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Fallsburg Robotics Teams Triumph at NYS Championships



Team 99561D is also a NYS Middle School Tournament Champion. Left to right are in the back Savannah Doty, Nicholas Plaza, Cecelia Norris-Yares, Ariana Wall-Carty; front row: Danica Morris, Meredith Anderman, and Alexandria Ruiz.

Fallsburg Jr/Sr High School sent six qualified teams to the New York State VEX Robotics Championships in Syracuse on March 2, 2019. Four of the teams came back with major trophies. (Contd. Pg. 8)

Tri-Valley Teachers' Association Recognizes the Time and the Valleys Museum



This year our Tri-Valley Teachers' Association is making it a point to reach out and recognize organizations and businesses within our community who are our "partners in education." (Contd. Pg. 3)

Schools Collaborate to Put on Mock Town Hall



Photos courtesy of Kristen Artz, DEP Photographer

Students from Tri-Valley CS and Columbia SS.

Thursday, February 28 was another very special day at Tri-Valley Central School. On this day, Tri-Valley's 8th graders participated in a Mock Town Hall collaboration with 8th graders from Columbia Secondary School out of New York City. The Mock Town Hall went back to the year 1900 to debate the issue of building the local reservoirs in our area. (Contd. Pg. 9)

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From the Colorado Springs Gazette – Healed by Writing



Mystery and crime novels are wedged tightly on the shelves encircling John McKenna's work space. Stacks of similarly themed books are piled on the table, and more heaps of novels congregate downstairs. It's a bibliophile's heaven.

The 72-year-old book reviewer and award-winning author of three self-published novels spends his days with his wheelchair bellied up to the table, conveniently next to the kitchen. To his right, a thick dictionary rests on a wooden stand, flipped open to the latter half of the alphabet.

A notepad is at the ready on the table in front of him, where he can capture the ideas noodling around his storyteller's brain or his thoughts about the yarns of fellow mystery and crime fiction writers. If he doesn't have anything nice to say in a review, though, he leaves well enough alone. (Contd. Pg. 4)

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ON THE FRONT BURNER: When the wicked are multiplied, transgression increaseth: but the righteous shall see their fall.
Proverbs 29:16

OBITUARY

Rose Levitz, age 94 of New Paltz, died Thursday, February 21, 2019 at home.

Born on November 27, 1924 in Jersey City, NJ, she was the daughter of the late Nathan and Malka Freyda (Auster) Premock. She married David Levitz on June 20, 1948, in Manhattan, NY, a marriage that would span an incredible sixty-nine years!

She was a city girl that became a farmer. With her husband, David, she owned and operated Levitz Farms in Grahamsville, NY. For almost a century, the Catskills had had one of the largest concentrations of Jewish farmers outside of Russia or Israel. Levitz Farms was one of the last operating Jewish farms in the region. Rose was an active member of the Jewish community, and the driving force behind Congregation Kneset Israel for many decades.

Rose Levitz was a devoted wife and mother, who was always kind hearted and cheerful. She loved telling stories and asking people about themselves and making new friends.

Rose is survived by a daughter, Barbara R. Levitz of Silver Spring, MD; and three sons: Gary I. and wife, Denise Levitz of Cuddebackville, NY, Larry B. and wife, Jean Appleton of Baltimore, MD, and Maurey I. and wife, Deena L. Levitz of New Paltz, NY. She is also survived by three grandchildren: Deborah and her husband, William Schoenfeld of Silver Spring, MD, and Lexi and Noah Levitz of New Paltz, NY; great-grandchildren: Hannah, Lee, and Aiden Schoenfeld of Silver Spring, MD. She was predeceased by her brothers: Rabbi Mordechai Premock, Louis Premock, Benjamin Zager and her sisters: Gertrude Sirvetz and Frances Greenberger. Rose Levitz is also survived by her sister in-law, Mrs. Risse Premock and many, many, nieces and nephews.

A funeral service was held on Sunday, February 24, 2019, at Copeland Funeral Home, Inc., in New Paltz, with Rabbi William Strongin, officiating. Burial followed at New Paltz Rural Cemetery.

Online condolences may be left for the family of Rose, by visiting www.copelandfhnp.com

George M. Knox, Sr. of Neversink, passed away on Monday, March 4th. He was 78. He was the son of the late Harry Knox and Eva Farkas, born on August 9, 1940 in Liberty, NY.

He was an avid outdoorsman enjoying hunting, fishing, playing softball (in the younger years). But mostly George was all about family and spent as much time as possible at the family camp in Willowemoc, NY where he loved to entertain family and friends as well as cook for the hunters during hunting season. Anyone who knew George knows how he loved to play, joke and tease. George wore many hats during his lifetime, he worked for the NYCBWS, he had a well-drilling business and worked in various areas of construction.

He was a member of the Liberty Elks, a charter member of Tri-Valley Lions and served many years as a Tri-Valley CSD Board member.

He is survived by his wife, Rose Ann; his children: Gregory Sr. and wife, Laurie, Christine and husband, Thomas, Andrew and wife, Sabra; daughter-in-law, Mary Knox; grandchildren, George III (Amanda), Jill Knox, Daniel (Jenna), Gregory Jr. (Khrystin), Heather (Jeffrey), Sara Knox and Sydne Valentine; and five great-granddaughters; his siblings, Barbara Arielly, Linda Cypert (Tom) and Kathi Smith (Steve); as well as numerous nieces and nephews, and beloved brothers and sisters-in-law. He is predeceased by two sons, baby Bryan John and George Jr.

In lieu of flowers, donations in George's name can be made to Hospice of Orange and Sullivan, 800 Stony Brook Ct., Newburgh, NY 12550. The family would like to personally thank the staff and doctors at Hospice of Orange and Sullivan for their support and kindness during this difficult time.

A funeral service was held on Friday, March 8th at Colonial Memorial Funeral Home. Burial followed at Grahamsville Rural Cemetery.

Arrangements under the care of Colonial Memorial Funeral Home; for further information call 845-434-7363 or visit www.colonialbryantfuneral-home.com

Verben Konviser, a life-long resident of Woodridge, passed away on Tuesday, March 5, 2019 in Palm Beach County, Florida. He was 91 years old.

The son of the late Abraham and Fannie Shaffer Konviser, Verb was born in Brooklyn on February 3, 1928, and moved to Woodridge, NY as an infant.

Verb was the owner of the Vegetarian Hotel in Woodridge for decades, and more recently a local realtor. Verb was also a proud Korean Conflict Veteran, an active Kiwanian, a committed Woodridge Firefighter, an enthusiastic skier and a dedicated Town of Fallsburg Democratic Party Chairman and Committeeman. A Renaissance man, Verb was also an artist - a painter, an occasional

pilot and cookbook author.

Survivors include his daughters, Estelle (David) and Jill (William) and granddaughters, Clare and Sonya - his kind soul, generous spirit and easy smile will always be in our hearts.

Verb was pre-deceased by his wife, Clare nee Durst.

A private graveside funeral servicewas held on Sunday, March 10, 2019 at the Workman Circle #281 Cemetery, Marsh Road, Glen Wild, NY with full military honors.

Funeral arrangements were entrusted to the Joseph N. Garlick Funeral Home - Monticello; "Honorably Serving the Tri-County Jewish Community for 70 Years" 845-794-7474 or www.josephngarlickfuneral-home.com

Charles "Chuck" H. Bollin, Sr., of Grahamsville, passed away on Wednesday, March 6, 2019 at home. He was 71.

He was the son of the late Oscar V. Bollin and Rebecca Ruth Hart, born on November 11, 1947 in Kingston, NY.

Chuck proudly served our country in the US Air Force from 1966 until 1972. He worked as a laborer for the Town of Fallsburg until his retirement. In his free time he enjoyed fishing and watching sports and relaxing listening to music. He was a loving husband, father, grandfather, brother and friend, he will be deeply missed.

He is survived by his wife Catherine Moore Bollin; children Charles Bollin, Jr. and his wife Aubrey, Edwin Levy and his wife Stephanie, Wes Morrow and his wife Billie Jo and Rick Morrow and his wife Julie; grandchildren Ami and AayLa Bollin, David, Julie and Ellie Morrow, Kristina and Zach Bush, Amber and Frank W. IV (Marine), James, Laura Morrow, Justine King Morrow, Emily Tuttle Morrow, Sarah, Catherine and Edwin J. Jr. Levy; as well as great grandchildren Sophie Morrow and Izzy Morrow. Two sisters Sandra Bollin and Kate Barringer; one brother Oscar "Jack" Bollin; as well as one special friend/cousin William "Bill" Hart.

A graveside service with full military honors will be held on Saturday, April 13, 2019 at 1pm at Grahamsville Rural Cemetery, Pastor Chris Boyd will officiate.

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Irene Mary Sosnowski of Woodbourne, NY, a home maker and longtime area resident died Friday, March 8, 2019 at the Mary Imogene Bassett Hospital in Cooperstown, NY. She was 96.

The daughter of the late Stanley and Helen Rysiak Bienkowski, she was born June 25, 1922 in New York City, NY.

Irene was a Communicant of the Church of the Immaculate Conception in Woodbourne, NY. For several years she had been the Executive Secretary for the Campfire Girls. She enjoyed spending time traveling with her family, cooking and reading. She was a beloved mother and grandmother whose life revolved around her husband and children.

Survivors include two sons, Kenneth Sosnowski and his wife Vera of Maryland, NY and Robert Sosnowski and his wife Stephanie of Campbell Hall, NY; two daughters, Barbara Dean and her husband George of Neversink, NY and Nancy Benedek and her husband Frank of Loch Sheldrake, NY; one sister-in-law, Helen Conrad; 10 grandchildren, 21 great grandchildren and several nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her husband Charles in 2005 and by a grandson, Craig Dean in 2015.

Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated Monday, March 11 at the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Woodbourne, NY. Father Ignas Dhas officiated. Burial will be in the Rural Cemetery, Grahamsville, NY.

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Days of Yore...

Today's History

March 9, 1949

The S.A. Healy Company is gradually adding ment to the skeleton crew which has operated during the winter months and many more will probably be at work next month. Two new Marion electric shovels which recently arrived at the Hurleyville Station are now being assembled at Neversink. The work of placing stones on the surface of the Lackawack Dam has been temporarily halted for lack of material. It is expected that the next supply of stone will come from a quarry near Kingston. The great slabs of rock, eighteen inches thick are "faced" but left irregular in shape, and the crevices are poured with concrete. (Contd. Pg. 3)

A Round About Tri-Valley

Carol Furman

Nancy C. Lavelle of Willowemoc passed away on February 25th at the age of 88.

Rose Levitz, wife of the former David Levitz, passed away on February 21st at the age of 94. Rose and Dave operated Levitz Farms on Beaver Dam Road in Grahamsville for many years.

Scott P. Healy, age 57, passed away on February 21st. He was a Grahamsville resident and a full professor at Sullivan County Community College.

Congratulations to Angela and Jason Connolly of Grahamsville on the birth of their daughter, Everly Parker Connolly, on February 23rd.

Get well wishes to young William Richardson, a fourth grader at Tri-Valley, who required additional surgery on his leg. Hope all went well and that he's able to return to school soon.

Tom Smith, who as I write, is a patient at Westchester where he can be watched while doctor's make a decision with regard to his heart. I am sure his wife, June, also needs our prayers as she lives through this ordeal.

Tom Nash is facing surgery for removal of his larynx, as his cancer has returned. Keep Tom in your thoughts and prayers.

Congratulations to Rebecca Coombe, long-time member of the Puppy Pals 4H group, who was recently awarded a "supervised agricultural experience grant" to help offset the cost of raising her rabbits.

Although the Tri-Valley athletes who represented our school at recent state championships did not medal, they were able to compete against the best in NYS. Participation in school athletic programs requires much time and commitment. All athletes who practice scholastic sports each and every day after school are to be commended for their efforts.

