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NEW EXHIBIT! *The Great Fear: Frontier Life in the American Revolution* at the Time and the Valleys Museum, Grahamsville



The Great Fear: Frontier Life in the American Revolution, a new immersive exhibition at the Time and the Valleys Museum, on St. Rt. 55 in Grahamsville, Sullivan County, will open to the public on Saturday, July 4th, just in time to celebrate our country's 250th anniversary! (Contd. Pg. 4)

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- Esta Jacob



Tri-Valley Lions Terri Delaney, Paula Ryan Maryann Cosentino at Rhulen Walk on 6-20-26 (Story on Pg. 5)

Neversink River Craft Co-op Opens for the Season



On Sunday, June 28th the Neversink River Craft co-op is opening from 10-5 at 2554 Frost Valley Road in Claryville, New York. We have all been busy making new work to show you and we are excited about another season at the Co-op barn.

The Craft Co-op is held in one of the barns built in the 1880's as part of a large Catskills estate. Winton Lodge was located on Winton Preserve, an estate of some 3,000 acres and encompassed almost five miles along the West Branch of the Neversink River. This was the home of Dr. Karl Connell who was a highly decorated surgeon and inventor. Dr. Connell perfected a new type of gas mask which saved thousands of lives during World War I. (Contd. Pg. 6)

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On the Front Burner: In their hearts human beings plan their course, but the LORD establishes their steps. Proverbs 16:9

OBITUARY

Karl W. Von Hassel, a longtime resident and dedicated public servant, passed away at the age of 91 on June 16, 2026. Born on May 29, 1935, in Bremerhaven, Germany, Karl later immigrated to New York, where he built a life defined by hard work, service, and community.

Karl trained as a master mason in Bederkesa, Germany, and went on to spend more than 40 years in construction while living in NY. He also proudly served in the United States Army as an Engineer. Karl devoted over four decades as a Code Enforcement Officer, Building Inspector, and Zoning Officer for the Towns of Denning, Halcott, and Hardenburgh and the Village of Fleischmanns.

His commitment to service extended far beyond his profession; deeply woven into the fabric of his community, Karl was an active member of the German American Club of the Northern Catskills. He was also Chief, Fire Inspector, and Treasurer, of the Fleischmanns Fire Department and Delaware County Fire Association, serving for over 50 years as an active member. More importantly, he was known for bringing people together, whether through his famous pig roasts, Memorial Day chicken BBQs, or his steady presence at local meetings and events.

Karl is survived by his wife Bertha, of 68 years, and their children: Cathy (Kris Davies), Carl (Shawn O'Hara), Chris, and Cindy (Russell Bouton). He leaves behind seven grandchildren: Robert (Jill) Davies, Thomas (Janelle) Davies, Stacey (Teddy) Bouton, Nicholas (Ashley) Bouton, Samantha (Matthew) Bouton, Maureen, and Lauren Von Hassel, and seven great-grandchildren: Kenneth, Kevin and their spouses, Kristoffer, Brenna, Paisley, Brantley, and Wyatt.

Karl will be remembered for his leadership, dedication, and the lasting impact he made on the communities he served. His legacy of service and generosity will not be forgotten.

A Celebration of life will be held June 28, 2026 at The Grange, Halcott Center NY from 2:00-4:00PM.

Donations in lieu of flowers may be made to

<https://www.gofundme.com/f/chiefkarl>
 to help Bertha with medical and funeral expenses.

DAYS OF YORE... Today's History

June 27, 1956

Miss Jean Cross, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wessel Cross, and Miss Rose Marie Singer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George V. Singer, received Bachelor of Science degrees from the State University Teachers College, Cortland, New York, on Sunday, June 10th. Both are Tri Valley School graduates. Jean has accepted a teaching position at New City, N.Y. Rose Marie was married on June 17th and went with her husband, Philip C. Hamilton to live in Oregon.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis DePew of Sundown announce the engagement of their daughter, Delores, to Mr. Francis Huggins of White Sulphur Springs, N.Y.

June 22, 1966

Ira Rubenzahl, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Rubenzahl of Neversink, received a Bachelor of Arts degree from Princeton University. He graduated summa cum laude and was elected to Phi Beta Kappa Society. A 1962 graduate of Tri Valley School, Mr. Rubenzahl will study theoretical physics at M.I.T. next fall.

Miss Karen A. Brown became the bride of Robert V. Curry on June 18, 1966 at the Church of the Immaculate Conception in Woodbourne. The Rev. John Crotty officiated. After a short trip to Lake George, the couple will reside in Marathon, N.Y. Robert will be working for McFarland and Johnson, Engineering Consultants in Binghamton, N.Y. Karen will continue her studies at Cortland State University.

June 30, 1976

Cindy Lou Lundy, daughter of Mrs. Paul Lundy of Callicoon Center, became the bride of Blair Alan Van Dover, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Van Dover, Jr. of Grahamsville on June 27, 1976. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Ralph Madill at the Jeffersonville Methodist Church. The bride is a graduate of Jeff-Youngsville Central School and BOCES School of Cosmetology.

June 30, 1976 (From Pg. 2)

The groom graduated from Fallsburg Central School and is employed by Northern Virginia Builders. The couple will make their home in Annandale, Virginia.

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DAYS OF YORE...

Today's History

(From Pg. 2)

July 10, 1986

Mr. and Mrs. Robert R. Grey of Grahamsville, announce the engagement of their daughter, Beth Ann, to Robert M. Mickelson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Mickelson of Grahamsville. Miss Grey is a graduate of Tri-Valley Central School and Sullivan County Community College. She is employed by Grey's Woodworks, Inc. Her fiancé graduated from Tri-Valley Central School and is employed by Rosakranse Masonry in Accord.

LOOKING BACK

Beatrice Akerley
Published April 9, 1998

Memories are a lot like true friends - The very best ones will always be there for you. I have memories that go back to childhood when things were a whole lot simpler and life didn't seem to go by in a blur. Memories of living on the "Old Man Davis Farm" with my husband, step-children and our children. How great it felt to see the first signs of spring when the thaw gave way to brilliant daffodils. The cure for cabin fever had arrived.

Memories of the kids' happy faces as I arranged their flowers in a jelly jar are vivid as ever. Then there were memories of my clothesline being mysteriously shortened as jump ropes blossomed in our driveway. Hopscotch squares were scratched in the soft dirt and the boys were playing mumbley peg with their Christmas jack knives.

In order to hang out the wash, I had to dig up more rope for the clothesline. Hanging laundry out to dry never seemed like work on the "Old Man Davis Farm." One reason for this was the view from the backyard. It was so breathtaking, rolling hills stretched away in the distance across the fields of green and Ross Bonnell's red barn and white farmhouse were nestled among the trees on his farm miles away.

Yes, memories are great friends and I have a good many of each. Every day brings more and the very best ones will always be there forever..

Household Hint:

What to do with Your Collection of Pool Noodles? Simple Pool Noodle Storage Hack

What's simpler than a five-gallon bucket? It sure beats pool noodles rolling all over the garage or pool house.

Nature Column - L. Comando

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

He Loves Me -He Loves Me Not!

Right now blooming throughout the Catskills is the Oxeye Daisy, a wildflower of fields, roadsides and other open areas. Known to botanists as *Leucanthemum vulgare*, daisies are a familiar and attractive grassland perennial that is often considered a weed. They are not native to North America. They were introduced here long ago from Eurasia where they were used medicinally and grown in gardens for over 4,000 years.



A Daisy is a perennial whose evergreen leaves form a basal tuft or a rosette. The Oxeye Daisy prefers sun but can survive in part-shade.

Did you know that daisies sleep at night and wake up in the morning? The Oxeye Daisies that we are seeing in the fields, along the roadsides, and in many other places around Tri-Valley are also known as *Moon Daisies* because they open at dawn. In fact, the Daisy got its name from Old English "Day's Eye," describing how the petals close at night and open at daybreak, revealing the yellow center.

The flowerheads of daisies can be large, and measure up to 2 inches across. They usually begin to bloom in the middle of May and are at their peak until around the end of June, and this year because of the late frost, through early July and we will continue to see isolated specimens throughout the summer, especially in areas where they are undisturbed by the cutting of the hay or mowing, such as on railway banks, or along roadways where the plant flourishes well.

Daisies are not made of just one flower. A Daisy is made up of two types of flowers - disk florets and petal-like white ray florets. The disk florets are at the center and the ray florets are at the outer edge, but they are arranged to give the impression of being a single flower. This arrangement on Daisies is a type of inflorescence known as a capitulum - a compact head of a structure, in particular a dense, flat cluster of small flowers or florets.

Beneath each flower-head is a ring of green sheathing bracts, the involucre. These not only protect and support the bloom, but prevent insects from trying to bite their way to the honey from below. They, as well as the rest of the plant, are permeated with an acrid juice that is obnoxious to certain insects. The open flower heads of a daisy attract a large range of pollinating insects particularly bees and butterflies.

The Oxeye Daisy prefers sun, but can survive in part-shade. The stems of Daisies are smooth and leafless and support a single flower. The leaf texture varies and may be smooth or hairy, narrow at the base and slightly lobed. The Daisy flower stalks are generally longer than the leaf stalks. The plant generally grows from 1 to 2 feet high. The perennial root is somewhat creeping. Daisies can be propagated by division in spring or through sowing seeds in spring or late autumn. Daisy seeds are a prime source of food for songbirds in winter.

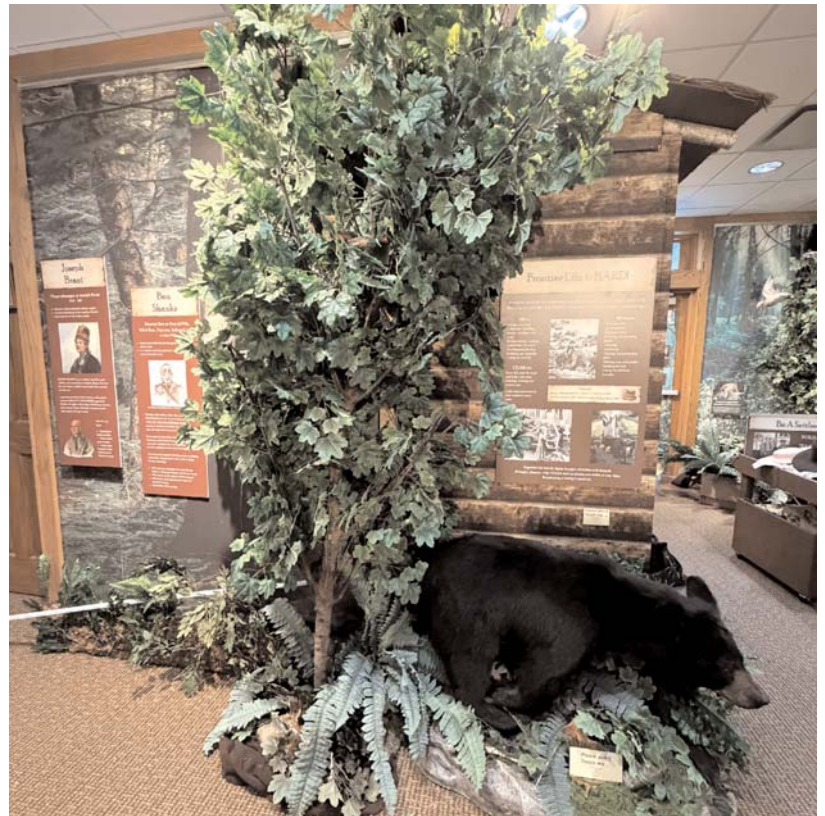
These sunny blooms have several positive meanings. The meaning of a daisy flower can be purity, innocence, new beginnings, joy and cheerfulness. During the Victorian Era, daisies symbolized innocence, loyalty and an ability to keep things secret. It was the Victorians who chanted, 'He loves me, He loves me not' while plucking off individual Daisy petals.

NEW EXHIBIT!

The Great Fear: Frontier Life in the American Revolution at the Time and the Valleys Museum, Grahamsville

(From Pg. 1) This new exhibition tells the story of frontier life during the Revolution in the Ulster-Orange County area of 1700s New York. Border wars between British Loyalists and their native allies and Patriot settlers (including the attack on Pinebush and the Battle of Chestnut Woods), Native American pushed off their lands, harshness of settler life, frontier forts that protected settlers along today's Rt 209, the native trails that turned into roads we use today, and so much more. The exhibition is immersive with visuals of that early time, including a recreated Lenape wigwam and settler cabin, and the sounds of animals and fighting at the Battle of Chestnut Woods, along with games, activities and hands-on reproduction items.

For July 4 and 5, light refreshments are included with admission and there will be a special 10% discount in the shop! The exhibition is open weekends, noon to 4 p.m. through the end of September, and other times by appointment. Tours for groups of children and adults available by appointment. For more information please visit our website timeandthevalleymuseum.org email info@timeandthevalleymuseum.org or call 845 985-7700.



Other Exhibitions:

- **Water and the Valleys**, an exhibit on the history of the Rondout and Neversink watershed area from early geological times to the 20th century. This exhibition includes a section on the Lenape Native Americans, early area settlers, farming, local industries and more.
- **Tunnels, Toil and Trouble: New York City's Quest for Water and the Rondout-Neversink Story**, an engaging exhibition on NYC water supply system and the towns that were removed to build the system, includes why New York City needed water, a description of the three water systems, the heartache of the people who had to give up their homes and how the complex system was built.
- **1930s Catskill Family Farm** is an outdoor, open air experience with over 15 early farm buildings all illustrating life on a Catskill family farm during the 1930s, about to be removed for the building of a NYC reservoir. Building include a farm house, 1870s barn, sap house, sawmill, chicken coop, workshop with WORKING waterwheel and many more with hands on activities, video and audio.

