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## ERH CONTINUES HEALING ARTS PROGRAM WITH CHUCK DAVIDSON EXHIBIT

Ellenville Regional Hospital is continuing its healing art program with an exhibit of work by Chuck Davidson. The show will run from June 21st through August 13th, with an Artist Opening on Monday, June 21st from 5:00-7:00pm. Davidson, of Cragmoor NY, will host a discussion and Q&A session at the Artist Opening at 6:00pm. The artist is offering a signed print to all attendees who RSVP by June 14th at [chuck@chuckdavidson.com](mailto:chuck@chuckdavidson.com). The exhibit is open to the public and admission is free! (Contd. Pg. 8)

## FROST VALLEY YMCA'S ADIRONDACK RAMBLER TRIPS INCLUDE HIKING, CANOEING, CLIMBING AND RAFTING

Kids seeking a summer adventure will discover plenty of action on Frost Valley YMCA's Adirondack Rambler excursions. Open to children ages 12-14, the Adirondack Rambler trips are an exciting mix of opportunities that include hiking, canoeing, rock climbing and whitewater rafting. Adirondack Rambler trip choices are June 27-July 9; July 25-August 6; and August 8-20. (Contd. Pg. 8)

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## DR. DEBRA KARNASIEWICZ AND UC EXECUTIVE MIKE HEIN PRESENT AWARDS TO THE BAILEY MIDDLE SCHOOL "HEALTHY STEPS" WINNERS



Dr. Karnasiewicz and Ulster County Executive Hein present an award

The Healthy Steps to Albany: School's Challenge for 2010 had a very successful inaugural year in Ulster County. Over 1,800 middle school students took part in this activity-based contest, and together logged over 100 million steps! Participating schools included Bailey and Miller Middle Schools in Kingston, New Paltz Middle School in New Paltz, and BOCES in both Port Ewen and Highland. (Contd. Pg. 4)

## ERH IS PROUD TO ANNOUNCE THERESA MARCEL, DIRECTOR OF PHYSICAL MEDICINE AND REHABILITATION



Ellenville Regional Hospital is proud to announce that Theresa Marcel, Director of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, has been appointed to the Advisory Board for the Physical Therapist Assistant Department at SUNY Orange. The appointment is for a three-year term.

Marcel, of Kerhonkson, has been a Physical Therapist for ten years and was appointed as a member of the Board as she has exemplifies true professionalism, interest and concern for the training of future associates and colleagues in her field.

## GUNTHER SPONSORS DAIRY MONTH RESOLUTION JUNE 2010 IS DAIRY MONTH IN THE STATE OF NY

Assemblywoman Aileen Gunther (D,C, 1 - Forestburgh) sponsored a resolution to recognize June 2010 as Dairy Month in the State of New York.

"The dairy industry is the single largest sector of New York States vast and diverse agricultural industry, accounting for over 50 percent of the state's farm cash receipts from all products," said Gunther. "We must recognize, honor and support the dairy industry." (Contd. Pg. 3)

## CALL FOR ENTRIES-THIRD ANNUAL "CATSKILL IMPRESSIONS" EXHIBIT

The Catskill Artists Gallery, 38 South Main Street in Liberty, NY, announces its third annual unjuried show designed to represent the Catskill area in all its beauty, character and quirkiness. Any subject is fair game - people, places, events, ideas - anything that represents or brings to mind our unique part of the world. (Contd. Pg. 8)

## JUST 3 MINUTES COULD MEAN \$500 QUICK & GRITTY VIDEO SLAM DIGIT Media Exposition June 20

Delaware Valley Arts Alliance will award \$500 to a video artist on the closing day of DIGit, June 20 in Narrowsburg. All you have to do to be the winning artist is bring your digital camera to Narrowsburg that weekend and create a short movie (under three minutes). (Contd. Pg. 4)

## EMPOWERING SENIORS TO AGE SAFELY AND INDEPENDENTLY IN THE COMMUNITY - TRIAD NEEDS YOUR OPINION!

Sullivan County TRIAD is conducting a survey entitled "Empowering Communities in Sullivan County for Successful Aging." This survey was created to elicit input from Sullivan County residents, seniors, community groups and all parties interested in the future of senior needs. It will help identify services that would enhance Sullivan County seniors' ability to age securely in the location of their choosing. (Contd. Pg. 3)

## GUNTHER: ASSEMBLY PASSES LEGISLATION REINSTATING PRIOR APPROVAL OF HEALTH INSURANCE RATE HIKES - Measure will put the brakes on insurance premium increases

"Yesterday, the Assembly passed legislation (A.11369/S.8088) to require that health insurance premium rate hikes go through a prior-approval process involving the state superintendent of insurance. This measure will better control unjustified rate increases and help ensure New Yorkers can afford to keep their health insurance plans. (Contd. Pg. 12)

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(First row from left to right): Lydia Lecei, Ericka Pineda, April Drake, and Shauna Brickey, Amber McGibbon, (Second row from left to right) Summer Elliott, Jeffery Cobbs, Dana Aragano, Jennifer Brown-Babcock, and Kristin Brush, (Back row from left to right): Diana Jones, Shanese Pettway, Christina Jones, Kathy Appley, Marilyn Squires, Deborah Fitzpatrick, Marie Brown, Betty Bell, and Evangelia Fitzpatrick.

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BOCES' Adult Education Program is now accepting students for its Basic ARC Welding Course. (Contd. Pg. 3)

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As always, thank you for your support.

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**ON THE FRONT BURNER** : And if thou draw out thy soul to the hungry, and satisfy the afflicted soul; then shall thy light rise in obscurity, and thy darkness be as the noon day. Isaiah 59:10

**OBITUARY**

Dorothy Smith of Claryville passed away Saturday, June 5, 2010 at the Sullivan County Adult Care Center. She was 85.

Dorothy was the daughter of the late Harry and Irene Keator, born on June 17, 1924 in Olivebridge, NY.

For many years she worked at the Old Blue Hill Lodge in Claryville. Dorothy was a loving mother and grandmother; she will be sorely missed by all that knew her.

She is survived by her loving son, Dwayne Smith and his wife, Susan of Claryville; two grandsons, Kevin Smith of Claryville and Gregory Smith of Florida; two granddaughters, Jeanne Williams of Unadilla and Penny Ploski of Connecticut; two brothers, Donald Keator of Norwich, and Vernon Keator of Stone Ridge; and several great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews and cousins. She was predeceased by her husband, Everett Smith; two sons, Donald and Robert Smith; three brothers James, Harry and Leslie Keator; three sisters, Ruth VanWagner, Susie DePew, and Helen Sheley.

Funeral services were held at Colonial Memorial Funeral Home, Woodbourne on June 9th, with Rev. Paul Z. Ruter officiating. Interment followed at the Claryville Cemetery in Claryville.

**DAYS OF YORE....**

**Today's History**

**June 14, 1950** - Miss Kathyrine Slater, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Slater of Unionville, became the bride of Alexander La Hanco, son of Mr. and Mrs. Max La Hanco of Oneonta on Saturday, June 10th at the Reformed Church in Grahamsville. Rev. John Carter performed the ceremony.

With the advent of more clement weather conditions, the construction workers on the new Tri Valley School building have begun to show results. The elementary wing, which must be completed first, is well underway with all of its foundation walls having been formed and with thousands of bricks being laid by the masons.

Miss Evelyn George of Sundown received a B.A. degree from Alfred University on Monday. Before entering Alfred, Miss George had studied at Russell Sage. Miss George will marry Mr. Roy Kane of Greenwich, Connecticut in the very near future.

The Lows Corners Outlet crew has done an excellent job of surfacing off the road through the outlet and of cleaning up and grassing over the lawns. They are now in the mountain 7,500 feet. Shaft No. 1 at Lew Beach has reached the bottom and will begin digging on the tunnel. Shaft No. 2 will not reach the tunnel level until September.

**June 15, 1960** - Francis Cardinal Spellman, Archbishop of New York, will officiate at the dedication of the new Immaculate Conception Church at Woodbourne, Saturday, June 25th

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce A. Clark of Curry, have announced the engagement of their daughter, Elizabeth Frances to Robert H. Torrens Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Torrens Sr. of White Sulphur Springs. A fall wedding is planned.

Grahamsville firemen expect to have their new 1960 Ford fire truck repaired and ready to take its place in the Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen's Association parade in Monticello on Saturday.

A very pretty wedding took place at the Grahamsville Methodist Church on Sunday, June 12. Miss Wanda Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Smith of Lackawack Hill and Mr. Donald Terwilliger, son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Terwilliger, also of Lackawack Hill, were united in marriage by the Rev. Howard West. A reception followed for about ninety guests at the Napanoch Sportsman's Club.

Around one hundred attended the Evening of Fellowship at the Methodist Church Hall on Wednesday honoring Rev. and Mrs. West. Sam Anderson showed movies and slides and Mr. Earl Sheley gave a talk.

**June 17, 1970** - June 14th was Confirmation Sunday and another happy occasion in the Grahamsville Reformed Church. Members of the confirmation class were Douglas Denman, Wayne Elberth, Connie Nadekow, John Sawchuck and Elaine Stratton.

On Saturday, June 6th, four local members of the Sullivan County S.P.C.A. spent the day at the Rock Hill site to help with the footings for the new shelter. Theses members who donated their time were: Chris Holmes, Charlie Cross, George Stailing and George Ratner.

Eric Bernstein of Liberty, son of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Bernstein, has been appointed assistant football coach at Admiral Farragut Naval Academy,

St. Petersburg, Florida. He is a Tri Valley Central School graduate.

**June 19, 1980** - Joseph H. Levy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph E. Levy of Grahamsville, graduated from the New York Institute of Technology on June 15, 1980. Joseph graduated with a degree of Bachelor of Architecture, having received a Bachelor of Science degree the previous year.

Boy Scout Troop 187 will hold its twenty-eighth Eagle Court of Honor on Saturday, June 28th. The Scout receiving the award is Tony Lenox, son of Mr. and Mrs. Matanis of Grahamsville.

On Saturday evening several ladies gathered at the home of Don Osterhoudt for a surprise baby shower in honor of Mary Osterhoudt and daughter, Kelly.

On May 17, 1980, Gregory Pond, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph H. Pond of Grahamsville was graduated from St. John's University, Jamaica, N.Y. A 1976 graduate of Tri-Valley, Greg received his Bachelor of Arts degree in History.

Ann O'Shaughnessy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph O'Shaughnessy of New Hyde Park, N.Y., was united in marriage to Scott L. Shader, son of Mr. and Mrs. Volney Shader of Grahamsville on June 7, 1980 in Notre Dame Roman Catholic Church in New Hyde Park, N.Y.

**RECENT NEWS FROM SC RENAISSANCE -UPPER DELAWARE NAMED 'MOST ENDANGERED RIVER'**

Congressman Maurice Hinchey (D-NY) joined representatives from local environmental groups and the National Park Service to announce and highlight the designation of the Upper Delaware as "America's Most Endangered River" for 2010. The designation, announced by the national organization American Rivers, comes as energy companies are lining up to use the controversial hydraulic fracturing process to begin extracting natural gas from the Marcellus Shale in the Upper Delaware River Basin. Hinchey is leading the effort in Congress to restore common-sense federal environmental protections for hydraulic fracturing to prevent water contamination from natural gas drilling.