Carsen Terwilliger, a Tri-Valley H.S. Student and a candidate for "Eagle Scout", has received approval from the Boy Scout Council to design and build a new church sign for the Grahamsville Reformed Church for his Eagle Award project.

Kudos to the selected music students who performed at Sullivan All-County in Liberty on Saturday, March 2nd. The "sold-out" performances were just wonderful! The music teachers and conductors are also to be complimented for helping these students present such a highly skilled and enjoyable performance.

The Sullivan County Longbeards were honored by the NYS Chapter of the National Wild Turkey Federation for signing up the most youth as "Jakes". Earl "Butch" Kortright and Donna Kortright also accepted the "Outreach Award" presented to clubs who work diligently with youth, veterans and the community.

St. Patrick's Day Facts and Folklore: Did St. Patrick really drive the snakes out of Ireland? Probably not, since snakes weren't native to Ireland. St. Patrick's real name was Maewyn Succat. When he became a priest, his name changed to Patricius, and eventually to Patrick.

Blue was the color originally associated with St. Patrick, but green is now favored.

St. Patrick's Day is the traditional day for planting peas.

Cabbage seeds are often planted on St. Patrick's Day and old-time farmers believed that to make them grow well, you needed to plant them while wearing your night-clothes!

Words of Wisdom: Fate is what life gives you. Destiny is what you do with it. What most people tend to forget is that we have unbelievable control over our destiny. (Bill Cove)

NEVERSINK NEWS - Hulda Vernooy

Happy Birthday to Ed Bailey who will celebrate his big day on March 24. Happy Birthday Ed, from all your friends and neighbors.

Sympathy to the family and friends of Irene Sosnowski. Our condolences to the Knox family and friends on the passing of George Knox.

Get well wishes to Tom Smith and Carl Denman.

Tri-Valley Teachers' Association Recognizes the Time and the Valleys Museum

(From Pg. 1) For our next recognition, we chose to thank the Time and the Valleys Museum for its continued commitment to the Tri-Valley community and its students.

Through its programs, willingness to collaborate, and overall desire to make our community a better place, the Time and the Valleys Museum truly is a one of a kind organization. Our TVTA recognizes all that the Time and the Valleys Museum does. We are grateful for all the support they give to us and our students.

Thank you, Time and the Valleys Museum, for being our partner in education. Together, we make a difference!

Days of Yore...

Today's History (From Pg. 2)

The regular monthly meeting of the Library Trustees

was held at which time the Secretary read a letter from Mrs. Mabel Jocelyn stating that due to illness in her family, she felt it necessary to resign as Trustee and Vice President of the Association. The Trustees voted reluctantly to accept Mrs. Jocelyn's resignation. Mrs. Jocelyn has been a loyal member and a hard working Trustee for many years and her absence will be keenly felt.

Sap has been running well according to the latest reports from tree tappers on South Hill.

March 11th a School meeting is to be held at the Claryville Church Hall for the purpose of consolidation with the DeWittville District Town of Denning.

The Walter DePew property at Four Corners, which was recently sold to a club from New Jersey, is being repaired and renovated.

Arthur Pomeroy and Harry Knox have bought building lots from Archie Dean and plan to build in the near future.

March 18, 1959

Charles R. Van Aken, Jr. son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles R. Van Aken of Sundown has arrived at Fort Dix, N.J. for training for eight weeks basic training. prior to entering the Army, Private Van Aken attended the Tri-Valley Central School.

Old records kept in 1888, show that it was ten days after the Great Blizzard before mail came to Ladleton and then it was carried on foot. Mrs. Andrew George, who was twelve years old at that time of the Great Blizzard, remembers the storm vividly. At Slide Mountain, where she was staying with an older sister, four feet of snow fell in twenty-four hours. Thirty foot drifts piled across the Big Indian Road. It was some time before the railroad cut off by the storm could resume to Big Indian. At the end of the blizzard, there was a rain which froze. This kept the snow from melting and it was summer before the last of the drifts melted in the Branch. Food grew scarce and folks who had a big crock of salt pork and a barrel of flour were lucky. Feed and watering the stock was a big problem and sometimes it was easier to tunnel under the drifts than shovel a road through. The high winds that accompanied the Great Blizzard shifted during the storm and moved mountainous drifts from one place to another.

Construction of an overpass and modern access roads at Parksville on a section of Route 17 which was completed several years ago is being planned according to reports. A hearing on the proposed project is planned for March 24th in Liberty at the Municipal Building.

The famous John Quincy Adams Ward Lincoln statue, now in Chicago, was sculpted at Peekamoose. Mrs. Carrie Lievre owns a chair made by Ward.

Fort Lackawack, site now under Rondout waters, was burned during the Revolutionary border warfare of 1778 summer, after unauthorized abandonment. "The woods were too rough on either side," was the excuse. After Graham disasters at Chestnut Woods, it was rebuilt.

March 12, 1969

Carl C. Carlsen, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Carlsen of South Hill, has recently been promoted by United Air Lines to co-pilot on DC08 jet aircraft. The DC- is the largest airplane presently used by an airline; it cruises at approximately 600 mph and its maximum configuration carries up to 259 passengers. Mr. Carlsen presently resides in Montvale, NJ with his wife and three children.

Army Staff Sgt. George S. Carr, son of Samuel H. Carr, Grahamsville received his second award of the Army Commendation Medal during ceremonies recently in Vietnam. Sgt. Carr received the award for meritorious service while serving as supply sergeant for Headquarters Company, 588th Engineer Battalion near Tey Ninh.

The passing of Rev. J. Milton Harris saddened the community and his many friends. Mr. Harris passed away on his ninety-fourth birthday. He was devoted pastor of the Lows Corners church for twenty-five years.

March 8, 1979

With Spring here we all get spurts of energy. Closets get cleaned, bureau drawers straightened up and children try on clothes to decide what they have outgrown. Please keep in mind the Thrift Shop at the Grahamsville Methodist Church. We will appreciate all donations.

Patrick Higgins, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Higgins of East Mountain Road, a cadet in the ninth grad at New York Military Academy in Cornwall, NY was awarded academic honors at awards ceremonies held at the Academy recently.

The Honor Cadet Medal Awarded for superior academic achievement during the first semester of this year was presented to Cadet Higgins by Brigadier General Francis, J. Roberts, Superintendent of the Academy.

Dave Parker has been accepted to run in the Eastern Natures Championships. in Pinecton, NY. will held Championships in Princeton, NY

Nature Column - Linda Comando

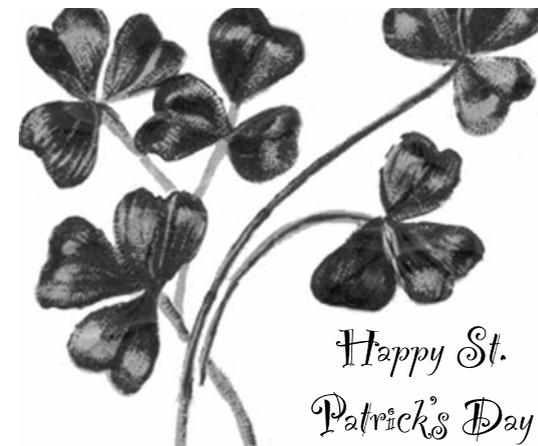
A tribute to the memory of all of the Townsman Ladies that we have lost and loved so much... Peggy DeWire, Avril Pappa, Joan Hall, Polly Hill, Joyce Lockhart, Jean Helthaler, Karen Curry and Barbara Slater.

The Magic and the Mystery of the Shamrock

There is a bit of green everywhere! You may even have a little pot of green shamrocks sitting in your window.

Whoever knew there was such diversity of opinion as to what a real shamrock was.

Back in 1597, John Gerard, an herbalist, defined the shamrock as *Trifolium pratense flore albo*, meaning Red or White Clover. Then in 1726, the Irish botanist Caleb Threlkeld, wrote in his work entitled *Synopsis Stirpium Hibernicarum or A Treatise on Native Irish Plants* identifying the shamrock as *Trifolium pratense*, or White Field Clover.



In 1737 botanist Karl Linnaeus claimed the shamrock as *Trifolium pratense*, which is purple field clover. By 1830, London botanist James Ebenezer Bicheno added to the confusion, proclaiming that the real shamrock was indeed *Oxalis acetosella* or Wood Sorrel.

According to a survey taken in 1893 by Nathaniel Colgan, an amateur naturalist the results were that there was no 'true' species of shamrock. Almost one hundred years later, in 1988 a comparable survey was carried out by E. Charles Nelson, Director of the Irish National Botanic Gardens. Both surveys involved, asked people from all across Ireland to send in samples of a shamrock, which were then potted up and allowed to flower so that their botanical species could be identified. The results of both surveys were very similar, showing that the conception of the shamrock in Ireland had changed little in almost a hundred years; there is no one "true" species of shamrock.

The *Trifolium dubium* (Lesser clover) is considered to be the shamrock by roughly half of Irish people, and *Trifolium repens* (White clover) by another third, with the remainder split between *Trifolium pratense*, *Medicago lupulina*, *Oxalis acetosella* and various other species of *Trifolium* and *oxalis*.

The little potted shamrock plants that you have seen in the shops are probably none of those mentioned above, but are most likely wood sorrel that is shipped from Ireland in great quantity for St. Patrick's Day. But, they are green and look like a shamrock, so to us, they must be shamrocks!

Shamrocks have been symbolic of many things over the years. According to legend, the shamrock was a sacred plant to the Druids of Ireland because its leaves formed a triad, and three was a mystical number in the Celtic religion. St. Patrick used the shamrock in the 5th century to illustrate the doctrine of the Holy Trinity as he introduced Christianity to Ireland.

The shamrock became symbolic in other ways as time went on. In the 19th century it became a symbol of rebellion, and anyone wearing it risked death by hanging. It was this period that spawned the phrase "the wearin' o' the green".

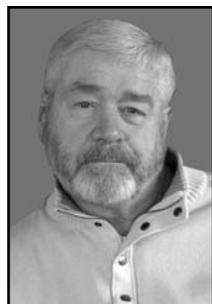
Today, the shamrock is the most recognized symbol of the Irish, especially on St. Patrick's Day. And the magic of the shamrock - when you put one on - you simply become Irish for the day!

And *begorrah* - that's a truth we can rely on!

Happy St. Patrick's Day!

Household Hints End the ant parade

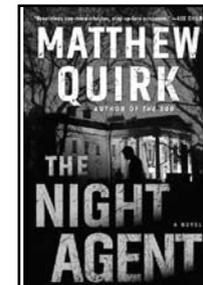
Are ants beginning to enter your home? Take immediate action - sprinkle salt across the door frame or directly on their paths. Ants will be discouraged from crossing this barrier.



The Night Agent

Mysterious Book Report No. 366

by John Dwaine McKenna



To all of our readers out there in newslandia, bookreviewburg, or elsewhere, lost somewhere in the electronic haze, who think that all the great spy and thriller novels ended with the deaths of Robert Ludlum and Tom Clancy . . . *they didn't*. And, if you think you'll just have to be satisfied with those cloned copies, written by second-rate writers 'licensed by the estate of,' and pimped by the publishers in hopes of squeezing a few more bucks out of the old cash cow . . . *you don't*. There's a ton of great new talent out there, and this week's MBR features one of the best of that new breed. His name is Matthew Quirk, and his latest work, *The Night Agent*, (William Morrow/Harper Collins, \$26.99, 422 pages, ISBN 978-0-06-287546-4) is an all-out, full throttle thrill ride from the first sentence on the first page. It's drawn rave reviews from the likes of Michael Connelly, Lee Child and Michael Koryta, as well as a bevy of other A-list authors.

