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Drawing to Support Two Families Fighting Cancer

Two coaches from the Tri-Valley Little League and their families are battling cancer. The Little League is sponsoring a drawing to benefit the Krummack and Mullen families. Because the prize money has been donated, all proceeds from ticket sales will be divided equally between the two families.

The winners will be drawn on March 24th at the *Music in Our Schools* concert in the TV auditorium.

Secure your ticket today for a donation of \$20 and a chance to win up to \$1500 at the Grahamsville Deli, Cannie D's, Eureka Cafe, Catskill Hudson Bank, Superior Building Supply, Neversink Transfer Station, from any Little League Board Member, or call Tom Mitchell at 985-7449, Kim Costa, Kerrie Poley, Cathy Russo or Ric Coombe at 985-2189.

UC Exec Hein Designates \$1 Million to Improve the Economy of Ellenville and the Town of Wawarsing

Ellenville, NY - County Executive Hein has recognized the need for economic development in the Ellenville area and in an effort to address these needs has generously designated One Million (\$1,000,000.00) Dollars to improve the economy of Ellenville and the Town of Wawarsing and has appointed the Ellenville Million Committee to develop and present a comprehensive vision and implementation plan to the County Legislature. Ellenville and the surrounding area have unparalleled assets that include breathtaking vistas, Hiking, Rail Trails, The Hang Gliding Capitol of the North East, the Shadowland Theatre, Ellenville Regional Hospital, Downtown Restaurant Row, Seasonal Festivals and most importantly, a community that cares about the future and sustainability of Ellenville and the surrounding area.

The Committee is comprised of local business owners and community leaders who are vested in the community and are working collaboratively to come up with a comprehensive long term community based economic plan unencumbered by any partisan political agenda.

The Ellenville Million Committee has had a very busy two (2) months since its appointment by the County Executive and has received and continue to evaluate dozens of ideas and suggestions that were presented during the public meeting on February 5, 2015 and those submitted via email to ellenvillemillion@gmail.com.

Based on the volume of ideas that have been generated from the public, the committee has designated five (5) key areas of focus and established sub committees as follows: 1] Tourism/Agritourism; 2] Industry; 3] Energy ; 4] Main Street; 5] Branding/Marketing/Public relations. (Contd. Pg. 4)

"Local Student Excels at Ice Hockey"

Maggie Mitchell, a 9th grader at Tri-Valley Central School, is currently involved in a sport that not too many other local teenagers can say they're a part of: ice hockey. For Maggie, it all started years ago when she would spend the winters skating on her outdoor pond. She formed a fascination with the game and decided she wanted to take it one step further.

For the past two years Maggie has played in organized leagues, with the majority of games being played at Ice Time Sports Complex out of Newburgh. This often means taking the trip to Newburgh at least three times a week, but Maggie's parents are more than willing to do it because they see how much the sport means to her.

Last year her first year officially playing organized hockey she played at the modified level on the Devils, a gender-mixed team. As the season went on she improved immensely in every phase of the game. As a whole, she became much more confident in herself. This year she has moved up to the junior varsity level, playing for the gender-mixed team Orange County West.

Maggie has built quite the fan club in her relatively short time as a player. In addition to her family and friends frequently attending her games and cheering her on, several members of the Tri-Valley Teachers' Association (TVTA)-Maggie's teachers of past and present-have been able to go and watch her games in person.

When asked what she likes best about hockey, Maggie said: "Everything. There's not one thing I don't like about it." She connects this passion of hockey to her performance in the classroom as well. She is an excellent student who always works hard and understands that maximum effort leads to maximum return. This is one of the many reasons why people think so highly of her.

We're all very proud of Maggie and excited to watch where her dedication and love for the game will eventually take her. Keep up the great work, Maggie!



Fun, Safe Options For When School's Out - Explore the opportunities Day Camp can provide a child or teen



Believe it or not, the current school year is more than halfway over for our local students. For parents, this is the ideal time to weigh options for summer care, and the right planning can ensure that our neighborhood kids and teens enjoy a fun summer in a safe and nurturing environment.

To help parents explore the best option for their families, Frost Valley YMCA is hosting a series of free Day Camp Open House events. Visit Frost Valley on April 26, May 17, or June 7 from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. to tour the grounds where camp is held; learn about Frost Valley's fun programs, secure environment, and experienced leadership; and discover how day camp can help a child or teen build confidence and character while having fun and making friends.

Families who attend a free open house will enjoy a tour, presentation, Q&A session, lunch in the camp's dining hall, and will even have a little fun of their own by creating a craft project. Reservations can be made by contacting Daycamp@FrostValley.org. (Mention you read about it in the *Townsmen*!)

Another way to sample a taste of Day Camp is to register kids ages four through 15 for Frost Valley's Spring Break Day Camp, which starts at the end of this month, from March 30-April 3.

This program includes daily activities that allow kids to get outside and experience the first signs of spring, or warm up indoors with games and projects. They'll enjoy hiking, sports, crafts, and climbing, among other activities. Lunch and transportation are included for this camp.

And don't forget: Another great Frost Valley tradition taking place this month is the annual Maple Sugar Weekends, on March 21-22 and March 28-29 from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Guests will have the chance to see the tap-to-table process, identify a sugar maple tree, explore, and try a sample of fresh syrup. The weekends are free and advance registration is not required unless you plan to stay for the weekend. For more information, please visit FrostValley.org.

"I am the Brother of Dragons" Comes to Fallsburg HS

Through a contact with the Sullivan County Department of Public Health and the Rural Health Network, Fallsburg Jr/Sr High School Principal Michael Williams was able to bring a production of "I am the Brother of Dragons" to an assembly of 9-12 graders on the afternoon of February 23, 2015 in the high school auditorium. The play is a production of the Young Actors Studio of Saltworks.Org out of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

The "dragon" is drug and alcohol abuse and its impact on an entire family.. (Contd. Pg. 9)

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Have a question- please call: Linda Comando (845) 985-0501.

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ON THE FRONT BURNER:
bless his holy name.

Bless the Lord, O my soul; and all the is within me,
Psalm 103:1

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Nikki and Eric Horton of Neversink are proud to announce the birth of their daughter, Mia Ann, born on February 11, 2015 at Catskill Regional Medical Center in Harris. Mia weighed 7lbs and was 21 inches long. She is welcomed by big sisters Sophia and Alexandra.

Maternal grandparents are Barbara and George Dean of Neversink. Paternal grandmother is Susan Horton of Wurtsboro. Maternal great-grandmother is Irene Sosnowski. Paternal great-grandparents are Patricia and Samuel Constantino and Clifford Horton.

Sending hugs and kisses from heaven are Grandpa John Horton, Great Grandparents Marjorie Horton, Charles Sosnowski, and Louise and Archie Dean. Also, sending hugs and kisses is a special angel Uncle Craig Dean.

THANK YOU

The family of Jim Marion wishes to express their deep appreciation to those who have offered such kindness, support and messages of sympathy and comfort in our bereavement. It was such a comfort to know that he had touched so many lives in his way. We are grateful for the memories you share with us and the importance the community had on his life.

College News / Graduation

Devon Clark Army National Guard Soldier Promoted

Major General Patrick A. Murphy, The Adjutant General for the State of New York, announces the promotion of members of the New York Army National Guard in recognition of their capability for additional responsibility and leadership. Devon Clark from Liberty, N.Y. serving with the Company C, 2-108th Infantry is promoted to the rank of Private First Class. Army National Guard promotions are based on overall performance, attitude, leadership ability, and development potential. These promotions additionally recognize the best qualified Soldiers and attract and retain the highest caliber Citizen Soldiers for a career in the New York Army National Guard.

DAYS OF YORE...

Today's History

March 16, 1955 - Mr. and Mrs. Eldred Marsh of Unionville are the parents of a son, Clinton Elton, born Wednesday, March 9th at Liberty-Loomis Hospital.

Mrs. Sherman Brown of Claryville died on Sunday at Liberty Loomis Hospital. Mrs. Brown was born in Claryville on December 17, 1878. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Dulaff. She married Sherman Brown, who survives her, fifty-nine years ago in Grahamsville. She was a lifetime resident of Claryville.

Be on the lookout,

study the mail.

Krum's will have weekly specials on sale!

KUM TO KRUM'S

March 10, 1965 - Elizabeth Spann of Grahamsville has been initiated into the Ithaca College chapter of Sigma Alpha Iota, the national music fraternity for women. Epsilon Chapter was established at the college in 1909. It is the oldest sorority on campus and on of the oldest in the national organization. Miss Spann, a Tri Valley graduate, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Spann of the Sundown Road.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Pezzella Jr. of the Woodbourne Road, are the parents of a daughter, Diane Marie, born Wednesday at Maimonides Hospital and weighing 7 lbs. 11 oz.

Chauncey M. Cook died March 8, 1965 at his home in Woodbourne after a long illness. He was born July 11, 1901 at Westbrookville, N.Y., the son of Manning and Emma DeGroat Cook. He married Florence Hill at Monticello on Nov. 23, 1927.

March 26, 1975 - Mr. and Mrs. James McDonnell of Grahamsville, announce the engagement of their daughter, Kathleen, to Mr. Charles Matz of College Point, L.I. Miss McDonnell is a graduate of Marlboro High School and now works in N.Y.C. Mr. Matz is a graduate of Flushing Hight School and runs his

own restaurant and catering service. A May 24, 1975 wedding is planned.

Connie and Thomas Matthews are the proud parents of twin girls, born last week. They were also very surprised parents as twins were NOT expected!

March 14, 1985 - As a member of the American Legislative Exchange Council (ALEC) Assemblyman Richard I. Coombe has been invited by President Reagan to attend an exclusive White House briefing on Monday, March 11, 1985. Events planned include a special reception and dinner and an issue briefing and luncheon.

Lt. David Hill, son of Donald and Pauline Hill of Grahamsville, is a navel flight officer assigned to Tactucak Electronic Warfare Squadron, which deploys aboard the Seventh Fleet aircraft carrier, the USS Enterprise.

SUNY Ulster Celebrates Bach's Birthday with Free Community Concert in Woodstock

SUNY Ulster's Music Department will celebrate the 330th birthday of Johann Sebastian Bach with an informal concert of his music, "Bach in the Subways," on March 21, 4 p.m., at the Overlook United Methodist Church in Woodstock.

This concert is being held in conjunction with performances by musicians all over the world, amateur and professional, who will be performing Bach's music free in public places. The tradition has come to be known as "Bach in the Subways" because many performers take to the underground stations in major cities around the world to play Bach's music for an hour or more.

Performers will include the SUNY Ulster Chorus and Vocal Ensemble singing some well-known chorales, under the direction of SUNY Ulster's Janet Gehres accompanied by Edward Leavitt.

Instrumental and vocal music will also be performed by faculty members, students, and friends of SUNY Ulster including an organ prelude and fugue and an organ/piano duet arrangement of the well-known chorale "Sleepers Wake" performed by Leavitt and student Natalie Chapman. The gifted 12-year-old Simone Evans will play Bach's keyboard Partita #1.

Additional performers will include SUNY Ulster faculty members Greg Dinger on guitar, Chris Earley on marimba, Anastasia Solberg on viola, Victor Izzo on euphonium and trombone, as well as soprano Stephanie Backofen; Joshua Gehres, trombone; baritone Matthew Hogan; Vitalis Im, violin; and the Shawangunk Low Brass Choir. Some ensemble collaborations may also develop among non-college musicians.

The SUNY Ulster event is free and open to the public. For more information, call (845) 679-5733. For directions, call (845) 679-6800 or e-mail overlookumc@earthlink.net.

Ulster County Upcoming Events

Saturday, March 7th- Esopus Public Forum on Pilgrim Pipeline. 10:00am-noon. Community forum to learn about the hazards of the proposed Pilgrim Pipeline. Esopus Library Community Room. 128 Canal Street, Port Ewen. Contact Iris Marie Bloom (protectingourwaters@gmail.com) for more info.

Tuesday, March 10th- The Solar Home Companion- NEW PALTZ (SUNY campus). Since Fracking has been banned in N.Y. State, filmmaker Josh Fox (Gasland) and Professor Zephyr Teachout (Democratic primary candidate for governor) and others will discuss "where do we go from here in utilizing alternative green renewable energy." This free and public 6-9 p.m. event will be held in Lecture Center 100. Information- Mike Boms, bomsm@newpaltz.edu. Campus map: <http://www.newpaltz.edu/map/>

Tuesday, March 10- Insights into Reforming New York's Energy Vision. 6-8pm at Bard College. (Hegeman 106). Governor Cuomo has announced a process to remake the way energy is produced, sold, purchased and used in NY. The initiative, called "Reforming the Energy Vision (REV)" will alight electric utility practices and the New York Public Service Commission's regulatory model with technological advances that have created alternatives to traditional solutions to meeting electricity demand. There will be a panel of industry experts speaking about REV proceedings and how they're organizations are responding to REV, and what impact it will likely have on future energy production, consumption and distribution in New York.