The Museum is located at 332 Main Street (St. Rt. 55) in Grahamsville, Sullivan County. It is open to the public on Saturday and Sunday, from noon to 4 p.m. through September or by appointment. Adults admission is \$10, Children under 16 \$5, and children under six are free. Museum members are FREE.

Free admission to active duty military members (with ID) and up to five family members through our status as a Blue Star Museum. This free admission for members of the military and their families runs from Memorial Day to Labor Day.

For more information call 845 985-7700, e-mail info@timeandthevalleymuseum.org or visit www.timeandthevalleymuseum.org. Volunteers are always welcome and needed! Email or call us for more information.

THE TRI-VALLEY LIONS SUPPORT the Rhulen Rock Hill Run and Ramble 5 K and TREVOR LOUGHLIN FOUNDATION on June 20th

(From Pg. 1) The Rhulen Rock Hill Run and Ramble 5K was held at the Holiday Mountain Ski Area on Saturday, June 20, 2026. Several Tri-Valley Lions (including from Left to Right) Terri Delaney, Paula Ryan, and Maryann Cosentino successfully completed the 5K Walk. Other Tri-Valley Lions Mike Ryan, Hugh Delaney, and Esta Jacob attended to support the event. This 5k is an iconic local race and one of the longest standing in the Hudson Valley. The Tri-Valley Lions donated \$500 for a Gold sponsorship for the R4/Trevor Loughlin Foundation, and has been supporting this iconic event for many years now. Suzy Loughlin also supports The Tri-Valley Lions Annual Journey For Sight Walk and our missions regarding diabetes, childrens eye screenings, donating to local food pantries and more. The mission of R4/Trevor Loughlin Foundation and The Tri-Valley Lions closely mesh with our similar missions to fight all childhood blood cancers and leukemia and hope to see a cure in our lifetimes. All details about R4 and The Trevor Loughlin Foundation in this article are excerpted from the writings of Suzy Rhulen Loughlin, the Director for R4 and Trevor Loughlin Foundation.



Starting point for the Rhulen Run and Ramble at the holiday Mountain Ski ski area on 6/20/2026

family, when in 1998, her father, Walter Rhulen, died of leukemia. Walter, a dedicated runner, was committed to the health of his community. Having worked closely with Walter Rhulen for some time and then with Suzy Loughlin at Frontier, Walter was an amazing man and father, and his apple, daughter Suzy did not fall far from the tree (in fact, I believe she was an apple on the same tree). She is a dynamo of energy and one of the most giving persons I have ever had the pleasure of knowing and working with.

In 2013, another tragedy resulted in the death of Suzy's son Trevor, 21. The Trevor Loughlin Foundation is fueled by the force of a parent who wants her child to be remembered,



Tri-Valley Lions Terri & Hughie Delaney, Mike and Paula Ryan and friends at Rhulen Run and Ramble on June 2026

issued 170 patient grants to help with the financial challenges that accompany a catastrophic illness, like blood, brain, bladder, breast, colon, lung, and rectal cancer, to name a few. We've also added 764 heroes to the international bone marrow bank.

The R4 Race Committee was inspired to hold a Bone Marrow Drive for the first time in 2008 when it was learned a young man from Monticello, Jared Carlew, was in need of a donor. Jared, a brave 21-year-old, stood before the R4 family of runners, walkers and volunteers, and told us all how important it was that we all become donors. We reported later that year, with great sadness, that Jared passed away. He never had the transplant. Jared's death has not been in vain. Since the day he addressed us all, the R4 has added over 764 names to the international bone marrow donor bank. Every day, thousands are looking for a match. You may be the hero that will save a life.

The Tri-Valley Lions, which was chartered in 1977, is now in our 49th year of existence, and we are always looking for new members. Just as a reminder, The Tri-Valley Lions bring in donations and funding with our Annual Journey for Sight Walk and Tag Day, selling chocolate Easter Bunnies, and some Fairground events including selling of beverages at The Antique Machinery Show to be held on September 19, 2026, as well as new upcoming fundraisers including an adult comedy show, raffle lotteries, and more. Our funding allows us to continue to provide monetary and service support to Local Food Pantries, Tri-Valley Lions Club High School Community Service Awards, Children's Eye Screenings, The Daniel Pierce Library, support for Diabetes, Lymphoma and Leukemia organizations, childhood cancer, WSUL Heart-A-Thon, Guiding Eyes for The Blind, Payment for eye exams & glasses, assistance to local families for fires or health emergencies. We also contributed to the playground at the Ballfield as well as the Scoreboard, the Milk House at the Time and Valleys Museum, and so much more. If you are interested in joining the Tri-Valley Lions or getting more information about our club, please contact Membership Chair, Pat Menje at 917-783-6253 or hvacpat69@gmail.com or President Stephen Miller at 845-798-1981 or sgrecords@hvc.rr.com

The 5K is hosted by The Trevor Loughlin Foundation, which is inspired to make a difference in the lives of patients battling acute, catastrophic illnesses and all blood cancers. The battle to cure leukemia became a personal one for Race Director Suzy Loughlin and her



L-R Tri-Valley Lions Maryann Cosentino and Esta Jacob and friend Marilyn from Monroe in middle

along with the patients we have lost. Thanks to the generosity of many friends, family, volunteers, sponsors and donors who support Suzy and the TLF mission, grants are awarded to patients to provide financial help for living/medical expenses at a time when they need to focus on getting well.

Proceeds are donated to the Trevor Loughlin Foundation, which issues grants to individuals battling blood cancer and other acute catastrophic illnesses; the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society to help find a cure for blood cancer; DKMS Delete Blood Cancer to help patients locate bone marrow donors; and local charities that support patient journeys, including Garnet Catskills Foundation, United Way of Sullivan County (serving as fiscal agent for some of our patient beneficiaries).

Since 1993, over \$1,800,000 has been donated to the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, Trevor Loughlin Foundation, American Heart Association, and other national and local charities that support a patient's journey toward wellness. Since 2013, the Trevor Loughlin Foundation has

Neversink River Craft Co-op Opens for the Season



(From Pg. 1) The barns at Winton were originally used for livestock. They were later converted into machine shops for the development of Connell Anesthetic Apparatus. Much later, one of the barns was reinvented by Dr. Connell's daughter, Barbara Mooney and her husband, Robert, into an art gallery with hardwood floors suitable for evenings of music and dancing. This unique historical building now has a new life as home to the Neversink River Craft Co-op.

There will be lots of handmade pottery, woodwork, jewelry, stained glass, paintings, photography, fabric art, metalwork and more, all from the studios of local artists. There is always something new and different to discover at our exhibits. Bring a friend and meet some new ones - we're looking forward to seeing you on the 28th!

Call 845-985-2016 for information and check out our video at Youtube Neversink River Craft Co-op.



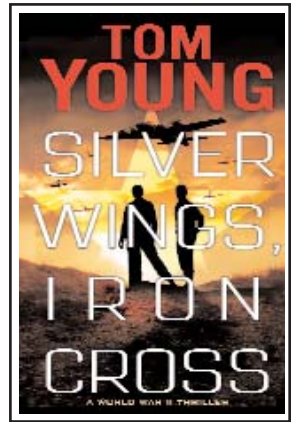
Neversink River Craft Co-op 2026
June 28, July 12 & 26, August 9, October 10 & 11
10 AM - 5 PM
2554 Frost Valley Road, Claryville, NY

Directions: From Rt. 55 in Grahamsville, go up Claryville Road (County Rt. 19 and just past the church in Claryville, take Frost Valley Road (County Rt 47) for four miles to the Co-op signs and barn.





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Silver Wings, Iron Cross
 Mysterious Book Report No. 409
 by John Dwaine McKenna
 Published June 25, 2020



Whether you're a fan of history, action-adventure stories or hair-raising thrillers – maybe even all three, as I am – an exciting reading treat is in store for all those who get their hands on a copy of a new WWII thriller entitled, *Silver Wings, Iron Cross*, (Kensington Publishing, \$27.00, 376 pages, ISBN 978-1-4967-3040-5) by Tom Young, whose work is drawing rave reviews from all quarters.

Silver Wings, Iron Cross begins in the late fall of 1944, D-Day has been successfully pulled off in June, and the Allied Armies are fighting their way across Europe. Large

parts of France as well as Belgium and the Low Countries have been liberated. From England, the U.S. Eighth Air Force is bombing the industrial heart of Germany during daylight hours, while the British Royal Air Force bombs most every night in a relentless attack aimed at breaking Hitler's ability and will to continue the fight.

Southern England is where US Army Air Force 1st Lieutenant Karl Hagen and his crew are about to take off on their 35th, and final run in a B-17 bomber nicknamed *Hellstorm*. After the mission is done they'll become members of an exclusive club and be assigned state-side duties back home. Trouble is, the pilot, Karl Hagen, is a second generation German-American . . . and although he hasn't told anyone . . . he has relatives living in Bremen, which is their target for this final mission.

Meanwhile, at sea, *Oberleutnant* Wilhelm Albrecht, the XO, or executive Officer and second in command of German attack submarine *U-351*, is doing his best to honor his nation and *Kriegsmarine* oath by sinking as much Allied Shipping as possible. But, like Karl Hagen, Wilhelm Albrecht is also conflicted. Poorly supplied and badly equipped, the U-boats are being chased down and sunk by Allied sub hunters in the air and on the sea using new technologies that weren't available earlier in the war, when U-boats, hunting in wolf packs were the terror of all Merchant Mariners.

Now, after a long, exhausting sea patrol and with heavy battle damage, *U-351* is trying to limp home to the submarine base at Bremen. There, it'll be patched back together as best they can with makeshift repairs, rearmed and sent back on patrol . . . where they're ordered to Sink as many enemy ships as possible, followed by what amounts to a suicide command. The order causes the submarine warrior to desert, as he tries to save his crew from going back out to sea and certain death.

In the skies over the burning city of Bremen, relentless fighter plane and artillery attacks are decimating the air armada. One of the casualties is the *Hellstorm*, and Karl Hagen is the last man to bailout of the doomed B-17.

Both men are now alone, on the run and hunted by the authorities. They meet in a chance encounter when both of them take refuge in the same burned out building. Running for their lives, the two young officers are at first hostile and suspicious enemies. Later, they become reluctant allies as life on the run forces them to help each other avoid capture and stay alive. In the end, they forge a deep bond of friendship when an act of courage by one of them saves many lives in the face of certain death in this complex, action-filled and well-written WWII drama that will turn every reader into a fan.

Tom Young has crafted a twisty, kinetic and battle-laden war story that, at the same time, lays open the hearts and minds of the courageous and incredibly young persons who went to war as kids and emerged as the men and women we honor today as *The Greatest Generation*.

Read *Silver Wings, Iron Cross* for yourself and see why it's destined to become a classic!

Like the review? Let your friends know, *You saw it in the Mysterious Book Report*, because the greatest compliment you can give is to share our work with others.

And Hey! When you have a moment, please check out our secure, all brand-new and combined website that's redesigned, prettier, simple to use, and makes it as easy as pie to send us your comments! Please do. We're looking forward to hearing from all of you.

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The Olive Jar

by Carol Olsen LaMonda

Don't Bother

I am writing this column on a Friday. I live one mile off of Route 28, and it is the only way to anywhere. It is impossible to turn onto this highway on Friday with all the tourists coming to spend a weekend in the Catskills. It will take me around seven minutes to turn left or five minutes to turn right.

Why is there so much traffic? People from Jersey, New York City, Long Island, and Connecticut come to the Hudson Valley for the beautiful scenery and many attractions of our beloved mountains. And we, lucky people, live here. I for one, get so busy doing my day to day routine that I forget that a world of opportunity surrounds us.

So why bother getting on a plane and standing in lines to find that your



expensive flight is delayed or cancelled? Why fill a tank with \$4.15 gas and fight traffic to go someplace else? Why play housing roulette by renting an Air B and B for \$349.00 a night? Be a tourist right here at home.

First of all the accommodations are free and comfortable; there is no trailer to pull or packing to be done. You won't have to pay a pet sitter or house sitter. You do not have to live out of a suitcase and you will have a complete wardrobe available for a change in the weather. There will probably be food in the pantry or fridge although I recommend eating out at one of our fine local restaurants.

You might want to swim in the town pool which costs a nominal \$3.00 for adult residents and \$2.00 per kid. There is also Pine Hill Lake which lets seniors enter for free. Woodstock has the Mill Stream and The Big Deep.

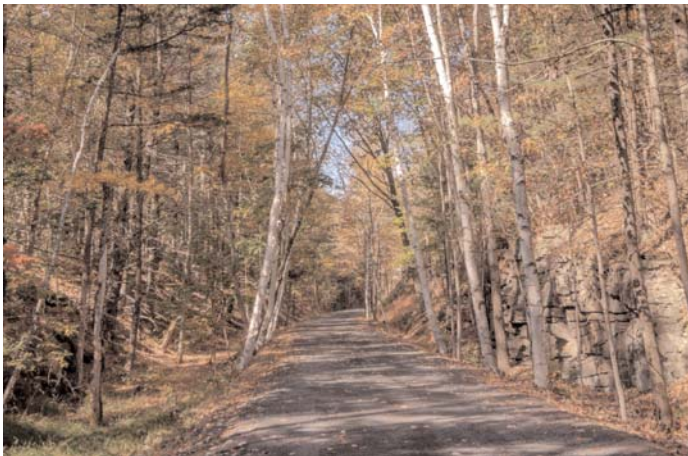
Perhaps you'd like to take a hike. There are many trail heads and the walk along the diving weir has a view of the mountains and Ashokan Reservoir that cannot be beaten.