"The Upper Delaware River is one of America's most beautiful and historic rivers, and it is used by millions of people for fishing, recreation, drinking water and other uses" said Hinchey. "As energy companies prepare to start drilling for natural gas in the Upper Delaware, American Rivers has rightfully recognized the potential impacts that large scale drilling could have on the incredible water resources of the basin."

Hinchey continued, "There are currently no federal requirements forcing gas drillers to disclose the chemicals they inject into the ground. There are also no regulations that allow the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency to regulate gas drilling's impact on drinking water supplies. These facts demonstrate the vital need to pass the FRAC Act, which I introduced in Congress, and show the urgency for the Delaware River Basin Commission to conduct a cumulative water impact study on fracking in the basin. We've already seen what happens when energy companies are not properly regulated. In the midst of one of the largest environmental disasters in our nation's history, as millions of gallons of oil continue to spew into the Gulf of Mexico, the need for action to protect the Upper Delaware River could not be clearer."

Hinchey sent a letter to Speaker of the House Nancy Pelosi, formally urging her to bring his Fracking Responsibility and Awareness of Chemicals (FRAC) Act up for a vote. The congressman authored that legislation to close a loophole created in the Energy Policy Act of 2005, which he voted against, that exempted hydraulic fracturing from the federal Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA). The FRAC Act would restore SDWA protections and also require the oil and gas industry to disclose the chemicals they use in their hydraulic fracturing processes. Currently, the oil and gas industry is the only industry exempt from the SDWA.

In April 2010, Hinchey called on the Delaware River Basin Commission (DRBC) to conduct an environmental impact study on the cumulative effects of natural gas extraction water withdrawals rather than consider only the impact from individual drilling sites on a case by case basis. The study, Hinchey argued, should occur before the commission considers any individual water withdrawal applications. Hinchey has also recently conveyed to the DRBC his concerns regarding the need for regulation by the DRBC for exploratory wells in the basin, which the DRBC is not currently regulating. (Contd. Pg. 3)

**HERE AND THERE -**

To my readers: I'm taking a break from column writing for a few weeks. If you have items you'd like to see in print, please call Hulda Vernooy - 985-2268, and she'll be glad to help. (pah)

**NEVERSINK NEWS - Hulda Vernooy**

No news this week.  
(Call Hulda at 985-2268 with your Neversink news.)

**TRIAD (From Pg. 1)**

TRIAD will examine the results of the survey, as well as comments during open forums held around Sullivan County, to develop new services to create livable communities. The survey will be conducted until Friday, July 30. In order to start this process, we are asking for your help!

There are two ways to participate:

1. This survey can easily be completed on line - located at <http://blogs.cce.cornell.edu/sullivan/> on the Caregiver Resource Center page (look under the 'Welcome to the Caregiver Resource Center' sub-category) and clicking on 'Empowering Communities in Sullivan County for Successful Aging' found at the bottom of the page.

- 2. Or pick a survey up at:
  - a. Cornell Cooperative Extension Sullivan County (Liberty),
  - b. Office for the Aging (Monticello)
  - c. Liberty public library

Completed surveys can be left at the above locations or mailed to: Cornell Cooperative Extension Sullivan County, Caregiver Resource Center, 64 Ferndale-Loomis Road, Liberty, N.Y. 12754

The Sullivan County TRIAD, working to prevent elder abuse and improve the quality of life for older citizens, is a collaboration of law enforcement, aging network organizations, governmental entities, health agencies, consumers and representatives from senior club organizations.

**BOCES LPN STUDENTS REACH MILESTONE AND RECEIVE CAPS (From Pg. 1)**

The guest speaker for the ceremony was Ann Korabik, BSN, MA, CPHQ In-service Coordinator/ Consultant Achieve Rehabilitation & Nursing Facility. Ms. Korabik, spoke to the students about her experiences and how this ceremony honors Florence Nightingale and represents the symbol of nursing and all of Florence Nightingale's efforts in forming what nursing has become today. She was known for her pioneering work in nursing, and was dubbed "The Lady with the Lamp" after her habit of making rounds at night to tend injured soldiers.

The Sullivan County BOCES LPN class included Kathy Appley, Dana Aragano, Betty Bell, Shauna Brickey, Marie Brown, Jennifer Brown-Babcock, Kristin Brush, Jeffery Cobbs, April Drake, Summer Elliott, Deborah Fitzpatrick, Evangelia Fitzpatrick, Christina Jones, Diana Jones, Lydia Lecei, Amber McGibbon, Shanese Pettway, Ericka Pineda, and Marilyn Squires.

This year's class was special in two ways. Not only did the class have four high school students, Summer Elliott, Evangelia Fitzpatrick, Diana Jones, and Shanese Pettway. It had two instances where the program touched two generations, Betty Bell is the second generation to go through the program and this year's class has a mother and daughter taking the same class, Deborah Fitzpatrick (mother) and Evangelia Fitzpatrick (daughter). Congratulations on your future success!

**SULLIVAN BOCES ANNOUNCES DATES FOR BASIC ARC WELDING COURSE (From Pg. 1)**

Students will learn to use a variety of electrodes. Instruction will include oxyacetylene cutting, use of an arc welder, grinding, and fabrication of different types of welding products. All supplies and materials are included in the price of the course. Optional personal protective gear is available from the instructor.

The classes will be held at the Ruben Pollack Education Center in Liberty, in the Natural Resources Shop from 6:00 pm to 9:00pm on Tuesdays and Thursdays starting on July 20th and running until August 19th.

The fee for the course is \$300.00 which includes materials. Registration is needed prior to the start of the class so call today (845) 791-4070 to register.

For more information about the other courses the Adult & Continuing Education Program at BOCES has to offer please call (845) 791-4070 or lo onto our website at [www.scboces.org](http://www.scboces.org).

**GUNTHER SPONSORS DAIRY MONTH RESOLUTION (From Pg. 1)**

In New York, 626,000 dairy cows produce 12.4 billion pounds of milk which is valued at over \$2.3 billion annually. This accounts for 7.1% of the nation's milk supply, ranking third among the states in total milk production, first in low fat cottage and creamed cottage (Next Col.)

cheese production, and 4th in total cheese production.

"The dairy industry is an integral segment of New York State's economy and a major employer of labor from all phases of production through marketing of milk and dairy products," Gunther said. "Our dairy farmers are the stewards of the land through responsible conservation practices and investments in technology. I encourage everyone to take time this month to thank a dairy farmer and acknowledge their tremendous impact on New York's economy."

**STOCK UP FOR SUMMER READING**

Just in time to catch up on your reading while basking in the summer sun, the Book Fair sponsored by St. James Episcopal Church offers a wide variety of hard cover and books of quality. The Fair will be held on Saturday, June 19th, from 10:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. You will find it under the big white tent on the lawn of 9279 State Route 97 in Callicoon.

All kinds of fiction and non-fiction books await your reading pleasure. That includes cookbooks, biographies, novels, classic literature, best sellers, large format "coffee table" books, how-to-books, poetry, and more. Special interests include: architecture, the environment, world peace, crafting, and home décor.

For further information, call (845) 887-5454.

**ULSTER HEIGHTS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH YARD & BAKE SALE**

The Ulster Heights United Methodist Church is holding their annual YARD AND BAKE SALE on Friday and Saturday, July 2nd and 3rd, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. There will be home baked goods, odds and ends, clothing and more. Lunch will also be served. For info, please call 434-4220, 647-7680 or 647-5389.

**CAS ARTS CENTER CLOSING PARTY FOR SHHH! CAS SILENT AUCTION BENEFIT**

Join us for the SHHH! CAS Silent Auction Benefit Closing Party featuring musical guest, Two Cats and a Hat; wine and beer; and light refreshments all in support of the CAS Arts Center. This exhibition features 50 works by 38 artists/donors that visitors can bid on, win, and take home at the end of the evening. Participating artists include: John Adams, Suzanne BeVier, Jane Biron, Richard Brachman, Andrea Brown of the Outsider's Studio, Joel Carreiro, Jeff Christensen, Ursula Clark, Claire Coleman, Jerry Cohen, Dana Duke, Joel Edwards, Elizabeth Ennis, Cecily Fortescue, Donna Greenhal, Valerie Hallier, Patricia Jarvis, James Karpowicz, Josef Kozak, John Lawson, Sharon Molloy, Frank Mullaney, Joan O'Connor, Rudolf Ocenasek, Keith Phillips, Rob Rayevsky, Judith Reeve, Roberta Rosenthal, John Rosis, David Sandlin, Frank Shuback, Fred Sklenar, Ginger Smith, Linda Sokolowski, Naomi Teppich, Joni Wehrli, Nancy Wells, and Rita Wolpert. Auction catalog is viewable on our website at [www.catskillartsociety.org](http://www.catskillartsociety.org). CAS Arts Center hours are Thursday-Saturday 11am-6pm and Sunday 11am-3pm.

Catskill Art Society is a non-profit cultivating public interest, participation, and enjoyment of the arts. Through its multi-arts center, CAS explores contemporary art practices and facilitates creative and professional development for established and emerging artists.

**UPPER DELAWARE NAMED 'MOST ENDANGERED RIVER' (From Pg. 2)**

In March, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) announced the commencement of the Hinchey Study - a comprehensive investigation into the potential adverse impact that hydraulic fracturing may have on water quality and public health. Hinchey authored the provision in Congress that led to the EPA's decision to conduct the study after questions were raised regarding the safety of the natural gas drilling process.

The entire Upper Delaware River basin is located over the Marcellus Shale. In order to access the reserves of natural gas in the shale, multinational energy corporations have acquired drilling rights to large tracts of land throughout the watershed. Two companies alone, Chesapeake Appalachia and Statoil, have a stated goal of developing 13,500 to 17,000 gas wells in the region in next twenty years. Drilling companies will need millions of gallons of water in order to hydraulically fracture gas wells to stimulate the release of natural gas. The drilling companies will combine the water with a host of chemicals, including some toxic ones such as benzene and toluene. The gas drilling companies are required to get permits from the DRBC for these water withdrawals from the basin, which can require from three to five million gallons per well drilled. (Next Col.)

In 1978, Congress designated roughly 73 miles of the Upper Delaware River between Hancock, NY and Mill Rift, PA as the Upper Delaware Scenic and Recreational River, a unit of the National Park System. The river is a popular destination for sightseeing, boating, camping, hunting, fishing, hiking, and bird watching. Additionally, several endangered, at-risk, or rare species live in the river and along its banks. The Upper Delaware is also classified and protected by the DRBC as "Special Protection Waters," recognized for its exceptionally high scenic, recreational ecological and water supply values.

American Rivers is the leading national organization standing up for healthy rivers so communities can thrive. American Rivers protects and restores America's rivers for the benefit of people and wildlife. Founded in 1973, American Rivers has more than 65,000 members and supporters, with offices in Washington, DC and nationwide.

