and teacher for women seeking witness as they respond to an inner call, an inner longing inviting them more deeply into experiencing their spiritual lives, their higher Self.

Rachel Magnell, Ph.D. is studied in Counseling Psychology, Neuroscience, Neurofeedback, Archetypal Patterns, Science of Language (NLP), Yoga Science/Meditation, Buddhist and Christian contemplative practices, Jungian-Christian dialogue with Marist Brother Don Bission, Advaita Vedanta (Non-Duality) with Acharya Andra, and ongoing Torah teachings with Rabbi Joshua Sussman.

Dr. Magnell received her training as a Spiritual Director at Linwood Spiritual Center. She is a proponent of a myatic interspiritual heart of understanding that points to the universal shared spiritual heritage expressed in the symbols of religion, myth, dreams and folklore. She is a member of Spiritual Directors International (<https://www.sdiconpanions.org/>) and in ongoing spiritual formation with Linwood peers, Buckingham Torah Circle, the federated church of Presbyterian United Church of Christ as Deacon Chair and St. Clements Church in Saratoga.



Daniel Pierce Library
Summer Challenge
Bookmark Contest
2025

Calling ALL Aspiring Artists
 Three Categories:
 Ages 5-7 years, 8-11 years and 12-18 years

Students are invited to submit an original design for the library's Summer Reading Program Bookmark! Winning designs will be selected and printed to be the official 2025 DPL Bookmark.


Follow the official guidelines and rules on our website.
The deadline for ALL entries is Thursday, July 24.

1 winner will be picked from each category.
Winners will receive a \$50 Amazon gift card.

Open to Tri-Valley residents. **Good luck!**




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Color Our World
 Summer Reading Program | Grades 1-3
Rock Painting Event
Come paint your world, one rock at a time!
 Tuesday, July 15, 2025
 6 - 7 pm

Join us for a creative and colorful evening where young artists will transform ordinary rocks into extraordinary masterpieces! Let's spread kindness, creativity and color throughout our world—starting with a brush and a bit of paint!

Take your rock home or hide it around the community to brighten someone's day!
 All supplies provided—just bring your imagination!

Let's paint, laugh and make the world a little brighter—together!

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Color Our World
 Summer Reading Program | Grades 4-6
Frame-tastic Fun
Glass Frame Painting Event
 Thursday, July 17, 2025
 6 - 7 pm



Get ready to paint what you **LOVE!**
 Whether it's your favorite furry friend, person, place or thing, you'll bring it to life on a glass frame to keep forever!

Bring your creativity, your imagination — and maybe a photo of your pet or favorite thing for inspiration!





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Entertainment Night 2025
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Skyhunters In Flight

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

Thursday, July 24, 2025
 6:00 pm
 Grahamsville Fairgrounds
 Under the Pavilion
 For children of ALL ages and their families


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

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

Perfect for all ages—
 come be inspired by the beauty and skill of nature's aerial predators!

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

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**Overboard**

American romantic comedy

Released Dec 16, 1987 o 112 min

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(subscription) o Pluto (Free)

Overboard is a 1987 American romantic comedy film directed by Gary Marshall, written by Leslie Dixon, starring Goldie Hawn and Kurt Russell,[3] and executive produced by Roddy McDowall, who also co-stars alongside Edward Herrmann and Katherine Helmond.

A cruel wicked beautiful heiress, Joanna, (Goldie Hawn) mocks and cheats a hired carpenter, widower Dean, (Kurt Russell) .

As they are leaving Elk Cove on their yacht, Joanna falls overboard,

the resulting injury which causes temporary amnesia. When a report of a Jane Doe (Joanna) hits the local news and Dean sees an opportunity: he will claim to be her husband and make her his housemaid - which includes her taking care of his four rambunctious sons - for about a month, which he considered the equivalent of what she owes him.



like she is doing vice versa -falling in love with Dean.

Can their love overcome the obstacles of her equally pretentious mother looking for her, or the time when she regains her memory?



Joanna can't remember her past identity, but has trouble believing that she was ever meant to be a working-class mother of four.

As time goes on, Dean has second thoughts about what he is doing, not because of Annie being like Joanna, but because he is falling in love with her and it seems

*Stay safe, and stay well
Knarf Odnamoc
Gnome*

Answer to last week's Trivia Question: Walter Matthau

This weeks' Trivia question: Who plays Mrs. Robinon in the Graduate?