There's also a nice stroll through Woodstock. So many cool shops to see and places to dine.

There's live music at the Colony and Maverick Concerts and many cafes. Mower's Flea Market offers many crafts and antiques.

You can ride a handcart along the Esopus in Mt. Tremper, and you can fish in a premier trout stream.

You can have an elegant breakfast at the Emerson Resort or indulge in a spa day there.



One can check out the Olive Free Library for yoga, book clubs, films, guest speakers, or art.

Belleayre offers concerts and scenic chairlift rides as well as festivals.

A family can picnic at Brunnel Park among gigantic totems and statues and magnificent vistas.

Olive has four parks with playgrounds and picnic facilities.

The school has a track for walking or running, and the Ashokan Rail Trail goes from Boiceville to Woodstock. You can even rent bicycles at the corner of Mountain Road. There is also the climb up Overlook or Slide Mountain if you feel the need to be a billy goat.

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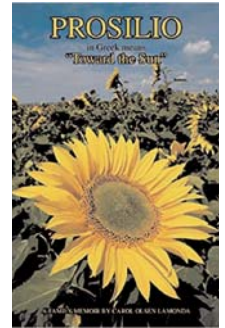
... in Greek means "Toward the Sun," was written by Carol Olsen LaMonda. Carol writes the column "The Olive Jar" for *Ye Olde Tri-Valley Townsman*. This local author has been busy guesting at book clubs who have chosen this local memoir as their book choice. **Feel the warmth of "Prosilio" as you read Carol's memoirs cuddled up in your favorite chair. It also makes a great gift!**

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Giant Pumpkin Party Celebrates 40th Anniversary with the Return of the Popular Parade!

By Lisa Carroll

GRAHAMSVILLE-Get ready Tri-Valley community, the Daniel Pierce Library is bringing back the popular parade of years' past in honor of the Giant Pumpkin Party's 40th anniversary on Saturday, October 3. We're thrilled to have this opportunity to honor the four decades of community-wide support for the GPP with the "Fall into Reading" parade, complete with float contest. And you can help!

We are looking for local groups and organizations to help us make this milestone year the best one yet by either entering the "Fall into Reading" float contest or by marching in the parade. Soon, a registration form will be available on our website, danielpiercelibrary.org, for you to complete. Once registered participants can start preparing their float, keeping the 2026 theme, "Fall into Reading," in mind. You'll be competing for bragging rights and prizes, and of course, sharing the joy of literacy! But, if you're not able to build a float, have no fear, you can still participate. As an organization, you can enter to march. Unfortunately, we cannot accept entries from an individual walking, but you could drive a car, truck or tractor, or ride an animal! And of course, what's a parade without spectators? We're going to need lots of people waving on these incredible floats from their step off at the Tri-Valley school parking lot to the Grahamsville fairgrounds.

Beyond the parade, we're busy with other GPP prep work-getting the booklet ready, setting up the vendor applications and whatnot-so be sure to check our website for more information as the party date nears.

In other news...

A huge THANK YOU to all who came out last Tuesday for our budget vote. Your support allows us to continue to offer excellent library services and programs. Please know that we are here for you, so stop by and check out a book, sign up for one of our amazing programs, or just hang out and socialize.

We are still accepting book donations! If you have newer, gently read books taking up space in your home, consider donating them to us. We take good quality and clean hardcover and paperback books, DVD's and music CD's. However, we cannot accept damaged, dirty or old books, or textbooks, encyclopedias, reference sets or condensed books. We also cannot accept magazines, newspapers, VHS's or cassette tapes either. To make an appointment to donate, please call Lisa or Michelle at 845-985-7233 X 103/104. Speaking of donations, swing by the outdoor book tent any time. We're constantly adding more and with a bag of books just \$5.00, it's a steal!

If you're turning 65 soon and will be eligible for Medicare, register now for the Medicare 101 Zoom Webinar on Wednesday, July 8 from 6:00-8:00PM. This webinar, presented by James Farnham, MBA, MS will include basic information including when to join, prescription drug plans, Medicare supplement plans and Medicare Advantage Plans (HMO's and PPO's). This educational program will help alleviate some of the angst and simplify the choice you need to make. Those who



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Ellenville's HEAL Mobile was here on Tuesday, June 16 and will be here again on August 14 from 10:00AM to 4:00PM for any health-related questions you have. There are also free health screenings and access to educational resources. Please stop by and take part in this wonderful opportunity.

Our 2026 "Unearth a Story" Summer Reading Program begins June 28! We are very excited to offer great programs and reading challenges for children, teens and adults alike. Registration for these programs is available to Tri-Valley residents and is through our website. For more information on the specific programs or to print reading logs/bingo sheets or the bookmark contest entry form please visit our website or stop by the library!

And finally... we're excited to co-host our award-winning Battle of the Books team, the DPL Country Pumpkins, with Tri-Valley Secondary School teachers Matt Haynes and Jessica Dymond again this year. Tri-Valley students entering grades 7-12 are eligible to participate by registering through our website. Battle of the Books is a college bowl-type program. Participants in the RCLS program are invited to read eight preselected titles and then participate in trivia battles based on the books at a regional battle at the end of August. It's a lot of fun and a great motivator to keep teens reading through the summer.



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CONNECTING WATER, PEOPLE AND THE CATSKILLS

News From Time & the Valleys Museum # 20
Lynn M. Priebe



The exciting day is almost here! With the coming of our Nation's 250th birthday on July 4th weekend, our new exhibit "The Great Fear: Frontier Life in the American Revolution" will open to the public. This exhibit is the result of many hours of hard work by a large group of dedicated volunteers and staff.

The process began a number of years ago when our exhibit committee proposed an exhibit celebrating the Semiquincentennial of the United States. Our beloved Neversink Historian Carol Smythe was a strong proponent of the idea. She helped in the early planning in which life on the frontier and the local Battle of Chestnut Woods emerged as our focus.



Ophelia and Drake with pistols

Once that decision was made, research was begun by committee members and museum staff. Historical records written shortly after events and later interpretations by historians were essential sources. That research continues to this day, and will for the next few years, as programs in support of the three-year exhibit are planned.

Then came visits to local history sites, cemeteries, libraries, the Sullivan County Historical Society, the Neversink Historian Roger Edwards and of course, an exploration of the Chestnut Woods battle location.

After much work to learn about those long-ago times on the frontier, there are still lingering questions that have not been answered and may never be. We proceeded with the best facts available. Always remember, history is full of mysteries yet to be solved.

The exhibit panels of visuals and accurate in-formation were n e x t . A f -
t e r months of checking and rechecking, they have been installed. Artifacts have been gathered, walls papered and painted and the

story is now ready!

The exhibit begins with the natural world of forests and the animals who lived there, the lifestyles of Native Americans and the first European settlers and continues with the story of the frontier war that took place here 250 years ago.

My young grandchildren had a chance to preview the exhibit before the official opening and highly recommend it. Ophelia, who is seven, and her brother Drake, who just turned five, really got into dressing up and playing the role of Revolutionary War soldiers. Based on their experience, we think we have a hit.

As noted previously in this column, many people who live close to the museum have never visited. If you are one of them, remedy the situation this summer. As part of your celebration of the Semiquincentennial of America, visit **Time and the Valleys Museum** with the whole family. You will be glad you did!



Volunteer Cher Woehl with Drake and his long gun

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At the Monticello Farmers Market and the Sullivan Fresh Market-on-the-Move, you can pay your way using Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP/EBT) benefits, Farmer Market Nutrition Program (FMNP) Checks, Senior FMNP, Fresh Rx Coupons, Double Up Food Bucks, and Sullivan Fresh Bucks. Those using SNAP/EBT benefits at the market receive double the buying power with programs like Fresh Connect and New York State Double Up Food Bucks!

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June - September: Thursdays:
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For a complete schedule of markets and events, visit www.SullivanFreshMarkets.org

How Incentive Programs Work:

SNAP/EBT: The market manager swipes your SNAP/EBT card and gives you tokens to spend at the market!

FMNP & Senior FMNP Checks are seasonal \$25 coupon books for fresh fruits and vegetables. Seniors can contact the Sullivan County Office for the Aging to obtain their checks and WIC participants can contact the Sun River Health office in Monticello. Expires November of 2026.

Double Up Food Bucks: The market manager gives you \$2 in tokens for every \$2 in SNAP/EBT swiped, up to \$50 per visit. Spend on fruits and vegetables at mobile market stops.

Fresh Connect Checks: Get \$2 Free for Every \$2 Spent in SNAP/EBT (Up to \$50 per visit). Get \$2 in Fresh Connect checks from the market manager to spend on SNAP-eligible foods. Checks expire Dec. 31, 2026.

Sullivan Fresh Bucks: Kids can get \$2 to \$10 Free! Children can attend special events at Sullivan Fresh Markets to get your free coupons. May be used for produce, herbs, meat, eggs, and dairy.

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Open Mic –

Every Sunday: DeFilippis Bakery

Monticello at 506 Broadway presents “Every Sunday - Open Mic 11AM-1PM. Dusty David Rosenberg and Lively Laura Garone have acted as Co-Masters of Ceremonies for the past nine (9) years.

Frequently, Steve Schwartz, proprietor of Steve's Music Center, located at 248 Rock Hill Drive, Rock Hill, NY shows up with his band, with Steve on lead guitar, Kenny Windheim on bass and Eric Nies on the keyboard. The group often accompanies and encourages other singers and music students. Young performers receive a cookie. Owner Angelo Foglia is the baker, and owner Camela is the cook. On the menu is oven-baked Italian bread, bagels, cannoli's, cakes and cookies with breakfast. Free Admission. Call (845) 791-4103 for further information.

Every Wednesday:

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owned and operated by musicians David and Theresa Trestyn, in Grahamsville at 290 Main Street, present “Open Mic Night” from 7PM-10PM. Open Mic Night often includes surprise traveling guests. This being their 5th year running, and are open through Thanksgiving. BYOB. Free Admission. Call (845) 985-5068 for further information.



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Jesse Terry - Rooted in rhythmic rock & roll and sharp songwriting, Arcadia marks a turning point in Jesse Terry's career. It's the seventh original album from an award-winning musician who's spent much of the past decade on the move, playing 150 shows annually, bouncing between solo performances and full-band gigs. Arcadia captures both sides of that musical personality, finding room for amplified anthems one moment and intimate moments the next, showcasing just how wide Terry's reach can be.

"There are so many different parts to all of us," he explains. "For me, I have the husband part, the father part, the songwriting part, the touring part... and I like embracing all those different sides with my music, too. I listen to just as much Tom Petty as I listen to James Taylor. As much acoustic Neil Young as electric Neil Young. There's a rock & roll side of me that's been waiting in the wings for some time now, and this is the first album to capture that side and present me as a whole artist."

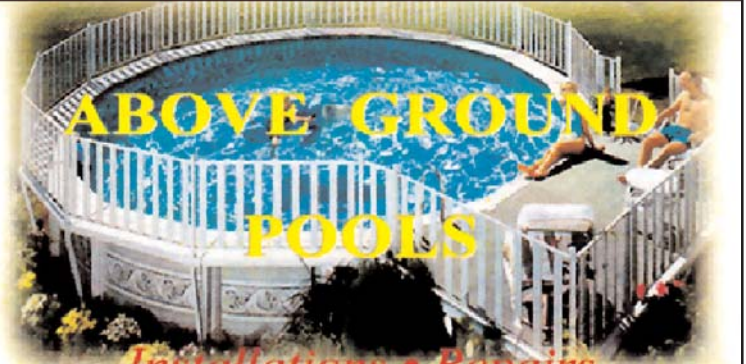
"I don't enjoy writing songs that wallow in the past," he explains. "I'm really excited about songs that reveal the truth and help us process complex emotions and situations. Songs like 'Poison Arrow,' 'Gunpowder Days,' and 'Waiting Out The Hurricane' dig deep into my childhood and have helped me move forward. Sometimes, songs express the person you wish to be, not the person you are."

And who, exactly, is Jesse Terry? On "Burn The Boats," he's a man caught between heartache and personal transition, his gorgeous vocals sharing the spotlight with jangling guitars. On the Springsteen-worthy title track, he finds his own "Arcadia" - a creative utopia, named after the historical region in Greece but imbued with mythic qualities - in the songwriting process itself. And throughout the album, he pulls triple-duty as singer, songwriter, and co-producer (a role he shares with Dylan Allredge), crafting a record that's as distinctive as it is diverse. "I'm more obsessed with music than ever before," he says. "I love the idea of bringing something beautiful into the world."

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Monticello Kiwanis Donates Books to Second Graders



Maykayla Kilcoin's second grade students posing with books. On left are Teacher Aide Ms. Medina and Mrs. Kilcoin and on right are Kiwanians Jane Sorensen and Sheila Lashinsky

Monticello Kiwanis Club representatives recently visited the George L. Cooke Elementary School for a Reading Assembly and distribution of 200 books to ten second grade classes for their summer reading pleasure.