A Round About Tri-Valley

-Carol Furman

Condolences to the friends and family of Barbara Jane Conner-Stuart of Grahamsville who passed away on February 26th at the age of 58.

Tri-Valley School has announced that the Class of 2015 Valedictorian is Zachrey Nilsen and Salutatorian is Raychelle Osnato. Congratulations to two fine young people who have excelled in their high school careers.

Saturday, February 28th, Sullivan County Community College hosted a baseball clinic for kids ages 7 and up. Instructors were SCCC coaches and baseball players. Many of our local Little Leaguers attended and came home with new skills and techniques.

Michelle Quick-Lepke, a Girl Scout Leader who lives in Neversink but teaches in Liberty, had her Scout Troop host a St. Patrick's Day Party at the Neversink Fire Hall on February 28th to benefit the Liberty and Tri-Valley Backpack Programs. The Liberty and Tri-Valley Scouts attending were each asked to bring 4 food items to include in the take-home backpacks. The School districts then send the backpacks home with certain youngsters as a dietary supplement. A great time was had by all who attended the party. Thanks, Michelle!

March came in like a lion! On March 1st, close to six inches of snow fell and many scheduled Sunday activities had to be cancelled. Last year folks were tapping trees by the end of February.

Congratulations to Nathan Bender and Zachrey Nilsen, two Tri-Valley Seniors, who were selected as Section IX Boys' Soccer Coaches All-Stars!

Girl Scout cookies are now being sold by local Scouts. They cost \$4.00 per box. Contact your favorite Scout and order some cookies. This is a fund-raiser to help support Troop activities. (The cookie mints seem to be the best seller!)

I hear that the Bender family of Grahamsville came home to find a small flock of "pink flamingos" in their yard the weekend of February 15th. These plastic birds mysteriously appeared to wish Cathy a happy birthday!

Save the date: Saturday, March 21st, the first day of spring, is the Sportsman and Outdoor Recreation Expo at the Paul Gerry Fieldhouse at Sullivan County Community College. See all the newest hunting, fishing and camping equipment. There will be food, raffles, childrens entertainment and demos from 8:00 am - 6:00 pm. Visit www.scva.net for more info.

Words of Wisdom: An old-timer is someone who remembers when people stopped spending when they ran out of money. Failure to prepare is preparing to fail.

Sullivan County Soil & Water Conservation District Tree & Shrub Program

The Sullivan County Soil & Water Conservation District is pleased to announce their annual spring Tree & Shrub Program. Landowners can choose from a wide variety of deciduous and conifer trees and shrubs and specialized packets such as Nut Tree, Flowering Tree & Shrub, Wildflower, Butterfly and perennials. Tree size and age allows for you, the purchaser, to select what's right for your needs. We offer a range of quantities at reduced costs to promote conservation plantings.

Other items available through the program are fruit trees, ground covers and wildlife habitat housing.

Trees and shrubs offered through the District program can be planted for a number of purposes including Christmas tree production, timber production, wildlife habitat, windbreaks, hedges, screens and streambank and road bank stabilization.

To order, please contact the District Office at (845) 292-6552 and request the brochure and order form or go online at sullivanswcd.org. The order deadline is Monday, April 6, 2015.

Stormwater Management Training

The Sullivan County Soil & Water Conservation District will be holding a training seminar for Stormwater Erosion & Sediment Control Management. This seminar is directed towards contractors and developers who will be disturbing soil of one acre or more. It will be held on March 19, 2015 from 9:30 am to 2:00 pm at the Cornell Cooperative Extension Building at 64 Ferndale-Loomis Road in Liberty, New York. The cost of attending the training is \$50 per person and pre-registration is recommended as space is limited. Photo ID is required.

To register, please contact the District Office at (845) 292-6552, or go to the District's website at sullivancountyswcd.com.

A Single Point of Entry for Long Term Care

The Long Term Care Council is the advisory board for SULLIVAN NYCONNECTS, the single Point of Entry for information on long term services and supports in Sullivan County. The next meeting of the Long Term Care Council will be Wednesday, February 18, from 3:00 to 4:30 p.m. in the Legislative Committee Room (2nd floor) in the Sullivan County Government Center. Meetings of the Long Term Care Council are open to the public and all are welcome to attend.

For further information about the Long Term Care Council, please contact Martha Scoppa, Point of Entry Coordinator, SULLIVAN NYCONNECTS, Office for the Aging, 100 North Street, P.O. Box 5012, Monticello, New York 12701 or (845) 807-0257.

Child Care Forum "A Critical Building Block in the Sullivan and Orange County Economy"

Monticello, N.Y. - Sullivan County Center for Workforce Development in cooperation with Assemblywoman Aileen Gunther, the Hudson Valley Workforce Development Institute and the Hudson Valley Area Labor Federation, will be holding a forum, "Child Care - A Critical Building Block in the Sullivan and Orange County Economy." The conference will take place on Friday, March 6th from 1 pm until 4 pm at the Mamakating Library, 128 Sullivan Street, Wurtsboro, NY 12790.

"High-quality early child care can have a significant impact on a child's well-being and developmental potential. Often overlooked is the positive affect it has on working parents who can rest assured their child is being well cared for while they are at work. We need to find more effective measures for providing access to quality and affordable child care for our working families" said Alan J. Sorensen, Sullivan County Legislator District 9.

This Forum will examine the benefits of good child care systems through a number of lenses; working parents, children, employers, and regional economic development.

"The major economic development that is coming to Sullivan County underscores the importance of making sure we have enough quality and affordable child care providers. This forum is the launch of a public conversation of what we need to do now as a community so we are prepared to meet the needs of our workforce" said Laura Quigley, Director of the Sullivan County Center for Workforce Development.

For more information or to reserve a seat, contact Mary Jane Bertram, Hudson Valley Regional director for Workforce Development Institute, at 845-568-1213 or mjbertram@wdny.org.

SUNY Ulster Music Department Presents Spring Concerto Concert

SUNY Ulster's Wind and String Ensembles will perform with featured soloists at the Spring Concerto Concert, Tuesday, March 24, 7:30 p.m., in Quimby Theater.

The String Ensemble is under the direction of Anastasia Solberg and the Wind Ensemble is under the direction of Victor Izzo.

The concert is free and open to the public.

Nature Column - Linda Comando

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

Grapes, Grasshoppers and St. Urho

This week's column has a bit of a different nature, than usual. It possesses rather a jovial nature. We need a little humor after this long winter.



Grapes, Grasshoppers and St. Urho was first introduced in *The Townsman* back in the 70's when my niece, Elyse Hornbeck along with Isabelle Bernstein were in New York City. They were preparing to participate in the St. Patrick's Day Parade that year. Arriving the day before, they were introduced to their first St. Urho's Day Celebration on March 16 of that year. Notes about the event were published in a column in *The Townsman* that year and were later picked up in the *Days of Yore...* column, about 8 or 9 years ago. Since then *The Townsman* has not forgotten St. Urho's Day!

For a while, I thought our family may have been the only Finns in town to appreciate the story, until the year Jonah Hamilton called and alas, we were not alone. The town where Jonah had lived in Minnesota celebrated St. Urho's Day and she was delighted to see St. Urho mentioned in *The Townsman*. And now, with our nephew, Adam's recent marriage, we have added to our local Finnish community. Adam's wife, Melanie (Karkkainen) Hornbeck's father's family came from the same town in Finland where Elise's and my grandfather was born!

So here's to our growing Finnish community and to all those who just one day a year want to have a little more fun the saga of St. Urho's Day!

One story tells that St. Urho started as a joke during the long Minnesota winter of 1956 and that St. Urho was created by Richard Mattson, who worked at Ketola's Department Store in Virginia, Minnesota. Mattson is generally credited with conjuring up a Finnish counterpart to St. Patrick in the spring of 1956. Just as Patrick had driven the snakes from Ireland, Mattson's saint drove a plague of frogs from Finland.

While at one of my Clarkstown Class Reunions a few years back, a fellow classmate, Dan Gartrell, EdD, who is the author of several books and is emeritus professor of early childhood and foundations education at Bemidji State University in northern Minnesota told me what he claims to be the real story.

Dr. Sulo Havumäki, a psychology professor at Bemidji State College is credited with changing the plague to grasshoppers, who were consuming the grape crop that would become wine in ancient Finland. (Pre-historic Finland was allegedly a much warmer place than it is today.) St. Urho's triumph was saving the vineyards and the jobs for those who picked the grapes. That is how St. Urho became the Patron Saint of Finnish Vineyard Workers. Sulo was a devout Catholic. Feeling left out because there weren't any Finnish saints, made one up with tongue in cheek, St. Urho. The story was oft-told, and was part of Sulo's classic local identity.

St. Urho is not as popular in Finland as he is in the U.S.A. Perhaps it was Urho Kekkonen Finland's popular president from 1956 to 1981 who may have influenced Helsinki's St. Urho's Pub, the celebration's central meeting place for the country. Ironically, in 1933, Kekkonen joined the Agrarian Party and among his first political jobs was a post at the ministry of agriculture. It is said that Kekkonen was called "Saint Urho" by the citizens of Finland.

The designation of St. Urho as patron saint of the Finnish is particularly humorous to most because 82.5% of the Finnish population are affiliated with the Lutheran Church, and do not recognize Feasts of Saints (however, the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America does!) (Contd. Pg. 4)

Household Hints

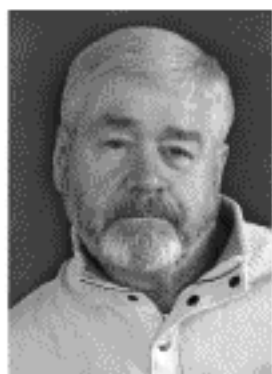
Keep the Paint on Your Cement Floors

Painted cement floors have a tendency to peel after a while. But you can keep the paint stuck to the cement longer by giving the floor an initial coat of white vinegar before you paint it. Wait until the vinegar has dried, then begin painting. This same technique will also help keep paint affixed to galvanized metal.

Sometimes the Wolf

Mysterious Book Report No. 185

by John Dwaine McKenna



Falling from grace, for whatever reason, has been an enduring theme throughout human history and all of world literature. Whether it's from individual malfeasance, political upheaval or personal relationships gone bad, we humans seem endlessly fascinated when the high and mighty 'take their licks' and 'get theirs.'

Sometimes the Wolf, (Wm Morrow/Harper Collins, \$26.99, 277 pages, ISBN 978-0-06-221691-5) by up-and-coming author Urban Waite, is a study of one man's fall from grace and his son, who is trying to understand his father . . . who was once an elected county Sheriff . . . and is now a just-released felon who has served ten years in the Washington

State Penitentiary. The felon on parole is named Patrick Drake. He's the ex-sheriff who took to running drugs across the Canadian border in order to pay for his wife's chemotherapy and cancer treatments. Then, two men are killed, the DEA gets involved and Patrick goes to prison. There, as an ex-lawman, he has to buy protection in order to stay alive . . . which he does with promises of payment from hidden drug monies once he's released. As the story begins he's out, living with his son Bobby-whose a grown man and a deputy sheriff-marriage is in trouble because of the emotional baggage his father's crime and incarceration has brought to their family and small town. As Patrick tries to readjust to life on the outside, threats from his old life start resurfacing and this time, no one is spared.

The author's prose is terse, direct and to the point, driving the narrative with a relentlessness that all crime fiction lovers will find irresistible. Like the novels of Elmore Leonard, the action never stops until the last page. That's where you'll be wishing for more from this exciting author.

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Grapes, Grasshoppers and St. Urho (From Pg. 3)

For many years the real joke according to Rev. Les Niemi, a Finnish-American winter visitor who had organized a local St. Urho's Day picnic in the past, "Of course, there are no vineyards in Finland. The interesting thing is that these Finnish-Americans, who have nothing else to do, today have St. Urho's Day parties all over the country."

But, that has since changed! In October of 2013 according to a Norwegian news report from Reuters, "the first wine grapes have ripened and were harvested at a research facility in Pasvik in Finnmark, Norway, which is approximately 70 degrees north latitude."

Nilles Gaute Vol in Drammen reports that during the summer of 2013 Northern Norway had record warmth. The nearby Vardø weather station, with an unbroken temperature series from 1840, registered the warmest summer on record. Gaute Vol's also added, "Researchers at Svanhovd are not aware of any previously cultivated grapes grown outdoors in Finnmark, but this year's grapes have been a small attraction at Park Centre and have been frequently photographed...and that in the future we can produce wine from grapes grown outdoors in Finnmark."