As the novel begins, we meet FBI Agent Peter Sutherland who, much to his own surprise, interviews for a position in the White House and gets it in spite of the misgivings of all those he works with. That's because his father, who also worked for the US Government was suspected of selling secrets to the Russians . . . an allegation which cost him everything, including his life. It's a family shame Peter has spent his entire life trying to live down by always being squeaky clean in everything he says and does. Now, he's working at the very heart of the seat of government in the Situation Room at the White House, just steps away from the President of the United States. Peter's job – sitting next to a telephone all night long and waiting for it to ring, which it's only done once in the past year. When it does ring, his job is to get a code phrase and message from the caller and pass it on to two people . . . both of whom talk directly to POTUS.

Then a call comes in at 1:05am from a terrified young woman named Rose. Her aunt and uncle have just been killed. She's hiding in a closet and the shooter is still in the house hunting for her. Her uncle gave her the code and the number, along with the message, "Tell them that OSPREY was right. It's happening . . ." then the phone goes silent, thrusting Peter Sutherland into the heart of a conspiracy that reaches to the highest levels of government. It's diplomacy by other means, as the intrigue swirls, the assassinations continue unchecked, and the tension mounts higher with every page. *The Night Agent*, despite its innocent sounding title, is the one thriller you don't want to miss, because the plot could have been ripped right out of today's headlines. It's one helluva yarn!

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From the Colorado Springs Gazette – Healed by Writing

(From Pg. 1) "I got drawn to it," McKenna said about the genre. "There are endless ways to do the dirty, and it also branches out into thriller and spy fiction, so we do all of those. Within 50 pages, I know if I like it or not. There are so many good books and authors struggling and trying to get a little traction. I tend to write reviews of first and second novels, because let's face it, George Pelecanos and James Lee Burke don't need my help."

His makeshift office is a cozy oasis on this frostbitten, cloudy December afternoon, but the laughter and camaraderie of McKenna, his wife of 42 years, June, and his assistant, Lora Brown, sparkle up the space.

As grateful as he is for it now, this is not the life he planned, if one can ever be said to plan a life.

After relaxing in a post-dinner haze almost 19 years ago, on Feb. 18, 2000, John stood and pitched forward on his face. He lay on the floor, his right side paralyzed, but told June not to call 911, that the numbness would dissipate. Hours later, when it hadn't, June overrode his wishes and called for help.

"I was a total wreck," she said. "When I called 911, they said, 'Lock up the animals, and get his medications out.' I locked our two cats in the basement, and we went to the hospital. I remembered two days later, I've still got cats in the basement, and had to call the neighbors to let them out."

He'd been at the doctor's office that day due to back pain and was told he had slippage in his cervical spine and needed an operation. John deferred, saying he'd do it as a last resort. Now life had made the decision for him.

"They (doctors) never say you can't walk again; they say you may not," said John. "The first time I peeked over a doctor's shoulder and saw the word quadriplegic, I almost had a nervous breakdown. I went through eight or 10 years of feeling sorry for myself. Feeling pissed off. You go through stages of things."

"Stages of grief," added June.

At the time, John owned an antiques shop near Old Colorado City. Before that, he'd worked in securities as an investment adviser and compliance officer. He hadn't cultivated a writing career, though he had written some articles for a business magazine and a newsletter for his store.

"I kept my hand in a little but never thought about writing fiction," he said. "I had to come up with something to fill in the blanks."

First, though, he had to get over the rage and anguish over the new body he inhabited.

"I had to get my attitude readjusted," he said. "And you have to find a reason to live."

With a dented spinal cord, his actual diagnosis was incomplete quadriplegia, which presented as limited movement in his limbs.

"This all happened to me at such a late age," said John, who was 53 at the time. "I have really worked hard at not playing the poor pitiful me thing."

He turned to reading, a longtime hobby, to escape reality.

"I didn't want to face myself," he said. "I still don't like looking in mirrors. Still don't like seeing myself in photos. I see how wadded up I am."

Eventually, the urge grew to do more than read. In 2011, he reached out to the *Tri-Valley Townsman*, the weekly newspaper in his hometown of Grahamsville, N.Y., and piqued interest with an offer of book reviews. Those still run weekly and are also featured on his website, [mysteriousbookreport.com](http://www.mysteriousbookreport.com).

"The Neversink Chronicles: Stories," a book of short stories set in 1930s upstate New York, kicked off his fiction writing in 2011. It was the first book published by his own Rhyolite Press, and it won best book of the year from the Colorado Independent Publishers Association. Due to health issues, he since has given up the press to his business partner.

His second, "The Whim-Wham Man," also published by Rhyolite, won silver for mystery and crime fiction from the CIPA. His third and latest, "Colorado Noir," a collection of short stories based in the Pikes Peak region, was published by Rhyolite in 2014 and also won silver for mystery and crime fiction from the CIPA.

That collection caught the eye of an agent in New York City, who asked him to create a novel out of the book's last story. Though that book is at a standstill for the moment, it didn't stop John from grinding away at another novel, "**Unforsaken**," a murder mystery set in the Old West. It will be published by Rhyolite and launched April 6 at Hooked on Books downtown.

Though he had spent years in rage and anguish, he harbored a sliver of hope.

"I always thought I was going to walk again," said John. "Surgeons tell you each of these injuries is different because we're all different. Others recover and walk; others don't."

Even now, he does physical therapy multiple times every week with June, Brown and another caregiver who comes to the house. His spirits are good, though he has some of the aches and pains of an aging body. What's kept him going all these years is simple.

"June. And work. I hope that I kept her going, too. I think love and respect helped both of us. I wanted to do something that made both of us feel worthwhile. You can't get one of these injuries and sit in the corner or drink all day."

His refusal to give up and determination to develop a new Purpose keep him perched at the table, writing, reading and bantering with June and Brown about books and life.

"I want to be an example for others," he said, "that life doesn't end unless you want it to. I say a little thank you every day when I wake up, that I have another chance and another day and I can try to do something good. With June and Lora's help, I've been able to accomplish that. I may not be a Stephen King or C.J. Box or James Lee Burke, but I have four or five books in the Library of Congress."

Mountain Rescue Association (MRA) recently Hosted an Evaluation Process

Mountain Rescue Association (MRA) training: Forest Rangers recently hosted an evaluation process for Mountain Rescue Association (MRA) teams of the Appalachian Region. Forest Rangers and Appalachian Mountain Rescue



(NC) team members and Neil Van Dyke of the State of Vermont's Division of Public Safety/State Police assisted in the evaluation. The teams evaluated were: Stowe Mountain Rescue (VT); Allegheny Mountain Rescue (PA); and New Jersey Search and Rescue (NJ). MRA

Teams are required to pass an evaluation every three years in wild land search skills and technical rescue skills in a four-season

environment. All teams were tested and passed a technical evacuation from a high-angle, ice-filled gully, as well as a steep angle snow evacuation of an injured subject. Each team is scrutinized on details ranging from general mountaineering skills to patient care. On the second day, wild land search skills were tested with both a tabletop exercise and a lost person scenario. These evaluations keep each team on the same level across North America and provide for better partnerships and increased public safety.

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The Next Best Thing

"The world is moving so fast these days that the man who says it can't be done is generally interrupted by someone doing it."
- Elbert Hubbard

Who would have thought we would all be carrying around little devices that replace our calculator, flashlight, watch, alarm clock, television, telephone, fax machine, set of encyclopedias, and atlas? Back when I graduated college and decided to set the world afire with my knowledge and abilities, little did I realize that the world I had studied was not the world in which I would live and work.

Since I am a dinosaur from the twentieth century that saw electricity and travel transform our lives, I can only imagine what the next best thing will be. What will our grandchildren experience as society transforms and technology progresses (or regresses)?

I predict that all people will get "chipped" with information and location. We will have an annual Programming sort of like we get an annual physical or yearly inspection for our cars.

Our iPhones will be flexible so they can fit in our pockets or purses or be worn out of sight. They will also become projection devices to replace our televisions. Cable and wifi will become obsolete and we will all pay a monthly communication bill to the satellite company that charges for "hot spots."

Solar roofs on houses and cars will cut down on fossil fuels, and solar collectors will power lighting devices both indoors and out.

Fast track hover trains and convoys of delivery trucks will look remarkable similar with self driving cars using designated super highways connecting to a computerized grid system that allows us to branch out to existing roads we can navigate with drivers.

Packaging will be edible for livestock, and composting will provide sustainable home gardens.

It is hard to predict the future. It will be some variation of what is combined with what can be. As a painter, I know there are only three primary colors, but what an array of hues can be made by tweaking and mixing what is to create a new vibrant shade of purple or persimmon. The future is like that.

As Albert Einstein once said, "The true sign of intelligence is not knowledge but imagination."

Alzheimer's Association Caregiver Support Group

Alzheimer's Association Caregiver Support Group will be held on Tuesday, April 2, 2019, from 6:00 to 7:30 PM at Achieve Rehab & Nursing Facility, 170 Lake St., Liberty.

Open to all caregivers/family members of people with Alzheimer's disease or related dementias. Provides an opportunity to meet and develop a mutual support system among people who really understand what they are going through.

Refreshments served. For further info contact Sue Lennon at 845-798-1913.

Natalia Zukerman's 'The Women Who Rode Away' at DVAA's Salon Series

The Delaware Valley Arts Alliance's winter Salon Series continues on Saturday, March 16 at 2pm with Natalia Zukerman's "The Women Who Rode Away," a performance that melds the talents of the songwriter, painter, and storyteller into an afternoon of reflection and perseverance. Featuring original music and projected paintings, this intimate portrait recounts the artist's journey of finding her own voice through the stories of the women in her life that paved the way. Accompanied by her guitar, Zukerman uses song, monologue and her own works of art to present glimpses into her own life, her family's life, and her ancestors' lives. The production is directed by Kira Simring and features projection design by Gertjan Houben.

"The show is songs, paintings and stories about women who were and are architects of their own lives; who defy categorization," says Zukerman. "Through these portraits and stories, I'm finding my way to tell my own stories. These women have been the guides for me and I hope in the re-telling, that the audience walks away with a sense of strength and a permission to be exactly who they are."

Musician, painter, and educator Natalia Zukerman grew up in New York City. Having released seven independent albums on Weasel Records and her own label Talisman Records, Zukerman has toured internationally as a solo performer since 2005. She has also accompanied and opened for some of acoustic music's greats such as Erin McKeown, Shawn Colvin, and Ani DiFranco, and many others.

March marks Women's History Month, an opportunity to celebrate and elevate the voices of women both known and under recognized.

DVAA is located at 37 Main Street, Narrowsburg, NY, and the event will take place at 2pm on the second floor in the intimate Krause Recital Hall. Admission is free, and donations are appreciated. Seating is limited and available on a first-come, first-serve basis. Schedule is subject to change due to weather and circumstances beyond our control. Please call ahead to confirm each event. More information is available by calling 845-252-7576 or visiting DVAA's website, delawarevalleyartsalliance.org.

The Salon Series continues on Saturday, March 23,

with "Roald Dahl's Villains on Trial" moderated by One Grand Books founder Aaron Hicklin.

The activities of the Delaware Valley Arts Alliance are made possible in part by a grant from the New York State Council on the Arts with the support of Governor Andrew Cuomo and the New York State Legislature.

State Parks, DEC, and State Police Remind Snowmobilers to Refrain from Alcohol Use While on the Trails

Snowmobiling While Intoxicated (SWI) is a Serious Crime That Puts the Public at Risk

The New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation (OPRHP), Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC), and New York State Police would like to remind snowmobilers to never drink and drive, and to ride responsibly while enjoying the state's abundant snowmobile trails.

"Alcohol use and imprudent speed are the most common factors behind snowmobile crashes," State Parks Acting Commissioner Erik Kulleseid said. "We urge snowmobilers to avoid alcohol, drive within your abilities, within speed limits, and to reduce speeds during inclement or nighttime operation. Knowing and following safety recommendations will help ensure that you and your friends and family will have a great time on the trail."

"New York State has some of the most spectacular snowmobiling opportunities in the nation. But a great day on the trails can turn deadly with just one bad choice," Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) Commissioner Basil Seggos said. "We are urging our snowmobile enthusiasts to never drink alcohol when traveling the trails. Save a life, and save the drinks for the end of the day."