Jane Sorensen, Past Distinguished Kiwanis President and current EPIC (Every Person Influences Children) Family Engagement & Program Manager for the Monticello Central School District, led the assembly by reading a book entitled "Stand Tall Molly Lou Melon" by Patty Lovell. The book was about Molly who was bullied in school and how she learned to gain self-esteem and overcome challenges and negativity from others. The students loved listening to the story and Mrs. Sorensen received a round of applause.

At the end of the assembly, Mrs. Makayla Kilcoin's class posed with big smiles as they each held a chapter book.

Cooke School Principal Virginia Gallet commented "Thanks to the generosity of the Kiwanis Club, our second graders are building their home libraries and discovering the joy of reading. This meaningful gift will inspire curiosity, confidence and a lifelong love of learning".

This project was a group effort spearheaded by Jane Sorensen with the assistance of Kiwanians/retired elementary school teachers Doris Motl and Ellen Nesin as well as the current second grade teachers helping to select the most appropriate reading levels for their students.

The book distribution was consistent with the Kiwanis mission of improving the world one child and one community at a time. For more Kiwanis information, visit the Monticello NY Kiwanis Club Facebook Page.



Jane Sorensen reading "Stand Tall Molly Lou Melon" to students

Catskill Fly Fishing Center Museum

We have some exciting events hitting our Summer Calendar!

Come out Sunday, July 5, to see author, Mike Valla and his presentation on Lew Oatman, the Father of the Scientific Approach to Baitfish Patterns. This is part one of three in a Classic Fly Tier Series by Mike Valla. The presentation is from 11 am-12:30pm at CFFCM. If you plan to attend, please email us office@cffcm.com and let us know! \$10 donation at the door to help us offset costs of refreshments! More information can be found here.

Mike Supinski will be joining us August 22 for book signing for his latest book, *A Fishable Feast*. More information coming!
REGISTER TODAY!

The 32nd Catskill Gathering is on for September 11-13- a weekend full of Bamboo fun for all Cane Rod Enthusiasts! There will be the Demarest Challenge, rod casting and presentations by Hoagy Carmichael, Per Brandin, Tom Smithwick, Bill Heim and Frank Payne! Speaking of Frank Payne, he will be hosting his "New to Bamboo" meet and great, Friday! So, if you are New to Rod Making or Bamboo Curious, Join us! Rod Casting, Good Food and our Annual T Shirt are included and all part of the weekend- plus a few surprises! **REGISTER TODAY!** to ensure your name goes on the t- shirt!

Summerfest Spaces are filling up!- Join us August 1 and 2 for our annual Fly Fishing and Local Market! We have lots to see and do- including kids activities, food and more! Want to become a vendor? You can sign up here! Want to be a volunteer? We need a couple to help us ensure the event runs smoothly! Let us know by emailing office@cffcm.com - You do NOT have to commit to all day or event both days! Any help is appreciated!

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Patricia Masterson
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June 23rd, 2026

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Hunting and Trapping Offenses Uncovered - Sullivan County

On May 15, ECOs Boettcher and Boyes received a complaint about a large bird of prey that appeared to be stuck in a fence at a residence in the Town of Fallsburg. Officer Boyes responded to the address and observed the bird stuck in a suspended foothold trap secured to a fence post. No one was home at the time, and the bird was not easily accessible, so ECO Boettcher followed up with a visit to the same address the next day. Once at the location, Officer Boettcher conducted interviews and observed numerous violations on the property, including a deceased grey squirrel, a protected small game species in New York. One subject at the residence received numerous tickets for several hunting and trapping violations.

SLAC AGENDA June 26, 2026

**The SLAC meeting will be held in the
Legislator's meeting room
at 10 AM, Friday the 26th.**

Please join us to discuss the following:

1. Update the management situation at the ACC.
2. Update the Garnet /Montefiore merge, and how it is affecting us.
3. More information on AIR340B, who they are, and how they educate us on how the 340B Federal program, is used as a profit maximizer for non-profit Hospitals country wide.

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SPECIAL BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

TRI-VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of Education of the Tri-Valley Central School District will host a Community Forum regarding the Superintendent Search Process on Tuesday, June 30, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. in the Secondary Collaboration Space located at 34 Moore Hill Road, Grahamsville, New York.

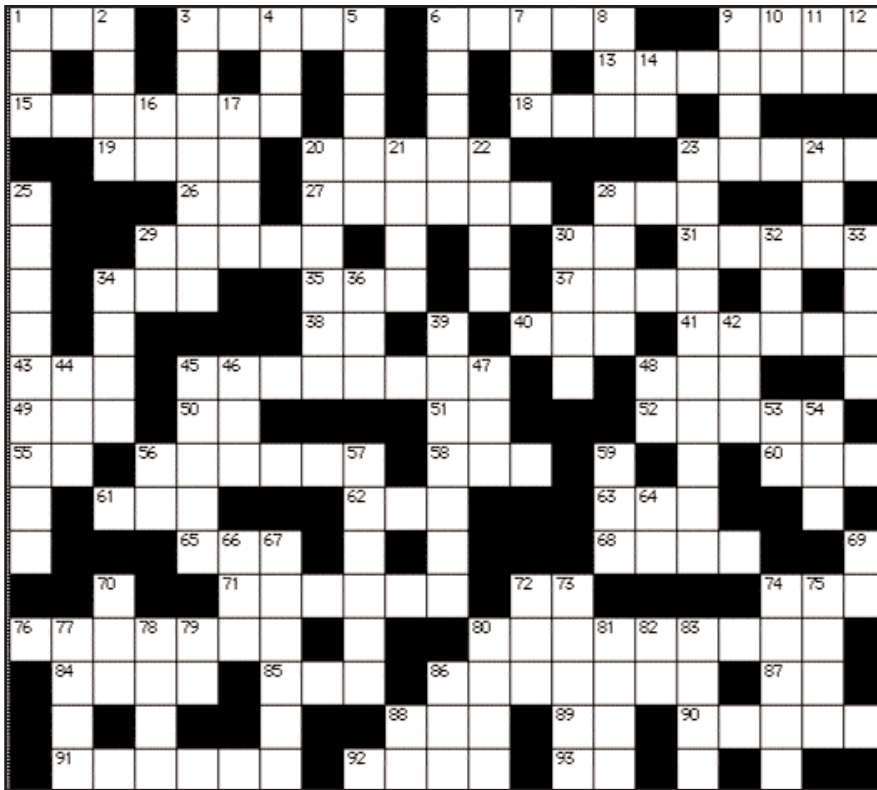
The purpose of the forum is to provide members of the school community with an opportunity to meet the superintendent finalists and offer feedback to the Board of Education.

Community participation is encouraged.

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 6 Make fabric on a loom
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 26 Combining form; having two
 27 A red wine
 28 19th century Gothic poet and critic
 29 Pigment
 30 To such a great extent
 31 Have a particular idea

34 Pull along with a rope
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 37 Nuisance
 38 Sixteenth letter of the Greek alphabet
 40 Dismal
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 43 Irish Republican Army
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 48 Limb used for standing
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ite article
 56 Material
 58 Strong alkaline solution
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 61 Fuel
 62 Make a choice
 63 Long period of time
 65 Fasten with stitches
 68 Picnic pests
 71 Deserving respect
 72 Brit's way of saying 'thank you'
 74 An object used for play
 76 More easily understood
 80 Composed of different elements
 84 Wreckage
 85 Family
 86 Woven fabric
 87 Used to link alternatives
 88 Ocean
 89 Used to refer to something previously mentioned

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 90 Book of maps
 91 Legendary King of Britain
 92 Cloth shelter used by campers
 93 Common Era

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 1 Motorcoach
 2 Threadbare
 3 Arch of colors
 4 Employ
 5 Establishment for accommodating tourists
 6 H₂O
 7 Expression of human creativity
 8 Consume food
 9 Flowerless plant with leafy fond
 10 Used in comparisons
 11 Right (abbrev)
 12 Possessive pronoun

14 Title before a woman's surname
 16 Roman numeral
 17 Something used to conceal
 20 Small pieces of leftovers
 21 Comfortably high summer temperature
 22 Slender leaved grass plant
 23 Where people establish a community
 24 Be able to
 25 Violent summertime storm
 28 Rhyme
 29 Colorado
 30 Whirl around quickly
 32 Guest house
 33 Group of things with similar characteristics
 34 Rip
 36 Long narrow inlet

39 Rich
 42 Independent Grocers' Association
 44 Move faster than a walk
 45 A group of students
 46 Steal
 47 Secret agent
 48 Long Island
 53 General Practitioner
 54 Snake-like fish
 56 4th note of the major scale
 57 Soft white fibrous substance
 59 Hot brewed beverage
 64 Not off
 66 Female sheep
 67 Employee
 69 Next to
 70 Large fast-running bird
 72 Heavy demand
 73 Place you may

find an old quilt
 74 Mythical creature
 75 Used in gumbo or to thicken soups
 77 Old-time TV show, "My Friend _____"
 78 Half a quart
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 81 Mention as an example
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Summer Tortellini Salad

Dressing:

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

Salad

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

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

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Claryville, NY 12725
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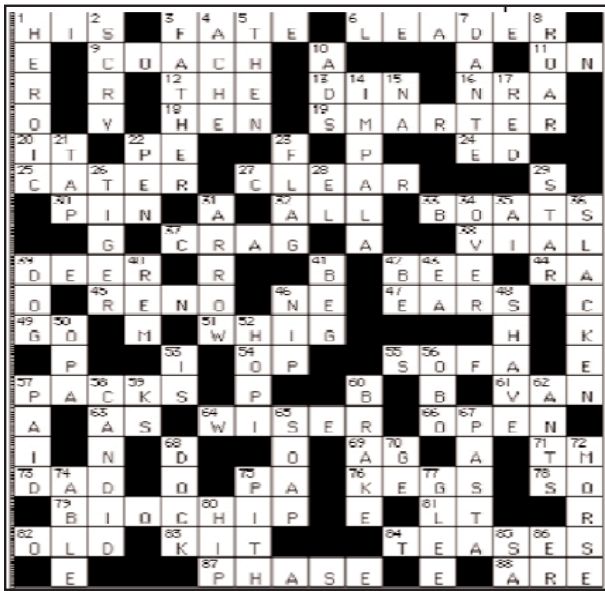


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Ans to last week's Crossword



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 Thank you

**The Wurtsboro Board of Trade 2026
 event dates are as follows:**

Street Fair, Saturday July 11th 11-5pm
 Duck Race, Thursday August 13th 6pm
 Halloweenfest, Saturday October 31st 12-3pm
 Joy to Wurtsboro, Saturday November 28th 1-4pm

Music & Farmers Market in the park will run every
 Thursday, starting June 11-Sept 24 from 5pm-8/8:30pm.

All Aboard!
 Join the Fun!
Play Mexican Train
 FREE FUN
 every FRIDAY 1- 4 pm
 in the upstairs meeting room
 at the Neversink Town Hall

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 Sunday - Closed

\$126 Million in Unclaimed Funds Returned in March
Comptroller DiNapoli handing over Unclaimed Funds check
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https://www.osc.ny.gov/unclaimed-funds?utm_content=20260411&utm_medium=email&utm_source=weekly+news

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2026 LOCAL CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- 6/25 Town of Denning Planning Board Meeting—6:00 pm Denning Town Hall, 1567 Denning Rd, Claryville, NY
(Please Note Date Change from 6/18)
- 6/30 **TV Lions Rabies Clinic** 5:00 to 6:30 pm, under the Pavillion at The Grahamsville Fairgrounds (See Pg. 55)
- 7/1 Town of Neversink Planning Board -7 pm (Application Submission Due Date 6/19/2026)
- 7/3 TOWN OF NEVERSINK HOLIDAY - Independence Day**
- 7/7 Claryville Fire District Monthly Meeting 6:30 pm
- 7/8 Town of Neversink Town Board Meeting
- 7/14 Town of Denning Business Meeting 1:00 pm Denning Town Hall, 1567 Denning Rd, Claryville, NY
- 7/14 Denning Town Board Meeting - 6:00 pm Denning Town Hall, 1567 Denning Rd, Claryville, NY
- 7/15 **Neversink Rondout Antique Machinery Assoc.** 7:30 pm Grahamsville Fire Department Firehouse
- 7/16 Neversink Fire Commissioners' Meeting 7 pm
- 7/21 Town of Neversink Zoning Board of Appeals -7 pm (Application Submission Due Date 7/10/2026)

SAVE THE DATE! Sunday, July 12, 2026 **Matthew Bertholf Memorial Horseshoe Tournament**
at the Neversink Fire Department Pavilion

TOWN OF OLIVE MEETINGS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

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

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

Town of Denning - <http://www.denningny.gov>

Town of Neversink - <https://townofneversink.org>

Heart Under Fire Advances in Cardiac Care for Sullivan County First Responders

[LIBERTY, NY] - Sullivan County firefighters gathered recently at the Richard A. Martinkovic Public Safety Training Center for an in-depth discussion of the latest advances in cardiac care. Firefighters heard from Dr. Michael Argenziano, a nationally recognized leader in cardiac surgery and cardiovascular care and the Associate Chief of the Division of Cardiac, Thoracic, and Vascular Surgery at New York-Presbyterian and Columbia University Irving Medical Center. This program was presented in collaboration between Sullivan 180, Columbia University Irving Medical Center, and the Sullivan County Bureau of Fire.



Dr. Argenziano shared the latest advances in cardiac surgery and interventional cardiology, focusing on the cardiovascular conditions most commonly affecting firefighters and first responders. The program provided an overview of how heart disease is diag-

nosed and evaluated and offered insight into how rapidly evolving technologies are improving outcomes, shortening recovery times, and expanding treatment options for patients with complex cardiovascular disease. Dr. Argenziano also shared the risks of cardiovascular conditions for first responders, including exertion, heat, smoke exposure, and sleep disruption, and how these conditions can be prevented through exercise, sleep, good nutrition, and, most importantly, knowing your numbers.