Sullivan Renaissance is a beautification and community development program principally funded by the Gerry Foundation. The program provides communities in Sullivan County with seed money for beautification projects. A limited number of proposals are funded each year under a competitive process overseen by the Sullivan Renaissance program. Grant amounts vary depending upon program categories.

Additional funding has been secured by NYS Senator John J. Bonacic and Assemblywoman Aileen M. Gunther. <http://www.sullivanrenaissance.org/>

**AN AMERICAN FAVORITE - OXEYE DAISY**

By Peggy



DeWire

Did you know that an oxeye daisy keeps the same hours as you and me? It sleeps at night and wakes in the morning. Whether it's a black-eyed Susan or a white oxeye daisy, it got its name from Old English "Day's Eye," describing how the petals close at night and open at daybreak, revealing the yellow center.

Oxeye daisies are hardy perennials that bear a single flower on a slender stem. Botanists say they're really two flowers in one, the outer row of pure white strap petals and the central cluster of tiny yellow tubular flowers of the eye. Together they form a perfect bull's eye target for insects.

In late summer the basal leaves make a tight rosette that hugs the ground through winter.

Daisies belong to the largest plant family in the world, the Compositae, whose 25,000 species include chrysanthemum, dahlia, sunflower, aster, dandelion and sagebrush.

Our white oxeye daisy (*Chrysanthemum leucanthemum*) was introduced from Europe 300 years ago and has since spread over the entire United States. In Canada/Alaska it's called the Arctic daisy and survives the bitter cold with thick fleshy leaves and stems.

Where abundant in hay fields, farmers call it Whiteweed. The botanist Luther Burbank's beautiful Shasta daisy is a Japanese variety.

With daisies blooming everywhere along roads and in the countryside, why don't you grab a flashlight tonight and check out sleeping daisies after dark?



**A BIT OF DAISY TRIVIA**

The beautiful daisy was once called the "Decision Flower"

*He Loves Me, He Loves Me Not* or *She Loves Me, She Loves Me Not* (originally *effeuiller la marguerite* in French) is a game of French origin, in which one person seeks to determine whether the object of their affection returns that affection or not.



A person playing the game alternately speaks the phrases "He (or she) loves me," and "He loves me not," while picking one petal off a flower (usually an oxeye daisy) for each phrase. The phrase they speak on picking off the last petal supposedly represents the truth between the object of their affection loving them or not. The player typically is motivated by attraction to the person they're speaking of while reciting the phrases. They may seek to reaffirm a pre-existing belief, or act out of whimsy.

**LEGAL & PUBLIC NOTICES:****THE TRI-VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT IS REQUESTING PROPOSALS FROM ELIGIBLE AGENCIES INTERESTED IN COLLABORATING WITH THE TRI-VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR THE PROVISION OF UNIVERSAL PRE-KINDERGARTEN PROGRAMS.**

Instructions and specifications may be obtained from the Pupil Personnel Office at Tri-Valley Central School in Grahamsville, New York (845) 985-2296 Ext. 5516.

To be considered, three copies of the proposal must be received by the District Clerk by 2:00 PM on Wednesday, June 23, 2010. These copies should be sent to Tri-Valley Central School, 34 Moore Hill Road, Grahamsville, New York 12740, Attention: Martha Lee Ter Bush, District Clerk.

The Tri-Valley Central School District Reserves the right to reject any or all proposals submitted.

Martha Lee Ter Bush  
District Clerk  
June 4, 2010

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**DR. DEBRA KARNASIEWICZ AND ULSTER COUNTY EXECUTIVE MIKE HEIN PRESENT AWARDS TO THE BAILEY MIDDLE SCHOOL "HEALTHY STEPS" WINNERS (From Pg. 1)**

"Because healthy habits formed early are often maintained for life, I am delighted that so many Ulster County students eagerly joined in this activity-oriented competition. Today, I congratulate the Bailey Middle School class which took more "Healthy Steps" than any other Bailey Middle School class. These students put forth a tremendous effort and should be very proud of their accomplishment," said County Executive Hein. "Teaching our young people the importance of maintaining an active lifestyle moves Ulster County closer to achieving my goal of having the healthiest county in New York State."

Dr. Karnasiewicz said, "We are proud to have brought the Healthy Steps Challenge to Ulster County, and I look forward to even more students participating next year. We would like to extend our thanks to all of our generous sponsors and to the students for a successful endeavor. Every student who participated in the program is a winner. It is our hope that the benefits of the Healthy Steps program last for all students for many years to come."

How the Healthy Steps Challenge works: each class is a team, and each activity a student completes, whether it is walking, running, or playing a sport, has a certain number of "steps" associated with it. In order to account fairly for the different class sizes of those participating, all classes' steps are totaled for the challenge and then divided by the number of students in the class, creating an average per student. The class with the highest average number of steps per student is the winning class.

**JUST 3 MINUTES (From Pg. 1)**

Video artists of all skill levels are invited to share their digital creations at the Quick & Gritty Video Slam, a competition of three-minute videos, on Sunday, June 20 at 12 p.m. at Tusten Theatre. The winning video will receive a \$500 cash prize.

Last year, two \$500 grand prizes were awarded, thanks to an anonymous donor: Cass Collins' digital portrait Narrowsburg at Night and Margolis Method Center students' zombie flick DIGIT Feast. Two runners up received \$50 second prizes. So, whether you're inspired to document your DIGit experience or the people you meet, you have an original scripted story you want to film, or you want to capture the local area from your own particular viewpoint, your thematic and creative choices are limitless.

There are, however, a few restrictions: all final pieces must be one to three minutes in length, must have been created entirely during the DIGit festival, must have been shot in the Hamlet of Narrowsburg, and must be submitted on DVD to the Tusten Theatre by 11 a.m. on Sunday, June 20 (no submission fee).

DIGit will screen all Quick & Gritty works at the Video Slam on Sunday, June 20 at 12 p.m. at the Tusten Theatre. Works will be judged live on-site,

and the creator of the winning work will receive a \$500 cash prize. Other prizes may also be awarded. DIGit is a digital media exposition, sponsored by the Delaware Valley Arts Alliance, that encourages creative and technical excellence and experimentation among individual artists and small groups working with digital tools. The Seventh Annual DIGit Media Exposition, June 18-20, includes continuous screenings, site specific performances, interactive concerts, and audio and video installations in and around Narrowsburg's Main Street and the Delaware River. DIGIT is funded in part by a grant from the Electronic Media Program of the New York State Council on the Arts.

For more information, call (845) 252-7576 or visit [www.ArtsAllianceSite.org](http://www.ArtsAllianceSite.org).

**WHAT'S HAPPENING at ASK  
Call for Entries: 2011 Kingston Calendar Photo Contest**

The Arts Society of Kingston (ASK) is once again sponsoring the photography contest for the 2011 Kingston Calendar. The 2011 calendar theme will be "Seasons in the City - Kingston, NY". Winning photos, (13 in all) will become part of the 2011 calendar, one for each month and one for the cover. Calendars will be professionally produced and will display the winning photos, crediting the photographers and captioning the location sites.

The photographs must have been recently taken at locations within the city of Kingston limits, depicting seasonal scenes of Kingston, NY. Entrants may submit four photographs (one image per season). The deadline for submissions is August 6th 2010. For more details regarding the Call for Entries, please visit the ASK website at <http://www.askforarts.org/> or call ASK at: 845-338-0331.

**Summer Writing Workshop at ASK**

The Arts Society of Kingston, will offer a four-session creative writing workshop led by Iris Litt, starting Saturday, July 10th, at 97 Broadway in the Rondout section of Kingston. The ASK workshop will meet on alternate Saturdays from 1:30 to 3:30pm, on July 10th and 24th and August 7th and 21st.

The focus will be the same as in past seasons: "Writing Poetry, Short Story, Novel, Memoir or Creative Non-fiction (and Getting It Published)". Writers of all levels, published or beginning, are welcome.

The workshop will be conducted in four sessions - \$60. Pre-registration is required and space is limited. To register, please call ASK at (845) 338-0331. For more information about the workshop, contact Iris Litt at (845) 679-8256 or [irislitt@aol.com](mailto:irislitt@aol.com). Iris Litt's most recent book of poetry "What I Wanted to Say", is available at The Golden Notebook in Woodstock and the Bohemian Book Bin in Lake Katrine or on Amazon. Her poetry, stories and essays appear in many literary journals. She has taught creative writing at Bard College, SUNY/Ulster, Writers in the Mountains, New York Public Library, The Educational Alliance and many other Hudson Valley and New York City venues.

**July brings "From Fiber to Fresco": A Solo Show by Rita Schwab and "The Hudson River in Watercolor": A Solo Show by Ray Curran to ASK**

The Arts Society of Kingston (ASK) welcomes two wonderful solo exhibitions in July. The Main Gallery will host "From Fiber to Fresco" by Rita Schwab, and the Members' Lounge will feature "The Hudson River in Watercolor" by Ray Curran. The shared opening reception will take place during First Saturday, July 3rd, 5-8 pm. Later in the evening, the opening will feature the jazz/world sounds of Doug Elliot and friends. Both exhibitions will run thru July 31st.

**"From Fiber to Fresco": A Solo Show by Rita Schwab**

Rita Schwab is an abstract painter in the traditional technique of fresco, an application of pigmentation on plaster, which allows a play with texture and incorporation of objects. Her 'canvases' are portable walls made from recycled wood. Rita has totally changed her art form since a fire took the contents of her weaving studio in 2006. This show is about the emergence of her new art expression.

Rita Schwab's work suggests a rebirth of life forms and a growth and renewal of organic shapes. She strives for balance between elements such as earth and sea, sky and breeze, light and dark, texture and smooth finish.

Her paintings are usually enhanced with organic ingredients such as sand, rocks, ground barks, shells and natural pigments. "The surfaces of these fresco paintings are dense and complex in their materiality... The biomorph shapes flow naturally on this highly textured wood surface. Circles are off-centered, suggesting celestial bodies. Oil washes bring a flowing, spacey dimension to otherwise defined geometry."

**"The Hudson River in Watercolor": A Solo Show by Ray Curran**

This series of Ray Curran's watercolors are an exploration into the relationship, both mystical and mundane, of people with the Hudson River's diverse waterfront through the magical medium of watercolor.

**About ASK**

The Arts Society of Kingston, a regional center for the arts, presents a diverse range of visual art exhibitions, performances, workshops, classes, and other arts-related programming for the benefit of artists, art-lovers, and the general community of the Hudson Valley. Through its initiatives, ASK provides opportunities, resources, and education for artists. In carrying out this mission, ASK enriches the quality of life, bridges cultural gaps, and increases awareness and appreciation of the arts. For more information, please visit [ASKforArts.org](http://ASKforArts.org).

**"IN SEARCH OF TONTO BLUE" AT TUSTEN THEATRE**

"In Search of Tonto Blue"-at the Tusten Theatre June 25 and 26-interweaves phantasmagorical multimedia imagery with original music and lyrics, the unusual use of everyday objects, and the highly skilled muscular presence of award-winning theatre artist Tony Brown.