"We want snowmobile enthusiasts to take advantage of the beautiful trails in our great State of New York, but we want them to do so safely," said Acting State Police Superintendent Keith M. Corlett. "There is no excuse for operating any motorized vehicle or device while impaired whether it be a vehicle, snowmobile, boat or ATV. By making responsible and common sense choices, New Yorkers can do their part to keep our trails safe and enjoyable for all."

In New York, a snowmobile driver can be charged with Snowmobiling While Intoxicated (SWI) if he or she operates a vehicle under the influence of alcohol. Any snowmobile driver with a Blood Alcohol Content (BAC) of 0.08 percent or higher can be charged with an SWI, the snowmobile equivalent of a Driving While Intoxicated (DWI) offense. A misdemeanor conviction can result in a permanent criminal record, a maximum fine of \$1500, up to 90 days in jail, and a 12-month suspension of snowmobiling privileges. Intoxication can be proven through different types of evidence including BAC chemical tests (breath, blood, or urine), law enforcement's observations, and other factors. An SWI charge is upgraded to a felony when there are two prior convictions.

Also, a snowmobile driver can be charged with Snowmobiling While Ability Impaired (SWAI). The

penalty for a SWAI conviction can include a fine up to \$350, jail time up to 15 days, and a suspension of snowmobile privileges for six months. A second type of SWAI charge involves driving a snowmobile while under the influence of drugs. Similar to a DWAI-Drugs, the SWAI-Drugs charge is a misdemeanor offense that can be brought against any snowmobiler who operates the vehicle while on drugs. If convicted, an SWAI-Drugs charge can bring harsh penalties, including a fine up to \$500, jail time up to 90 days, and a one-year suspension of your snowmobile registration and privileges. Everyone operating a snowmobile should be familiar with safe riding practices and all applicable laws, rules and regulations. The best way to learn is by taking a snowmobile safety course. To find a course, visit the Parks website. Before deciding to head out, riders are also reminded to check trail conditions with local snowmobile clubs. To find a club, visit the New York State Snowmobile Association (NYSSA) website.

Top safety recommendations include:

- o Be aware that fluctuating weather late in the season can quickly result in unsafe conditions - including blow downs, low hanging branches, water hazards, ice, washouts and exposed hazards due to minimal snow coverage.
- o Check over your snowmobile; make sure it is in good working order and carry emergency supplies.
- o Always wear a helmet and make sure you wear the proper snowmobile-riding gear including bibs, jackets, boots and gloves.
- o Always ride with a buddy or at least one other person.
- o Ride responsibly. Ride within your ability, ride to the right and operate at a safe and prudent speed at all times. Respect landowners, obey posted signs and stay on the marked trail.
- o Frozen bodies of water are not designated trails; if you plan to ride on ice, proceed with caution and be aware of potential hazards under the snow as well as ice thickness.
- o Four inches of ice is usually safe for accessing ice on foot. Double that thickness for traveling on white ice. Ice thickness can vary on every body of water or even within the same body of water. The presence of snowmobile tracks or footprints on the ice should not be considered evidence of safe ice conditions. Individuals are strongly encouraged to check ice conditions and avoid situations that appear to present even a remote risk. Testing the thickness of ice can be done with an auger or ice spud at various spots.
- o Never drink alcohol or use drugs and ride. State Park and DEC Police will continue patrolling and issuing tickets for snowmobiling violations - including snowmobiling while intoxicated, imprudent speed, reckless operation and driving unregistered snowmobiles.

OPRHP oversees the development, maintenance and oversight of a statewide snowmobile program, which features approximately 10,400 miles of state-designated snowmobile trails.

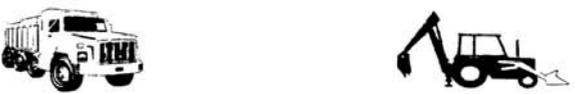
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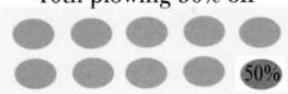


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DEC Accepting Applications for 16th Annual Environmental Excellence Awards

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) is now accepting applications for the 2019 Environmental Excellence Awards program, DEC Commissioner Basil Seggos announced today. The Environmental Excellence Awards recognize businesses, institutions, municipalities, and organizations for outstanding commitments to environmental sustainability, social responsibility, and economic viability. To date, New York has honored 92 committed organizations that are leading by example and inspiring their industries and communities.

"Under Governor Cuomo's leadership, New York is making our environment a priority and leading the nation to ensure our natural resources are protected and developing innovative new tools are utilized to better preserve our environment for generations to come," Commissioner Seggos said. "We are proud to partner with and celebrate these organizations and businesses that are making better use of irreplaceable natural resources and helping communities adapt to our changing climate. These green leaders are setting the standard for others across New York State and the country."

Businesses (i.e., small, medium, and large businesses, manufacturing, power generation, retail, agri-business, renewable energy, hospitality, sports, etc.); not-for-profit organizations; academic, health care, and recreational facil-

ities; individuals; and local, state, federal, and Indian Nation government agencies are all eligible to apply. DEC is encouraging organizations that are implementing innovative approaches and technologies, advancing sustainable practices, generating economic growth, harnessing the power of creative partnerships, and achieving extraordinary outcomes to apply. Competitive applications will focus on projects or programs resulting in significant environmental benefits by:

- o reducing greenhouse gas emissions;
- o helping adapt to climate change;
- o reducing food waste or encouraging recycling and composting programs;
- o developing "green tech" solutions;
- o implementing initiatives to "green" businesses, farms, schools, recreational, sports, health care, and hospitality facilities;
- o supporting clean energy and green infrastructure projects;
- o developing creative natural resource/habitat protection or restoration efforts;
- o improving energy efficiency;
- o implementing sustainable education and training programs;
- o improving manufacturing processes; and
- o supporting creative urban forestry or farming practices, including programs to advance "farm to table."

Completed applications for the 2019 awards **must be submitted by Wednesday, April 17, 2019**. Winners will be honored at an awards ceremony in November. At that time, winners will have an opportunity to present and display information about their award-winning project or program.

Since the program began in 2004, award winners have had positive impacts on New York's economy and have contributed to impressive improvements of New York's environment such as:

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Information about the award program and the 2019 application materials can be found on the DEC website, or email request to awards@dec.ny.gov, or in writing to the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation, Pollution Prevention Unit, 625 Broadway, 9th Floor, Albany, New York 12233-7253 or by phone to DEC's Pollution Prevention Unit at (518) 402-8706. Applications accepted through April 17, 2019.

Fallsburg Robotics Teams Triumph at NYS Championships

(From Pg. 1) Teams 99561A and 99561D were the NYS Middle School Robotics Tournament Champions. Team 99561A also won the Skills Competition, and they are currently ranked Number One in New York State and



Team 99561B were Judges Award Winners. Left to right are Trinity Berry and Ariana Gonzalez.



Team 99561E were Tournament Finalists and Design Award Winners. Left to right are Adira Greer-Padilla, Hunter Doty, Jason Hernandez, Edwin Morales, and Michael Storms.



Team 99561A is one of the NYS Middle School Robotics Tournament Champions. Left to right are Kristian Huttenmeyer, Christos Vernezos, Nicholas Muscia, Amanda Murtagh, Jaedon Espinoza, and Haris Basic.

92nd out of 2087 teams worldwide. Team 99561E were Tournament Finalists and Design Award Winners. The Judges Award winners were Team 99561B.

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incredible results. Parents of the team members have been great supporters of their children. They are all waiting to hear what Fallsburg teams will be invited to Louisville, Kentucky on April 24-April 27 for the VEX Robotics World Competition.

Coach Thomas is grateful for the overwhelming support offered by the FCSD and the Board of Education. Everyone in the District is basking in the pride of these young peoples' achievements.

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Read Across America Day is Another Huge Success at Tri-Valley



Proud TVTA members get ready for the day.

On Thursday, February 28, the Tri-Valley Teachers' Association (TVTA), Tri-Valley Essential Support Staff Association (TESSA), and the Tri-Valley Administrative Association sponsored a Read Across America day at Tri-Valley Central School.

During the school day during their lunch periods, all students in grades 7-12 were



High school students pick out free books.



Families at the free spaghetti dinner.

invited to come to the library to enjoy refreshments and pick out a free book. Hundreds of books were given away to grateful students. Later that night, all parents and students in grades PK-6 were invited back to the school for "Dinner and Story." Students in the Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) club, teachers, support staff members, administrators, and Board of Education members served families a free spaghetti dinner. After the dinner, each family headed to the library to pick out a free book. Upon choosing their book, families then headed upstairs to the "reading room" to spend some quality time reading together.



Overall, the event was a huge success. Hundreds of books were given away and approximately 200 dinners were served. The TVTA, TESSA, and TVAA unions would like to thank everyone for all of their support. They would also like to thank the New York State United Teachers (NYSUT) and the First Book organization, both who were instrumental in helping the TVTA obtain the books.

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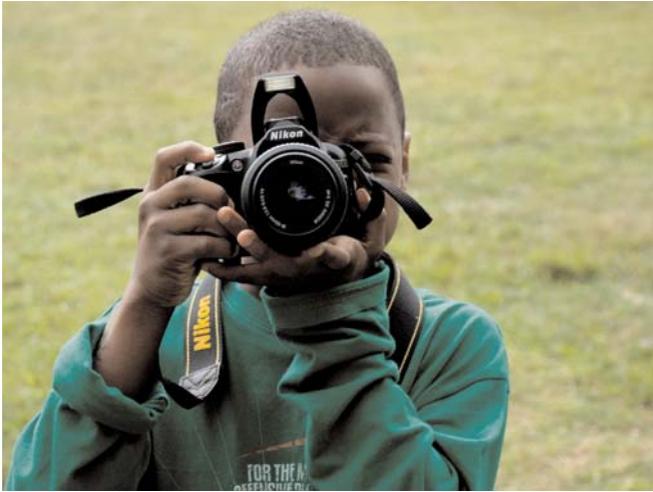
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Frost Valley YMCA Announces New Picture This Day Camp

Claryville - There may be snow on the ground, but now is the perfect time to plan for summer camp. Frost Valley YMCA has added to its summer lineup a new photography day camp for children entering grades 4th-5th called Picture This.



Picture This will nurture children's enthusiasm for taking pictures and exploring the world through an artist's lens. Campers will learn how to take nature, still life, and action shots. Prior photography experience is not necessary. All supplies including Canon Powershot cameras will be provided, and campers will take home their best photo at the end of the week.

"We want campers to go out into nature with a camera in their hand and take photos of things that they find beautiful," says Jessie Emmons, Director of Community Programs for Frost Valley. "They will be

rediscovering the world through their camera lens."

While photography is the highlight of the program, campers will also have time each day that is dedicated to traditional camp activities. They will enjoy climbing, sports and games, swimming, boating, arts and crafts, and more!

Frost Valley's Day Camp registration for this and dozens of other programs is now open and financial aid applications are available. Visit FrostValley.org to see all the new programs. Parents looking to give their child a positive, safe, and exciting summer camp experience are encouraged to register right away. To register your child for day camp, call 845-985-2291 or email registrar@frostvalley.org.

Schools Collaborate to Put on Mock Town Hall

(From Pg. 1) In preparation for the event, students from both schools learned a great deal about



Photos courtesy of Kristen Artz, DEP Photographer

Students from both schools enjoy lunch together.

our local history with the reservoirs in their English, social studies, science, and agriculture classes. After learning about the history, all participating students were assigned to argue from the perspective of one of four different stakeholder groups: Catskill residents, New York City residents, New York City government officials, or workers of the reservoirs. They did further research to find evi-

dence to support their arguments for their specific group.

On Thursday morning, Columbia Secondary School came to Tri-Valley. Eighth grade students were mixed in their groups (half from one school, half from the other) and had the first part of the morning to meet in their groups and plan out their arguments. This also gave students time to get to know each other.