“The Healthiest Fire Department Challenge] has had real and consequential benefits for our firefighters and first-responders around Sullivan County,” said Sullivan County Fire Coordinator John Hauschild. “These jobs, whether volunteer or paid, put a lot of stress on the human body, and we need to take care of ourselves and each other. I’m grateful and glad we’re focusing on this important aspect of emergency response.”

“At Sullivan 180, our mission is to build a healthy community one degree at a time. Everyone has a role to play, including those who dedicate themselves to protecting our communities,” said Nicole Blais, Sullivan 180 Outreach Coordinator. “Heart health is one of the most important health and wellness issues facing the fire service today, and this program was an opportunity to bring valuable information and resources directly to the people who serve others every day.”

Participants completed a project to identify which heart-healthy activities they regularly engage in, including going for a walk, limiting caffeine, getting quality sleep, laughing with friends, taking the stairs, stretching or working out, eating fruits and vegetables, and staying hydrated. Of all these choices, laughing with friends was the most popular activity, showing the importance of making time to connect.

For more information about Columbia University Irving Medical Center and the services provided at its Goshen office, visit www.columbiacardiology.org/orange. To learn more about the Healthiest Fire Department Challenge, visit

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Sundown UMC Ladies
July 4
Indoor Yard Sale!
... and Bake Sale!

The banner features a dark blue top section with five white stars. Below this, the text is centered. The date 'July 4' is in a large, bold, brown font. 'Indoor Yard Sale!' and '... and Bake Sale!' are in a bold, blue and red font respectively. Two red stars flank the text. The bottom of the banner has three horizontal red stripes.



Saturday, July 4th • 9 am - 1 pm

**Hot Dogs • Chips • Water
will be available for sale**

Sundown United Methodist Church Hall
Intersection of Sundown, Peekamoose & Greenville Roads
Sundown, NY 12740

Sundown UMC Ladies' Indoor Thrift & Yard Sale

As a result of so many incredible donations this summer we will be open **EVERY SATURDAY** through
July 25th, 2026
9am to 1 pm

Tickets will be for sale at all Indoor Thrift & Yard Sales for the

Annual Chicken BBQ

Sundown Methodist Church Hall

Sat. Aug 29th 4-7 pm

Adults: \$15 • Children: \$10

For a peek at some of the many items at the Indoor Yard Sale go to:

<http://comando.50megs.com>

and Click on:

Sundown UMC Ladies' Yard Sale



We appreciate donations for our White Elephant table

Sundown United Methodist Church Hall

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Our book tent is officially open for business!



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- ▶ Hardcover: \$1.00
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- ▶ Children's Books: \$.50
- ▶ DVDs & CDs: \$1
- ▶ Vinyl Records: \$1
- ▶ Puzzles & Games: \$1

Please DO NOT leave book donations
under the book tent.

The Ellenville Regional Hospital Auxiliary Presents

Taste of Broadway V

Two time Tony Award winner!

Brighton Beach **MEMOIRS**

By Neil Simon

Directed by Brendan Burke

Sunday | August 2

at The Shadowland Theater, Ellenville, NY

11:45AM lunch at Gaby's Cafe (141 Canal Street)

followed by 2:00PM Show

See enclosed menu.

Price: \$109 includes lunch, show and fundraiser.

* If you are a paid season subscriber to Shadowland, your price is \$79.

(Please make check payable to "ERH Auxiliary" with your phone #, choice of entree and if you are a season subscriber).

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

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

GABY'S CAFE



**SHADOWLAND
STAGES**

“A Taste of Broadway V”

Lunch at Gaby's Café before the Show

11:45 AM Open Seating (Cash Bar)

Appetizer

Gaby's House Salad

Choice of Entrée

Polla 5 de Mayo

Egg battered, pan seared chicken breast with capers,

fresh tomato in a reduction of fresh garlic, white wine and lemon juice.

Pernil al Horno

Roast Pork, Gaby's Style.

Quesadilla de Verduras

Flour tortilla stuffed with grilled zucchini, bell peppers, carrots, eggplant, melted cheese, red & green sauce.

Dessert

Assorted Cookies

Coffee / Tea / Tip Included

Please call ERH Auxiliary Event Chairperson Helene Morris at 845-210-7120 with your selection. Make check out to ERH and mail to Helene Morris, P.O. Box 105, Spring Glen, NY 12483. (Tickets will be given at the restaurant)

Benjamin Cosor Elementary Bids Farewell to Beloved Principal



FALLSBURG - As the saying goes, it's never easy saying goodbye. Especially for someone with a strong passion for their work. Many who had the privilege of working alongside Ms. Mary Kate Stinehour can attest to her selfless and unparalleled devotion to Benjamin Cosor Elementary School. She brought a fun, loving, and wholesome environment to her students. As her tenure comes to an end, her legacy will be felt for many years to come.

Mary Kate's career began in 1995, where she taught second and third grade in the Tri-Valley Central School. She remained in that position until accepting the role as assistant principal at Benjamin Cosor Elementary

School in 2008. Later that year, she became acting principal before officially assuming the probationary position the following school year.

As principal, she made it her central mission to meet the needs of students and staff every day. She introduced reading and math coaching positions, which allowed teaching leaders to support and guide staff development and improve overall academic performance for students. This initiative received overwhelming support from administrators and faculty.

Ms. Stinehour was also a proponent of the Response to Intervention (RTI) process, which is a framework that identifies specific academic and behavioral needs of students.

Of course, serving the role of principal came with its fair share of challenges. She noted how priorities for students and staff have shifted dramatically over the years, particularly, the increasing reliance on technology.

"We need the advances in technology because that's the world we've created," said Mary Kate. "However, with that comes a decrease in one-to-one communication."

Above all, Ms. Stinehour's innate ability to develop a deep connection with her students and staff is what really sets her apart. She remained an active participant in all of the school activities, such as Comet Games, Elf on a Shelf, and the PBIS Kick-Off events. She always ensured that every staff member's concern was heard and sought ways to improve the school's environment.

When asked if she could give a piece of advice to aspiring educational leaders, she emphasized staying true to yourself and striving for what's right. "You have to speak your mind, even if it goes against the norm," she said. "It goes back to always staying true to yourself. You have to respectfully share what you feel is right even though people in the room may not think the same way you do."

The Fallsburg Central School District would like to thank Ms. Mary Kate Stinehour for her 18 years of service and wishes for a happy, healthy, and fulfilling retirement. Once a Comet, always a Comet.


Daniel Pierce Library

UNEARTH A STORY

SUMMER READING PROGRAM | GRADES 4-6

FELTING EVENT


Tuesday, July 21, 2026
5:30 to 6:30 pm



Join felting expert Christine Adams for a hands-on workshop where participants will create their own beautiful felted geode.

What is felting?
Felting is a fiber art that uses wool, specialized tools and simple techniques to craft unique pieces that are both decorative and functional. Many people find the process relaxing and therapeutic. Using a felting mat and needle, participants will learn how to shape and sculpt wool step by step to create a geode-inspired design.

Open to Tri-Valley residents. Register online @ danielpiercelibrary.org



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Summer Reading Program | Ages 0-5 Years

RAWRRR! Dinosaur Bones and Foam Party


Thursday, July 23, 2026
5:30 - 6:30 pm

Come dressed in comfortable play clothes and get ready to jump, dance and discover the magic of dinosaurs and foam!

Spark creativity and hands-on exploration with this engaging dinosaur event. Featuring 160 oversized "bones," children can design and build anything their imagination dreams up; from prehistoric dinosaurs to futuristic creatures!

Get ready for a bubbly, giggly good time! Our Foam Party offers a safe and sensory-rich experience filled with mountains of soft, fluffy foam. Children can explore and play as gentle foam fills the space, encouraging movement, laughter and imaginative play. The foam is non-toxic, hypoallergenic and specially made for young children.

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UNEARTH A STORY

Summer Challenge

2026

Reading Logs

Children Ages 0-5 Years and 6-11 Years
Read all summer, log the number of books and minutes read to receive prizes!

"Tweens", Teens and Adults
Log the number of books and minutes read and for every 4 books you read you will be entered into our SRP drawing!


Book BINGO

Book BINGO: Ages 6 - 11 years, "Tweens" Grades 5-8, Teens Grades 9-12 and Adults.

Read. Play. Win. To join our Book BINGO challenge, read books that fit the categories listed on the BINGO card for a chance to win free books!

Print out reading logs & BINGO cards from the DPL website
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or pick them up from the library!

HAVE FUN!



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**Shady United Methodist Church
Summertime Fair
& Yard Sale**

Saturday, July 11

9AM - 1PM

Breakfast & Lunch

**Bake Table, Craft Table, Plants,
White Elephant!**

**Quilted Items, Runners, Placemats, Coasters,
Bookmarks & Pocket Prayer Quilts!**

**Shady United Methodist Church
Church Road, Shady
5 miles West of Woodstock on Rt. 212**

2026 WCAA Artists' Studio Tour & Preview Exhibition Reception

Our WCAA Artists' Studio Tour is coming up soon on July 10, 11, 12. Join us at the WCAA Gallery on Friday June 26 for an opening reception for the Tour Preview Exhibition, 5-8pm. WCAA Gallery 959 Main Street, Honesdale PA. See the first peek at art by each of our 25 Tour Artists and meet the artists.

The Wayne County Arts Alliance is excited to invite all to attend our 2026 WCAA Artists' Studio Tour on July 10, 11, 12 at twenty-one studio locations around Wayne County plus our Tour Headquarters at our WCAA Gallery, 959 Main St. Honesdale. Free and open to the public July 10, 11, 12 10am - 6pm each day. The Tour Preview Exhibit at our WCAA Gallery will be on display June 25 - July 12. Stop by to see a sneak preview of artwork from each of this year's Tour Artists at the WCAA Gallery, 959 Main Street, Honesdale.

This is our 23rd Artists Studio Tour. The tour provides an opportunity to meet Wayne County's established and emerging artists in their studios. Something for everyone! Paintings, ceramics, sculpture, stone, metal, photography, multi-media and more original artwork of all kinds. The Tour Preview Exhibit at 959 Main Street will also be open for two weeks prior to the tour, beginning June 25 - gallery hours are Thursday-Sunday 11am-4pm.

Our Studio Tour Artists for 2026 are: Susan Cottle Alberto, Burton Bulles, Jill Carletti, Barbara Carpenito, Elizabeth Castellano, Phyllis Chekenian, Thomas Colbert, Heather Hogan-Spencer, Tom Holmes, Irene Lanzillotta, Nancy Lopez, Bernadette Madigan, Hana Marritz, Linda Murphy, Nancy Palubniak, Glenn Pogue, Trix Render, Victor Salib, Michael Sergi, Pam Sloan, James Spencer, Kevin Storms, Elizabeth Tilley, Bill Westmoreland and Alan Wood. We encourage you to start your tour at our Tour Headquarters at our WCAA Gallery & Artisan Stop, 959 Main Street, Honesdale, where you can view a sample of art from each of our 25 Tour Artists and talk with our docents to help you plan your tour. Visit one or all 21 locations.

The Artists Studio Tour is the premier event which was the catalyst for establishing the WCAA. The Tour gives the public a rare opportunity to visit with some of the professional and emerging artists who call this area their home. Here is your chance to meet the artists and discuss their philosophies, inspiration and working techniques while viewing their most recent collections of artworks. And if you see something you want to own, take advantage of the artist's studio pricing. Don't miss this opportunity to visit Wayne County's diverse and talented artists right in their own studios.

Our 2026 WCAA Studio Tour Brochure with map and detailed artist information is available at WCAA 959 Main Street, Honesdale, Visitor's Centers and other area businesses and online at waynecountyartsalliance.org.

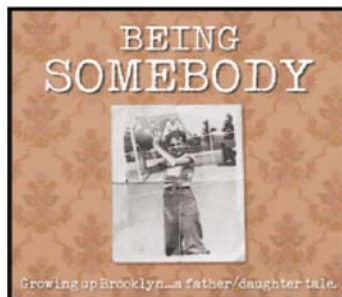
Here's what's coming up!



End of School Year Celebration

Sat, June 27 at 2:00pm

[Buy Tickets](#)



Being Somebody

Sun, June 28 at 2:00pm

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JEKYLL AND HYDE THE MUSICAL

Fri, July 10 at 7:30pm

Sat, July 11 at 7:30pm

Sun, July 12 at 2:00pm

Fri, July 17 at 7:30pm

Sat, July 18 at 7:30pm

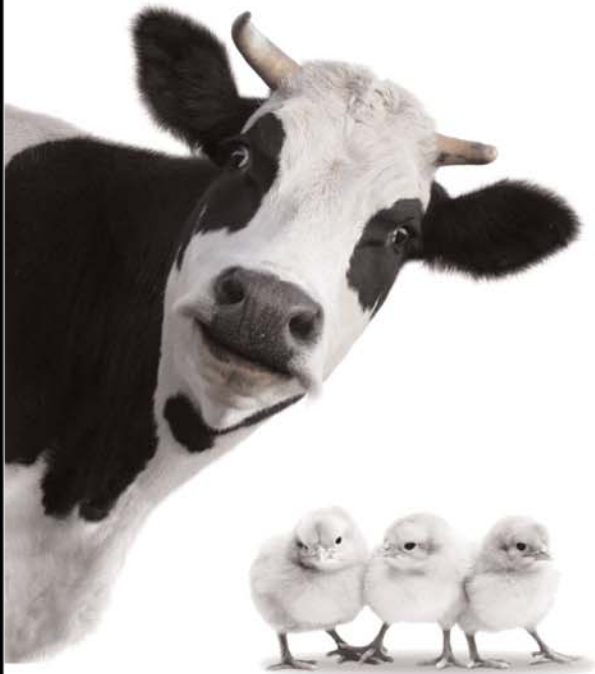
Sun, July 19 at 2:00pm

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Life on a 1930s Farm

Sunday, June 14
1 to 3 p.m.