"If there are equally fine summers in the coming years, one can not ignore some wine from grapes from Finnmark."

The crafty Norse-chaps have discovered that by keeping a vine's roots warm, the plant can survive even the chilly excesses of a near-Arctic winter.

Nearby in Finland, Dr. Slotte, a 29-year-old physician, is one of a growing number of people in Finland who, as global temperatures climb, are turning to winemaking.

The grapes he plants are hardy, weather-resistant varieties, including a cross between a Latvian and a Siberian strain. In spring and fall, when temperatures are erratic, Fredrik Slotte sprinkles his vineyard with water. The water freezes, encasing the vines in thin tubes of ice that protect them from temperatures far lower than freezing.

Within a couple of years, Dr. Slotte expects to produce about 110 bottles a year; hardly a threat to the French, but the Aland (pronounced OH-lund) Islands, with a population of 27,000 Swedish speakers, are an autonomous region of Finland. Since Finland, which entered the European Union in 1995, is not considered a wine-growing country under European rules, Dr. Slotte may not sell his wine.

"Finland has always had agriculture, but with an Arctic climate, it's limited," said Niklas Lampi, the editor of a local paper. "But a commissioner suddenly said: 'You people are growing wine, just like in France. Why do you need subsidies?'"

Being entangled in the wrangling over subsidies has taken its toll on Dr. Slotte and his neighbors.

"It was a tough time," said Michaela Slotte, whose husband, Niklas, is Dr. Slotte's older brother and also grows grapes. Most of the neighbors around their family farmstead, called Mattas, receive subsidies. "This is a small village. They didn't like Fredrik being used to get rid of their subsidies," she said.

In the meantime, Helsinki, the Finnish capital, and Brussels, where the European

Commission has its headquarters, have agreed on a formula to scale back the farm aid without changing Finland's status as a non-wine-growing country, and the tempest around Dr. Slotte's vineyard have subsided. . . . The prohibition has to do with farm subsidies. When Finland entered the European Union, the country was divided into several zones. While farmers in northern Finland are entitled to large subsidies because of the severe weather conditions there, those in the milder south, including the Alands, receive less. But the European Union contends that the southern Finland subsidies are still too much, and it has been seeking for years to justify eliminating them.

That is where Dr. Slotte entered the picture. No one really knows how the European Commission, the European Union's executive body, got wind of Dr. Slotte and his little vineyard, although it could have been through an article about him three years ago in *Alandstidningen*, the small local newspaper, like *The Townsman*, that featured a photo of a smiling Dr. Slotte on its front page, happily clutching a bunch of grapes.

Dr. Slotte insists he is not in the wine business for the money. "It's only a hobby," he said.

But some say he is too modest. His sparkling wine, while no Veuve Clicquot, is tasty. "It's a shame," said Mr. Dahlen. "It would be something for the local restaurants."

Yet Dr. Slotte's passion has been borne aloft in part by increasingly mild winters. After studying temperatures on the Alands over the last 20 years, he found "a curve pointing upward," he said.

To protect his vines from the cold, Dr. Slotte employs other tactics. He lays insulation boards over the plants in winter and prunes the vines so that in summer the grapes lie close to the ground, where they can absorb warmth from the soil. One of his varieties, a Latvian vine, can survive temperatures as low as 22 below.

"It looks like it's becoming a more suitable climate for wine-growing, better certainly than in the 1980s. If you look at history, ice ages came and went," he said. "It's premature to say if it's global warming."

A generation ago, the northernmost frontier for vineyards was Britain. Nowadays, the title of the world's most northerly vineyard is a moving target. Climate change has significant implications for Europe's wine industry, according to a other news reports. However, while rising temperatures are creating stern challenges for some of the region's most established wine-producing areas, wine production is becoming possible in northern regions where hitherto viticulture was not commercially viable.

With all these facts in line regarding the legend of St. Urho, I would have to go along with the legend of Dr. Sulo Havumäki, that St. Urho lived in a pre-Ice Age Finland, when it was warmer there and the country's grape crops were under threat from giant, pre-Ice Age grasshoppers!

"Heinasirkka, heinasirkka, menetaalta hiiteen!" The Finnish phrase above roughly translates to "Grasshopper, grasshopper, go to the devil!" It's the mantra of St. Urho's Day, which is one more good reason to celebrate next week (besides St. Patrick's Day, of course).

Maybe the old Saint is at work, not just driving the grasshoppers away, as I understand there are still grasshoppers in Finland - but could it be the myth of St. Urho will take on another facet - the Saint of Global Warming?

If so, let's bring him back to Tri-Valley! We could use a little global warming here, a good crop of grapes and if we have another cold winter next year, maybe some good wine to warm us!

UC Exec Hein Designates \$1 Million to Improve the Economy of Ellenville and the Town of Wawarsing (From Pg. 1)

Many of the ideas presented require local municipal action and initiatives. The Committee has established liaisons within the Village of Ellenville and Town of Wawarsing governing boards in order to channel the ideas and suggestions that have come from the public which are appropriate for Village and Town action.

It is the Committee's intention to continue to work together on all of these initiatives and deliver our suggestions to the County Legislature by the beginning of June for their action and implementation.


UC Comptroller Launches 2015 County-wide Risk Assessment - Providing a Vital Tool for the Executive and the Legislature

Ulster County Comptroller Elliott Auerbach, in an effort ensure best practices and safeguard against waste, loss and misuse of taxpayers money, will be conducting a RISK ASSESSMENT SURVEY to be completed by units of Ulster County government.

The RISK ASSESSMENT SURVEY draws from standards and practices recommended by the NYS Comptroller (OSC) and the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants Statement of Auditing Standards (SAS), as well as other industry resources. According to OSC, "[r]isk assessment can begin by asking a series of predetermined questions, obtaining answers and analyzing the results."

"Our Office doesn't adopt policy or manage the County's departments," said Deputy Comptroller Joe Eriole, Esq., "but it is our role to perform a risk assessment of County practices. The goal is to have the resulting report serve as a vital tool for the Legislature and the Executive in ensuring the best possible controls are in place." Eriole added that "any valid risk assessment starts with giving all of its administrative units an opportunity to respond to subjective and objective questions about their present practices and their own understanding of the regulatory and management environment in which they operate."

The Comptroller's Risk Assessment team is led by Director of Internal Audit and Control, Alicia DeMarco, CPA, and Senior Auditors Elizabeth Weredyk and Randy Boughton, MBA.



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The Spring Book Fair

The Olive Senior Art Class, which has had an on-going art exhibit of original oil paintings at the American Legion Hall, will be displaying three dozen paintings at the downstairs community room at the Olive Free Library. Many educational and social groups use that space for workshops and meetings. Now they will be able to enjoy the perimeter art exhibit. The plan is to have the exhibit ready for the First Annual Library Book Fair.

Saturday, March 21 is the first annual Olive Free Library Book Fair! They have lots of books, and are welcoming more donations during the first two weeks of March. The fair will feature a delicious lunch, raffle baskets, and children's book author/illustrator Iza Trapani will be there.

Here are some of the scheduled activities:

10 a.m. American Girl Doll Tea Party! Dress your doll and yourself for a lovely tea gathering and craft activity. (Please preregister for this activity so we can prepare for you.)

11 a.m. Author/Illustrator Iza Trapani will read and sing from her latest book Little Miss Muffet and show us some work in progress.

12 p.m. Catskill Ukulele Group Sing-along!

1 p.m. The Singing Circle! (Gather around the piano, all ages welcome!)

2 p.m. Master Gardener Lecture: Succession Planting

3:00 p.m. Craft Hour/Gaming Hour (Please preregister.)

Raffle baskets! Silent auction! Hot lunch! Bake sale! Tons and tons of books at great prices!

All activities and admission are FREE! (early-bird shopping from 9-11 a.m. is \$5)

Local Student Artwork on Display at the CAS Sullivan County High School Art Show

The Catskill Art Society, in partnership with SC BOCES, proudly presents the annual CAS Sullivan County High School Art Show, a new exhibition of work by Sullivan County High School Students, running March 28 - April 19, 2015 at the CAS Arts Center at 48 Main Street, Livingston Manor, NY.

This exhibition, appearing throughout the gallery, will present the work of high school students from all eight of the county's districts (Eldred, Fallsburg, Liberty, Livingston Manor, Monticello, Roscoe, Sullivan West and Tri-Valley) plus student work from SC BOCES. This annual exhibition celebrates the creativity of our region's youth and showcases the diversity of expression across Sullivan County.

The show presents three hundred artworks in ten media categories: Black & White Drawing, Color Drawing, Black & White Photography, Color Photography, Painting, Ceramics & Glass, Digital Art, Design, Mixed Media/Printmaking, and Sculpture. CAS puts together an outside jury panel of artists and experts - different each year - that award a first and second place ribbon in each category. Blue Ribbon winners receive complimentary enrollment in a CAS art class series and Red Ribbon winners receive a \$50 scholarship for any class at the CAS Arts Center through the end of this year. Students will also be invited to CAS to select a Student Prize award in each category as well.

CAS also hosts an exhibition postcard contest each year. This year's winner is a digital image by Cameron Conklin, a student at Eldred Central School.

Gallery hours for this exhibition are Thursdays - Saturdays from 11am-6pm, Sundays 11am-3pm, and Mondays 11am-6pm. The CAS Arts Center is wheelchair accessible.

March 28, 2015 from 11am-2pm - Public Opening Reception

The Catskill Art Society & SC BOCES will host a free opening reception for the CAS Sullivan County High School Art Show on Saturday, March 28 from 11am-2pm. All are welcome and light refreshments will be provided by SC BOCES.

It Takes a Village to Make a Difference Pine Hill Community Center A 501(C)(3) Not-For-Profit Organization

The board of the Pine Hill Community Center is searching for an executive director. The executive director is responsible for all activities related to the operation of the Pine Hill Community Center from program development to building operations, from fundraising to budget management. The Center is run by an active Board of Directors and the executive director reports to the Board.

This is an exciting time in our 15-year history. We want to find someone who can build on our successes and help us advance the Center's role as a unique Central Catskills venue for arts, services to young and old, families and individuals and, most important, as a resource for creating community. A description of the job and qualifications needed are listed below. Interested applicants should email a cover letter and resume to our Board Chair, Jim Nevin (jnevin@mindspring.com) by April 10th.

Please look here: <https://vimeo.com/70323360> for a description of our history, philosophy and programs and use your cover letter to say what interests you and what experiences you bring to the Center. The Board will review all applications and interview selected candidates in April. We hope to make a choice in

May with a start date in July.

This is the only salaried position at the Center and right now, it is part time (approximately 24 hours/week). Candidates must be able to commit to regular hours that fit with the Center's peak periods of activity. This will include part of one weekend day and occasional evenings when there are major events at the Center.

We've had two executive directors since we started. They would say that this is not only a job. It is a labor of love for community as well. We are looking for someone who has the excitement, enthusiasm and passion for community and is welcoming to everyone interested in the Center's activities or interested in offering a program at the Center.

This is a job that requires an outgoing personality with strong people and project management skills. While the Center sponsors and runs a few ongoing programs, our main purpose is to support community members who want to create cultural and service-related activities for adults, children and families in the Central Catskills. The executive director is also responsible for overseeing the maintenance and operations of the building, hiring program presenters, and working closely with other contractors, including a bookkeeper, on budget and financial management.

You need to be comfortable writing and using basic social media tools and learning new ones as they develop. Right now, the job involves postings, updates and photos on our Web and Facebook sites and through regular emails to members.

The Center relies on contributions of time and money from individuals and donors. You must like and be able to fundraise as well as create and support a network of volunteers to help with the Center's programs and operations. In addition, we look for grant money from foundations and other entities. The Board helps with applications, but we expect the executive director to identify opportunities, help with the writing of proposals and be able to track grants, interested donors and volunteers for programs.

So, are you organized and still like to think out of the box? Are you energetic and not afraid of working with a vision? Do you enjoy being networked with all kinds of people in the Central Catskills? Do you have a passion about the arts, science, building, or books or...? Do you have experience helping others turn their ideas into projects and performances? If you say yes to at least 2 of these questions and find the job of interest, please send us a cover letter and your resume. We look forward to hearing from you!