During the Town Hall, students debated back and forth about the issues concerning the building of the reservoirs. The New York City residents and government talked about the desperate need for clean water. The Catskill residents focused their arguments on the unfairness of it all-how they had to give up their livelihood and not receive adequate compensation in return. The workers talked about their lack of safety on the job and their need for more rights.

All points and arguments were heard by the moderator of the event-Director of Public Affairs for New York City Environment Protection and Bureau of Water Supply, Adam Bosch, as well as a panel of esteemed guests: Dick Coombe, local resident and President of the Time and the Valleys Museum Board; Susan Cox, US Forest Service; Diane Galusha, published author of Liquid Assets and Communications Director/Education Coordinator at Catskill Watershed Corporation; Jen Garigliano, Chief of Staff, NYC Department of Environmental Protection; Sean McAndrew, DEP Water for the Future Director; Dave Pulley, Tri-Valley Secondary School Principal; Tyler Van Fleet, Forestry Program Watershed Educator; and Mike Williams, Tri-Valley Superintendent. At the conclusion of the Town Hall, the panel gave feedback to the students about their arguments.

After the event, all students, teachers, and panel members had time to sit down and eat lunch together. The lunch was catered by the Sullivan County BOCES culinary program students under the direction of instructor and local resident Kathy Poppo. The lunch was also a huge success, as it gave everyone more time to get to know each other.

This Mock Town Hall was organized through the collaboration of Meredith Hill, Assistant Principal at Columbia Secondary School, and Matt Haynes, 8th grade ELA teacher at Tri-Valley. This is the fourth consecutive year the two schools have partnered to participate in the Mock Town Hall.

This hugely successful event allowed students to learn about our local history, meet other students from a different area and school, and practice their public speaking and debate skills. As is the case with many events in our community, it could not have happened without the hard work of everyone involved: students, teachers, staff, administrators, community members, and parents.

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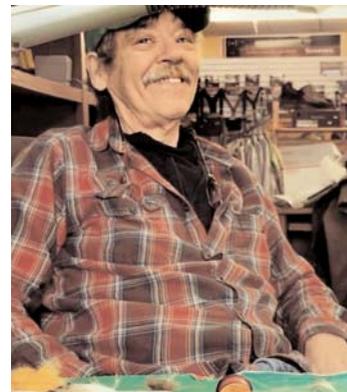
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Catskill Fly Fishing Center and Museum to Honor Agnes Van Put and Dennis Skarka

The smiling face synonymous with the Catskill Fly Fishing Center & Museum, and the man behind Catskill Flies will officially be named Catskill Legends April 13.



Dennis Skarka

Tables can be purchased for \$500. There will be raffles and auctions.

Since the inception of the museum, Agnes has been part of it. She's still making her jam which can still be purchased at the gift shop, and her soups warm those who brave the early spring cold for the CFFCM's first cast each April.

"Every special event we have is greeted by the question, 'Will Agnes be there?' when people RSVP," CFFCM Managing Director John Kovach said.

Dennis Skarka, from his downtown Roscoe store Catskill Flies, was a go-to source for information on where the big trout were and what they were eating. He died Feb. 3, 2019 but the Catskill Flies will live on.

Tickets to the 2019 CFFCM Legends Dinner can be purchased at www.cffcm.com



Agnes Van Put

Catskill Fly Fishing Center and Museum to Kick Off Trout Season with Rep. Delgado

A day filled with activities will mark the first weekend of trout season 2019 when the Catskill Fly Fishing Center & Museum hosts "First Cast" on Saturday, April 6, from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The official "First Cast", featuring Representative Antonio Delgado (NY-19), will take place at 9:30 a.m. on Wulff Run, upstream of the CFFCM bridge at the DEC parking pull-out.

At 10 a.m., return to the Gift Shop for a cup of Agnes Van Put's famous soup, coffee and cookies. The Museum and Gallery will be open.

The Catskill Fly Tyers Guild will hold its annual Rendezvous in the Wulff Gallery from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. All are welcome to meet the tyers and learn their craft.

The Catskill Cane Revival will be held from 9 a.m. to noon at the Roscoe High School Gym. Bamboo rod aficionados will loosen their arms and practice story-telling just up the bend from Keener's Pool. Bring a bamboo rod of your own or try one of ours. See some old friends and meet some new ones. Bring a friend or a kid you want to get hooked and we'll put a cane rod in their hand.

A "How It's Made" tour of the Bamboo Rod Shop in the Wulff Gallery will occur at 1PM.

The Museum will be unveiling the first installment of a new President Jimmy Carter exhibit. September of 2019 will mark the 35th anniversary of President Jimmy Carter's visit to the Catskill Fly Fishing Center & Museum. The exhibit will evolve after it opens, with images and recollections added throughout the anniversary year.



The Scene Too

By Jane Harrison

There are a few towns or villages in Sullivan County that are actually working at making a come back by welcoming new settlers and new businesses catering to these new arrivals. Livingston Manor seems to be one of these towns. I had heard there was a resurgence of life coming into the town, so I took a ride. The first business I saw was a wine shop...and a fairly busy wine shop even at 2 in the afternoon, young adults and adults, much the same as I had seen at the Catskill Brewery, also Livingston Manor, a few weeks before.

The Catskill Arts Society has been a staple there since 2007 when it moved from the building it shared with the Sullivan County Museum to its present location at 48 Main Street. Of course I had to visit. There were three artists showing. Theresa Hackett uses multi mediums in her paintings, not the least is a tempera or tempera like paint, much the same as we used in grade school. What makes her work truly interesting is the working of the paints and materials producing a weathered look that is ultimately comforting. Dale Emmart's Nocturne series, evoked for me dark night clouds with flashes of brilliant reds and oranges, similar to what I've seen in Florida. His inspiration, however, smoke billowing from smoke stacks and burn barrels. But that's the beauty of art, that the viewer can see whatever speaks to them personally. This hold true with the third exhibit. The poetry of writer Mermer Blakeslee so spoke to Margot McLean that pen and ink drawings came forth. I like pen and ink drawings, personally, since I can draw about as well as I can sing. The McLean drawings are powerful, wonderful, mesmerizing pieces...which prompted me to then read the poetry, which I found also worthy of the same three descriptions.

Another 'must see' there is Main Street Farm, Market and Café at 36 Main Street which has been advertised in almost everything in print I've seen, and carries a great deal of gluten free, local products, and organics. Can the area support a store like this? Let me just say that in the five minutes it took to eat my gluten free donut, I saw five, possibly six people come in specifically to purchase. So yes, I would say so. They have done their homework on the new demographics.

And then it was off to the Pickled Owl for dinner and whatever musical offering they had. What I got was David Milner. How in Heaven's name have I not see this gem of a performer before? I'm positive that he toned down, because it IS the Pickled Owl, but his last set was ultimate fun. When things go wrong in a performance (equipment failure, strings breaking, etc) one can call it a night (which I've seen) or, make it work. And David certainly did the latter, which was impressive. Also impressive was the incredible array of different artists he covered. Most solo performers pick songs in the same vein, but not this man. I'll be letting you know when he's performing again. He's definitely on my 'must see' list.

I had photos from this, but my phone is MIA. Can't find it anywhere. SOOOooooo...

Until next time, here's what's coming up this week

Wednesday: Open Studio at **Fiber On Main**, 227 Main Street, Hurleyville. Bring your knitting and crocheting projects (or weaving or spinning) and join this light hearted bunch of like minded people. 4pm-7pm

Friday: **ACCOUSTIC ANYMOUS; Cabernet Frank's**, 38 Main Street, Parksville. 7:30pm

Odd Tuesday at Brew in Rock Hill: The Greater Sullivan Search and Rescue Orchestra featuring Joanna Gass, Kenny Wenheim, Steve Schwartz and Eric Neis; 6:30 PM

Slam Allen Raises the Rafters at Music On Market

The internationally-known, dynamic Slam Allen uses the genres of Blues, Soul, R&B and a touch of Rock & Roll delivered a powerful, soul-stirring performances this past weekend. He captured the audience with a voice that echoes Otis Redding, a guitar that immerses you in B. B. King and stage energy reminiscent of James Brown, all while captivating you with his own original music.

Growing up, Slam played drums for the family soul band "The Allen Brothers" and later on, learned guitar from his Dad, Harrison Allen and his Uncle, Cecil Allen. As his talent grew in their eyes, the family knew they had a special talent to nurture Today, with six CDs to his credit, Slam has crisscrossed the globe playing festivals from

Argentina to New York, Italy to Florida, Switzerland to Chicago and beyond.

This gifted musician and entertainer was the lead singer, lead guitarist and band leader for the legendary Grammy-nominated James Cotton. "Playing with Cotton was such a great experience for me! There are things I learned from him that you can't learn from any school. It was a great honor!"

In 2010, Slam Allen had the distinction of being chosen by Norwegian Cruise Line for the inaugural launch of the Norwegian Epic, and the official "Fat Cats" house band, the first full-time Blues and Soul artist on a National Cruise Line. With Slam at the helm, the band quickly developed a special rapport with guests. People wanted to be entertained six nights a week and Slam delivered his unique brand of entertainment for five years

Today, Slam Allen continues a national and international mission to fill his audiences with joy, happiness and love. "If I can entertain the people, make them happy and inspire them to stay positive about life, I have done my job!"

Music on Market Series as just begun its 9 month series of 26 concerts at St. John's Church in Ellenville.

Concert's at 7:30. Door opens at 7:15. Tickets: \$15, adults; \$10, seniors and students; all kids 12 and under, free. For information call: 845-377-3727

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RiverFolk Concert: The Slambovian Circus of Dreams at The Cooperage, March 17

On Sunday, March 17, 2019 please join RiverFolk Concerts for a performance of New York's Slambovian Circus of Dreams at The Cooperage in Honesdale. The Slambovian Circus of Dreams "is a riveting, mesmerizing, crazy, amazing machine of music." - Chronogram Magazine. With their "Hilariously genius, philosophically cosmic, folk-metal mastery" at work, their melodic avant-folk rock casts a spell that charms from the first note. With thought-provoking lyrics and styles ranging from dusty Americana ballads to huge Pink Floyd-esque cinematic anthems, the 'Slambovian Experience' is what keeps fans coming back for more. The show will start at 5:00pm with doors opening at 4:00pm. Suggested donation of \$20 in advance or \$25 at the door. Make a reservation by calling 570-253-2020 or 845-252-6783 or email riverfolkconcerts@thecoopageproject.org.

Formed in Sleepy Hollow, New York over a decade ago, they pioneered the alt-folk circuit, staying on the fringes of the music industry. Winning support from indie radio and press since their inception, fans fueled their career from the ground up to an international status. Having headlined major music festivals and venues across the US, Canada and UK, this band has a devoted cult following across the globe.

The band is led by songwriter Joziah Longo on vocals/guitar/harmonica. "Soothing and bewitching as a snake oil tonic, the entire root system of Rock Family Trees is embedded in Longo's voice." - The Big Issue, Scotland, UK. Joziah is joined by Sharkey McEwen on guitar and mandolin, multi-instrumentalist Tink Lloyd on accordion/cello/ukelele/melodica with Felipe Torres on drums and percussion plus Bob Torsello on bass.

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Two Exhibits Open at DVAA

"Before the Echo," an exhibition of photography by Lisa DiLillo, and "Branches, Rocks, and String," an installation of sculpture by Eric Baylin, open at Delaware Valley Arts Alliance, 37 Main St, Narrowsburg, NY on Saturday, March 30, with a reception from 3 to 5 pm. The shows will be on view through May 4. On Saturday, April 20 at 2 pm, DiLillo and Baylin will lead a discussion about the work in the exhibits. The talk is free and open to the public.

LISA DILILLO IN ALLIANCE GALLERY
"I have always been inspired by the beauty and mystery of nature," DiLillo says. "Since moving up to the Upper Delaware Valley area it has been the sole subject of my work."