Unique 1930s Lost Catskill Farm with historic house, milk house, 1870s barn, working waterwheel and more!



- ☛ Interactive Fun Activities— get water from a well, lift a bale of hay, color animal masks, do a water activity and more!
- ☛ Tours of 14 interactive farm buildings
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**Includes refreshments
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Covered Dish Supper

**Saturday
July 4, 2026
5:30 pm**

Sundown United Methodist Church Hall

**(Intersection of Sundown Rd. Peekamoose Rd.
& Greenville Rd., Sundown, NY 12740**



**Be sure to check out the tables
with a variety of collectibles,
household items and more
that will be available for sale**

SCCO to Perform a Midsummer Night's Dream

(White Lake & Narrowsburg, NY) The Sullivan County Chamber Orchestra (SCCO), a project of Nesin Cultural Arts, proudly presents its upcoming signature family program, "A Midsummer Night's Dream." It's an enchanting, all-ages interactive concert experience. The performances are Saturday, June 27th, 2026, at 2:00 p.m. at the Reformed Presbyterian Church of White Lake, 6 Mattison Road, White Lake, NY and Sunday, June 28th, 2026, at 2:00 p.m. at the Tusten Theater, 210 Bridge Street, Narrowsburg, NY, presented by the Delaware Valley Arts Alliance. Tickets: \$25 for adults and free for youngsters 12 and under.

Saturday: <https://linktr.ee/nesinculturalarts>.

Sunday: <https://delawarevalleyartsalliance.org/performances>.

This captivating performance brings Shakespeare's most musical comedy to life through an interactive concert experience designed for families and listeners of all generations. Running exactly 75 minutes with no intermission, the program will serve as a journey into Mendelssohn's masterwork. To guide the audience into this enchanted forest, the ensemble utilizes a specialized dectet configuration of ten virtuosic players (five strings and five winds) to map out a vivid musical trajectory. The performance is a bridge between the human world and the spirit world. We are inviting families to explore how ten acoustic instruments can recreate an imaginative experience. From the light, scurrying wings of the fairy queen's court to the lower strings mimicking a braying donkey, the music does all the storytelling.

Prior to the event, families and classrooms had access to downloadable listening maps and educational resources via social media. During the performance, young audience members will actively track the narrative, learning to identify complex musical themes, trace instrument dialogues, and experience the mechanics of orchestral world-building firsthand. Follow SCCO online @SCCOPlayers.org. or email nesinculturalarts@gmail.com for a downloadable pdf.

This program is made possible in part by funding from the New York State Council on the Arts with the support of Governor Kathleen Courtney Hochul and the New York State Legislature, the Sullivan County Youth Bureau, Episcopal Charities and the Delaware Valley Arts Alliance

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June 2026



Tony Coccozza casting to a Catskill stream. Join him for our June Outing - Photo by Ed Ostapczuk

June Chapter Meeting will be on the Water

There will be no formal Chapter meeting in June. Instead, we will host a Chapter fishing outing on Thursday, June 25. Folks seeking to fish with others, and potentially learn more about Esopus Creek, should meet in front of the Boiceville Inn by 5 PM. Depending on stream flows and water temperatures, off we'll go. Starting at 8:30 PM pizza, gratis from the chapter, will be available back at the Boiceville Inn. Even if you don't fish, stop by for camaraderie and learn about "the big ones" that got away. In the event of bad weather or poor stream conditions watch for email updates sometime Wednesday or Thursday before 4 PM.

There are no other Summer meetings planned during July and August EXCEPT for the July 18 Stream Cleanup and Cookout noted just below. Our next newsletter is scheduled for September, but members could receive intermittent emails/bulletins with news we wish to convey to membership before then. Enjoy summer and hope to see you at June 25 outing and the July 18 events.

July 18th - Stream Cleanup and Community Cookout

This two-part event is open to all members and friends of the chapter. On Saturday, July 18th at 9am, we will meet at the new Veterans Memorial Park (next to the Boiceville IGA) for a local stream cleanup. TU Team Captains will round-up teams and provide information on how we will best

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Every Tuesday at 7 PM
46 North Street in Monticello

For information
contact Past Exalted Ruler Ronni Scannell
at (845) 701-0695

attack targeted areas along the Esopus Creek. Trash bags and gloves will be provided to all participants but please feel free to bring your own favorite gloves if you'd like.

After the Cleanup we are hosting a TU Community Cookout at Davis Park-Watson Hollow Road at Olive Town Hall in West Shokan. All are welcome. We will be grilling-up hamburgers, hotdogs, and veggie burgers. We will also have water and soft drinks. There will be fun games and activities like horse-shoes, corn hole, and swimming. We will also have some fly tying and fly casting demonstrations performed by adept TU Members.

If you are going to participate/attend please take a moment to fill-out this quick form or email us at apwctu@gmail.com so that we can get a headcount. Thanks. (Contd. Pg. 40)



Ashokan-Pepacton Watershed Chapter Trout Unlimited (From Pg. 39)



NY DEC and TU Volunteers researching a Catskill Hollow-Photo by Ed Ostapczuk

Catskill Heritage Brook Trout Study 2026

On May 26, 2026 APWCTU worked with Bobby Adams, NYS Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) Region 3 Fisheries Biologist, and his crew to shock portions of upper Peck Hollow in search of at least thirty brook trout from which fin clippings could be gathered. In some 500 linear feet of creek DEC shocking crews only captured 38 brown trout, 6 brook trout, and 3 young-of-the-year (YOY) brookies. It was determined we would not be able to collect the thirty brook trout required for DNA fin analysis. Plans are underway to examine another Esopus Creek tributary soon. We extend our thanks to Bobby Adams and NYS DEC Region 3 Fisheries and the Ashokan Watershed Stream Management Program (AWSMP) our Brook Trout Study partners. We also thank Jennifer Bloom for allowing access to this posted Peck Hollow section of creek plus the following chapters members who assisted: Yuki Asada, Tony Coccozza, Nick Genna, Chet Karwatowski, Victoria Lawrence, BJ Leifeld, Russell Martin, Bill McFarlene, and myself.

Please watch for updated info in the next newsletter



*Old School Angler's Thermometer
- Photo by Ed Ostapczuk.*

Give the Trout a Summer Break

With Summer's heat arriving early this year, it's time to give the trout a break. Always, always, always check water temperatures before fishing. Please utilize a stream thermometer to check water temperatures; avoid fishing for trout once temperatures reach 70 degrees and higher. You'll only stress the trout, probably killing

those released with the best intentions. If you want to trout fish, best times might be at daybreak since many of our Catskill waters often cool during night before heating up afternoon again. But, on those really hot days and warm nights, water cooling might be at a minimum if at all. So, consider angling for warmwater fish, or below a NYC Catskill reservoir, offering coldwater releases. But check water temps even on these tailwaters by referring to USGS gages offering this information.

Precipitation Report

Jody Hoyt reported during May there were 5 measurable storms recorded in Boiceville totaling 3.25 inches of rain with a weighted 6.1 pH. By comparison in May 2025 there were 7 storms measuring 12.62 inches of rain with a 6.2 weighted pH. Thanks Jody for your ongoing efforts.

Earth Day at Onteora Schools

On June 5 Tony Coccozza and Kyle Black assisted Onteora school Earth Day celebrations. Thank you gentlemen.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer John Yanzek reported at the end of May that we had \$14,733.99 of which \$1,190.52 remains in the Conservation Fund. John, thanks for all you do.

Save these Dates

September 12, 2006--Once again our Chapter will sponsor a booth at Olive Day in Davis Park in West Shokan. Please stop by to say hello.

October 3, 2026 --We are planning to participate in a "Family Fishing and Golf" day at The Meadows Golf Center off NY 28 in Margaretville, NY. Please watch for more forthcoming info on this exciting event.

September 24, 2026 --APWCTU Annual Meeting. Please stay tuned for more information.

Membership

If you have membership questions or concerns, please contact Russell Martin at: rmartintu@gmail.com. If you know someone who wants to join our chapter, please use this link: <http://tu.org/join559>.

Until next time,
Ed Ostapczuk
June 22, 2026

Ashokan-Pepacton Watershed Chapter Trout Unlimited
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The Old Stone House of Hasbrouck
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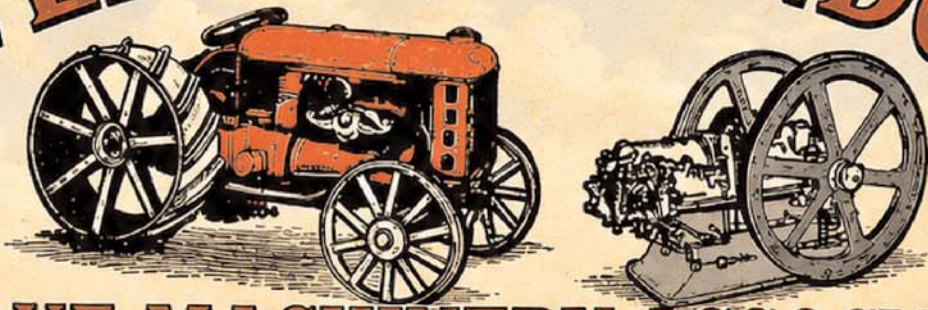
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Celebrate With Us - Become a Museum Member - It's Easy!

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Join now by going to timeandthevalleymuseum.org/support/membership, or send a check (\$25 for Individual, \$40 for Double and \$50 for Family) to the Museum at the address below. You will receive membership cards, a newsletter and special gift by return mail.

2026 and beyond is sure to be exciting - be part of the excitement by becoming a member today!



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2026 SHOW DATES

SATURDAY 6/6/26 OUTPOST BBQ SHOW RAIN DATE SUNDAY 6/7/26

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OPEN TO ALL TYPES & YEARS OF WHEELED VEHICLES.

SHOW TIME 10:00 AM UNTIL 5:00 PM JUDGING 12:30 PM TROPHIES GIVEN OUT 4:00 PM

PRICE PER VEHICLE \$15.00 TROPHIES WILL BE: TOP 2 RACE VEHICLES; TOP 5 2006 & NEWER; TOP 20 2005 & OLDER; KIDS CHOICE; JUST BECAUSE; CLUB PICK; OUTPOST BBQ CHOICE AND BEST OF SHOW. DASH PLAQUES FIRST 30 VEHICLES

SATURDAY 7/4/26: LIBERTY RISING STREET FAIR

ANY MAKE ANY MODEL CAR CLUB SHOW, ELEMENTARY SCHOOL FRONT PARKING LOT, NORTH MAIN STREET, LIBERTY, NY 12754. OPEN TO ALL TYPES & YEARS OF WHEELED VEHICLES.

SHOW TIME 9:00 AM TILL 3:00 PM JUDGING 12:30 PM TROPHIES GIVEN OUT AT 3:00 PM

PARADE 12:00 NOON. DASH PLAQUES FOR THE FIRST 30 VEHICLES.

PRICE \$15.00 PER VEHICLE TROPHIES WILL BE; TOP 3 2006 & NEWER, TOP 12 2005 & OLDER, KIDS CHOICE; JUST BECAUSE; CLUB PICK; CHAMBER CHOICE AND BEST OF SHOW. RAIN OR SHINE.

SATURDAY 7/11/26 WURTSBORO FOUNDERS DAY

ANY MAKE ANY MODEL CAR CLUB SHOW, SULLIVAN STREET WURTSBORO, NY 12790

OPEN TO ALL TYPES & YEARS OF WHEELED VEHICLES. DASH PLAQUES FOR THE

FIRST 30 VEHICLES. SHOW TIME 10:00 AM TILL 5:00 PM JUDGING 1:00 PM TROPHIES

GIVEN OUT AT 4:00 PM PRICE \$15.00 PER VEHICLE TROPHIES WILL BE TOP 3 2006 &

NEWER TOP 12 2005 & OLDER; KIDS CHOICE; JUST BECAUSE; BOARD OF TRADE CHOICE; CLUB PICK AND BEST OF SHOW. RAIN OR SHINE.

SUNDAY 8/9/26 MONTICELLO BAGEL FEST

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

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PRICE \$15.00 PER VEHICLE TROPHIES WILL BE: TOP 5 2006 AND NEWER; TOP 35 2005 AND OLDER; KIDS CHOICE; JUST BECAUSE; CLUB PICK; CHAMBER CHOICE; BEST FIRE TRUCK; BEST OF SHOW

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The bus will leave the City at approximately 5:00 PM.

Reservation must be received by June 8th for the
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Claryville Volunteer Fire Department Craft and Vendor Fair & Community Yard Sale

All Vendors are wanted!