The Pine Hill Community Center is located at 287 Main Street, Pine Hill, NY 12465 845.254.5469

Classical Indian Kathak Dance Celebrates the Return of Spring on March 20- Kathak Ensemble will be Joined by the Vanaver Caravan Youth Company in Finale

SUNY Ulster's spring visiting artist, Janaki Patrik is Founder and Artistic Director of the New York City-based classical Indian dance company, the Kathak Ensemble & Friends. On Vernal Equinox 2015, the Kathak Ensemble welcomes the return of spring in a program with friends from the Stone Ridge - Rosendale - New Paltz - Kingston community. Dancers in the Hudson Valley's popular Vanaver Caravan Youth Company, under the direction of Bill and Livia Vanaver, join the Kathak Ensemble in a performance at SUNY Ulster on March 20 at 7:00 pm in the Quimby Theater on the Stone Ridge campus.

The Northern Indian classical Kathak and folk dance performance is part of SUNY Ulster's World

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This dance journey lingers in a forest near the Taj Mahal - where Krishna and his village friends join in the great circle Dance of Life. Continuing their travels from Mughal Lucknow to elegant Viennese courts, the Kathak Ensemble dances to the Allegro of Mozart's Jupiter Symphony. The Vanaver Caravan Youth Company join the Kathak dancers as they continue on to Rajasthan and create a joyous clamor of jingling bells and clicking sticks in the folk Dandiya Raas. The journey ends on a Bollywood film set, with Krishna still playing his tricks and teasing the dancers in a popular song from the movie Dev Das.

Patrik has been trained in Kathak classical North Indian dance, Hindustani vocal and tabla drumming at the Kathak Kendra, New Delhi, by several of North India's greatest artists. She also is trained in music and dance idioms of her native United States and studied classical Western flute, as well as ballet and modern dance. She was awarded a Senior Research Fellowship from the Fulbright Foundation in 1988/89 to study the poetry of the Kathak dance repertoire, and an American Institute of Indian Studies Language Fellowship to study Hindi in India in 1994. Janaki has performed both classical Kathak and her own choreography throughout the United States, Canada, and India.

For more event information, call 845-687-5262. Admission is by donation.

New World Writers Night - Young Poets from the South (of us) Mark Blackford & Rachel Therres

Friday, March 13, two excellent young poets will grace the stage at New World Home Cooking, 1411 Route 212, between Woodstock and Saugerties. This reading will begin promptly at 7, so please arrive by 6:30 for dinner. Call 845-246-0900 for reservations.

Officials Representing Regions throughout the State Support the Governor's Proposal to Combat Sexual Assault on College Campuses

Governor Andrew M. today announced that 103 elected officials, including local councilmembers, county legislators, town supervisors, village mayors and others, from all regions of the State have joined the "Enough is Enough" campaign to combat sexual violence on college and university campuses. This bipartisan group adds to the more than 40 city mayors and 17 of 18 county executives from across the State who last week joined the campaign. Whoopi Goldberg also last week added her voice to "Enough is Enough" in support of the Governor's proposal to combat on-campus sexual violence. The campaign is a call to action for members of the public to support and advocate for the passage of the Governor's proposal to create the strongest protections in the country for college students, codifying uniform sexual assault prevention and response protocols for all colleges and universities, public and private, in New York State.

"Sexual assault on college and university campuses is a nationwide epidemic, and New York should lead the way to change how our schools protect their students from it and respond to it," Governor Cuomo said. "I'm proud to be joined by this bi-partisan group of elected officials from all levels of government and from every corner of the state who agree that 'Enough is Enough' - we must take the strongest possible stand against sexual assault on our campuses, and the time to do it is now."

Among the elected officials from Ulster and Sullivan County that have joined the Governor's "Enough is Enough" campaign are: Scott Samuelson, Chairperson, Sullivan County Legislature; Cora Edwards, Legislator, Sullivan County; and Susan Zimet, Supervisor, Town of New Paltz

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The Family Memoir, PROSILIO...
... in Greek means "Toward the Sun," was written by Carol Olsen LaMonda. Carol writes the column "The Olive Jar" for *Ye Olde Tri-Valley Townsman*. This local author has been busy guesting at book clubs who have chosen this local memoir as their book choice. As summer approaches, the story of a carefree vacation in the Catskills should be added to your summer "must-read" list. The memoir is available at Amazon or Barnes and Noble on-line as a soft or hard cover or as a downloadable e-book for Nook or Kindle. Go to amazon.com or barnesandnoble.com and type in *Prosilio* in the search to order your copy of *Prosilio*

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Be a Saint. Drive Sober - St. Patrick's Day Is One of the Deadliest Days of the Year Because of Drunk Driving

[Monticello, NY]-St. Patrick's Day brings to mind shamrocks, leprechauns, pots of gold, and good luck. But no amount of luck can save you from a drunk-driving crash. Unfortunately, March 17 has become a deadly day in the United States, with a dramatic spike in drunk-driving fatalities. According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, during the St. Patrick's Day weekend in 2013 (6 p.m., March 16 to 5:59 a.m., March 18), more than a third (40%) of all crash fatalities involved drunk drivers. The night of March 17-St. Patrick's Day-was especially bad. In the post-celebration hours between midnight and 5:59 a.m. March 18, half of all crash fatalities involved drunk drivers. And we're not just talking about a little bit too much to drink here; from 2009 to 2013, almost three-fourths of the drunk-driving fatalities on St. Patrick's Day involved drivers who were twice the legal limit. So whether you're buzzed or drunk on St. Patrick's Day, it doesn't matter. NHTSA wants to remind everyone that Buzzed Driving Is Drunk Driving-drive sober.

In 2013, there were 31 people killed in drunk-driving crashes on St. Patrick's Day. All in all, during the St. Patty's Day period from 2009 to 2013, there have been 276 drunk-driving fatalities. Every one of those lives was lost because of bad decisions.

The Sullivan County CareCorps Coalition offered this advice to partygoers: "Get ahead of the decision this year. If you are 21 or older and know you're going to celebrate St. Patrick's Day with alcohol, then figure out a plan ahead of time for how you'll get home. Don't wait until you're too buzzed to decide, and don't let your friends drive drunk." Buzzed Driving Is Drunk Driving, so if you have anything to drink, count on a sober friend, taxi, or public transportation to drive you home safely. Not drinking? Maybe this St. Patrick's Day, you'll be the saint who drives your friends sober.

The bottom line is this: Too many Americans fail to designate sober drivers. NHTSA is working hard to make sure every driver knows the dangers of getting

behind the wheel after drinking. According to NHTSA, in 2013 on average one person was killed every 52 minutes in a drunk-driving crash in the United States. That totaled 10,076 drunk-driving fatalities that year.

Let's make 2015 different. Use this party-planning checklist to stay safe this St. Patrick's Day.

o **NOW:** Even if you don't have plans yet, plan to drive sober or designate someone else to. Save the number of a taxi company in your phone so you always have a backup plan.

o **WHEN YOU MAKE PLANS:** A sober driver is an essential part of any party plan. Once you know where you'll celebrate, decide whether you're drinking or driving. You can only choose one.

o **ON ST. PATRICK'S DAY:** Before you take your first sip of green beer, leave your keys at home or give them to a friend. If you're the designated driver, don't drink. Enjoy non-alcoholic beverages and brag about your VIP (very important partygoer) status online using the hashtag #designateddriver. Only drive sober or ride with a sober driver.

o **EVERY DAY:** If you're impaired, use a taxi, call a sober friend or family member, or use public transportation to get home safely. If you know people who are about to drive or ride while impaired, take their keys and help them make other arrangements to get to where they are going safely.

Drunk driving has fatal consequences. If you see a drunk driver on the road, contact local police immediately. You could save a life.

For more information, visit www.trafficsafetymarketing.gov.

McDonald's Announced It Will Stop Selling Chicken Raised With Antibiotics Used In Human Medicine And Milk From Cows That Are Treated With Artificial Growth Hormone

U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand released the following statement today on McDonald's decision to stop selling chicken raised with medically important antibiotics and milk from cows that are treated with the artificial growth hormone rbST.

"Chicken nuggets shouldn't pose a public health risk," said Senator Kirsten Gillibrand, member of the Senate Agriculture Committee. "Fast food restaurants sell a huge amount of food to New Yorkers and people across the country every day. This voluntary decision to stop using chicken raised with antibiotics that are used in human medicine is a step in the right direction. While Congress must pass legislation that would stop the overuse of antibiotics in the food we eat, I hope more companies will follow their lead."

McDonald's announced they will no longer use chicken raised with antibiotics meant for humans or milk from cows are treated with artificial growth hormones. Antibiotics have been used to make livestock grow faster and gain weight, and to prevent diseases caused by overcrowding and poor hygiene in livestock facilities. The use of certain antibiotics in livestock has been shown to generate antibiotic-resistant bacteria that can make people sick with infections that are harder to treat.



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Frost Valley YMCA Hosts Cub & Boy Scout Weekend- Scouts from all over experienced hands-on, educational fun



Frost Valley YMCA hosted a Cub and Boy Scout Weekend March 6-8, as a way to help scouts build character, develop outdoor skills, and learn personal wellness while working toward their merit badges. Each of Frost Valley's scout weekends is specially designed to challenge troops to go beyond their limits and reach new heights together, with the encouragement of their peers and other troops.

During this adventure-packed weekend, scouts were taught essential skills such as knot tying, campfire building, navigation with a map and compass, shelter building, and others. They also had the chance to go snow tubing and cross-country skiing, play games and try teambuilding activities, stargaze at night through a telescope at Frost Valley's observatory, explore the forest on an educational snowshoe hike, and more.

Many of these classes correspond with the requirements needed to earn a Boy Scout merit badge. Scouts are able to work toward attaining their official loops, pins, and badges by participating in skill-building activities and lessons that are both fun and educational. This weekend, Cub Scouts worked toward Geology and Hiking belt loops and pins; Webelos worked toward Geology, Forester, Naturalist, and Outdoorsman activity badges, as well as Engineer pins; and Boy Scouts worked toward Environmental Science and Geology merit badges.

Boy Scouts who weren't able to attend this themed weekend can still book a customized visit for their troop on weekends in the fall, winter, or spring months. More information can be found at FrostValley.org.

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THURSDAY

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WJFF Kingfisher Project wins Nonprofit Innovation Award

Jeffersonville, NY - Community radio station WJFF Radio Catskill was the recipient of a \$5,000 Nonprofit Innovation Award, issued by the Nonprofit Leadership Summit on Wednesday, March 4th. The grant was awarded to WJFF for its Kingfisher Project, a series of public forums, interviews and on-air documentaries focused on the growing heroin and narcotics abuse problem in WJFF's broadcast area.



"This all started with the essay Rebecca Pisall wrote a few years before she became addicted and died. (Rebecca's mother) Julie and Rebecca's teacher John Ogozalek wanted more people to read the essay and know the loss of a beautiful life due to heroin. Her essay, which we now call the Kingfisher Essay, is at thekingfisherproject.com along with the radio show," said Barbara Gref, one of the volunteers working to help coordinate the Kingfisher Project.

The response to the project has been substantial. Julie shares, "in the short three months since the Project's inception, we experienced an outcry of need from the public to do more about the epidemic of drugs and heroin. People ask me all the time why I am involved even though it is so painful. It is because I want no other family to go through what my family is going through."

"The Kingfisher Project had a tremendous amount of support right from the start and that just goes to show the pronounced need for a community discussion on heroin and narcotics in our towns and villages. I am very pleased to be airing the Kingfisher Project on WJFF's Making Waves program, Monday night at 8PM," said Kevin Gref, another volunteer working with the Kingfisher Project and also host of Making Waves, a public-affairs newsmagazine show produced in WJFF's Jeffersonville studios.

Winning the Innovation Award will enable WJFF to continue its efforts to cover issues specifically facing individuals and families living within its broadcast area, and will further help the Kingfisher Project by equipment and cloud-based storage so that they may collaborate more effectively.

Volunteers who are willing to help produce segments and conduct research are welcome. Contact the project at kingfisherwjff@gmail.com. Information is also available on the web at thekingfisherproject.wordpress.com

WJFF, Radio Catskill, is a hydro-powered volunteer-driven public radio station based in Jeffersonville, NY and with a satellite studio in Honesdale, PA. Its contingent of more than 100 volunteers provide listeners with a mix of both locally and nationally produced programming on the air at 90.5 FM and streamed live and archived at www.wjffradio.

Senator Bonacic Meets with SC 4-H Students



Senator John J. Bonacic (R/C/I-Mt. Hope) met with Sullivan County 4-H students this morning in Albany. The students were part of a group who were in Albany to meet with their legislators and discuss the 4-H program.

Senator Bonacic is pictured with (L-R) Marilyn Jones, Sullivan County 4-H Community Educator, and 4-H students Allison Kurthy and Bridget Kackos.