Meet Arthur A. Peterson, a quiet, nondescript, middle-aged Everyman, who believes his calling is to find fame and fortune by becoming a pop culture icon. In the vain of a modern myth, the production tracks the trials and tribulations of this faceless and voiceless man as he leaves his sheltered life to make a sojourn in search of a persona he believes will make him famous. While finding entry in to world of pop culture is no easy feat, Arthur unexpectedly connects to his unknown alter ego Tonto Blue and finds not only an identity-but a voice.

Arthur A. Peterson and Tonto Blue become archetypal characters in a world, much like our own, where the wisdom that comes with age is overshadowed by the fervor and hunger for the new.

"In Search of Tonto Blue" is conceived by Kari Margolis and Tony Brown, written and directed by Margolis, with original music and multimedia Brown. Created with and performed by Tony Brown and Gregory G. Schott.

Tusten Theatre at 210 Bridge Street in Narrowsburg, NY hosts two performances, Friday and Saturday, June 25 and 26 at 8 p.m.

Tickets are \$20. Box office phone number is (845) 252-7272. For more information, visit [www.ArtsAllianceSite.org](http://www.ArtsAllianceSite.org).

The 80-year old art deco-style Tusten Theatre features an eight-month schedule of cultural programming including jazz, opera, performance art, folk music, and theatre.

**AUXILIARY TO HOST WELLNESS PROGRAM ON YOGA**

Rob Greenberg will present a talk on Dealing with Stress through Improving the Quality of Life Improving the Quality of Breath, as part of the Marian Connell Wellness Education Lecture Series on Saturday, June 19 from 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. at the Fairview Library, Margaretville.


Mr. Greenberg has studied and taught these methods along with Hatha Yoga for the last 35 years. He will offer techniques and practices through this lecture.

A calm, conscious breath yields a calmer mind. Proper breathing techniques can lower your stress level and lower your blood pressure with practice. Come join us for one hour of improving the quality of your life, invited Wellness Committee member Rita Herbst.

Space is limited to 30 people and reservations are required. The lecture will be held on the lawn behind the Fairview Library on Walnut Street, Margaretville. In the event of rain, the lecture will be moved to Library Annex. Participants should wear casual comfortable clothing. Please call Rita at 845 586-1439 to reserve space.

The Marian Connell Wellness Education Lecture Series is sponsored by the Auxiliary of Margaretville Hospital and Mountainside Residential Care Center, a member of HealthAlliance of the Hudson Valley.

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The youth programs are as follows: Mondays will be Jazz/HipHop dancing with Taylor. She will also be playing fitness games indoors and out. Taylor plans on also showing movies and making Crafts. On Wednesdays and Fridays youth will be able to enjoy Karate instruction with the Hyrnko's who are Hall of Famers in Karate instruction, fitness games, playing Basketball, and Crafts like tie-dye T-shirts, boondoggling, and making frozen treats.

This unique Youth Camp will begin on Monday July 5th thru Friday, August 20th. Youth should bring snack and blanket. Pizza/Dance Party will takes place last day of camp. For more information about the start times and fees for the aforementioned programs, please call Liberty Fitness Center at 292-0756.

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**ERH CONTINUES HEALING ART PROGRAM** (From Pg. 1)  
Davidson's palette consists of natural and man-made objects in various stages of decomposition. Their interrelationships result in abstract to literal constructions. Time, environment and circumstance integrate the objects through oxidation, mineralization and deterioration. The aging of materials exposed to the elements is a transitional process, a form of deconstruction eventually returning most things to their original and mutual elements—again becoming one with the earth. Expressing a social/environmental reunification and worth through transformations, the works rejuvenate the lifeless objects with new purpose, interactions and dependencies.

"Davidson has maintained an intrigue with the found culminating in the production of superior assembled artwork. The ironical, whimsical and extraordinary qualities of the found objects presents a humorous dialogue, playful spirit and contemplative response to our culture through the iconography and processes of (de)constructed assemblage."

-William C. Maxwell, Maxwell Fine Arts, Peekskill NY

"Charles Davidson's found objects have Surrealist tendencies and have perfected skills at assembling some of the sorriest looking junk one might ever come across".

-D. Dominick Lombardi, ART REVIEWS, NY Times

"Expressing a social/environmental reunification through transformation, Davidson's works rejuvenate discarded and lifeless objects with new purpose, interactions and dependencies."

-Al Oernsanz, Oernsanz Foundation, NYC

"... It's about viewing what's around us differently; about one man making sense of the world he's inhabited and personalizing its discarded objects. Most of all, it's about richness. Davidson's assemblage aesthetic, more than anything, invigorates that sense of beauty... His works of art seem to shine despite their rust, their diverse patinas of decay... For a moment, one can almost hear them whisper... 'Were still alive.'"

-Paul Smart, Woodstock Times

"The amazing interrelationships of Davidson's discoveries result in highly involving abstract to literal constructions."

-Dick Pollich, Pollich/Tallix, Rock Tavern, NY

"An apt description of artist CHARLES DAVIDSON is that of an archeo- recycler who uses his finds as a palette. The textures, forms and subjects of his discoveries stimulate his artistic ingenuity."

"Objects from the past involve our senses, old things smell old," says DAVIDSON. The patinas and aromas that only time can paint enrich the works. The (Next Col.)

palette consists of unearthed objects, natural and man-made, in various stages of decomposition. Time, environment and circumstance integrate the objects through oxidation, mineralization and deterioration. "The aging of these material exposed to the elements is a transitional process, a form of deconstruction... eventually returning most things to their original and mutual elements... again becoming one with the earth." says DAVIDSON.

One of his first constructions, RUST, grew from a fascination with the design and textural quality, as well as social significance of once utilitarian objects... scissors, nails, eyeglasses, now discarded and rusting away. Another began with a sensitive poem from a woman to her granddaughter found in a turn-of-the-century diary. The construction became a four-dimensional depiction of the contents of such a woman's life. He sees it as a kind of portrait. While the constructions seem to have a spontaneous quality, they are in fact precisely planned and controlled.

Davidson began his formal art education in 1958 with a scholarship to Otis Art Institute and graduated Art Center College of Design six years later. A prestigious New York advertising art director and creative director, Davidson returned to Art Center twelve years later as Chairman of Advertising Design and Graphic Arts.

### FROST VALLEY YMCA'S ADIRONDACK RAMBLER TRIPS

(From Pg. 1)  
Once campers arrive at Frost Valley they will enjoy a day of getting to know one another and perform gear inspection.

The following morning the group departs for the Adirondacks and will set up camp at the Lake Durant Campground. Participants will learn the ropes of campsite setup, outdoor cooking and basic camping etiquette. The initial adventure trip will be a day of Hudson River whitewater rafting before returning to Lake Durant.

The group heads north the next day to the Saranac Lakes Wild Forest Area to enjoy backcountry camping and canoeing. Campers will receive instruction in basic canoe strokes, rescue techniques and navigation. Canoes will also be the mode of travel the following day as the group explores the Saranac Lakes area. The canoeing portion of the trip ends at Rollins Pond the next day. The group will then settle in at Sharp Bridge Campground.

Professional guides arrive on Day 7 to teach the basics of Adirondack rock climbing. There will be more climbing the next day and then another night at Sharp Bridge. Gear will be repacked into day packs on Day 9 and campers will depart for their first peak on an all-day hiking adventure. The evening will be spent at a campground. The next day the group will scale another Adirondack mountain and enjoy the spectacular views before returning to camp. After the last day of hiking, the evening program features everyone sharing favorite experiences around the campfire. The following morning, the group will depart for Frost Valley. After spending the night, campers will finish any gear cleanup and then depart for home.

For information about this program or Frost Valley's many other Teen Adventure Trips, please call 845 985-2291, ext. 301, e-mail: [info@frostvalley.org](mailto:info@frostvalley.org) or visit: <http://www.frostvalley.org/teen-adventure/wilderness.html>. Keep up with daily happenings at [fvsummercamp.wordpress.com](http://fvsummercamp.wordpress.com) or join Frost Valley on twitter at [twitter.com/frostvalley](http://twitter.com/frostvalley).

Frost Valley YMCA is located at 2000 Frost Valley Road, eight miles from Claryville and 13 miles from Big Indian. Frost Valley was established in 1901 as one of the nation's first summer camps for children. The camp and conference center welcomes school children, family, group and business retreats every week from September through June. The camp is just 2.5 hours drive from metro NY/NJ and about 1 hour from Kingston.

### CALL FOR ENTRIES-THIRD ANNUAL "CATSKILL IMPRESSIONS" EXHIBIT

(From Pg. 1)  
The exhibit will open on Saturday, July 3, 2010 with a gala reception including food, drink, and artists on hand, and will continue through Sunday, August 15.

Artists are welcome to submit up to five pieces of work in any medium. Each piece should be ready to hang or otherwise display. There is a \$20 non-refundable fee for submission of work. The pieces can be for sale, or not; if they are sold, there will be a 30% commission to the gallery.

Artists who wish to submit their work may download an application from the website - [www.catskillartistsgallery.com](http://www.catskillartistsgallery.com) - or call 845-292-0310 to have one mailed. All work must be delivered to the gallery by Sunday, June 27 by 5 p.m. The gallery sends out cards to its mailing list of almost 1000 potential visitors. Additional cards will be available for participants for their own mailing lists, friends, and family.

The Catskill Artists Gallery, in Liberty for over 7 years, has a wide variety of handmade art sure to suit any taste and budget. There are paintings, photography, sculpture, jewelry, glass work, fabric art including scarves and handbags, note cards, books, wood work and more, all created by local artists. Gift certificates are always available. Members of the gallery are Robert Friedman, Cate Gundlah, Kathy Jeffers, Buff McAllister, Helena Clare Pittman and Hank Schneider. Some 30 other artists are also represented.

The gallery is open Friday and Saturday from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Sunday from noon to five. For more information, call 845-292-0310.

### CAS ARTS CENTER FIRST ANNUAL SUMMER MEMBERS SHOW

The CAS Arts Center proudly presents the first ever Summer Members Show, running from June 26 - July 18, 2010. This exhibition, appearing throughout the entire gallery, will exhibit the work of members of the Catskill Art Society. The opening reception will be held on Saturday, June 26 from 5-7PM. Following the reception, the gallery will be open its usual hours, Thursday - Saturday, 11am-6pm, and Sunday, 11am-3pm. CAS Arts Center is located at 48 Main Street in Livingston Manor and is wheelchair accessible.