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

When: Saturday, August 29th, 2026

Rain or Shine

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

Time: 10 AM – 3 PM

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

Regulations for Sellers:

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

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

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



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

Claryville Craft and Vendor Fair and Community Yard Sale Registration Form

Saturday, August 29th, 2026

Rain or Shine

Vendors Name: _____

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

Telephone number: _____ Email: _____

Description of Merchandise: _____

Vendor spaces reserved (8-ft indoor/ outdoor spaces): _____ Electricity needed: Yes No

Tables requested (8-foot tables provided by CVFD – MAX 4):

0 tables 1 table 2 tables 3 tables 4 tables

Table type: 8 ft table (indoor or outdoor) 8 ft picnic table (*outdoor use only*)

Outdoor or indoor preference (not guaranteed): Pavilion / Outdoor Area Inside Building

*****Indoor spots are first come, first serve based on postage date of application*****

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

Signature of vendor: _____ Date: _____

Cost: \$20.00 per 8 ft indoor / outdoor vendor space or \$25.00 per space with electricity (limited availability). Please note vendor spot fee is nonrefundable * Initials

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

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

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

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

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

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

Make checks payable to Claryville Volunteer Fire Department

1500 Denning Road Claryville, NY 12725

Attn: Jennifer Pisaniello

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Matty Bertholf's

Annual Horseshoe Tournament

Sunday, July 12th, 2026
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50-50 drawings

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Summer Reading Program | Grades 1-3
3D Printing Event

Tuesday, July 14, 2026
 5:30 to 6:30 pm



Get ready for an awesome 3D printing adventure!

We'll kick things off with a fun, easy-to-understand intro to 3D printing so you can see how this amazing technology brings ideas to life. Then it's your turn to get creative! You'll pick and customize your own filament colors and watch as a real 3D printer uses them to create a one-of-a-kind, multi-color miniature just for you to take home.

But that's not all! Each student will also get a super cool 7-inch articulated dinosaur to paint and decorate using washable acrylic paints. Make it bright, bold, silly, or realistic—the choice is yours!


Create it, watch it, paint it... and take it home!

Open to Tri-Valley residents. Register online @ danielpiercelibrary.org



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Summer Challenge Bookmark Contest

Calling ALL Aspiring Artists

Three Categories:
 Ages 5-7 years, 8-11 years and 12-18 years


Students are invited to submit an original design for the library's Summer Reading Program Bookmark! Winning designs will be selected and printed to be the official 2026 DPL Bookmark.



Follow the official guidelines and rules on our website.
The deadline for ALL entries is Thursday, July 30, 2026


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

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Daniel Pierce Library
UNEARTH A STORY
 Summer Reading Program
 Grades 7-12




DINOSAUR EYE

Create realistic or imaginative dinosaur eye!
 Thursday, July 16, 2026
 5:30 - 6:30 pm


- ◆ Create your own prehistoric masterpiece in this fun, hands-on teen program! Design and build a realistic (or wildly imaginative) dinosaur eye using clay, texture and creative materials. Whether you love fierce T-Rexes or gentle herbivores, you'll bring your dino to life one detail at a time.
- ◆ Just bring your creativity!

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DINOSAURS ROCK®
 Fossil Adventure

Thursday, July 30, 2026
 5:30 pm
 for all young explorers and their families

Join us for a Jurassic Journey! Step back in time and explore the world of dinosaurs with this exciting, interactive & hands-on experience!


What to Expect: See and touch life-size, authentic museum exhibit pieces. Learn from a DINOSAURS ROCK expert. Go on a real fossil dig.

Bonus: Every child receives a **FREE** book!

What to Bring: Chairs or blankets for your comfort.

Location: Daniel Pierce Library

We can't wait to see you there!
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When: Tuesday June 30, 2026, From 5-6:30 pm

Where: Grahamsville Fairgrounds- Pavilion

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based on the novel by Jules Vern**

Ellenville, NY - June 15, 2026 - SHADOWLAND STAGES, a cultural cornerstone of the Hudson Valley, continues its 41st season with AROUND THE WORLD IN 80 DAYS, by Mark Brown playing June 19 – July 12, in the Studio, 14 Market Street at Shadowland Stages in downtown Ellenville.

Perfect for the whole family! The Studio comes alive for this hilarious, theatrical adventure as 5 actors, portraying 39 characters, traverse the continents in a masterful theatrical romp! Phileas Fogg has agreed to a wager that puts his fortune and life at risk. With his resourceful servant, Passepartout, Fogg sets out to circle the globe in a miraculous 80 days, chased by a detective who thinks Fogg's a robber on the run. Danger, excitement, and romance abound in this whirlwind of a show.

“Smart enough to make sophisticated adults laugh out loud...and shamelessly silly enough to keep children interested and entertained” - NY TIMES

The cast includes James Taylor Odom (National Tours: Gentleman's Guide to Love and Murder, Clue, and The Sound of Music), Melody Ladd (Shadowland Stages' Christmas at Pemberley series), Emily Bosco (Shadowland debut), Joel Rainwater (Broadway: The Lion King and Shadowland Stages' The Garbologists), and Lav Raman (Off Broadway: Heathers). Brendan Burke (Artistic Director) directs, with Michael Frederic (Sherlock Holmes in 39 Steps at Shadowland Stages as Assistant Director.

Performance Schedule & Tickets

Performances take place at the STUDIO at SHADOWLAND STAGES, at 14 Market Street, in downtown Ellenville, NY.

– Regular performances run Thursday, Friday, and Saturday at 8 PM and Sunday at 2 PM.
– “Pay What You Can” preview performances are offered on the first Friday (6/19) at 8 PM and the first Saturday (6/20) at 2 PM

Tickets can be purchased online at shadowlandstages.org, by calling the box office at 845-647-5511, or in person starting two hours before showtime. Season subscribers save up to 25%, and groups of 10 or more receive substantial discounts. For group packages, contact the box office directly.

With free parking, excellent local dining, and a deep commitment to accessibility and affordability, SHADOWLAND STAGES remains “one of the region's treasures” (Times Herald-Record).

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- Any items (real or replica) from the 1700s

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Your voice and stories are crucial to my work as your Representative. Whether it's talking to you at a community event or when you call my office, I immensely value hearing from each and every one of you.

Here's some of how I fought for you and a more affordable, safe, and free Hudson Valley for us all this week:

PUTTING PATIENTS OVER PROFITS: FIGHTING FOR YOUR HEALTHCARE

UnitedHealth has gobbled up our local healthcare practices, creating a monopoly that directly hurts everyone in our community.

So we took our fight to their doorstep. In their greedy pursuit of profits, UnitedHealth now owns the insurance company, they own your doctor, they own the pharmacy and they own the software that processes all of your information - and they use it all to keep prices high and drive quality down.

Now, they're starting to refuse more and more insurers in an effort to squeeze even more money out of us, knowing there's nowhere else to turn.

The Hudson Valley is leading the fight to break up United, bring back local, independent doctors offices and pharmacies, lower the cost of your care, and make sure you're not billed a dime more than you owe.

The only thing your medical provider should care about is keeping you and your family healthy - not United's quarterly earnings report.

Together, we're going to keep fighting to build something better - where patients can quickly access quality care right here in the community without facing endless roadblocks, where healthcare workers get the fair wages they deserve for their heroic work, and where every American is able to get the quality care they deserve at a price they can afford.

Read more: <https://patryan.house.gov/media/press-releases/putting-patients-over-profits-congressman-pat-ryan-rallies-hudson-valley>

FIGHTING FOR HUDSON VALLEY WORKERS

The Hudson Valley was built by our skilled trades unions. From the Bricklayers to the Carpenters to SEIU to the Letter Carriers, union members work tirelessly every-day to help our communities run smoothly.

Last week, I voted to pass the Faster Labor Contracts Act - landmark legislation to speed up the process of finalizing a first contract between a newly certified union and the employer.

When a new union forms, that first contract is critical to securing better hours, better working conditions, and

better pay, which is why we too often see companies dragging their feet on a contract. With the Faster Labor Contracts Act, we're closing a loophole that employers have used for far too long to squash union activity and will now force them to the negotiating table more quickly. I'm proud of this bipartisan win for working families and will keep fighting to protect the right to organize and collectively bargain for our unions in every corner of the Hudson Valley.

Read more: <https://patryan.house.gov/media/press-releases/congressman-pat-ryan-fights-hudson-valley-unions-votes-pass-landmark-bill>

SUMMER READING CHALLENGE IS BACK!

Summer reading keeps kids curious, confident, and connected - it's how we make sure every child comes back to school ready to learn, grow, and thrive.

That's why I'm very excited to launch a second year of my Summer Reading Challenge. I am consistently so impressed with Hudson Valley students, and I think this is a great way to recognize them and their commitment to education. So, whether you're enjoying the nice weather in one of our beautiful parks or making a splash at a Hudson Valley pool this summer vacation, make sure you bring a book!

Students who want to participate should fill out the form linked below. Participating K-8 students who read five or more books between June 23rd and August 31st will receive a Congressional Certificate of Achievement.

Sign up for my Summer Reading Challenge: <https://patryan.house.gov/media/press-releases/congressman-ryan-launches-second-annual-summer-reading-challenge-hudson-valley>

CELEBRATING JUNETEENTH

Juneteenth is a day to remember how much progress we've made as a country, but also a reminder of how much further we have to go in the fight for true freedom and equality for all.

Great to stop by events in Kingston and Poughkeepsie for their celebrations!

BRINGING MY OFFICE TO YOU

If you need help enrolling in Medicare, getting your IRS tax return, and more; Join my team at one of the next June CARES Van events for one-on-one assistance with federal programs.

If you need help navigating a federal agency, but can't join an event, please call my team at (845) 443-2930.

CONGRATULATING MIDDLETOWN SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

The Women's University Club of Middletown has been providing scholarships and educational opportunities in our community for 125 years!

Proud to have my team attend the annual Scholarship Dinner, and meet the 7 deserving & impressive young women honored this year. (Contd. Pg. 62)

Pat Ryan (From Pg. 61)**GRANTS CORNER**

Important Deadline - 30C Alternative Fuel Vehicle Refueling Property Tax Credit Expires June 30, 2026

Has your school district purchased an electric school bus charger in the last year, or plan to install one soon? You may qualify for the 30C tax credit for Alternative Fuel Vehicle Refueling Property. This tax credit is available to tax-exempt entities through the recently established IRS system of elective payment. To qualify, chargers must be placed in service by June 30, 2026.

Featured Funding Opportunities

NYS 2026 Securing Communities Against Hate Crimes (SCAHC) Grant Program

The NYS Division of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS) seeks applications through the SCAHC grant program, which funds safety and security projects at non-profit organizations at risk of hate crimes or attacks because of their ideology, beliefs, or mission. DCJS expects between \$35 million and \$70 million will be made available to support these projects. Applications will be accepted for up to \$250,000 per organization. Each eligible organization may submit one application for one or more physical security enhancements and/or cybersecurity enhancements.

The deadline for applications is Noon (DST) Wednesday, July 8, 2026.

NYS Clean Green Schools Initiative

Recently, Governor Kathy Hochul announced more than \$100 million is now available to make clean energy upgrades in public schools through the Clean Green Schools Initiative, which provides funding to implement modern, energy efficient solutions from pre-kindergarten through grade 12 (P-12) educational buildings.

The initiative is open to public school districts that are designated as Priority Districts, or if the public school buildings and Boards of Cooperative Educational Services (BOCES) buildings are located in a disadvantaged community, as defined by the New York Climate Justice Working Group. Incentive amounts start at \$500,000 for qualifying projects and proposals are due on August 18, 2026 by 3 p.m.

NYS DEC's Urban and Community Forestry (UCF) Grant Program

\$10 million in funding is now available through Round 17 of DEC's UCF Grant Program. Of the \$10 million dollars available for this round of grants, \$3 million is set aside for communities with populations of 65,000 or less. Maximum grant awards are limited to \$2.5 million and minimum awards are of \$50,000.

Applications are due 2 p.m. on Wednesday August 12, 2026.

HFFI Food Access and Retail Expansion Fund (HFFI FARE Fund)

The HFFI FARE Fund is a program under America's Healthy Food Financing Initiative, a program of USDA Rural Development.

The HFFI FARE Fund will fund projects that create or expand the following types of business models:

SNAP Authorized food retailers located in eligible

underserved areas that will sell an assortment of Staple and Perishable foods directly to consumers

Post-harvest food retail supply chain enterprises that will distribute Staple and Perishable foods to SNAP authorized food retailers located in eligible underserved areas

Funding Levels:

Grants from \$20,000 - \$250,000 for planning and implementation projects

Technical Assistance up to \$75,000 per project for early-stage planning, predevelopment, and business assistance contractual soft costs

Funding Inquiries are due no later than 11:59 PM ET, July 31, 2026.

If invited to submit, full applications are due no later than 11:59 PM ET, October 30, 2026. Award notifications will be made no earlier than January 2027.

Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS Office) Fiscal Year 2026 Notices of Funding Opportunities (NOFOs)

The released NOFOs include the COPS Hiring Program (CHP) and several other grant programs that:

Support the hiring and retention of sworn law enforcement officers,

Keep school students safe,

Promote the health and safety of our nation's law enforcement personnel,

Keep communities safe by providing active shooter training

Applications are due starting Thursday, July 23, 2026. Review the NOFO for additional information.

New York Providing Local Access to Essential Sustenance (NY PLATES) Capital Grant Program

Last week, Governor Kathy Hochul announced that funding is available from the new \$10 million NY PLATES Capital Grant Program. This funding will support food banks and other organizations that provide emergency food assistance in building the modern facilities, equipment, and infrastructure needed to serve more families across the state.