SUNY Ulster Student Art Featured in SUNY Spring Exhibition in Albany

Artwork by six SUNY Ulster visual art majors has been selected to be exhibited in the Spring 2015 SUNY Student Art Exhibition at The Plaza Gallery at SUNY Plaza in Albany. The SUNY Student Exhibitions occur twice a year and highlight student work from art departments throughout the SUNY system. Selected to participate were: Madeline Friedman (Olive Bridge), 2D Design; Jennifer Hoffman (Newburgh) painting; Laura Holloran (Ulster Park) photography; Stephan van Kleeck (Accord), drawing; Joseph Thorens (Kingston) graphic design; and Candice Metzger (Kingston), drawing. The exhibit is open Mondays to Fridays during office hours, now through May 1.

Whoopi Goldberg Joins 'Enough is Enough' Campaign to Combat Sexual Assault on College Campuses

Governor Andrew M. Cuomo announced that Whoopi Goldberg, comedian, actress, political activist, writer and host of ABC's The View, has added her voice to the "Enough is Enough" campaign to combat sexual violence on college and university campuses.



The video calls for all college campuses to be safer and free from sexual assault. Whoopi Goldberg's support comes a day after a bipartisan group of 17 of 18 county executives statewide joined the campaign, adding their voices to fight sexual assault on college campuses.

"Whoopi Goldberg has been a tireless advocate for human rights throughout her career, and we are proud to have her support in our fight against sexual assault and rape on New York's colleges campuses," Governor Cuomo said. "By ensuring students have the strongest protections in the country, this year New York can become a national leader in the fight against on-campus sexual violence. To make that a reality, I urge all New Yorkers to join us in saying enough is enough."

Members of the public wishing to join the conversation online can do so using #EnoughisEnough.

Governor Cuomo launched the "Enough is Enough" campaign last week to build support for his proposal for colleges and universities to implement uniform prevention and response measures to combat sexual assaults on campus. The Governor's proposal extends the policy and protections already adopted by SUNY to ensure that the State's 1.2 million college students are protected with comprehensive and uniform procedures and guidelines, including affirmative consent and access to law enforcement. Once law, this policy will go far to protect more students in New York.

Last week, the New York State Police created a dedicated hotline for reporting sexual assaults on college and university campuses: 1-844-845-7269. Specially-trained members will be on-call 24 hours a day to respond to sexual assault calls throughout the State. Over the next several weeks, State Police will also develop response protocols and training courses to share with campus partners.

The Governor's on-campus sexual assault prevention proposal includes the following components:

- o A statewide definition of affirmative consent, defining consent as a clear, unambiguous, and voluntary agreement between the participants to engage in specific sexual activity;
- o A statewide amnesty policy, to ensure that students reporting incidents of sexual assault or other sexual violence are granted immunity for certain campus policy violations, such as drug and alcohol use;
- o A Sexual Violence Victim/Survivor Bill of Rights, which campuses will be required to distribute to all students in order to specifically inform sexual violence victims of their legal rights and how they may access appropriate resources. The Bill of Rights clearly states that students are given the right to know they can report sexual assaults to outside law enforcement, including the State Police;
- o Comprehensive training requirements for administrators, staff, and students, including at new student orientations.

To learn more, visit www.ny.gov/EnoughisEnough

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"I am the Brother of Dragons" Comes to Fallsburg HS

(From Pg. 1) In forty-five minutes of drama, the troupe of five actors challenged the audience and inspired them to make healthy, positive choices in difficult situations filled with intense peer pressure. As the narrator says in the play, "Poor choices are an honored tradition in some families." In this case it was alcohol abuse that led to drug abuse, denial and the suffering of a family.

One especially powerful scene depicted the parents and addicted son wrestling for a red ball with the word CONTROL in black letters. As each person seized the ball, he or she began to manipulate the others in the family. It effectively revealed a negative family dynamic to the audience.

When the play ended with the young addict on the way to working on his addiction and beginning a family healing process, the auditorium applauded the actors for their fine performance. The mission of Saltworks is to spread the belief that students can be positively changed through the power of live theatre. From the looks on the faces of the audience and some of the questions asked after the play, the message was reaching many of the young people.

After the show in Fallsburg, the play moved to school districts in Monticello, Sullivan West and Liberty. If you are interested in hosting this production or others on bullying and other challenging situations, you can contact the theatre company at www.saltworks.org.



Ulster Ballet Company to March in Kingston's St. Patrick's Day Parade

Come out and support the Ulster Ballet Company at Kingston's St. Patrick's Day Parade on Sunday, March 15th, 2015. The parade steps off from the Kingston Plaza in the historic stockade area of uptown Kingston and continues through the City of Kingston to the Rondout section of town.



Ulster Ballet Company, 2014 Photo Credit: Perry Sarkisian

The Kingston St. Patrick's Day Parade is co-sponsored by the Ancient Order of Hibernians Fr. Con Colbert Woulfe Division 1 and the Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians Division 5 of Ulster County in cooperation with the City of Kingston, NY.

Then be sure to join the Ulster Ballet Company, on Saturday, March 21st, 2015 at 8 p.m., when the Ulster Ballet Company will proudly present The 32nd Annual Festival of Dance, to be held at Ulster Performing Arts Center (UPAC) in Kingston, NY. Since 1984, the festival has showcased both aspiring and professional dancers and choreographers, with a diverse range of styles and techniques. Each year, its stunning, original programs captivate dance enthusiasts of all ages. There are very few dance productions in the Hudson Valley where one can experience phenomenal, first-rate dancing of so many different genres, all in one night!

The Festival of Dance is an electrifying, explosive, and dynamic coming together of dance companies and dance styles with an international theme from the metropolitan area, the Capital District and the Mid-Hudson Valley. Joining Silver Screen Ballroom, Syncopated City Dance Company, the Ellen Sinopoli Dance Company, ZEST COLLECTIVE Contemporary Performance Art, The Dance Conservatory Performance Project, and Vanessa Van Wormer Dance with Chamber Ballet Brockport, are returning local favorites: Solas An Lae American Irish Dance Company, Energy Dance Company and the Ulster Ballet Company.

This year the Ulster Ballet Company will honor its former treasurer, Philip F. Meagher, who recently passed away. Mr. Meagher, in addition to donating his time to the Ulster Ballet Company for thirteen years, had a successful career at IBM for over forty-years. He was also Chairman of the Board of the West Hurley Public Library, and served on the Hurley Town Council.

In an effort to reach out to the community, the Ulster Ballet Company is offering a discounted ticket price of \$15 to employees of HealthQuest; Health Alliance; Mid-Hudson Regional Hospital of Westchester Medical Center; Marist, Bard and Vassar Colleges; City of Kingston and County of Ulster employees, members of the YMCA, and Kingston and New York City Police and Firefighters. Present your employee/student ID, or membership card to the UPAC box office when purchasing tickets.

Tickets for Ulster Ballet Company's Festival of Dance are \$22 for adults; and \$18 for senior citizens, and UPAC/Bardavon members. For groups of ten or more, and children 12 and under, tickets are \$15. To purchase tickets, call the UPAC box office at 845-339-6088; visit Ticketmaster at ticketmaster.com, or call 800-745-3000.

The Ulster Ballet Company is a non-profit organization that has been bringing area residents innovative and creative dance entertainment since 1977. For further information, visit www.ulsterballet.org or call 845-246-4316.



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Read each sentence below and identify the verb of the sentence. If you need to review the past lessons you can visit workadaywriter.com/the-english-language.

1. Superman was flying around a building.
2. Ben Franklin is sailing to France.
3. I am rocking the boat.
4. Those girls over there are sitting quietly.
5. The plane was flown carefully.
6. The car battery died.
7. The woman is my wife.
8. He should have been made aware.
9. I will tell him.
10. We ate our dinner cold.

The answers to this exercise will be in the next installment of The English Language. If you want to see the answers now, go to workadaywriter.com/lesson-four-identifying-the-verb and scroll to the bottom of the content.

Last week's answers are *is leaving, was flying, are hunting, am writing, were sleeping*

Sullivan Renaissance Conference

[BETHEL] - This year's Sullivan Renaissance Annual Conference will brought together a panel of six key organizations to discuss their plans on Saturday, March 7 at Bethel Woods Center for the Arts in Bethel.

The keynote panel and "Renaissance Awards" was available through a live webcast: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=T2xfMd8jIM8>.

WJFF Radio Catskill carried live coverage of the keynote panel and also broadcast an hour of the Spanish-language translation of the keynote panel at "Spanglish con Ella."

The afternoon conference session included a presentation about "Community Landscape Art & Practice" by Kirk Ryan Brown. The address was filmed and will be posted in about a week.

The afternoon also included the launch of the 2015 Sullivan Renaissance grant program. Individuals had an opportunity to discuss projects and volunteer opportunities with staff in both English and Spanish. Market items from The Center for Discovery's Thanksgiving Farm and Wild Turkey Bakery were available for purchase throughout the day.

For information, call the Sullivan Renaissance office at 845-295-2445.

Sullivan County School Boards Association's A Prospective School Board Member Workshop

Liberty: On March 23rd, the Sullivan County School Boards Association is hosting a FREE orientation for community residents interested in becoming a local school board member. The workshop will take place at Sullivan County BOCES' Administration Building in Liberty from 7 to 9 pm, in Conference Room One.

The orientation will provide individuals with information regarding what it takes to become a school board member, board responsibilities, time commitments, and the decision making process of the school board.

This workshop is something you don't want to miss. Registration is required by March 20th. To reserve your seat, call (845) 701-5022 or e-mail heather.strauss@scbooces.org.

Make a difference on the future of tomorrow by becoming a school board member today!

The Nicholson and Starrucca Viaducts

By Charles M. Breiner

Two very historic railroad bridges are located only a short distance from Binghamton. They are the Nicholson Viaduct built by the Delaware Lackawanna & Western Railroad and the Starrucca Viaduct Built by the Erie. Both of these railroads were completed in 1851 and were built with a six foot gauge.

The Nicholson Viaduct is located 42 miles south of Binghamton on US Route 11. As you enter Nicholson, PA the old freight station is on the right and the Viaduct is on your left. Route 11 is located on the original DL & W RR right of way.

In 1910, land acquisition began test bores were done and construction began in 1912. The new bridge and cut off would cross the Tunkhannoch Creek Valley and raise the elevation of the roadbed by 150 feet. The new bridge and cut off from Clarks Summit to New Milford was built to straighten the roadbed, eliminate 12 full circles of curves and to eliminate the need for pusher locomotives out of Nicholson in both directions. The new cut off was 39.6 miles long. Included in the cut off is the large concrete viaduct over Martin Creek and a tunnel located in Nicholson and Clinton Townships.

The Nicholson Viaduct was designed by Abraham Burton Cohen is 2,375 feet long and is a deck arch bridge of concrete with ten spans. When completed in 1915, this was the largest concrete bridge in the world and would remain so for the next 50 years. The new cut off eliminated all grade crossings and shorted the running time for passenger trains by 20 minutes and for freights by 30 minutes.

There is an interpretive kiosk under the Viaduct by the road that passes under the viaduct. While in Nicholson a visit to the Farmer Supply Antique Mart is a must for treasure hunter. MaZAR's Bridge View Restaurant is a great place for lunch. Located on the west side of US Route 11, MaZAR's dining room offers a great view and with luck you may see a Canadian Pacific freight pass over the Viaduct as this is now part of the CP system.

Nicholson, PA has three annual events centered on the viaduct. The first is a Memorial Day weekend Flea Market Extravaganza. On September 7, 2014, is the Bridge Day Block Party throughout the town. The third event between the evenings of November 29 and December 4, 2014, the Canadian Pacific runs a special Christmas Tree Trains all lit up with Santa Claus on the trains.

As you leave Nicholson heading north on US Route 11 you will pass under the Martin Creek Viaduct, smaller but similar to the Nicholson Viaduct. Continue north on Route 11 and then turn right on to PA Route 171 to Susquehanna, PA. Susquehanna was the main yard for the Erie Railroads Susquehanna Division. Several structures remain including the station and a gate tower. Continue on PA Route 171 to Lanesboro, PA. In Lanesboro Route 171 turns right, but keep going straight on the mainstreet through Lanesboro to the Starrucca Viaduct. This has the appearance of a Roman stone arch aqueduct. It has 17 arches, is 1,040 feet long, 90 to 100 feet high and is 25 feet wide at the top. The bridge was designed by Julius Walker Adams.

Construction of the Erie began in Deposit, NY in 1835 and there is a monument there to commemorate the event. Construction of the Starrucca Viaduct started in the spring of 1847, to enable the Erie to cross the Starrucca Valley. In 1848, up to 800 men were employed working on the viaduct and the job was completed on November 23, 1848 and the first locomotive, the Norris 4-4-0 the Orange, crossed on December 9. The cost to build the viaduct was \$335,000.