The exhibition is comprised of photographs that are reimagined landscapes created by introducing various sources of illumination such as smoke, sparks, and fireworks into rural settings. These ephemeral elements were shot in the woods at night throughout the year. DiLillo is interested in discovering underlying visual potential using light, the very essence of the photographic process.

The photographs capture liminal states and reference invisible processes where entities come into being, change form, or disintegrate. These lightscapes emerge from the shroud of the canopy in unpredictable ways. As a result, the work is a process of chance and discovery. This unpredictability mirrors the volatility of nature itself, and foreshadows unexpected environmental transformations on our horizon.

DiLillo earned her B.A. at Parsons School of Design and has lived in New York City and Sparrowbush, NY. DiLillo's videos have been exhibited widely in such venues and festivals as Reina Sofia National Museum of Art in Madrid, Memling

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Museum in Belgium, and Rotterdam Film Festival. Her photographs have been exhibited at CLAMPart Gallery, Thierry Goldberg Projects, and Momenta Art, among others. She has been awarded an Electronic Arts Grant, a Jerome Foundation Grant, and residencies at The Experimental Television Center. For more information, visit her website at www.lisadilillo.com.

Eric Baylin in Loft Gallery

"For nearly two decades I have been interested in making sculpture using natural materials that I find mostly in the woods surrounding my home in North Branch, NY," says Baylin who often selects long forsythia branches and rocks plucked from creek beds for his work. "I was first inspired by fallen branches that were snagged by others on descent, then left to dangle out of place, newly configured: instant sculpture in the woods."

Baylin divides his time between North Branch, where he has had a home for more than 20 years, and Brooklyn where he teaches high school art at Packer Collegiate Institute. He graduated from the San Francisco Art Institute with a degree in painting and also received an MFA from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, at which time his work re-emerged into three dimensions, his first real interest in art. He has continued to make sculpture since then.

"I spend my time combing the woods in search of the interesting turn or twist in a branch. Then I spend hours combining and re-combining the branches, angling the string, shifting the rocks," says Baylin. "The more I insert myself into the process, the less pleased I am with the results. If the branches start to depict or overly suggest a person or thing, I start again."

Baylin has exhibited in various shows throughout Sullivan County. His work is included in the collections at the North Carolina Museum of Art in Raleigh, NC and the Greenville Museum of Art in Greenville, NC, as well as in numerous private collections.

Delaware Valley Arts Alliance is located at 37 Main Street, Narrowsburg, NY. Hours are Tuesday through Saturday, 10 am - 5 pm. The activities of the Delaware Valley Arts Alliance are made possible in part by a grant from the New York State Council on the Arts with the support of Governor Andrew Cuomo and the New York State Legislature.

For more information, visit delawarevalleyartsalliance.org or call 845-252-7576.

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 Wednesday, April 3, 2019 from 8:30 am to 1:00 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.

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Rep. Antonio Delgado Announces 19th Congressional District Agriculture Advisory Committee Committee includes 40 farmers and agriculture leaders from every county in the district

U.S. Representative Antonio Delgado (NY-19) announced the creation of his 19th Congressional District Agriculture Advisory Committee, including farmers and agriculture leaders from every county in the district. The 40 members of the group will provide input to Delgado on ways that Congress can better support small farms in Upstate New York.

"All over our district we've got small, local farms that are so vital to our way of life in Upstate and to our economy. I'm looking forward to working with the Advisory Committee to prioritize small and mid-tier family-owned farms who are too often marginalized by Congress," Delgado said. "The best ideas on how we can empower farmers come not from Washington but from those who actually live and breathe these issues every day in our district. We can't work through solutions to the challenges that family farms are facing without conversations like the ones I'll be having with this Advisory Committee at the local level."

The 19th Congressional District is the eighth most rural district in the country and the third most rural district represented by a Democrat. There are over 5,000 farms and over 8,000 farm operations in the district. Delgado focused his first in-district work period on touring farms and sitting down with local farmers to hear about localized infrastructure, technology needs, and sustainable farming practices.

Agriculture Advisory Committee members praised the creation of the board and discussed what they intend to work on with Delgado. "It's refreshing to hear the congressman talk about bipartisanship and working hard to get the job done. It's a breath of fresh air," said Ray Cullen, Ulster County Farm Bureau President and owner of Green Heron Farm. "The farming community is looking forward to working together on finding solutions to problems like H2-A reform, which is an incredibly important issue for our fruit and vegetable farmers in the Hudson Valley who rely on seasonal labor."

"Agriculture is central to our history, culture and livelihoods in the Mohawk Valley," said Jason R. Evans, SUNY Cobleskill professor and director of the Institute for Rural Vitality. "There

are real opportunities now for reshaping the regional agricultural economy and making it more robust for future generations of farm and food entrepreneurs. But, there are also complex challenges, and policy will undoubtedly play a role in understanding and overcoming those. I am honored to be part of Congressman Delgado's Agriculture Advisory Committee and look forward to the important work ahead."

"I am excited to be part of Congressman Delgado's Agriculture Advisory team, and I am looking forward to working with him and his staff in trying to solve agriculture and dairy issues in New York 19," said Duane Martin, dairy farmer and President of Delaware County Farm Bureau.

"We appreciate that newly elected Congressman Delgado reached out to farmers and other agricultural stakeholders in the district to meet with him on a regular basis. Agriculture is at the center of the Upstate economy. It's important that our elected officials, regardless of party, pay close attention to realities on the ground and what's at stake for farmers in the district. We hope that regular dialogue with the Committee will better equip him to address needs," said Phoebe Schreiner, Executive Director of the Center for Agricultural Development and Entrepreneurship (CADE).

"It is very exciting that Congressman Delgado has identified agriculture as a high priority in his district," said Bernadine Wiesen, Executive Director of Cornell Cooperative Extension (CCE) of Rensselaer County. "Keeping the agriculture industry healthy is critical for the well-being of ALL residents. I look forward to the formation of this committee and working together to strengthen our agriculture industry."

19th Congressional District Agriculture Advisory Board members include:

Sophie Ackoff, National Young Farmers Coalition National Field Director
Brian Aukema, Cornell Cooperative Extension (CCE) of Broome County Agriculture Team Lead
Jim Barber, Barber's Farm
Cliff Brunner, Sunny Slope Farm
Nick Cipollone, Rondout Valley Growers Association Board President
Isaac Coon, Dutchess County Farm Bureau President
David Cox, CCE of Schoharie and Otsego Counties Agriculture Program Leader
Ray Cullen, Ulster County Farm Bureau President
Jeanne Darling, CCE of Delaware County Executive Director
Jim Davenport, Columbia County Farm Bureau President
Mark R. Davies, Hartwick College Professor of Education & Coordinator of Environment, Sustainability & Society
Shaylyn Decker, Taste NY Market Manager - Capital Region Welcome Center at CCE of Columbia and Greene Counties
Todd Erling, Hudson Valley Agribusiness Executive Director
Jason R. Evans, SUNY Cobleskill Assistant Professor of Agricultural Business Management
Jennifer Fimbel, Dutchess County CCE Agricultural Educator & Ag Navigator
Brian Gilchrist, CCE of Fulton and Montgomery Counties Executive Director
Paul Greer, Otsego County Farm Bureau President
Wes Hannah, Solid Ground Farm; Hudson Valley Young Farmers Coalition
Wilford (Willie) Hughson, Sullivan County Farm Bureau President
Mike Jennings, Montgomery County Farm Bureau President
David Johnson, Broome County Farm Bureau President
Tianna Kennedy, Star Route Farm; Greater Catskills Young Farmers Coalition
Christian Malsatzki, CCE of Ulster County Senior Agriculture Program Leader
Duane Martin, Delaware County Farm Bureau President
Paul Molesky, Rensselaer County Farm Bureau Vice President; America's Young Farmers and Ranchers Chair
Colleen Monaghan, CCE of Sullivan County Executive Director
Eric Ooms, New York Farm Bureau Vice President
Brooke Pickering-Cole, Hudson Valley Farm Hub Director

SULLIVAN COUNTY VETERAN COALITION IS SPONSORING THE AVTT TRAVELING VIETNAM WALL



ON DISPLAY AT THE ROCK HILL FIREMENS FIELD ON SEPT. 12 @ 2PM & 24HRS A DAY ON SEPT 13-14. WE ARE ASKING FOR SUPPORT WITH A DONATION TO BRING THE AVTT VIETNAM TRAVELING WALL TO SULLIVAN COUNTY NEW YORK.

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ANY QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS PLEASE FEEL FREE TO CONTACT:

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THANK YOU FOR ALL OF YOUR HELP

Jeffrey Potent, Delaware County Resident; Columbia University Professor; environmental and sustainable agriculture expert

Dave Raylinsky, Highland Hollow Farm
Bryn Roshong, Solid Ground Farm; Hudson Valley Young Farmers Coalition

Phoebe K. Schreiner, Center for Agricultural Development & Entrepreneurship (CADE) Executive Director
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John VanDerwerken, Schoharie County Farm Bureau President

Ben Tyler & Greta Zaro, Unadilla Community Farm; Leatherstocking Young Farmers Coalition

Bernadine Wiesen, CCE of Rensselaer County Executive Director
Bari Zeiger, Frost Valley Farm

Bill to Ban Campaign Contributions from Companies Seeking State Contracts Passes Senate

Senator Jen Metzger (SD-42) Co-sponsored the Bill and Calls for Further Action

A bill co-sponsored by State Senator Jen Metzger banning campaign contributions from companies seeking state contracts (\$3167) unanimously passed the State Senate.

The bill, introduced by Senator Zellnor Myrie (SD-20), would also impose a "restricted vendor contribution period" barring prospective vendors from making campaign contributions for a period of 6-months both before and after contracts are awarded. The ban would apply to officeholders with authority over the procurement process.

"New York's system of campaign finance reform has had an incredibly corrosive effect on our state's democratic institutions," said Senator Jen Metzger (SD-42), during the legislative session. "The legislation we pass today is an important step forward in ending this pay-to-play system. We have more work to do, but we are well on our way." Senator Metzger has sponsored a bill that would ban corporate donations entirely (\$1013), a bill she hopes to see passed before the end of the year.

Another important piece of legislation that passed the Senate today, introduced by Senator Brian Kavanaugh, requires that the occupation and employer of a campaign contributor be included as part of campaign filing requirements. This will bring much-needed transparency with regard to donors representing corporate interests that are filing as individual contributors.

Jen Metzger represents the 42nd Senate District, which includes all of Sullivan County and parts of Delaware, Orange, and Ulster Counties. Senator Metzger serves as Chair of the Agriculture Committee and sits on the Environmental Conservation, Education, Health, Energy and Telecommunications, and Local Government Committees.

**Claryville Fire Dept.
All You Can Eat
Corned Beef and
Cabbage Supper
Beer and Soda Included
Saturday, March 16**



**Serving 4:00 until 700 PM
Adults: \$13
Children Ages 5-11: \$8
Under 5 Yrs. Free**

**\$50 from the supper is donated to
The Claryville Reformed Church Food Pantry**

**Claryville Fire Dept.
All You Can Eat
Pancake Breakfast
Sunday, March 24**



**Serving 7:00 until 12 Noon
Adults: \$9
Children Ages 5-11: \$5
Under 5 Yrs. Free
\$50 from the Breakfast
Is Donated to the
Claryville Reformed Church
Food Pantry**



ST. ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL MISSION

The Little Church with the Big Heart

**Sunday, 8 am Service of
Holy Communion, except:
Second Saturday of each month,
12:00 noon**

Music by Fred VanWagner
Coffee hour follows service
All are welcome!