The application period for the NY PLATES capital grant program will open on July 8, 2026, and applications must be submitted by August 20, 2026. Awards are expected to be announced no earlier than October 20, 2026.

National Park Service: Outdoor Recreation Legacy Partnership (ORLP) Program

The ORLP Program supports the creation and improvement of local parks and outdoor recreation spaces in qualifying urban areas of 25,000+ residents or in areas administered by Federally recognized Tribes.

ORLP funds: Land acquisition, New Park development; and Renovation of existing outdoor recreation facilities. Awards range from \$300,000 to \$15 million.

Applications are due to NPS each year by November 1 at 11:59 PM ET. (Contd. Pg. 63)

Pat Ryan (From Pg. 62)

The Trust for Public Land is working in partnership with the NPS to launch a new, no cost ORLP Technical Assistance Program. In 2026, TPL will provide potential applicants with:

- ORLP application support webinar series
- One-on-one ORLP applicant support
- Self-serve resources for ORLP applicants

Additional Resources:**Hudson Valley Regional Council Grants Guide**

Each month Hudson Valley Regional Council publishes its Grants Guide focused on federal, state, and local funding opportunities related to economic development, water, clean energy, resilience, and sustainability. Each grant listing features the deadline, eligibility, and a short description including the amounts municipalities are eligible to apply for and any required match. To view past Grants Guides, click here. To subscribe to the grants guide, please email elaferriere@hudsonvalleyrc.org.

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

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

I look forward to hearing from you soon!

**Urging the European Union to Reject Anti-Israel Sanctions**

This week, I sent a letter to European Commission President Ursula von der Leyen urging the European Union to reject proposals that would impose sanctions on Israeli officials, target organizations operating in Judea and Samaria, and discourage businesses from engaging in lawful economic activity in the region. Israel remains our closest ally in the Middle East and the region's only democracy. At a time when Israel continues to face threats from terrorism and regional instability, the international community should be standing with our ally, not pursuing policies that undermine its security or economic prosperity. I also raised concerns about the potential impact these proposals could have on American businesses and organizations operating in the region. As Chair of the Congressional Friends of Judea and Samaria Caucus, I will continue fighting against efforts to isolate Israel and will always stand with our democratic ally in its right to defend itself and pursue peace and

security for its people. Read the full letter here.

<https://tenney.house.gov/sites/evo-subsites/tenney.house.gov/files/evo-media-document/tenney-letter-to-eu.pdf>

Joining Mornings With Maria to Discuss the SAVE America Act

I joined Mornings with Maria Bartiromo to discuss the importance of advancing the SAVE America Act and protecting confidence in our electoral system. This common-sense legislation would require proof of citizenship to register to vote, helping ensure that only American citizens participate in our elections. Requiring proof of citizenship is a straightforward safeguard that strengthens public trust and reinforces a simple principle: American elections should be decided by American citizens. As Chair of the Election Integrity Caucus, I remain committed to advancing policies that protect the sanctity of the ballot box, preserve confidence in the democratic process, and ensure every legal vote counts. The SAVE America Act is an important step toward securing our elections and strengthening the integrity of our voting system.

Watch the full video here.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=E0wXCFIMpFI>

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

H.R. 801, the Charitable Act: This bill establishes a permanent charitable deduction for non-itemizing taxpayers. Specifically, it allows non-itemizing taxpayers to deduct charitable contributions up to one-third of the standard deduction allowed to them. This legislation helps encourage widespread charitable giving from American taxpayers to help nonprofits serving their communities.

H.R. 7769, the MINT Act: This bill would amend the Internal Revenue Code to restore favorable tax treatment for certain tax-exempt bonds guaranteed by Federal Home Loan Banks. Tax-exempt municipal bonds are an important financing tool for infrastructure, health care, education, and community development projects. This legislation helps expand access to financing options for state and local governments, supporting investment in critical community projects.

H.R. 578, Sarah's Law: This bill would strengthen the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) policies to detain certain noncitizens who are unlawfully present in the United States and have been charged with, arrested for, convicted of, or admitted to committing offenses that result in death or serious bodily injury. Public safety is a core responsibility of the federal government, and illegal aliens who commit violent crimes should be subject to appropriate detention while immigration proceedings are pending. This legislation strengthens immigration enforcement and helps ensure accountability for individuals who commit serious criminal offenses.



President Trump's reckless war with Iran has cost New Yorkers an extra \$2 billion in gas, endangered our national security, and torn America's international credibility to shreds.

This week, Kirsten laid out the harm that the war has caused, demanded a permanent end to the war, and urged President Trump to shift his focus to providing relief to Americans rather than launching reckless wars abroad.

Read more.

<https://www.mynbc5.com/article/senator-gillibrand-war-iran-embarrassment/71617895>

2. WATCH: Two Truths and Trump's Lies

New York families are feeling the impact of President Trump's destructive policies. Between rising inflation, sky-high gas prices, and the Trump Tariff Tax, New York families have had to spend \$4,000 more on everyday essentials since Trump took office.

This week on her YouTube series, Kirsten breaks down Trumpflation and speaks with an expert about how long New Yorkers can expect to see high prices.

Watch here.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=neNAKTja0t0>

3. Demanding relief amid high gas prices

New Yorkers shouldn't have to break the bank just to get to work or drive to a critical doctor's appointment. But since the Iran war sent gas prices skyrocketing, this has been the reality for many working Americans.

That's why Kirsten is urging the Trump administration to raise the standard mileage rate for certain business, medical, and moving uses. This commonsense policy would allow workers and small business owners to deduct a greater amount for their vehicle miles traveled for those purposes, providing much-needed relief to working New Yorkers.

Read more.

<https://www.gillibrand.senate.gov/news/press/release/gillibrand-suozzi-gillen-urge-trump-administration-to-boost-gas-mileage-deductions-amid-sky-high-prices-at-the-pump/>

4. Securing disaster recovery funding for NY

As New York continues to combat the impacts of severe weather and disaster events, FEMA grants are critical to support ongoing relief and recovery efforts.

This week, Kirsten secured an additional \$11.8 million in federal funding on top of the \$168 million she announced last week to support ongoing disaster relief and recovery efforts in New York following the COVID-19 pandemic and severe weather events across the state. These grants will be used to repair infrastructure and help reimburse medical facilities still suffering the financial impact of pandemic-related emergency measures.

Read more.

<https://www.informnny.com/weather/north-country-fema-grants/>

5. Helping seniors struggling with loneliness

Far too often, seniors experience social isolation that contributes to loneliness and adverse health effects as they age.

Kirsten introduced legislation that will provide millions of crucial federal dollars every year to community-based organizations that support seniors in need of connection. This is critical legislation to combat the loneliness epidemic plaguing older adults, and Kirsten is committed to getting it across the finish line.

Read more.

<https://www.murphy.senate.gov/newsroom/press-releases/murphy-gillibrand-introduce-bill-to-help-seniors-struggling-with-loneliness-connect-aging-and-disabled-americans-to-community>

6. Getting New Yorkers their disability benefits

An Erie County constituent reached out to Kirsten for help getting retroactive disability benefits that the Social Security Administration was withholding because of inaccurate information in the constituent's record. He had been trying to seek assistance from the SSA for over three months but was not making any progress.

Kirsten's team raised the issue with the agency, and the SSA issued \$55,000 in retroactive benefits to the constituent soon thereafter.

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

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

7. Congratulations to the New York Knicks!

Congratulations to the New York Knicks on a well-earned, hard-fought victory in the NBA Finals! Kirsten had a blast cheering on Jalen Brunson and the team.

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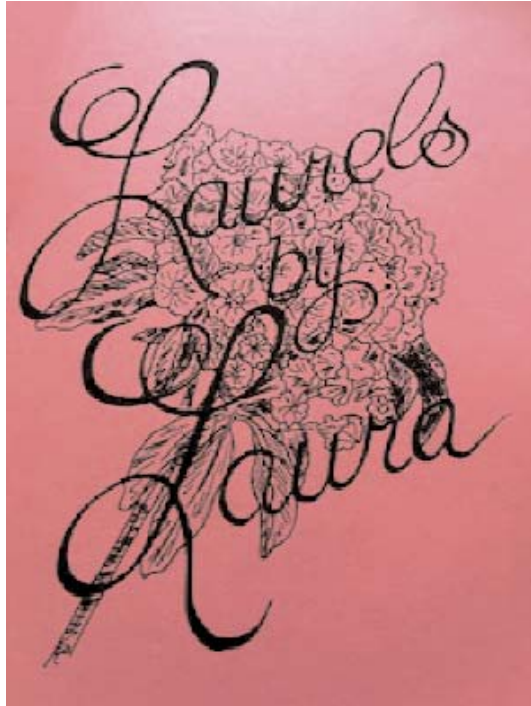
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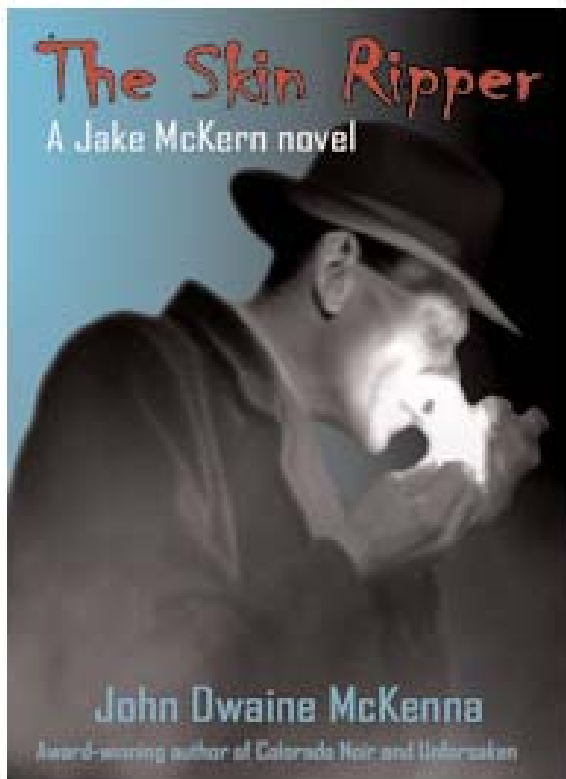
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Greetings again from Kinderhook,

I hope your summer has gone well. I'm reaching back out to you to share the news that our website has been refreshed and updated. It now features four new essays on the Founding era recently published by the Hoover Institution of Stanford University as we look forward next year to celebrating our 250th anniversary of the Declaration of Independence. One of those essays is on the significance of the Battle of Saratoga, which proved to be a turning point in the Revolutionary War. You can now read those essays for free on our website here.

<https://www.thespiritofphiladelphia.com/events>

We've also added links to some of our recent TV, radio and podcast appearances, relevant media coverage, and an updated listing of upcoming events (all of these can be found on the "media & events" page). All of the new items are marked with a green "NEW" banner. We've also updated the "what people are saying" section of the home page to include several new endorsements of the book by Americans from across the ideological spectrum.

As always, I'd welcome your thoughts and feedback on any of these items and/or your reactions to my new book. You can reach me by sending an email message from the "contact us" page on the website.

Finally, I hope you are enjoying the beautiful color as our leaves change across the region and country - it's shaping up to be a beautiful fall!

Sincerely yours,
Chris Gibson

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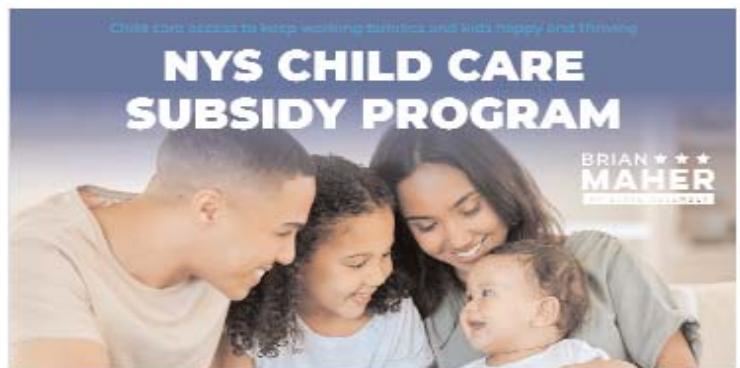
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EVERY 1ST & 3RD

WEDNESDAY


@ 6:30 PM

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Wednesday, June 24 at 1pm



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Applications are available at the Town Hall or on the Town of Neversink website. Please send applications to **Preston Kelly, Highway Superintendent, Town of Neversink, PO Box 307, Grahamsville, NY 12740** or drop it off at the Town Hall.

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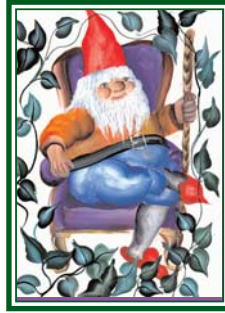
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Like the book, the film recounts the experiences of Roy



Hobbs, an individual with great "natural" baseball talent, spanning the decades of Roy's career. It was the first film produced by TriStar Pictures.

The film was nominated for *four Academy Awards, includ-*



ing Best Supporting Actress (Close), and it wa nominated for a Golden Globe Award for Best Supporting Actress (Kim Basinger). Many of the baseball scenes were filmed in 1983 at War Memorial Stadium in Buffalo, New York, built in 1937 and demolished in 1988. All-High Stadium, also in Buffalo, stood in for Chicago's Wrigley Field in a key scene. Knowing his son was watching, with faith in his Dad –believing in his Dad as much as Dad wanted a home run made it happen.

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This weeks' Trivia question: In what comedy is Death challenged to a game of *Twister*?



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