The Delaware and Hudson Railroad operated a line that ran under the viaduct has since been abandoned. The Starrucca Viaduct became a National Historic Civil Engineering Landmark on October 14, 1963. The viaduct remains in service today.

It is my opinion that a bridge of this magnitude could not be built today in 18 months at any cost nor could one be built that would be in service as long as the Starrucca Viaduct has. Other landmarks on the Erie just east of the Viaduct is the site of the Cascade Bridge that has since been filled in and Gulf Summit where the Erie crossed from the Delaware to the Susquehanna watershed.

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Programs Guidelines and Application Instructions Now Available for County Small Grants Program April 30th Deadline Set for First Round of Plans & Progress Grants

Monticello, N.Y. - The Sullivan County Legislature allocated \$100,000 for FY15 to revive a small grants program aimed at assisting municipalities, not-for-profit and community groups with implementing projects to enhance the County. Program guidelines have now been released with details on eligibility requirements, how to apply, and the timeline and procedures for reviewing applications, and are available from the Sullivan County Division of Planning & Environmental Management at (845) 807-0527 or by email at planning@co.sullivan.ny.us. The information may also be accessed from the County's website by going to the Planning division page and clicking on the link to Available Funding Opportunities.

"I am so pleased that this legislature is in the position to offer this small incentive for community development. Sometimes all it takes for a good idea to become a great idea is a small financial push to get it off the ground. We are so pleased to make this small contribution to help encourage new development in the community," said Scott Samuelson, Chairman of the Sullivan County Legislature.

The Plans and Progress program offers funding for a broad range of projects including but not limited to community and economic development, tourism, telecommunications, image enhancement, recreation, sustainability, agricultural protection, and quality of life. The focus is on advancing County and local planning goals. "I have long advocated for the restoration of County funding of this small grant program, which has over the years provided seed money for variety of successful cultural and historic preservation efforts throughout the County. I think this current round of funding will help local organizations to make Sullivan County an even more interesting and exciting place to visit," Alan J. Sorensen, Legislator District 9.

Each of the County's 9 legislative districts has been allocated \$10,000 in Plans and Progress funding. An additional \$10,000 is available but not tied to a specific district. Project budgets must include a minimum 50% share of project costs from non-County sources, which may include local, state and federal funding, in-kind services by municipalities or organizations, donations of materials and professional services from private for-profit businesses, and not-for-profit sweat equity. Applications will be received on a rolling basis, with the first round of reviews to assess all funding requests received through April 30th, 2015. Additional rounds will occur subject to availability of funding.

SUNY Ulster Schedules Financial Aid Workshop At the Business Resource Center

SUNY Ulster will offer a financial aid workshop on Thursday, March 26, 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. in room 116 at the Business Resource Center, along Ulster Avenue in Kingston.

Learn to navigate the financial aid application process and complete your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), with the Director of Financial Aid. Plan ahead for this workshop by visiting www.pin.ed.gov to obtain your electronic pin at least three days prior to the workshop. Also, bring your 2014 tax information; W-2 forms, federal tax returns, and any other income or asset documents. Reservations are required. Please contact the Financial Aid Office at 845-687-5096 or email financialaid@sunyulster.edu to reserve your seat today.

Reps. Napolitano, Gibson announce Mental Health in Schools Act

Washington, DC - Representatives Grace F. Napolitano (D-CA-32) and Chris Gibson (R-NY-19) reintroduced the Mental Health in Schools Act (H.R. 1211) this week to fund on-site school-based mental health services for youth.

"The Mental Health in Schools Act is a critically-needed investment in our most precious resource-our children," said Congresswoman Napolitano. "Peers, school personnel, and families can help students, but they need to be trained how to identify needs. This proposal educates on the warning signs and symptoms of mental illness, so students can be referred directly to clinicians on site. Our 26-school suicide prevention program in California has proven its value by providing services to children right on school grounds-raising mental health awareness, reducing stigma, and saving lives. We are tremendously grateful to Congressman Gibson for cosponsoring this bill to promote mental wellness and reduce stigma, ensuring a brighter future for our youngsters."

"As a parent and former educator, I am proud to join Congresswoman Napolitano in reintroducing the Mental Health in Schools Act," said Congressman Gibson. "Ready access to quality mental health services should be available to all of our students. This legislation goes a long way to seeing that our young people are able to get the support they need to live life to their fullest potential."

The Mental Health in Schools Act, which Congresswoman Napolitano introduced in the previous four Congresses, would create \$200 million in grant funding for 200 schools across the country to partner with local non-profit organizations to provide on-site mental health services for students.

H.R. 1211 is patterned after a successful pilot program that began in four schools in 2001 and has now expanded to 26 schools throughout California's San Gabriel Valley, an area represented by Congresswoman Napolitano.

Congressman Gibson and his wife Mary Jo, a Licensed Clinical Social Worker, are long-time advocates for mental health programming and suicide prevention efforts among students, veterans, and military families.

Senator Bonacic Acts to Protect Corrections Officers and PEF Employees

(Albany, NY)- Senator John J. Bonacic (R/C/I-Mt. Hope) issued the following statement on the passage of Senate Bill 1900 (S1900). The bill, which Bonacic sponsored, would protect correctional employees by prohibiting the throwing, tossing, or expelling saliva or any other bodily secretion or excretion at or on an employee of a correctional facility. The bill would add saliva to the already existing list of fluids and adds intentionally expectorating to the list of actions. S1900 would provide that such behavior would be classified as aggravated harassment of an employee. A previous version of this legislation passed the Senate in 2014.

"I am proud to sponsor this bill, which would provide some additional protections to employees of correctional facilities," said Bonacic. "Working in corrections is a dangerous job, and this legislation goes a long way to safeguard the brave men and women who serve in these facilities. By prohibiting the tossing, throwing, expelling and expectorating of any bodily fluid, the men and women serving in our corrections facilities will know that the inmates will face further criminal prosecution if they decide to act in this way."

The bill will now go to the Assembly for a vote.

Joint NY GOP Statement on DHS Funding Vote

Washington, DC - With consideration of funding for the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) scheduled for later today,

six Republican Members of the New York Congressional Delegation released the following statement:

"We will be voting in support today of legislation to fund DHS for the remainder of Fiscal Year 2015. While we strongly disagree with the unilateral actions that President Obama has taken, we believe the courts - not cutting off funding for the entire Department - is the most effective way to stop his actions. We support the federal lower court decision that put an injunction on the executive actions taken by the President, and we believe it should be upheld. Furthermore, moving forward, we hope to work in a bipartisan way to reform our broken immigration system through legislative action.

"However, DHS is critical to our national security - ISIS is a real threat to America, and we must provide full funding to keep New York and our country safe. We urge the rest of our colleagues to join us in supporting legislation to fund DHS."

Republican Members of the delegation issuing the statement are: Rep. Peter King, Rep. Chris Gibson, Rep. Richard Hanna, Rep. Chris Collins, Rep. John Katko, and Rep. Elise Stefanik.

UC Exec Mike Hein Announces Ulster County's First Mobile Mental Health Crisis Team - Expansion Of Mental Health Services Will Assist Those In Crisis



County Executive Mike Hein is joined by (from left): Amy McCracken, Ulster County Deputy Commissioner of Mental Health; Dr. Carol Smith, Ulster County Commissioner of Health and Mental Health, Amy Anderson-Winchell, President and Chief Executive Officer of Access: Supports for Living Inc.; and Patricia Tuber, Assistant Director of Access: Supports for Living Inc.

Kingston, N.Y. - County Executive Mike Hein announces that Ulster County's Mobile Mental Health Team is now available to assist County residents, school districts, police, ambulance personnel and other first responders as they respond to mental health crisis issues. Service will be available 365 days a year from 1pm-11pm to individuals in need. The team can respond to homes, schools, and other locations. To contact the Mobile Mental Health Team please call 844-277-4820 or dial 911 in the event of an emergency.

"My Administration has worked diligently to ensure this critical service is available to our residents and is the first of its kind in Ulster County," said County Executive Mike Hein. "The Mobile Mental Health Team will provide quality care for those in crisis and can link individuals and their families to behavioral health services within the County. Thanks to Governor Cuomo's funding, we can provide these important essential services which in turn will lessen the burden on hospital emergency rooms and decrease psychiatric hospitalizations."

The team will initially operate in the Kingston, Saugerties, New Paltz and Woodstock region with plans to expand to the rest of the County in the Spring.

Dr. Ann Marie T. Sullivan, Commissioner, New York State Office of Mental Health

"Under Governor Cuomo's leadership, the New York State Office of Mental Health is pleased to provide \$700,000 for the creation of Ulster County's first mobile mental health team. With expanded community-based services being

developed throughout the State, New York's mental health system is becoming stronger, more accessible, and more comprehensive than ever before. This team will enable Ulster County to provide excellent mental health services to individuals and families in crisis, wherever and whenever they are required," said New York State Office of Mental Health Commissioner Dr. Ann Marie T. Sullivan.

Dr. Carol Smith, Ulster County Commissioner of Health and Mental Health

Dr. Carol Smith, Ulster County Commissioner of Health and Mental Health said, "The County Executive's support has been instrumental in making this important new service a reality. The Mobile Mental Health Team will provide face to face clinical help and assessment to any individual in need and will provide services including assessment and psychiatric evaluation, crisis intervention, counseling, and information and referrals to appropriate community based mental health services for treatment. The team's goal is to keep distressed adults, adolescents, and children in their community while assuring their safety and the safety of those around them."

Amy Anderson-Winchell, LCSW, President and Chief Executive Officer of Access: Supports for Living Inc.

"Access: Supports for Living is so pleased to be selected to provide the essential mobile mental health services to the residents of Ulster County," said Amy Anderson-Winchell, LCSW, President and Chief Executive Officer of Access: Supports for Living Inc. "We look forward to working with the County and the hospital and community providers to ensure safe and healthy alternatives for individuals and families in emotional distress."

The Mobile Mental Health Team will have a medical director on call and will provide face to face clinical assessment, determine the need for psychiatric evaluation and facilitate referrals to community services.

To contact the Ulster County Mobile Mental Health Team call 844-277-4820 or dial 911 in the event of an emergency. Services will be available 365 days a year from 1pm-11pm.

Congressman Gibson announces approval of Passenger Rail Reform and Investment Act

Washington, DC - Congressman Chris Gibson (NY-19) announced the passage this week of the Passenger Rail Reform and Investment Act of 2015, which supports critical transportation links across New York and the Northeast.

H.R. 749 authorizes appropriations for the National Railroad Passenger Corporation (Amtrak) through 2019, including the Northeast Corridor Improvement Fund, and enacts reforms to upgrade rail infrastructure, reduce debt, create greater accountability, and make Amtrak less reliant on federal funds.

The legislation, which passed the House with overwhelming bipartisan support, also authorizes Amtrak to reinvest profits within the Northeast Corridor instead of using that money to subsidize money-losing routes elsewhere.

"The economic vitality of the Hudson Valley and Capital Region depends on the availability of safe and efficient passenger rail service, linking our communities with businesses and visitors in major metropolitan areas," said Congressman Gibson. "Investments in our railroads reduce congestion on our aging roads and bridges, saving travelers time and money and making counties in Upstate New York more competitive. I am proud to help in building strong, bipartisan consensus on this and other transportation initiatives, like the Water Bill from last Congress, and I look forward to extending these efforts to a badly needed, long-term surface transportation reauthorization bill."

H.R. 749 makes provisions for safety improvements at grade crossings and expanded access to technologies like positive train control. It also requires changes to Amtrak's food service operations, elim-

inating waste, fraud and abuse.

Amtrak operates 150 of 2,000 daily trains along the Northeast Corridor, manages the infrastructure of that system, and oversees 21 routes in 19 states that contribute funding to provide additional passenger rail services.

Open letter to Sullivan County's newspaper editors & elected officials:

The Democratic Women of Sullivan County support Governor Cuomo and Senator Gillibrand in their efforts to address the epidemic of sexual assault plaguing our college campuses here in New York State and across the country.

We support Gov. Cuomo's "call to action" and believe that his "Enough is Enough campaign to combat sexual assault on college campuses" is crucial to the health and well-being of all NYS college women. We support and advocate for implementation of his plan for a "comprehensive, uniform sexual assault policy on college campuses in New York State".

The Governor reports some very disturbing facts: 5,000 forcible sexual offenses in 2012 were reported; it is estimated that fewer than 5% of rapes are reported to law enforcement; more than 90% of college rapes are committed by just 3% of college men. It has also been estimated that 25% of college women will be sexually assaulted.