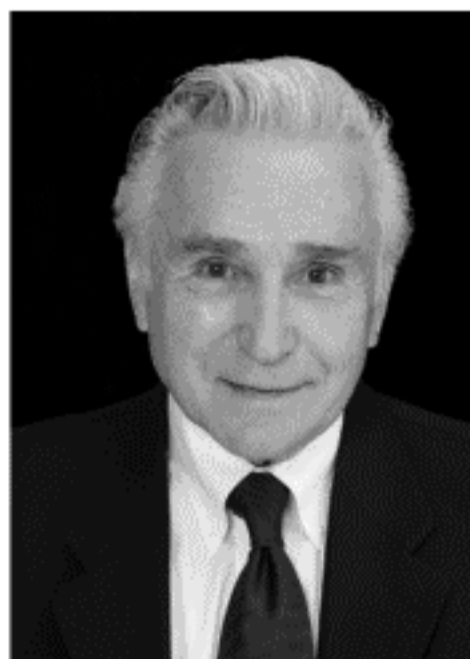
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For additional event information and for this season's concert information and tickets check out the festival website, [www.belleayremusic.org](http://www.belleayremusic.org). or call 800 942-6904, ext. 1344 or visit: [www.belleayremusic.org](http://www.belleayremusic.org). The festival's e-mail address is: [festival@catskill.net](mailto:festival@catskill.net).

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**HONOR THY FATHER...**



It took many years to make Father's Day an official holiday. Even with the support from the YWCA, the YMCA and churches, Father's Day almost disappeared from our calendar of celebrations. It seems that the holiday was gathering attention slowly, but for the wrong reasons. It was the target of much satire, parody and ridicule. Many people saw it as the first step in filling the calendar with mindless promotions.

However, in 1913 a bill was introduced into Congress promoting national recognition of the holiday. In 1916, President Woodrow Wilson went to Spokane to speak at a Father's Day celebration and wanted to make it official, but Congress resisted, fearing that the day would lose its original purpose and become commercialized.

In 1924, President Calvin Coolidge recommended that the day be observed by the nation, but stopped short of issuing a national proclamation.

It wasn't until 1957, when Maine Senator Margaret Chase Smith wrote a proposal accusing Congress of ignoring fathers for 40 years while honoring mothers, thus "singling out just one of our two parents". In 1966, President Lyndon Johnson issued the first presidential proclamation honoring fathers, designating the third Sunday in June as Father's Day. Six years later, the day was made a permanent national holiday when President Richard Nixon signed it into law in 1972.

Today, Father's Day is a day honoring fathers and celebrating fatherhood, paternal bonds, and the influence of fathers in society. It is celebrated on the third Sunday of June in 55 of the world's countries and on other days elsewhere.

Do something special for 'Dad' this Father's Day. Perhaps a pancake breakfast with the Claryville Fire Department, and for another really special treat, Blue Hill Lodge will be hosting a Father's Day Special on Saturday night (June 19th). See their ad on page 9.

Whatever you do, as you reflect on all of the special things that your father has done for you, remember it is a day to do something special for your father.

**HAPPY FATHER'S DAY TO ALL THE DADS!**

**A MORE NATURAL WAY...**

This past weekend I realized it was that time of the year when those pesky little visitors come back - little tiny ants!

Being a bit more aware of the hazards of the products that I generally use, I turned to the information highway and found an old article that someone posted from *Mother Earth News* back in the '80's. The recipe was simple. Mix a little borax with some sugar and set it where the ants were visiting.

Worked like a charm. The ants have not returned today so I assume they have gone on to another dimension, or at least didn't like this new treat and told their buddies not to enter this domain!

While borax is relatively safe to use, it does have insecticidal properties indicating that it does have some level of toxicity and should therefore be treated with care. Borax should also not be inhaled or ingested and if you are sensitive to the product, you may want to wear rubber gloves.

Another great product, that is absolutely non-toxic is vinegar. To stop ants from congregating in the first place, try pouring white distilled vinegar on the area where the ants are entering your home or congregating. And anthills can be eliminated by pouring white distilled vinegar in them.

Here are a few other non-toxic solutions: After you have determined where they are entering your home, eliminate the food, water and/or housing that they need in order to survive. Promptly clean up after meals and take all trash out of your home. Know that learning how to get rid of ants involves creating an ant-proof abode.

Move outdoor trash and recycling bins as far from your home as possible. Tightly wrap and store any food set out on kitchen counters and refrigerate all perishable food, especially in the summer, when fruits and vegetables may spoil quickly. Remove pools of standing water. Ants get thirsty too.

Sprinkle powdered red chili pepper, paprika, dried peppermint or borax on ant trails, in cracks and near entryways to deter them from moving in.

You could also make a natural repellent of citrus peelings and water in a blender and pour it over any anthills near your house.

It might take a little more work and a bit of strategy using non-toxic and safe products to eliminate the pests, but in the long run, it will be worth it - actually both vinegar and borax are very inexpensive! You may even want to use these products outdoors in the picnic area, especially if you are planning an outdoor event this weekend to celebrate Father's Day.

**SENATORS URGE OVERHAUL OF CHILD NUTRITION REAUTHORIZATION BILL AS THE HOUSE UNVEILS MORE ROBUST PLAN**

As the House of Representatives unveiled their Child Nutrition Reauthorization bill today, U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand, a member of the Senate Agriculture Committee, along with six of her colleagues, sent a letter to Senate Leaders, urging them to overhaul the Senate version of the legislation to include a significant increase in the reimbursement rate for school meals. Joining Senator Gillibrand are Senators Ron Wyden (D-OR), Jeff Merkley (D-OR), Al Franken (D-MN), Tim Johnson (D-SD), Bernie Sanders (I-VT) and Frank Lautenberg (D-NJ).

In their letter to Harry Reid (D-NV) and Mitch McConnell (R-KY), the Senators wrote, "While the current bill represents a good start, we want to work with you to find more funds in order to increase the lunch reimbursement rate, lower the threshold to 40 percent, and - at a minimum - match the President's recommendation of \$10 billion for child nutrition. In order to really address the national crisis of obesity and hunger, we need \$40 billion for child nutrition reauthorization - the right investment in our children's health, as well as a long-term solution to the \$650 billion a year cost of obesity and cardiovascular disease."

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), over the last 30 years, obesity among American children ages 6 to 11 has more than doubled - from 6.5 percent to 17 percent. In the same timeframe, obesity among 12 to 19-year-olds has more than tripled - from 5 percent to nearly 18 percent.

The CDC also estimates that obesity costs America nearly \$150 billion each year in health care costs. Cardiovascular disease alone, now found in children as young as 8 years old, costs America \$500 billion each year.

Childhood obesity can lead to lower test scores in school and serious health conditions, including cardiovascular disease, diabetes and depression.

## GUNTHER: ASSEMBLY PASSES LEGISLATION REINSTATING PRIOR APPROVAL OF HEALTH INSURANCE RATE HIKES (From Pg. 1)

"Bringing back regulation of this industry will ensure greater accountability to families and businesses that can't afford ever-increasing insurance premiums. Proper reviews of proposed premium hikes by the state Insurance Department take us in the right direction.

"It is vital we make certain that premiums are set according to the true cost of doing business, not to pad insurance companies' bottom lines. I have long been a proponent of ensuring that people are put before profits when it comes to our health care system. The measure passed today is one more step toward that goal."

## SULLIVAN COUNTY MANAGER SOLICITS INPUT ON LEAN GOVERNMENT FROM COUNTY EMPLOYEES

County Manager David P. Fanslau announced that he has sent a memorandum to all County employees requesting their input into reviewing and reforming County systems and processes.

"The time has arrived when we must collectively develop and engage a new paradigm for delivering the County government services that our residents have come to expect and deserve. I am writing to all County employees to request your input into our systems and processes, and I encourage you to offer suggestions that you may have on streamlining how your office or department may deliver those services," Fanslau wrote.

The solicitation of input from County employees is generated from the NYSAC hosted webinar that focused on Lean Government. One of the suggestions from that webinar that will be developed and employed is "value stream mapping". This process suggests that the requirements of a system or process be "mapped" to determine its value to the user community along the stream of checkpoints that the system or process engages. Once that is complete, then a determination would be made as to whether the system or process is mandatory, necessary, or redundant; and reconciled with what value to the user community a particular system or process provides, along with the impact to the General Fund.

"There are many processes that we collectively continue to produce in paper form that could easily be converted to an electronic form or process. We are in the process of reviewing a number of the County's internal systems and processes, which will be the first area of value stream mapping. However, I also invite your suggestions for external processes that will make a more positive experience for our citizenry to engage their County government, from interacting via the internet to permitting certain transactions via email.

You serve the County on the front lines, by interacting daily with members of the general public. Therefore, your input into a process to review and reform our systems and processes, with the ultimate goal of making them more effective and efficient, is essential," Fanslau wrote.

"The fiscal reality that the County faces in 2011 will likely require that the County government spend less in 2011 than the amount appropriated in 2010. Therefore, it is imperative that the County utilizes systems and resources that provide the greatest benefit to the General Fund, and most importantly to the County's Citizenry," Fanslau concluded.

## ASSEMBLY PROVIDES \$231 MILLION FOR CAPITAL PROJECTS - Bill Keeps New Yorkers Working, Renews Road & Bridge Construction

Assemblymember Cahill announced that the Assembly passed a budget bill that includes \$231 million for capital projects backed by state dollars. The measure provides funding for road and infrastructure projects statewide. These expenditures will inject a much needed boost to the economy while making roads and bridges safer.

"Numerous construction projects throughout New York have continued without reimbursements from the state. Many of them were approved a long time ago," said Assemblymember Cahill. "During these tough economic times, the state must honor its commitment to fund these important projects that boost our economy and improve the safety of our roads."

The legislation also funds two programs at the 2009-10 budget level: the Consolidated Local Street and Highway Improvement Program (CHIPS), which assists municipalities

in financing construction, reconstruction or improvement of local highways and bridges. Additionally, the Municipal Streets and Highway Program which provides municipalities with state funds to draw federal matching grants for local highway and bridge projects was funded at last years level.

"Combined with \$210 million in federal funding, this legislation will begin to put New Yorkers back to work," Assemblymember Cahill said. "New York's roadways, railways and bridges are essential links in our economy, so the efficiency and safety of these systems must remain a major priority."

## CROUCH: STATE IS RISKING EMPLOYMENT AND GROWTH BY NOT FUNDING CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS

Assemblyman Clifford W. Crouch (R-I-Guilford) said that the passage of the budget extender last month did nothing to help state construction contracts currently halted by the late budget.

"By not including certain state construction contracts in this budget extender, the governor is doing more harm than good to the people of this state," said Crouch. "The state already has a limited construction season as it is, and delaying this process only makes matters worse for the companies that hold contracts with the state."

Through May, all eight of the budget extenders that Governor Paterson submitted to the Legislature have only contained provisions to fund contracts utilizing federal funds, although a state contract concerning the Staten Island Expressway was included this time. Crouch noted that he and his Assembly Minority Conference colleagues have pushed for a funding provision for some state construction contracts consistently for every budget extender.

"What the governor and legislative leaders are doing is jeopardizing current and future employment opportunities in this state," said Crouch. "The lack of a budget is exposing construction companies to unemployment costs and high interests on borrowed money to cover expenses. The state is only hurting itself by suspending these contracts. Any bids that the state receives for contracts next year, we will potentially see companies having to calculate the costs of waiting for the money and include that in their bid submission, because of what we have seen this year. The state is sending a message to businesses that it cannot be trusted to honor those bids because of the risks involved with these contracts and the budget."