5277 State Rt. 42 • South Fallsburg
845-436-7539
www.standrewsepiscopalmission.org

Sundown United Methodist Church

Peekamoose Rd., Sundown
Sunday Worship Service - 8:30 a.m.
Wednesday Bible Study - 6:45 p.m.
Pastor: Rev. Seung Jin Hong
845-985-2283
e-mail: Sundownumc@gmail.com

Grahamsville United Methodist Church

Rte. 55, Grahamsville
Sunday Worship Service - 10:30 a.m.
Sunday School for grades k-7 - 10:30a.m.
Mid-week Bible Study opportunities available!
For information contact Rev. Seung Jin Hong. 845-985-2283
e-mail: Grahamsvilleumc@gmail.com

Loucks Funeral Home

**Geoff and Heather Hazzard
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79 North Main Street
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(845) 647-4343

**Important Notice Concerning the
Grahamsville UMC Thrift Ministry**

After a three-month hiatus from our very popular thrift ministry, we look forward to seeing many of you on **March 16th for the first sale of the 2019 season!**

During the break, we discussed needed changes that will allow us to continue to provide this valuable service. As a community we will need to work together to make this a worthwhile ministry. Due to the increased expense of disposal of unsaleable items and a shortage of volunteers, donations will now be taken by appointment only; the red shed will no longer be used for drop-offs.

We are **not** accepting the following:

- Cracked or chipped dishes, pottery, or glassware
- Dirty, torn, or stained clothing (these items can be left in the textile recycling containers near the Tri-Valley School administrative building)
- Personalized items of any kind, including clothing
- Furniture
- Car seats and cribs
- Books
- Electronics
- Stuffed animals

We will continue to gratefully accept donations of clean clothing, housewares, and other useful items in good condition. Beginning March 1st, if you have donations please call one of the following staff to set up a drop-off time that is convenient for you:

Lee - 985-3128
Betty - 985-6333

Thank you for your cooperation and understanding,
*The Grahamsville United Methodist Church
Thrift Ministry Team*

**Claryville Reformed
Church**

Claryville Road
Claryville, NY 12725
845-985-2041



Worship Services @ 10:00 am

Church Hall available for rent
Call - 845-985-2041 for information

**CATHOLIC PARISH OF THE
IMMACULATE CONCEPTION**

(Embraces Fallsburg, Neversink, Sundown and Ulster Heights)
6317 Rte. 42, Woodbourne, NY

Weekend Mass schedule:

Saturday afternoon: 4:30 pm
Sunday morning: 9:00 am and 11:30 am

Daily Mass Schedule: Monday morning 8:50 am; Tuesday morning 8:50 am; Wednesday morning No Mass; Thursday afternoon 5:45 pm; Friday morning 8:50 am and Saturday morning 8:50 am.

Saturday afternoon confessions: 3:45 to 4:15 pm

Rev. Ignas Dhas MMI, Administrator
(845) 434-7643

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68 Church St., Napanoch

YARD and CLOTHING SALE

Every Friday: 10 am - 3:00 pm
Comics, Vintage items, books, clothing, yard sale items, children's clothing, toys... something for everyone!

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April 6, 2019
5:30 pm
Covered
Dish Supper

*Sundown
United Methodist
Church Hall*

**Grahamsville
United
Methodist
Church**

Thrift Sale

**Saturday
March 16**

**9 am
to
12 noon**

St. Augustine's Chapel

Watson Hollow Rd. • West Shokan, NY

Sunday Mass - 9:30 am

Holy Days 5:30 pm

Penance 9:00 am, 2nd Sunday of the month

Rev. George W. Hommel, Pastor

Grahamsville Reformed Church

*The Church with
a friendly welcome*

Pastor Kenneth Ronk

Sunday School 9:30 am

Worship Service 9:30 am

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Grahamsville, NY 12740

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LEGALS/PUBLIC NOTICES:

ATTENTION:

PARENTS OF NON-PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS

The Tri-Valley Central School District in accordance with Section 3635(2) of the Education Law requires that requests for transportation to a non-public school for the 2019-2020 school year be submitted, in writing, prior to April 1, 2019.

Tri-Valley residents should submit their requests to:

District Clerk
Tri-Valley Central School District
34 Moore Hill Road
Grahamsville, New York 12740

By Order of the Board of Education.
Norma Peña
District Clerk
March 8, 2019

3/14; 3/21/19

PETITIONS FOR BOARD OF EDUCATION

FALLSBURG, NY-Petitions nominating candidates for the office of member of the Board of Education of the Fallsburg School District will be available in the Central Office on Monday, **March 11, 2019** between the hours of 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM. Petitions must be signed by at least 25 qualified voters of the district. They must be returned to the District Clerk before 5:00 PM on **April 22, 2019**.

The following vacancies are to be filled on the Board of Education:

Ms. Debra Barbiani - 3 year term
Ms. Arlene Hussey - 3 year term
Dr. Stephanie Phillips- 3 year term

Each vacancy is a separate office and separate petition is required to nominate a candidate to each separate office.

If you have any questions, please call Sarah Satz, District Clerk at 434-6800, ext. 1215.

**Fallsburg Central School District
Pre-K and Kindergarten Registration
for the 2019-20 school year**

**Registration for Kindergarten will take place
April 1 - April 12**

**Registration for Pre-K will take place
April 29 - May 10**

**Kindergarten students must be 5 on or before
December 1, 2019**

**Pre-K students must be 4 on or before December 1,
2019**

At the time of registration the following documents must be presented:

- Birth Certificate
- Immunization Records (from Dr.)
- Proof of Residency: A current rent agreement, tax bill, utility bill that shows the actual location of your residence - **a post office box is not acceptable**
- Photo ID of the parent or legal guardian who is registering the student
- Custody papers (if applicable)

**For an appointment please call Beth Murray at
845-434-6800 x 1222**

**Registration must be completed by a parent or
legal guardian.**

Registration forms are available for printout at www.fallsburgcsd.net/registration.

Registration will be held at the High School in the office of Pupil Personnel Services.

**Please allow 1 hour for your appointment.
Children do not need to attend.**

All children who are registered for Kindergarten or Pre-K by May 31, 2019 will be invited to a screening in June.

**Distrito Central de las Escuelas de Fallsburg
Pre-K y Kindergarten Matrículas**

**Matrícula para Kindergarten se llevará a efecto
el 1 de Abril - de 12 de Abril**

**Matrícula para los Pre-K se llevará a efecto
el 29 de Abril - 10 de Mayo**

**Los estudiantes de Kindergarten deben cumplir los
5 años en o antes del
1ro de Diciembre del 2019**

**Los estudiantes de Pre-K deben cumplir los 4 años
en o antes del
1ro de Diciembre del 2019**

**Al momento de matricular se debe presentar los
siguientes documentos:**

- Certificado de Nacimiento
- Certificado de vacunas (del Dr.)
- Prueba de residencia: Un contrato de arriendo **actual**, pago de impuestos, cuenta de gastos comunes que muestre la dirección actual de su residencia - **No se acepta un casillero postal.**
- Una identificación con foto de los padres o del apoderado/guardian legal que matricule al estudiante.
- Documentos de la custodia (si es aplicable)

**Para una cita por favor llame a Beth Murray @
845-434-6800 x 1222**

**La matrícula debe ser realizada por los padres o por
un apoderado/guardian legal.**

Los formularios de inscripción están disponibles para la impresión en www.fallsburgcsd.net/registration.

Las matrículas se llevaran a efecto en el Servicios Personales al Púpilo en la Escuela Secundaria.

Por favor disponga de una hora para la cita. Los niños no necesitan asistir.

Todos los estudiantes matriculados en kindergarten o pre-k antes del 31 de mayo del 2019 serán llamados para una evaluación en junio.

Tangled Up in Twine

ECO Kelley with untangled seagull

rehabilitator, where the bird was treated for dehydration and malnutrition and made a rapid recovery.

Endangered Species Protection

Region 8 ECOs recently conducted a unique detail in an effort to protect an endangered species while assisting local landowners with traffic and public safety issues. For years, short-eared owls have been using a Livingston County neighborhood as winter feeding grounds. The owls are easily photographed as they fly low to the ground in this picturesque area, hunting for rodents. Word spread on social media, and members of the public began showing up, parking on the road, and setting up camera tripods.



Short-eared owl perched on a Livingston County fencepost

ECOs have spent time in the area over the last few weeks, speaking with numerous bird enthusiasts and educating them on the laws protecting endangered and threatened species. ECOs have also attempted to mediate the parking, traffic, and trespassing issues. Through this outreach, the officers are hopeful the owls will remain undisturbed and continue to winter in this unique area.

**DEC and Volunteers Prepare for Annual
Salamander and Frog Migration**

Hudson Valley Volunteers to Assist Amphibians with Road Crossings during Annual Breeding Migrations

Community volunteers throughout the Hudson Valley are getting out their reflective vests, raingear, and clipboards in anticipation of annual breeding migrations of salamanders and frogs, which typically begin in mid-March, the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) announced today. The volunteers will document their observations as part of DEC's Amphibian Migrations and Road Crossings Project.

"Amphibians contribute to a healthy, functioning ecosystem and during this time of year, road mortality can pose a significant threat to our frogs, toads, and salamanders," said DEC Commissioner Basil Seggos. "DEC is grateful to the hundreds of volunteer partners that venture out each year to help protect New York's amphibians. I encourage all New Yorkers and visitors traveling the state's roads to be on the lookout for amphibians and consider working with our committed community of volunteers helping these creatures to safely cross the road."

After the ground has started to thaw in late winter and early spring, species such as spotted salamander and wood frog emerge from underground winter shelters in the forest and walk overland to woodland pools for breeding. In New York's Hudson Valley, this migration usually occurs on rainy nights from mid-March to early April, when the night air temperature is above 40 degrees Fahrenheit. When these conditions align just so, New York can experience explosive "big night" migrations, with hundreds of amphibians on the move, many having to cross roads.

Volunteers of the Amphibian Migrations and Road Crossings Project document Hudson Valley locations where migrations cross roads, record weather and traffic conditions, and identify and count the amphibians on the move. The volunteers also carefully help the amphibians to safely cross roads.

Now in its 11th year, more than 370 project volunteers have counted 20 species of amphibians and helped nearly 12,000 cross roads. Species reported most frequently during migration nights include spotted salamander, spring peeper, and wood frog. To a lesser degree, volunteers have also observed Jefferson-blue spotted salamander complex and four-toed salamander, species of greatest conservation need in New York, as well as more common species like American toad and redback salamander.

Drivers are encouraged to proceed with caution or avoid travel on the first warm, rainy evenings of the season. Amphibians come out after nightfall and are slow moving; mortality can be high even on low-traffic roads. Since the project started in 2009, volunteers have counted at least 5,700 migrating amphibians killed by passing vehicles. For more information, including a short video about amphibian migrations, visit DEC's website or contact woodlandpool@dec.ny.gov.

Project volunteers are encouraged to use the hashtag **#amphibianmigrationhv** in their photos and posts on social media.

**Free Pheasant Rearing Opportunity
for Youth**

SULLIVAN COUNTY, NY- Daily care is necessary to monitor the health of young pheasants and to ensure that there is adequate feed and water for the rapidly growing chicks. Youth interested in participating in the annual Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC)'s Day-Old Pheasant "Raise & Release" program have the unique opportunity to experience rearing pheasants and releasing them into the wild.

The rearing of pheasants requires a great deal of responsibility by youth and a substantial time commitment. The benefits of this program include:

- Rearing pheasants is enjoyable, challenging, and teaches youth responsible behavior
- Released pheasants offer fall hunting opportunities
- People enjoy seeing and hearing pheasants

Orders can be placed until Wednesday, March 20, 2019 through Cornell Cooperative Extension Sullivan County (CCESC)'s 4-H Youth Development program, located at the Extension Education Center on 64 Ferndale-Loomis Road in Liberty.

For more information on the Day-Old Pheasant Chick Program or to register for chicks, the public should contact Barbara Moran at bjm292@cornell.edu or call 845-292-6180.

When the program started in the early 1900s, pheasant eggs and chicks were distributed to farmers and rural youth. Today, day-old chicks are available at no cost to participants who are able to provide a brooding facility, a covered outdoor rearing pen, and an adequate release site. According to the DEC, without propagation and release programs of this introduced species, wild populations of this introduced species would vanish and hunting opportunities would not exist in New York State.