We are pleased that all 64 college campuses adopted a sexual assault prevention policy but we believe, as does the Governor that the law needs to be changed to include a "statewide definition of affirmative consent, a statewide amnesty policy to ensure students report sexual assault... and a Sexual Violence Victim and Survivor Bill of Rights".

Likewise, we also strongly support Senator Gillibrand's "CASAct" (Campus Accountability & Safety Act) to stop under-reporting by college officials. 40% of colleges across the country have never reported a sexual assault. Senator Gillibrand does "not believe they've never had any incident" and it is possible that incidents were "shoved under the rug".

Senator Gillibrand believes that "it starts with respect, respecting one another, valuing one another, and it's about transparency and accountability" to turn this epidemic around. We support our Senator's plan to: "create a unified process for disciplinary proceedings" and have these results posted online; require "confidential counselors" to help survivors on campuses; implement a consequence of up to a 1% budgetary loss to colleges who are non-compliant with the new regulation; utilize campus climate surveys to understand the culture of the student body; ensure equity by instituting Title 9 coordinators & creating Advocacy Centers, as has been done at SUNY Albany.

Here in Sullivan County, we are fortunate enough to have RISE (Rape Intervention Services & Education) but this organization is limited in its scope by budgetary constraints. We also have the support of our Legislative Chairman, Scott Samuelson, who will advocate for change on behalf of Sullivan County women and he supports our Governor's initiative, "Enough is Enough". The Democratic Women of Sullivan County urge our local high schools and Sullivan County Community College to address this very serious problem and take preemptive actions, including educational prevention programming to decrease violent sexual assaults against women and girls. We need to assure women and their families in our county that Title 9 violations stemming from sexual violence and sexual assault attacks are being addressed vigorously with the ultimate goal of eliminating such crimes.

The Democratic Women of Sullivan County look forward to working with you to achieve this very important outcome.

Thank you,
The Democratic Women
of Sullivan County

Claryville Fire Dept.



Corned Beef & Cabbage Supper
Saturday, March 14

Serving from 4:00 to 7:00 PM

Adults \$11.00
Beverage included
Children under 12, \$6.00,
under 5 yrs. free
\$50 from the dinner is donated to
Claryville Reformed Church
Food Pantry

Grahamsville Reformed Church Roast Pork Dinner

April 11, 2015 Saturday
4 pm to 7 pm

Menu: Roast Pork, Stuffing, Mashed Potatoes, Sauerkraut, Green Beans, Salad, Homemade Apple Sauce, Breads, Assorted Desserts, & Drinks
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Grahamsville Reformed Church Hall

For more information please call:
845 985 7480

We look forward to seeing you!
Thank you for your support,
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Followed by pictures with the Easter Bunny!
For more information, e-mail
jmpisan12@gmail.com

Children's Arts and Craft Workshop - Learning about the art of Quilting

On Saturday, March 21, 2015 from 1:30 to 3:30 PM members of the Calico Geese Quilt Guild of Sullivan County will host a learning workshop for children, boys and girls, ages 9 and up and their families to make a quilted project to take home. Have fun and learn about the quilting process.

Call the Liberty Library for further information and to register. phone # 845-292-6070. Liberty Library, 189 No. Main Street, liberty, New York

The GFD Ladies Auxillary
Presents:
Our Annual Easter Egg Hunt
When: Saturday April, 4, 2015
Where: Grahamsville Fairgrounds
Time: Egg Hunt Starts promptly at 10:30 am
Please join us by bringing your little ones to meet and take a picture with the Easter Bunny after hunting for some eggs. We will also be raffling an Easter Dinner Basket off with all the fixings for a complete dinner. Tickets are \$1.00 ea. or 6 for \$5.00. Please see any Auxillary member for tickets.
This event will be held Rain, Sleet, Snow or shine!!!
Hope to see you there!!!

Claryville Fire Dept All you can eat Pancake breakfast



Sunday, March 22

Serving 7:00 until Noon

Adults \$7

Children under 12, \$3

Under 5yrs. Free

\$50 from the breakfast is donated to the Claryville reformed church food pantry

"Little Shop of Horrors" Coming to Fallsburg High School

The delightful play favored by young and old alike, "Little Shop of Horrors," comes to the stage at Fallsburg High School for two performances on March 20 and 21, 2015 at 7:00 PM. The production stars: Cullen Feagin as Seymour, Ashlyn Nardi as Audrey, Kali Seastrand as Ronnette, Grace Strauss as Chiffon, Deanna Pereira as Crystal, Justin Mednick as Orin Scrivello, Britain Burgess as the voice of plant and Nyasia Harris as Mrs. Mushnik.

Teacher Shari Mednick is in charge of the production. Tickets are \$6.00 and information for purchase is on the school web site at www.fallsburgcsd.net.

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Saturday afternoon confessions: 4 to 4:45.
Rev. John J. Lynch, Ph.D., Pastor. 434-7643.

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Mar. 21, 2015

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Holy Days 5:30 pm
Penance 9:00 am, 2nd Sunday of the month
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PUBLIC NOTICES/LEGALS:

The Grahamsville Fire District ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT for the fiscal year 2014 has been completed and filed with the New York State Office of the State Comptroller and the Office of the Town Clerk. The above mentioned report is available for public inspection at the office of the Town Clerk, Town Hall, 273 Main Street, Grahamsville, NY 12740, between the hours of 8:30 am and 4:00 pm, Monday through Friday, excluding holidays.

SCOTT RAYMOND,
SECRETARY
GRAHAMSVILLE FIRE
DISTRICT
DATED: March 1, 2015

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CCE Entrepreneurial & Teaching Kitchen Open for Business

LIBERTY, NY-In the spirit of food, wellness, and business development, recently over 50 community members and organizational partners shared in a light fare social reception to celebrate the grand opening and official Chamber of Commerce ribbon-cutting of Cornell Cooperative Extension Sullivan County (CCEC) Entrepreneurial and Teaching (EaT) Kitchen in Liberty.

"Our EaT Kitchen is part of a movement where CCE and all of our partners are mobilizing to offer support for Sullivan County's existing and potential businesses to be prepared for, and active participants in, the economic opportunities that are growing county-wide," said Colleen Monaghan, CCEC Executive Director.

"Staff has already offered food preservation classes, accommodated the first entrepreneurial users, and is working with the Sullivan BOCES culinary department and SUNY Sullivan to bring some innovative food-related programs and events to the community in 2015."

Local chefs will have the opportunity to provide cooking and food preservation workshops or rent the space and offer their own private lessons, organizations can offer family nutrition classes, and Sullivan County producers can explore ways to bring new products to market through CCEC programming.

"The Cornell Cooperative Extension Sullivan County's Entrepreneurial and Teaching Kitchen is an innovative example of how to support local entrepreneurs who are starting and developing agricultural and healthy food related businesses. The EaT Kitchen also teaches families about healthy foods and nutrition," said U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand (NY).

"I was pleased to visit the facility at its groundbreaking and to support federal funding for its programs. I am glad to see how organizations and community members throughout Sullivan County are working together to promote economic opportunities for local agriculture and teaching the community about healthy foods."

The offerings and partnerships that exist between Cornell Cooperative Extension Sullivan County and agencies including the US Department of Agriculture, the Town of Liberty, Sullivan County Government, the Industrial Development Agency, the Sullivan

County Chamber of Commerce, and others are essential components of CCEC's participation in a much larger economic development picture.

"We're so thrilled by the support and enthusiasm of the community and are looking forward to continued collaboration on projects that will prepare Sullivan County residents for this time of optimism and growth. The EaT Kitchen is another spark to keep that momentum going," said Monaghan.

The public is encouraged to visit the website at www.sullivanccesc.org or call 845-292-6180 for more information on how to rent the Cornell Cooperative Extension Sullivan County EaT Kitchen, for small-scale business, educational opportunities, or to register for a workshop

Catskill Fly Fishing Center and Museum Celebrates the Biggest NYS Trout Season Opener Ever Supported and Sponsored by Cortland Line CO.

Catskill Legend Dinner Friday, April 10: A Catskill Legends dinner will be held in the Wulff Gallery on the Catskill Fly Fishing Center Property at 5:30 PM in honor of Catskill Legends: AE and Sam Hendrickson, Francis Davis and Frank Kuttner. Catskill Legends are the fly fishing pioneers who discovered and appreciated the richness of the rivers and streams in the Catskills; the champions of our waters who protected every inch that flowed; authors and historians who shared the romance of the Catskill experience; they are those who have kept the Catskills alive for future generations to enjoy.

Kids Only, The Next Generation Saturday, April 11: The 2015 Trout Season Opener will be officially heralded in on the Willowemoc Creek just upstream from the CFFCM Bridge at 9:30 AM in a celebratory cast by Kids Only. Join the Lake Family; Rylie, Silas and Veida along with Iris and Roan Gillingham as they lead a group of those under 16 to cast the first flies on the frigid waters of the Catskills. Immediately after, everyone will return to the Gift Shop for a hot cup of Agnes Van Put's famous soups and visit the Wulff Gallery for The Catskill Fly Tyers Annual Rendezvous. This annual event draws together 50 of the finest flytyers who preserve the arts and craft of the Catskill Flytyers of the past and provide a non-stop tying demonstrations of the style, techniques and patterns generated in the Catskills that have spread all over the world.

Eat Your Own Trout Cookies that is. Kids will have the chance to bake and decorate their own Trout Cookies in the Heritage Craft Center at 11:00. Join the staff and roll the dough, cut them out, pop them in the oven and decorate Kids Own Trout Cookies. Then they eat them. Fun for all kids.

In both the museum and the Wulff Gallery new exhibits and view the fresh exhibits for The Year of the Hendrickson: Roy Steenrod; The One Armed (fisher) Man; The Tree of American Flyfishing; Dorothy Vogel a casting champion; Treasure Boxes; Discover South Africa; The Land of Little Rivers by Enrico Ferorelli; and Lee Wulff: Healthy Catch and Release

For more information contact: The CFFCM 845-439-4810 and via email: flyfish@catskill.net. The Largest Flyfishing Center in the World. There are more events to follow. The 2015 Activity and Event Calendar can be found at www.catskillflyfishing.org and daily news updates on www.facebook.com/cffcm.

Nonprofit Leadership Summit Honors Innovation in Sullivan County

Much like the United States Postal Service motto, the Fifth Annual Nonprofit Leadership Summit successfully completed the day's rounds on time at 3:30 PM on March 4, 2015. After months of preparation and despite snow, wintry mix, and slushy roads, the Summit Steering Committee welcomed participants from all over the Mid-Hudson region, with only a slight delay, in the opening ceremonies at Bethel Woods Center for the Arts.

Co-chairs for the summit Karen VanHouten Minogue and Linda C. Hartley welcomed guests in the morning. Ms. Hartley said, "For 5 years now the Summit has been fulfilling a major unmet need in the nonprofit sector for professional development, with many nonprofits representing major employers contributing to the growth, sustainability and vibrancy of our communities in the Delaware Valley, Catskills, and Hudson Valley region. Our guests today hail from all corners of New York State, from Pennsylvania, Connecticut, New Jersey, Massachusetts, and from the mid-west."

The first speaker and opening panel discussion set the tone for the day of informative sessions filled with active interchange among the dozens of participants. Assistant Professor Dr. Anne Zahradnik of Marist College's Department of Public and Nonprofit Administration encouraged the summit participants to "Partner for Wellness." With the Affordable Care Act, healthcare professionals in the nonprofit world in New York State must collaborate and leverage their resources in order to bring the benefits of wellness to the millions of newly-insured residents in the healthcare system

The first panel focused on specifics of delivering quality healthcare in the region. CEO Dr. Gerard Galarneau of Catskill Regional Medical Center, John

Mondanaro, Director of the Louis Armstrong Department of Music Therapy at Mt. Sinai Beth Israel in NYC, Dr. Kathy Nolan of Catskill Mountainkeeper, Steven Mosenson of The Center for Discovery, and Nancy McGraw, of Sullivan County Department of Public Health fielded Dr. Zahradnik's challenging questions for an hour of lively discussion that fully engaged the audience.

The panelists encouraged everyone to be aware of what is happening in our communities and to determine what is lacking in providing healthcare and wellness. "We have to live more coherently and on a day-to-day basis," said one of the panelists. Others on the dais examined practical ways and examples of leveraging resources. Finally, panelists looked at ways to connect one-to-one with individuals that were seeking health care on what Dr. Zahradnik called a "granular" level.

When the presentation ended to rousing applause, Dr. Zahradnik encouraged everyone present to take the panelists' ideas of working with others present at the summit and put them into action back at their organizations. "You can begin by simply sitting with people you do not know for the rest of the day," she urged.