Through to May, Governor Paterson has asked the Legislature to pass \$29.9 billion worth of appropriations through weekly budget extenders. That number, compared to the governor's proposed spending for fiscal year 2010-11, was set at or around \$135 billion.

## ASSEMBLYMEMBER CAHILL'S STATEMENT ON THE HEALTH CARE EMERGENCY EXPENDITURE BILL

Assemblymember Kevin Cahill (D-Ulster, Dutchess) issued the following statement on the recently passed budget extender:

"The Assembly passed a budget extender that makes the necessary spending cuts to keep New York fiscally solvent, while ensuring access to the crucial services that so many New Yorkers rely on. Health care is the largest part of the state budget and this legislation will reduce spending by \$775 million, bringing us a large step closer to closing the \$9.2 billion deficit.

"In these difficult economic times, tough choices need to be made. It is my belief that when it comes to areas as necessary and important as health care, we simply cannot make broad cuts. Instead, we should look at precise areas where we can eliminate unnecessary spending. This measure closely reflects the budget resolution put forth by the Assembly in March and addresses the severity of our fiscal condition while minimizing, to the extent possible, the impact on health care.

"By taking on the issues of health care and environmental funding, we have already passed over half of the budget for the fiscal year. Continuing to rely on budget extenders, however, is unacceptable. The time is long passed for us to finally bring the budget negotiations to a close and enact a complete budget plan."

## HINCHEY VISITS KINGSTON SMALL BUSINESS TO DISCUSS NEW FEDERAL TAX CREDITS AND INCENTIVES TO HELP HUDSON VALLEY SMALL BUSINESSES HIRE NEW WORKERS, PROVIDE HEALTH INSURANCE

Congressman Maurice Hinchey (D-NY) today visited R&F Handmade Paints in Kingston, which is benefiting from several new tax credits and incentives designed to help small businesses hire new workers and provide health insurance to their employees. Hinchey met with company founder Jim Frumess, and partners Darin Seim and Jim Haskin to discuss how the new federal laws are working and what additional steps need to be taken to assist small business owners in the recovering economy.

"Small businesses are an essential engine for job creation and growth in our economy," said Hinchey. "The entrepreneurs who take the risks and put in the hours to create the majority of new jobs took a major hit when the financial system collapsed. That's why I've worked to pass several new initiatives to help small businesses start hiring again. The small employer we're visiting today, R&F Handmade Paints, will benefit from the health care reform law, which provides an immediate tax credit of up to 35 percent to help cover the cost of insurance premiums. I'm also happy to note that this company recently hired a new worker and plans to soon hire another. They may also benefit from a payroll tax holiday and a \$1,000 income tax credit for every new qualifying employee they bring on."

One reason Hinchey supported and voted to pass the health care reform law is the immediately available small business tax credit worth up to 35 percent of the cost of premiums for small businesses that provide health insurance to their employees. Over 15,000 small businesses in the congressional district Hinchey represents will be eligible to claim the tax credit beginning with their 2010 tax returns. The credit will expand to cover up to 50 percent of the cost of premiums starting in 2014.

Hinchey also helped pass the HIRE Act, which provides a new payroll tax exemption to incentivize employers to hire and retain new employees. The bill provides businesses with an exemption from Social Security payroll taxes for every worker hired in 2010 who has been unemployed for at least 60 days. The longer that a business keeps a new qualified worker on its payroll, the greater the tax benefit. The law also provides an additional \$1,000 income tax credit for every new employee retained for 52 weeks. Hinchey voted for the HIRE Act legislation, which was signed into law by the president on March 18, 2010.

"The HIRE Act is a good step toward fighting the high levels of unemployment and also an encouraging sign that the government will begin reaching out and lending a hand to smaller business owners that often fly under the radar of big politics," Seim said. "We are happy to see that the federal government is acknowledging the great impact small business has in our economy."

As part of a comprehensive effort to strengthen the economy and protect the middle class, Hinchey opposed the big bank bailout and has strongly supported comprehensive Wall Street reform that will put an end to the loopholes that allowed financial institutions to get away with the risky investment schemes that led to the economic collapse. He is also the author of legislation that would prevent big banks from using depositors' money for risky investments.

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, which Hinchey strongly supported, provided \$76 billion in small business tax credits and incentives to help increase cash flow, reduce debt, spur investments and help create jobs. The Recovery Act was signed into law by President Obama in February 2009.

## HINCHEY TO DELIVER KEYNOTE ADDRESS AT FOURTH ANNUAL NYC SOLAR SUMMIT

Congressman Maurice Hinchey (D-NY) will delivered the keynote address at the the Fourth Annual New York City Solar Summit on Tuesday, June 8th at the John Jay College, Gerald W. Lynch Theater located at 899 Tenth Avenue in New York City.

Hinchey gave an overview of the dramatic need for major advancements in solar energy technology and use, highlighted his work to make New York a leader in solar energy research and development through The Solar Energy Consortium, and discussed efforts in Congress to pass tax credits and other incentives to help make solar technology more mainstream. The congressman also spoke about the need to make the United States a leader in solar energy research and development in order to become the world leader in the field. (Contd. Pg. 14)

**\*\* YARD SALE \*\***  
**&**  
**\*\* BAKE SALE \*\***

**Friday & Saturday**  
**July 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup>**  
**10 a.m. - 4 p.m.**

**Ulster Heights**  
**United Methodist Church**  
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 Ellenville, NY

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**BBQ**

**Saturday, June 19, 2010**  
**5-7pm**  
**Neversink Fire Dept. Pavilion**


*To benefit the Grahamsville UMC's August 2010 Mission Trip to Kentucky. This is our final fundraiser. THANKS for all your support! Come eat in, or take out: BBQ chicken, baked potato, cole slaw, baked beans, roll, beverage, ice cream, cookies.*

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**ARTS FOR ULSTER**  
 UlsterCorps and the Woodstock Artist Association and Museum (WAAM) are proud to announce Arts for Ulster, a unique series of events designed to foster volunteerism, build community, and raise money to support services for Ulster County residents. All events will be at WAAM, 28 Tinker Street in Woodstock.

Arts for Ulster will premier at the Woodstock Artists Association and Museum with a Gala Preview Reception on Friday, June 11th from 7-9pm and continue with a five week gallery exhibit in WAAM's Towbin Wing, featuring works by Judy Pfaff, Gillian Jagger and Richard Segalman. More than 50 artists in all are donating work to benefit organizations providing a wide range of important services throughout our region. A complete list of the artists and the organizations participating can be found on the UlsterCorps website: [www.ulstercorps.org](http://www.ulstercorps.org).

The Gala Preview Reception will also include a special chamber music performance of Mozart's Eine Kleine Nachtmusik by Esopus Musicalia. (Please note quotes from participating artists below).

Arts for Ulster will culminate with a Live Auction fundraiser on Saturday, July, 17th from 6-10pm with auctioneer James Cox and a classical guitar performance by Liam Wood. Auctioned will be the more than fifty works of art each by a different artist, each benefiting a different not-for-profit.

**Roscoe-Rockland Chamber of Commerce Independence Day Parade and Festival**

Friday, July 2nd Auction - Rockland Fire House 6 pm  
 Saturday, July 3rd - 10:00 - 4:00 Vendors on Main St. Parade 11:00

All are welcome to participate  
 Line up 10:00 Roscoe Central School  
 Entertainment by *Mystic Entertainment*  
 For info p/c Elaine - 845-439-4039  
*Rain or Shine*

GRAHAMSVILLE REFORMED CHURCH  
**ROAST CHICKEN DINNER**  
 July 9, 2010 FRIDAY  
 4 - 7 pm

*Menu:* Roast Chicken, baked beans, potato salad, toss salad, bread, brownie sundae, beverages.  
 Adults: \$10, Child 5-10: \$5, under 4 free  
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**BAKE SALE**

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**July 3, 2010**  
 Saturday  
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Homemade cakes, cookies, brownies, pies, & other assorted treats.

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Daily Mass schedule:  
 Monday afternoon 5:45 (Holy Rosary at 5:30); Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday mornings: (includes Morning Prayer)- 8:30 am  
 Saturday afternoon confessions: 4 to 4:45.  
 Rev. John J. Lynch, Ph.D., Pastor. 434-7643.

On Friday, June 18th, 7pm, there will be a Special Performance by Rebecca Martin, the critically acclaimed singer songwriter, at WAAM. Tickets for these events can be purchased at WAAM or online at [www.woodstockart.org](http://www.woodstockart.org) or [www.ulstercorps.org](http://www.ulstercorps.org). or by calling 845-679-2940 extension 300.

**Other events scheduled include Free Community Days...**


**Community Opening - Saturday June 12th, 12-6pm**  
 Noon: Rondout Valley Animals for Adoption + Gillian Jagger  
 12:30 pm: James Krueger, singer/songwriter + Director of the Pine Hill Community Center  
 1:30pm: Historical Society of Woodstock + Martin Carey  
 2:00pm: Daily Bread Soup Kitchen  
 2:30pm: Ravensbeard Wildlife Sanctuary  
 4-6pm: Free Community Reception

**Youth Day - Saturday, June 26th, 12-5pm**  
 Noon: Haiti Houses  
 1pm: Art Lab  
 2pm: Family of Woodstock Adolescent Services  
 3pm: Children's Media Project  
 4pm: POOK and Energy

**Healing Arts Day - Saturday, July 10th, 12-5pm**  
 Noon: Tibet Aid  
 12:30pm: Patrice Maltas, singer/songwriter  
 1:30pm: CASA of Ulster County  
 2pm: Mental Health Association  
 3pm: Mercedes Cecilia, Jin Shin Jyutsu demonstration

All events take place at the Woodstock Artists Association and Museum, 28 Tinker Street, Woodstock  
 See [UlsterCorps.org](http://UlsterCorps.org) for details.

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**UNDER 5 YRS. FREE**  
**\$50 FROM THE BREAKFAST IS DONATED TO USMC SGT EDDIE RYAN**

 **Covered Dish Supper**  
**July 3, 2010**  
**Sundown United Methodist Church at the Sundown Church Hall**

 **Thrift Sale 9-2 & Luncheon 11-1**  
**Grahamsville United Methodist Church**  
 Tuesday  
**June 22, 2010**

*Grahamsville Reformed Church*  
 Sunday School 9 A.M.  
 Worship Service 10 A.M.  
 Hymn Sing & Covered Dish Supper  
 5:30/6:30 P.M. - 1st Sunday of the Month  
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## HINCHEY TO DELIVER KEYNOTE ADDRESS AT FOURTH ANNUAL NYC SOLAR SUMMIT (From Pg. 12)

The Fourth Annual NYC Solar Summit was convened by Sustainable CUNY and rolled out the NYC Smart Solar City plan, including a preview of the NYC Solar Map, an online interactive tool expected to be completed in late 2010.

## GILLIBRAND CONVENES SUMMIT OF NY COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY PRESIDENTS IN WASHINGTON TO ANNOUNCE NEW AGENDA TO EXPAND HIGHER EDUCATION IN NY

Senator Gillibrand convened the first Washington, D.C. summit of college and university presidents from around New York. During meetings with U.S. Education Secretary Arne Duncan and nearly 80 college and university presidents from across New York, U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand today announced her new agenda to rebuild New York's economy by creating more higher education opportunities, and fostering innovation at New York's colleges and universities to create good-paying jobs across the state.