The program is funded through the state Conservation Fund from license fees paid by hunters, trappers, and anglers. More information is available on the DEC website at <http://www.dec.ny.gov/animals/7271.html>.

Any Sullivan County youth ages 5-18 can apply to enroll in 4-H for free, all year long. To learn more about 4-H, call CCESC at 845-292-6180 or visit <http://sullivancee.org/4-h-youth-development>.



**Town of Neversink
Parks & Recreation**
273 Main Street PO BOX 307
Grahamsville, NY 12740
Call for info: (845) 985-2262
extension 312
www.townofneversink.org

2019 Upcoming Events

Nine Sundays - Discounted Passes Skiing & Snowboarding @ Holiday Mtn

Mar. 22 Free Family Game Night & Pizza
Mar. 23 SWING DANCE LESSON & SAINTS OF SWING BAND
March 29 - Free Urban Air Adventure Park
March 29 - Free Urban Air Adventure Park
Apr 12 - Learn from a Ringling Brothers Clown
Apr 17 - Day Trip to Pine Ridge Dude Ranch
Apr 28 - Greenwich Village Food & Culture Walking Tour
Apr 29 -May 3 - Screen Free Week Learn about your community
Check out flyers on table outside Parks & Rec office



Daniel Pierce Library

hours of operation
Tuesday: 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Wednesday: 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Thursday: 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Friday: 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Saturday: 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Sunday and Monday: Closed
If you have any questions, please call the library at 985-7233.
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.

AL-ANON MEETINGS- <http://www.al-anon.alateen.org>
Mon- 7:00 p.m. United Methodist Church, 170 N. Main Street, Liberty
• Thurs- 7:00 p.m. Immaculate Conception Church Annex, 6317 Rt 42, Woodbourne
Sat- 8:00 p.m. United Methodist Church, 170 N. Main Street, Liberty

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.

2019 Dept. of Motor Vehicles Schedule - Neversink Town Hall

10:00 am - 2:30 pm

January 10th	May 16th	September 12th
February 14th	June 13th	October 10th
March 14th	July 11th	November 14th
April 11th	August 15th	December 12th

DMV IS LOCATED IN THE MAIN FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM

PAYMENT BY:
CHECK OR MONEY ORDER ONLY — NO CASH OR CREDIT

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

Also **WANTED** People to play cards

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- 3/16/19 Grahamsville UMC Thrift Sale 9 am - 12 noon
- 3/16/19 Claryville Fire Dept. All You Can Eat Corned Beef and Cabbage Supper 4 - 7 pm
- 3/18/18 Tri-Valley Booster Club- C.A.S.T. 6:30 pm TVCS Secondary School Library
- 3/19/19 Town of Neversink Zoning Board of Appeals - 7:30 pm
- 3/21/19 Neversink Fire District Meeting - 7:30 pm
- 3/24/19 Claryville Fire Dept. All You Can Eat Pancake Breakfast 7 - 12 Noon
- 3/26/19 Town of Neversink Parks and Rec Advisory Board Meeting 6 pm
- 3/26/19 Town of Neversink Parks and Rec Advisory Board Meeting 6 pm
- 4/2/19 Alzheimer's Association Caregiver Support Group -6:00 to 7:30 PM Achieve Rehab & Nursing Facility. Info: 845-798-1913
- 4/2/19 Denning Town Board Meeting - Sundown Church Hall 7 pm
- 4/2/19 Claryville Fire District Meeting - 6:30 pm
- 4/3/19 Town of Neversink Planning Board Meeting -7 pm
- 4/6/19 Covered Dish Supper - Sundown Methodist Church Hall 5:30 pm
- 4/10/19 Town of Neversink Board Meeting

Save the Date

May 18, 2019 -9 am -3 pm (Armed Forces Day) - 4th Annual Wings & Wheels for Warriors at Joseph Y. Resnick Airport, 199 Airport Rd., Ellenville, NY 12428 (Rain Date: May 19th)
May 25-27 - 3rd Annual Sundown Memorial Day Weekend Miles and Miles of Yard Sales
Sept 21 & 22 - Neversink Parks & Rec Yard Sale, Craft & Vendor Sale

TRI-VALLEY AREA
SUNDOWN CAMP & BAIT SHOP
GRAHAMSVILLE DELI
NEVERSINK GENERAL STORE
BLUE HILL LODGE
ZANETTI'S SERVICE STATION
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Ye Olde Tri-Valley Townsman is available at the following places of business in Sullivan and Ulster Counties

LOCH SHELDRAKE - VALERO MINI MALL • SC COMMUNITY LOBBY
FALLSBURG - FALLSBURG TOWN HALL

WOODBOURNE - CITGO STATION • MO'S GAS STATION • P.D. SMITH ENTERPRISE
LIBERTY - LIBERTY FITNESS • CHARLIE'S PIZZA • AGWAY (Both Stores)
CLAUDIA'S BEAUTY SALON • SHOPRITE • IDEAL FOOD • MUNSON DINER

ELLENVILLE/NAPANOCH
JAMES NAPANOCH GROCERY
MATTHEW'S PHARMACY
EWCOO
ELLENVILLE CITGO
ELLENVILLE REG HOSPITAL
PETER'S MARKET
SHOPRITE
IL PARIDSO

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.

PLEASE PURCHASE YOUR TICKETS

IN ADVANCE

Boy Scout Troop 97

Fish or Chicken and Chips Dinner

Neversink Fire House May 11th from 4:30pm to 6:30pm

Prepared. For Life.™

We will be serving fish or chicken and chips, coleslaw, drinks and a dessert. There will also be a tricky tray table.

Adults \$14.00
Children under 12 \$8.00

Please purchase your single serve meal tickets in advance from:

Boy Scout Neversink Troop 97
Neil Terwilliger at (845)-798-3328
Chris Morgan at (845) 985 9952

Food Provided by Tastefully British

Mohegan Sun (Pocono Downs, Wilkes-Barre, PA) Casino Trip

Saturday, March 23, 2019.

Sponsored by Monticello Kiwanis Club
Bus leaves front of Parking Lot of Town of Thompson Town Hall (located at Monticello Shop Rite Mall) at 8:30 AM sharp and returns by 5:30 PM.

\$35 per person - includes \$25.00 Free Play plus \$5.00 Food Coupon. Must be 21 years or older and bring Photo ID. Deadline is March 8th.

For reservations and info -call Lori at 845-794-2888.

Alzheimer's Association Caregiver Support Group

Tuesday, April 2, 2019, from 6:00 to 7:30 PM
Achieve Rehab & Nursing Facility, 170 Lake St., Liberty.

Open to all caregivers/family members of people with Alzheimer's disease or related dementias. Provides an opportunity to meet and develop a mutual support system among people who really understand what they are going through.

Refreshments served. For further info contact Sue Lennon at 845-798-1913.

Tri-Valley Elementary School WANTED: Local establishments to display student KINDNESS artwork

Contact Penny Hennessey in the Main Office at 985-2296 ext. 5306 or pennyhennessey@trivalleycsd.org.

All artwork and frames will be provided by the District and refreshed bi-annually.

Neversink Renaissance is looking for an intern for the summer to water hanging baskets and perform other gardening tasks around Neversink/Grahamsville. A driver's license is required. Interested people should send an email to Russ Scheier at cherwoehl@gmail.com and request an application be sent to them. While the deadline states March 1, they are still accepting applications. For further information, please contact Russ (845 985-0132) or Anne-Louise with any questions.

Sullivan County Community Chorus to Perform at Carnegie Hall

Sullivan County Community Chorus will be performing at Carnegie Hall on May 28th. If you are interested in hearing the chorus, who will be joining others in singing Dan Forest's *Requim For the Living*, CD Trips is offering transportation and tickets for sale.

For more information visit: <http://cdtrips.com/nyc-trip-to-carnegie-hall> -may-28-2019/

Sullivan County Community Chorus is also looking for corporate sponsors to help defray the cost. Please visit them on Facebook, scchorus.org or call 845-985-0132.



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Saturday, March 23

SWING DANCE LESSON SAINTS OF SWING BAND

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Grahamsville Fire Dept.
 205 Main Street
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3rd Annual Sundown Miles and Miles of Yard Sales!

When you start your Spring Cleaning and want to get rid of all those things you haven't used in the past five years, maybe you want to keep them just a few more weeks. Think ahead! The 3rd Annual Sundown Memorial Day Weekend Miles and Miles of Yard Sales is just 10 weeks away! Whether you have your own yard sale, or donate items to the Sundown Methodist Church Ladies for their sale - either way, you won't have to cart that 'stuff' very far and you can join the fun! Mark your calendar now so you won't forget - **May 25-27 3rd Annual Sundown Memorial Day Weekend Miles and Miles of Yard Sales!**

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"Knarf's Classic Movie Trivia"

DANCING, SINGING, AND ROMANCE
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YOU'LL FIND OUT (Musical, 1940) Kay Kyser and his band fight to save a young girl trapped in a haunted mansion. **Dir: David Butler** **Cast: Kay Kyser, Peter Lorre, Boris Karloff.** - 7:45 AM **HIGHER AND HIGHER (Musical, 1943)** Servants pass off one of their own as an heiress in hopes of winning her a wealthy husband. **Dir: Tim Whelan.** **Cast: Michèle Morgan, Jack Haley, Frank Sinatra.** - 9:30 AM **CHRISTOPHER STRONG (Romance, 1933)** An aviatrix's affair with a married man could cost her her career. - 11:00 AM **LITTLE NELLIE KELLY (Musical, 1940)** The daughter of Irish immigrants patches up differences between her father and grandfather and rises to the top on Broadway. **Dir: Norman Taurog.** **Cast: Judy Garland, George Murphy, Charles Winninger.** - 12:45 PM **ANDY HARDY MEETS DEBUTANTE (Comedy, 1940).** - 2:30 PM **THESE GLAMOUR GIRLS (Comedy, 1939).** - 4:00 PM **LITTLE WOMEN (Drama, 1933)** 6:00 PM **JEZEBEL (1938).** - 8:00 PM **SINGIN' IN THE RAIN (Musical, 1952).** - 11:00 PM **ON THE TOWN (Musical, 1949).** - 1:00 AM **SEVEN BRIDES FOR SEVEN BROTHERS (musical, 1954).** - 3:00 AM **ROYAL WEDDING (Musical, 1951).** 5:00 AM **IT'S ALWAYS FAIR WEATHER (Musical, 1955.)** **DON'T MISS "SOME CAME RUNNING" ON WEDNESDAY MARCH 20, 2019 at 2:00 PM** - One of the best from a number of genius thespians (drama, 1958). In the **SPIRIT PEYTON PLACE** and **SMALL-TOWN SCANDALS.** Frank Sinatra as veteran returns home to deal with family secrets. **Directed by Vincente Minnelli, starring Frank Sinatra, Dean Martin, Shirley MacLaine, Martha Hyer, Arthur Kennedy, Nancy Gates.** Wonderful adaptation of James Jones' novel. More a character study than narrative. One of MacLaine's very best. She is especially good as luckless floozie who's stuck on Sinatra. Elmer Bernstein's music score also a standout. CinemaScope-136 m TV-PG Closed Captions

Quiz: In the film "SOME CAME RUNNING"
 1. Who played Gwen French?
 2. Who played Ginny Moorhead?

What's Going on in The Gnome Neighborhood™

SUNDOWN
 April 6, 2019 **Covered Dish Supper** - Sundown Methodist Church Hall 5:30 pm

CLARYVILLE
 March 16 **Claryville Fire Dept. All You Can Eat Corned Beef and Cabbage Supper** 4 - 7 pm. Claryville Firehouse

March 23 - **Paint and Sip** 5:00 pm at the Claryville Event Center. Call now for reservations: (845) 985-0247

March 24, 2019 - **Claryville Fire Dept. All you Can Eat Pancake Breakfast** 7 - 12 Noon

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