The tone of togetherness and collaboration were most evident at the Summit with the presentations of the three finalists for the Nonprofit Innovation Award presented at the summit for the third year in a row. Just after the lunch break, the finalists made brief presentations of their programs to the entire assembly of participants. Jason Dole and Julie Pisall presented WJFF-Radio Catskill's "The Kingfisher Project." Erin Burch and Susan Clark described "Eat Healthy Sullivan County Farmers' Market," a collaboration of Catskill Mountainkeeper with many other local partners. Finally, Nancy McGraw and Stephanie Sosnowski presented an innovative collaboration for the Sullivan County Breastfeeding Coalition.

Judges for the award were Diane Brown, Susan Weinrich and Nancy Proyect. Scott Samuelson, Chair of the Sullivan County Legislature, announced their decision for the first place winner at the very end of the conference. The Kingfisher Project earned the \$5000 first place award. The other two projects received a cash award of \$500 each. For the first time in the five year-history of the annual Nonprofit Leadership Summit, participants had given the Kingfisher presentation a standing ovation earlier that afternoon. WJFF will be using the money to purchase additional recording equipment so they can continue to educate Sullivan County about the scourge of drug addiction, the challenges it poses to public health, and how we can all help as friends, families, nonprofits and communities.

Samuelson thanked all those that made this year's summit possible. He was pleased the Legislature and so many others in the community were able to bring such a great event to Sullivan County for the past five years. The original impetus behind the idea came from Jonathan Rouis, his predecessor as Chair of the Legislature. Participants left Bethel Woods with new friends and colleagues for future collaborations, with information and inspiration to bring back to their nonprofits, and with hearts filled with the warmth of the day's events. The next summit will be planned in the same spirit, to continue the conversation on improving the quality of life in the greater region. To read more about this year's summit and future plans, please visit www.leadershipsullivan.org.

The Nonprofit Leadership Summit 2015 is supported by: Sullivan County Legislature (Leading Partner); Catskill Regional Medical Center & Orange Regional Medical Center; Marshall & Sterling Nonprofit Insurance Program; New York Council of Nonprofits (Community Partners); Bold Gold Media Group; Community Foundation of Orange and Sullivan; Monticello Motor Club; Orange County Trust Company and Hudson Valley Investment Advisors Inc.; Sullivan Renaissance (Staunch Allies).

Teen Tech Week at the Ethelbert B. Crawford Public Library

Teens are invited to celebrate Teen Tech Week at the Ethelbert B. Crawford Public Library in Monticello. Teen Tech Week runs from March 8 through 14, and is celebrated by libraries nationwide. The purpose of teen tech week is to promote learning, creativity and exploration beyond school.

This year's theme is Libraries are for Making. Come to the library on Wednesday, March 11 between 3:00-6:00 to brush up on your coding skills, and complete the "Hour of Code." All those who complete the hour will receive a certificate of completion. On Thursday, March 12, teen are invited to play Minecraft on the big screen. Work with other players to complete a challenge. Come back on Friday, March 13 at 4:00 for our Teen Makers program. We will supply duct tape, you supply ideas.

Teen Tech Week program are for teens and tweens ages 12 to 18. As space is limited, we ask that you call to register for all programs. For more information on teen tech week and library programs, contact Joanna Goldfarb at 845-796 4660 ext. 8, or by email at jgoldfrab@rcls.org.

Town of Neversink Parks & Recreation
www.townofneversink.org
 Call for info: (845) 985-2262 extension 312

Skiing/Snowboarding at Holiday Mountain
 Sundays, January 4th-March 8th. Skiing/Snowboarding at discounted rates. Skiing hours 10 am to 5 pm. \$11 pp/Lift Tickets, \$11 pp/Ski Rentals, \$18 pp/snowboard rentals, Group Lesson 8+older \$11 pp, Group Lesson under 8 \$26 pp. For discount rates purchase a Town of Neversink Parks & Rec ID Card for \$8.

Binghamton Senators Hockey Game Saturday, March 14. Leave 5 pm Game starts 7:05 pm. Bring dinner to eat on the bus and money for snacks. Return after mid-night. \$17 Neversink Residents and TV School Students/ \$33 non-residents must be paid no later than Tuesday, January 27.

Westside Story Westchester Broadway Dinner Theatre Thursday, April 30. Leave 9:45 am to Elmsford, NY, returns approximately 5:30 pm. \$40 Neversink Residents and TV School Students/ \$70 non-residents must be paid no later than Tuesday, January 27 this includes the show, lunch, dessert and transportation.

Liberty Science Center Saturday, May 30. Leave 8 am to Liberty Science Center in New Jersey, return approximately 5:30 pm. Please bring money to eat with and to make purchases. Includes exhibits and IMAX movie admission. SIGN-UP: \$20 Neversink Residents and Tri Valley School Students/\$28 non-residents must be paid no later than Tuesday, February 10.

- 3/12/15 Town of Neversink Motor Vehicle 10 am - 2:30 pm
- 3/12/15 Town of Denning Planning Board Meeting 6 pm
- 3/16/15 Grahamsville Fire District Meeting 7 pm
- 3/17/15 Town of Neversink Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting - 7:30 pm
- 3/19/15 Neversink Fire District Commissioners Meeting 7 pm -Public Meeting 7:30 pm
- 3/21/15 **Third Saturday Thrift Sale & Boutique** Grahamsville UMC- 9 am-1 pm 3/22/15
- 3/22/15 **Claryville FD All You Can Eat Pancake Breakfast** 7 am - Noon
- 3/31/15 Town of Neversink Parks & Rec 7 pm - Parks & Rec Office at Town Hall
- 4/1/15 Town of Neversink Planning Board Meeting - 7 pm
- 4/2/15 **Claryville Fire District Meeting** 6:30PM
- 4/4/15 **Covered Dish Supper** - Sundown Methodist Church - 5:30 pm
- 4/7/15 **Grahamsville UMC Thrift Sale & Boutique** (9:00 am-1 pm) & **Luncheon**(11 am - 1:00 pm)
- 4/7/15 Town of Denning Town Board Meeting - 7 pm Sundown Church Hall
- 4/8/15 Town of Neversink Town Board Meeting - 7 :30 pm
- 4/11/15 Grahamsville Reformed Church **Roast Pork Dinner** 4 - 7 pm
- 4/14/15 Town of Denning Town Board Business Meeting -7 pm Denning Town Hall
- 4/15/15 Neversink Rondout Antique Machinery Association Meeting

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

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



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

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

AL-ANON MEETINGS-
<http://www.al-anon.alateen.org>
Mon- 7:00 p.m. United Methodist Church, 170 N. Main Street, Liberty
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Local Early Intervention Coordinating Council to Meet

Liberty, N.Y. - The Sullivan County Local Early Intervention Coordinating Council (LEICC) will meet Wednesday, March 11, 2015 at 3 p.m. at the Sullivan County Shared Clinic Facility in Liberty, NY. Early Intervention (EI) provides in-home services like physical, occupational and speech therapy to children with disabilities and or developmental delays.

The LEICC is an advisory board to the Local Early Intervention Official with regard to services provided in Sullivan County. Parents and other interested parties are invited to the session. The LEICC will be reviewing services and local data for the current and previous program years.

For more information, contact Lisa Wissman, Early Intervention Manager at 292-5910, Ext. 2202.

Jeffrey Parker Collage and Mixed Media at Alliance Gallery

An exhibit of collage and mixed media by Jeffrey Parker opens with a reception on Saturday, March 21 from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Delaware Arts Center's Alliance Gallery in Narrowsburg, NY. The exhibit will be on view through April 11.

"I find the medium of collage a versatile vehicle for artistic expression," says Parker, who blends unconventional materials such as product packaging, advertising materials, and junk mail with his own drawings and paintings to create three-dimensional mixed media works. "I enjoy the challenge of processing and transforming these mundane materials, giving them a new life as components in my creative experiments," he said.

A medical doctor with a practice in Port Jervis, NY, Parker was born in the Bronx and raised in New Jersey. At an early age, he developed a love for drawing and painting, but was encouraged by his parents to pursue a more traditional career.

"As a child of a nice Jewish family there was concern that art would not offer me a stable living," Parker recalls. "Eventually I chose podiatric medicine; however, I never let go entirely of my art ambitions." Parker continued to make art on his own, taking classes, and visiting museums.

At the age of 40, after putting his artistic impulses on the back burner for many years, Parker had the compulsion to take his art more seriously. But he was concerned that it was too late in life to explore his artistic side. His mentor and friend, Charles Arcier, encouraged Parker to "go for it," and told Parker that his age was a distinct advantage in that he would be able to draw from his life experiences to enrich the creative process.

Over the past 15 years, Parker has had several solo and group exhibitions in the Hudson and Delaware River valleys. "I enjoy my occupation as a

podiatrist, but I love creating art. It is my passion," he says.

Alliance Gallery is located at the Delaware Arts Center at 37 Main Street, Narrowsburg, NY, and is open Tuesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The opening reception for Jeffrey Parker's Collage and Mixed Media will take place at the Delaware Arts Center on Saturday, March 21 from 2 to 4 p.m. For more information call 845-252-7576 or visit delawarevalleyartsalliance.org.

Family Fun Harmonic Fest

Shed the winter blues at a FAMILY FUN HARMONICA FEST on Sunday afternoon, March 22nd at SUNY Ulster's College Lounge in Stone Ridge, from 2:00-4:00 p.m.

The fun begins with NY Blues Hall of Fame Artist, David Laks and his Mid-Hudson Music Mavens (David Winograd, Larry Balestra, Rusty Boris, Melissa Lovaglio and Dennis Yerry) with a short concert, followed by a harmonica workshop and finally a jam session with the pros. With David's magical instruction everyone will be able to play along. You'll learn Mozart and Beethoven as well as the Blues! The event, designed for families with school aged children - but all ages are welcome - includes refreshments and is co-sponsored by the Jewish Federation of Ulster County and SUNY Ulster.

Dave Laks is a retired public school music teacher and a recent inductee into the NY Blues Hall of Fame. He has travelled throughout the US performing and teaching students all about the harmonica via workshops, schools, and colleges. He is a dynamic and entertaining presenter and guarantees a fun time for all!

The musicians are all donating their services and proceeds will benefit local not-for-profits, including Family of Woodstock, People's Place, the Food Bank of the Hudson Valley, Jewish Family Services among others.

Advance reservations are requested and can be made on-line at www.ucjf.org or by calling the Federation office at 845-338-8131. Admission is \$10 for children ages 6 to 12 and \$15 for teens and adults. The admission price includes the concert, workshop, jam sessions, a harmonica and refreshments. For further information, please call 845-338-8131.

"Art Play" at Town of Esopus Library

"Art Play" Art Showcase by Students of Mira Fink will be on exhibit from April 4-27 with an opening Reception April 4, 5-8 at the Duck Pond Gallery at Town of Esopus Library.

Admission is free.

Duck Pond Gallery is located at 128 Canal St, Port Ewen, 845-338-5580

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Contact Information: Thomas W. Palmer, Superintendent, Tri-Valley Central School District, 34 Moore Hill Road, Grahamsville, New York 12740. tompalmer@trivalleycsd.org thru4/9

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Anyone who likes to get a bargain at the Grahamsville United Methodist Thrift Sales will be happy to know that they can get a good buy at *The Boutique* that is loaded with a variety of new items including clothing, jewelry, gifts, household items, handmade items and more! *The Boutique* will be open on both the days of the regular Thrift Sale and Luncheons that will start in April, and is now open during the monthly Saturday Thrift Sale. The next Saturday Thrift Sale and Boutique will be held on **March 21st** and the first **Thrift Sale and Luncheon** with the new **Boutique** will be on **Tuesday, April 7th!**

CLARYVILLE

St. Patrick's Day is just around the corner. Claryville Fire Dept. will host their annual **Corned Beef & Cabbage Supper on Saturday, March 14** from 4:00 to 7:00 PM at the Claryville Firehouse. And don't forget the monthly Claryville Fire Dept. All You Can Eat Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, March 22 Serving 7:00 until Noon

ROCK HILL

Annual Rock Hill St. Patrick's Day Parade on **March 14th** at 1PM. The day's activities kick off at 11:30AM with a special kids section, located at the Rock Hill Farmers' Market lot -223 Rock Hill Drive. Visit: www.facebook.com/rhbca12775

KINGSTON

Kingston's St. Patrick's Day Parade on Sunday, March 15th, 2015. The parade steps off at 1 pm from the Kingston Plaza in the historic stockade area of uptown Kingston and continues through the City of Kingston to the Rondout section of town.

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