The median income for New Yorkers with a bachelor, graduate, or professional degree is nearly double the median income for New Yorkers with only a high school graduate degree. To foster opportunity and innovation at New York colleges and universities, Senator Gillibrand's agenda makes college more affordable and expands opportunities for higher education to all hardworking students; promotes science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) education to produce the next generation of experts in high-tech fields; and fosters strong partnerships among research institutions, science parks and private enterprises to commercialize scientific breakthroughs, spark new businesses, and create new, good-paying jobs in every region of New York.

"Fostering opportunity and innovation at our colleges and universities is critical to our economic growth," Senator Gillibrand said. "No other state is poised to lead in the high-tech economy of the future like New York. Our state is home to the leading colleges and universities in the world. These institutions are home to laboratories, researchers and the bright minds we need for long-term economic strength. This agenda opens the doors of our world class colleges and universities to more of our students, makes college more affordable for all families, and harnesses all of our state's potential in the high-tech sector to spark new industries, attract businesses and create the jobs of the future right here in New York."

According to new analysis of U.S. Census data by Senator Gillibrand's office, the median income of a New Yorker with a bachelor's degree, graduate or professional degree nearly doubles that of a New Yorker with only a high school diploma.

The median income of a Southern Tier resident with a bachelor's, graduate or professional degree is approximately \$21,500 more than the median income of a resident with a high school diploma and the median income of a Hudson Valley resident with a bachelor's, graduate or professional degree is approximately \$27,000 more than the median income of a resident with a high school diploma.

### 1. Ensuring Affordability and Access for More New Yorkers

#### Creating More College Opportunities

To open the door of higher education to all hardworking students, Senator Gillibrand is cosponsoring the Pathways to College Act, legislation that authorizes competitive five-year grants to local education agencies (LEAs) that serve high-need high schools to increase the number of students from low-income families who attend college. Additionally, Senator Gillibrand will be cosponsoring the Graduation Promise Act (GPA), legislation to help improve high school graduation rates and turn around struggling high school.

Senator Gillibrand has also authored the bipartisan Roosevelt Scholars Act - legislation to increase the number of experts in high-tech fields pursuing careers in public service by creating a civilian ROTC program. The program would offer full tuition at the undergraduate or graduate level in critical fields, such as science, engineering, public health, information technology, foreign languages and law, in exchange for a federal service commitment.

#### Making College More Affordable for All

With student debt at an all-time high and students facing rising tuition and fees, Senator Gillibrand took action earlier this year to pass legislation to increase the amount of Pell Grant scholarships for nearly 70,000 New York students eligible for Pell Grants, opening the doors of higher education to more students.

Overall, the legislation invests a total of \$36 billion into the Pell Grant program over 10 years, including \$22.6 billion to increase the maximum Pell Grant award from \$5,550 next year to nearly \$6,000 over the years ahead to help keep pace with inflation. This investment will allow approximately 67,500 New York students to be eligible for Pell Grants that provide need-based grants to low-income undergraduate and certain post-baccalaureate students to expand access to higher education. Last school

year, 6.2 million Americans relied on Pell Grants to help pay for college and career training. Nearly 90 percent of those students come from families earning less than \$40,000 a year.

To continue making college more affordable for all families, Senator Gillibrand is working to extend tax cuts on college tuition for an additional year. The tax cuts allow taxpayers to deduct up to \$4,000 of qualified higher education expenses, including tuition, fees, books and other expenses when they file federal income taxes.

### 2. Promoting STEM Education At All Levels of Education

The fastest growing occupations over the last decade require expertise in the fields of science and technology, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics. But less than one-third of American students are proficient in math and science, according to the National Assessment of Educational Progress, and our existing high-tech workforce is getting older - with more than half of Americans with science and engineering degrees at least 40 years old.

#### Graduating More STEM Students

To graduate the amount of students we need in math and science to compete in the high-tech economy, Senator Gillibrand will be authoring new legislation in the Senate called the Undergraduate Scholarships for Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics Act (US STEM) Act. The legislation would establish a new program under the National Science Foundation to award 2,500 undergraduate scholarships each year for students' full tuition during their last two years at a state institution.

The program would emphasize attracting more low-income, high-achieving students to pursue degrees in math, science and engineering - making sure every hardworking student has a path to higher education and success in careers that will define the economy of the future.

#### Produce More STEM Teachers

To expand and improve STEM education, we must look at the entire "P through 16" pipeline. High school and primary schools are in need of more STEM teacher to ready students for college. To that end, Senator Gillibrand is pushing the Senate version of the National STEM Education Tax Incentive for Teachers Act. This legislation would provide STEM teachers who work in low-income, high-need schools a tax credit to cover 10 percent of their undergraduate tuition - up to \$1,000 each year. STEM teachers in schools serving children with disabilities would be able to deduct up to \$1,500 each year.

The legislation is a critical tool to attract STEM teachers to low-income schools and help increase the number of low-income and middle-class students succeeding in STEM classes and pursuing careers in math, science and engineering, which America now lags behind China and India by 5 to 1.

#### Strengthening New York's Education Pipeline

To arm our students with the education they need to succeed in the 21st economy, Senator Gillibrand is pushing the E2 for Innovation Act. This legislation would establish a five year program (2011-2015) to award grants through the Secretary of Education in consultation with the National Science Foundation for the planning and implementation of engineering education into K-12 classrooms. It would also provide funding for three years to the Institute of Education Sciences for research and evaluation grants to assess the effectiveness of the funds used for planning and implementation. The funded projects would:

- o Integrate engineering education into K-12 classrooms by designing challenging content and curricula frameworks and assessments that include engineering.
- o Increase engineering and technology teacher preparation programs and recruit qualified teachers to provide engineering education in high-need schools.
- o Increase student achievement in STEM subjects and knowledge and competency in engineering design skills.
- o Promote aspirations for a career in engineering among diverse students, especially among girls and underrepresented minorities.
- o Promote partnerships among K-12 school administrators and teachers, and engineering member bodies and engineering professionals.

### 3. Fostering Partnerships Between Higher Education and Private Businesses to Drive Innovation and Entrepreneurship

#### Supporting Regional Economic Clusters

To grow the economy, businesses must work together and draw on regional strengths that can attract more investment to the area. To foster regional economic growth, Senator Gillibrand is pushing the Strengthening Employment Clusters to Organize Regional Success (SECTORS) Act - legislation that would award competitive industry or sector partnership grants from \$250,000 to \$2.5 million to eligible entities to develop cluster-based economic development strategies. This funding is critical to connecting regional businesses, suppliers, research and development entities, education and training providers, and associated institutions in a particular field to fulfill regional workforce needs and grow regional economies.

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Bioscience Initiative, the SECTORS Act would provide critical federal investments to some of New York's most promising regional cluster development projects and lay the foundation for our state's long term economic strength in the high-tech sector.

#### Strengthening Business Incubators

Senator Gillibrand is also pushing the Business Incubator Promotion Act, which would provide additional flexibility and funding to support incubators, particularly in areas where there is high unemployment. This ensures that areas that are the most economically distressed and in need of EDA funds have opportunities to receive those funds. It also promotes business incubators by both constructing new incubators and expanding and supporting existing incubators.

#### Harnessing the Full Power of Science Parks

Science parks are critical to transferring major breakthroughs in academic research into promising new business ventures and new jobs. New York is home to some of the nation's best science parks, including at Clarkson University, the University at Buffalo, Binghamton University, the College of Nanoscale Science & Engineering at the University at Albany, New York University and Stony Brook University.

New York City's Bioscience Initiative brings together over a dozen world-class research institutions and business leaders to grow New York's bioscience industry. Its state-of-the-art facilities and leading research has helped secure over \$1 billion in federal investments from the National Institutes for Health (NIH) and create over 110,000 related jobs for New York City.

To give all of New York's science parks the resources they need, Senator Gillibrand is cosponsoring the Building a Stronger America Act - legislation that would increase federal grants to \$750,000 and guarantees of up to 80 percent on loans exceeding \$10 million to build new science parks and expand existing ones.

Additionally, Senator Gillibrand is calling for a permanent extension to the Research and Development tax credit to spur private investment in research and innovation to grow our high-tech sector for the long term.

## GILLIBRAND FIGHTS FOR SUBPOENA POWER FOR BP OIL SPILL INVESTIGATION

U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand today joined nine of her Senate colleagues to introduce legislation to grant subpoena power to the bipartisan National Commission on the BP Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill and Offshore Drilling, which President Obama created by executive order on May 22. Congress has previously granted subpoena power to presidential commissions investigating national crises, including the Warren Commission and the Three Mile Island Commission.

"Our investigations must have real teeth with subpoena power that allow us to get to the bottom of this catastrophe," Senator Gillibrand said. "Subpoena power is critical to hold all parties accountable, protect taxpayers and successfully clean up the disaster in the Gulf."

Senator Gillibrand is joining Senators Jeanne Shaheen (D-NH), John Kerry (D-MA), Byron Dorgan (D-ND), Patty Murray (D-WA), Mary Landrieu (D-LA), Bob Menendez (D-NJ), Bob Casey (D-PA), Amy Klobuchar (D-MN) and Mark Begich (D-AK). The Senators strongly believe that the BP Commission must have subpoena power to ensure access to all the evidence it needs to undertake a complete investigation on the causes of the spill and make meaningful recommendations on how to prevent similar disasters. Today, Representatives Lois Capps (D-CA) and Ed Markey (D-MA) plan to introduce similar legislation in the House.

**Town of Neversink Parks & Recreation Department**

[www.townofneversink.org](http://www.townofneversink.org)  
(845) 985-2262 extension 312

**ALBI CONCERT & LUAU** Sunday, July 18. Outdoor Stage Town Hall Parking Lot 5-8 pm. Rain or shine!

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

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

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

Look for coming details about Breakfast with Santa on Saturday, December 4  
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Tri-Valley AARP #1604 Meeting-1:30 pm Neversink Town Hall  
Neversink Rondout Antique Machinery Association  
Grahamsville UMC Mission Team Chicken BBQ from 5-7p.m. Neversink Fire Dept. Pavilion.  
Claryville Fire Dept **All You Can Eat Pancake Breakfast** 7 am until noon  
Grahamsville Methodist Church **Thrift Sale (9-2) and Luncheon (11-1)**  
Claryville Fire District Meeting 7:00 pm  
Neversink Fire District Meeting 7:30 pm Public Meeting 8:00 pm  
Time and the Valleys Trustees Meeting - 7:00 pm  
Town of Neversink Parks & Rec - 7:00 pm - Upstairs Mtg. Room Neversink Town Hall  
**First Thursday Readers** - 1 pm at the Library. Please join us.  
Sundown Methodist Church **Covered Dish Supper** 5:30 pm Sundown Church Hall  
Grahamsville Reformed Church Ladies Aid Bake Sale/White Elephant Sale 9 am till sold out.  
Town of Neversink Holiday - **INDEPENDENCE DAY**  
Grahamsville Methodist Church **Thrift Sale (9-2) and Luncheon (11-1)**  
TV Lions Dinner Meeting at Nardi's Info 292-5839  
Grahamsville Methodist Church **Thrift Sale (9-2) and Luncheon (11-1)**  
Town of Denning Board Meeting - Denning Town Hall  
Town of Denning Town Board Meeting Denning Town Hall 7:00 pm  
Tri-Valley AARP #1604 Meeting-1:30 pm Neversink Town Hall  
Town of Neversink Planning Board Meeting  
(Friday) Grahamsville Reformed Church Roast Chicken Dinner 4-7 pm  
Town of Denning Audit Meeting - 7 pm Denning Town Hall  
**Dept. of Motor Vehicles Neversink Town Hall 10:00 am - 2:30 p.m.**

**SAVE THE DATE!**

Time and the Valleys Museum Olde Time Fair-July 31  
Grahamsville Little World's Fair - Aug 13, 14 & 15, 2010  
25th Annual Giant Pumpkin Party Saturday, October 2, 2010 Rain or Shine!

Town of Denning Message Board: <http://www.denning.us>  
Town of Neversink Website: <http://townofneversink.org>  
Daniel Pierce Library - <http://www.danielpiercelibrary.org>  
Time and The Valleys Museum - <http://timeandthevalleysmuseum.org>  
Ye Olde Tri-Valley Townsman On-Line Edition: <http://thetownsman.com>  
To find out what is happening at Tri-Valley CSD: <http://tvcs.k12.ny.us>

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**AL-ANON MEETINGS**

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

**GILLIBRAND STATEMENT ON UN SECURITY COUNCIL VOTE TO IMPLEMENT SANCTIONS AGAINST IRAN**

As the U.N. Security Council voted to implement new sanctions against Iran, U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand, a member of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, issued the following statement:

"I commend President Obama, Secretary Clinton, Ambassador Rice, and their team for their work and determination to pass international sanctions. While many of us would have liked to have seen stronger sanctions, this move by the UN Security Council demonstrates international solidarity against the threat posed by Iran. It is critical that all countries around the world implement the UN action with their own crippling sanctions against Iran. Our nation must lead by example and continue moving forward with new sanctions legislation that undercuts Iran's ability to fund its nuclear program."

**CONRAD GLEBER "FOUR WALLS/FOUR SEASONS" AT ALLIANCE GALLERY**

An exhibition of video titled "Four Walls/Four Seasons" by Conrad Gleber opens at the Alliance Gallery in Narrowsburg on Friday, June 18, with a reception from 7-9 p.m. The exhibit will be on view through July 10.

"Having watched the seasons come and go in the Delaware Valley since 1985, I finally noticed that it's the three most basic experience that all of us (at various stages of passing through) have in common," says video artist and professor Gleber, who has had a long, distinguished career in art and new-media design. His sculpture, photography, and artist's books have been exhibited in museums nationally and internationally, including the Art Institute of Chicago, the Museum of Modern Art in New York, and recently the Kunsthalle Museum in Düsseldorf, Germany.

Currently, Gleber's work uses digital networks, sound, and video to create both indoor and outdoor installations. For "Four Walls/Four Season," Gleber uses video and projectors in the gallery to create an indoor environment that captures various aspects of the changing seasons and our reactions to them. "This exhibit is an homage to this part of the Delaware Valley: its hot summers, wet springs, white winters, and colorful autumns."

Gleber, who earned an MFA at the School of the Art Institute of Chicago and a PhD in educational research at Florida State University (FSU) in Tallahassee, teaches digital studio courses and semi-

nar classes on critical issues in art and design at La Salle University. He is a full professor in Math/Computer Science and his current research, focused on the integration of digital arts into computer-science curricula, is supported by a National Science Foundation CPATH grant.

Free and open to the public, the exhibit is sponsored by the Delaware Valley Arts Alliance, the Arts Council for Sullivan County, NY, and is made possible in part with public funds from the Visual Arts Program of the New York State Council on the Arts, a State agency.

Alliance Gallery is located at the Delaware Arts Center at 37 Main Street, Narrowsburg, NY. Hours are Tuesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information about the exhibit call (845) 252-7576 or visit [www.ArtsAllianceSite.org](http://www.ArtsAllianceSite.org).

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The course is designed to help individuals reduce the body fat and lose weight. The class not only talks about nutrition is provides very mild exercise. Topics covered include: How food affects our lives and health, why calories don't count, packaged processed foods and hormones and age.

The classes will be held at the St. John Street Education Center in Monticello from 6:00 pm to 8:00pm on Mondays June 14th to July 19th.

The course will run a second series of classes which will be held on Thursdays from 6:00- 8:00pm starting on July 29th and run through August 26th.

The fee for the course is \$68.00. Registration is needed prior to the start of the class so call today (845) 791-4070 to register.

For more information about the other courses the Adult & Continuing Education Program at BOCES has to offer please call (845) 791-4070 or lo onto our website at [www.scboces.org](http://www.scboces.org).

**HEATHER BROWN GRADUATES PATTERN FOR PROGRESS FELLOWS PROGRAM**

County Manager David P. Fanslau announced that Heather E. Brown, Research Analyst in the Offices of the County Manager and Management and

Budget, has graduated as part of the 2009 - 2010 Pattern for Progress Fellows Program. Heather also serves as the Coordinator of the Office of Sustainable Energy within the County Manager's Office.

The Fellows Program is an innovative regional leadership program begun in 2007, the Pattern Fellows Program is aimed at expanding the horizons of those already acknowledged as leaders in their respective communities and disciplines, helping them serve as models for those seeking a more regional approach to their work.

Heather Brown was among twenty Fellows graduating the Pattern Fellows program during a luncheon discussion Following the Leader: a panel discussion on leadership and mentoring. The program was held Wednesday at the Powelton Club in Newburgh.

"Heather has shown great leadership is crafting the Sullivan County Office of Sustainable Energy from a concept in 2008 to a functional asset of the County government," said Fanslau. The Sullivan County Legislature created a standing legislative committee earlier this year. "The Sustainability Policy Committee relies primarily upon Heather Brown for research and staff support," added Fanslau.

"Heather's research training has become an integral part of the County's budget process, and the performance management paradigm that has been in practice since 2007. The Strategic Plan compilation and performance measures analysis is spearheaded by Heather's efforts," said Fanslau.

"We are certain that Heather will utilize the education that she obtained through her participation in the Pattern Fellows Program to further aid Sullivan County," said Fanslau.

Fanslau and Joshua A. Potosek, Deputy County Manager/Commissioner of Management and Budget attended the graduation ceremony today in recognition of Heather's graduation and accomplishments as a Pattern Program Fellow.

**BIKE AND BUILD CLINIC**

Thirty students traveling from Providence to Seattle on the Bike and Build Tour that are assisting Habitat for Humanity will be at Roscoe Central School Playground on Saturday, June 19th at 5:30 pm.

All towns are welcome to participate Bring your bike, camera and spirit.

For more information call: 607-498-5397



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### Denning Democrats

*On the Local & National Scene, Excerpts from Robert Redford's Special Message For You.*

I am writing to ask your support for Congressman Maurice Hinchey. Maurice continues to be one of the strongest voices for the environment in the United States Congress, and we need to keep him there.

We can always count on Maurice's votes for environmental protection in the House. Year after year, the League of Conservation Voters has given him a perfect 100% rating on its scorecard of major environmental votes. In November, Maurice led a group of 89 House members in a letter to U.S. Interior Secretary Ken Salazar urging him to reject "No More Wilderness" policy implemented by his predecessors and to reassert his authority to help *protect America's fragile landscapes from oil and gas leasing. Taking on the oil and gas industry, and its special interest groups* is ample proof of his courage to take on tough issues. *But Congressman Hinchey has gone further than that*, and, as we've seen, hasn't hesitated to push the new administration to do more to protect our common lands.

*Back home in New York, Maurice has been the leader on efforts to clean up the chemical contamination in the Hudson River*, which after decades of delay finally began last year thanks in *large part to Maurice's efforts*. And he is spearheading efforts to ensure that New York's, and other states', environmental resources and *local communities are protected from a new rush to drill for natural gas in shale formations* that run through New York, as well as Colorado, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Texas, Utah, and West Virginia.

In short, he's been taking on the toughest fight--and more than holding his own in his efforts on behalf of our environment. *That has made him a prime target of the special interest groups again this year. Multiple well-funded, industry-backed organizations have recently initiated baseless attacks on Maurice* because of his unwavering dedication to protecting the environment. They don't want him around any more because they know how effective he has been.

This year is shaping up to be the most difficult election cycle for strong progressives like Maurice. We cannot afford to allow the progress we are starting to make in reversing the destructive policies of the Bush administration to end prematurely. I'm asking those of you who share my commitment to the environment and to the future of our treasured lands to *join me in helping Maurice Hinchey to stay in Congress and continue his work. We can't afford to lose him.* A contribution of \$500, \$250, \$100, or whatever you can afford would help ensure that he will be there. And, if he remains in Congress, I have no doubt that his voice will be heard, and his commitment to the environment will not waiver.

Sincerely,  
Robert Redford

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- **NEW** 15+ peaceful acres at end of dead end road, partially cleared to enjoy views. Adj. to YMCA-owned land. \$120,000
- 3 bed/1+ bath farmhouse on 1 acre on stream. \$145k
- 3 bed/2 bath restored farmhouse on 1.3 acs with dramatic ultra-modern addition, fine fixtures \$395,000
- Quiet, pretty, level 1 acre, buildable lot. \$22,500 (in contract)

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### Knarf's "Classic Movie Trivia"

**The Incredible Mr. Limpet** is a 1964 classic of a World War II 4-F, who saves the U.S. Navy, when he is transformed into a dolphin. Don Knotts as a fish is hilarious. Cast: Don Knotts, Carole Cook, Jack Weston, Andrew Duggan  
Dir: Arthur Lubin C-99 mins, TV-G. On TCM Friday at 8:00 pm.



### Quiz,

- A. Who was the voice of Ladyfish?
- B. Who was the voice of Crusty?

**What's going on in the Gnome Neighborhood™ this week?**

**Don't forget "Dad" on Father's Day**, the 3rd Sunday in June.

This year, Father's Day falls on June 20, one day before the Summer Solstice.

The idea for creating a day for children to honor their fathers began in Spokane, Washington. A woman by the name of Sonora Smart Dodd thought of the idea for Father's Day while listening to a Mother's Day sermon in 1909. Having been raised by her father, Henry Jackson Smart, after her mother died, Sonora wanted her father to know how special he was to her.

Her father made all the parental sacrifices and was, in the eyes of his daughter, as a courageous, selfless, and loving man.

Sonora's father was born in June, so she chose to hold the first Father's Day celebration in Spokane on June 19, 1910.

In 1924, President Calvin Coolidge proclaimed the third Sunday in June as Father's Day.

**Roses are the Father's Day flower**, white is worn for the father who is deceased, and red is to be worn for a living father.

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