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Warm Your Spirits with Pat Peters Colorful Exhibit of Photograph Gallery Wraps



Need your spirits lifted while waiting for warmer weather? Pat Peters colorful exhibit of photograph gallery wraps will do just that. On display in Peters Market entry in Napanoch is a collection of Pat's local landscapes and nature photographs on canvas. Pat is the owner and Natural Foods Manager of Peters. Her beautiful photographs have become known through her greeting card photos that are sold at Peters Market. Her Mohonk photographs and canvas wraps are also for sale at the Mohonk Mountain House Gift Shop in New Paltz. (Cont. Pg. 9)

Great News from the Daniel Pierce Library

Exciting news! We are now offering, for the very first time, our wonderful Toddler Time and Story Hour programs four times this spring on Saturday mornings. These programs will be offered on Saturday, April 12 and 26; and on Saturday, May 17 and 31. Toddler Time (for ages 18 months to 35 months) will begin at 9:00 a.m., and Story Hour (for 3, 4, and 5 year-olds) will begin at 10:30 a.m.

Toddler Time features stories, felt stories, crafts, music, and friendship-building activities. Story Hour includes the "Magic Bag," a read-aloud, felt stories, craft projects, and music designed to help prepare the young child for school. Each child will be given a special

"I Love My Library" bag to hold the books that have been selected to take home to read.

Registration is required. To register, contact the library at 985-7233, extension 101.

Give your child a head start by enrolling him/her in one of these valuable programs on Saturday mornings.

Of course, our regular weekday programs continue to be offered: Mother Goose Time

on Wednesdays, at 9:00 a.m. and 10:15 a.m.; Toddler Time on Fridays, at 9:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.; and Story Hour on Thursdays, at 9:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. These programs will begin the week of March 31 and will last for eight weeks. Please call the library (985-7233, extension 101) to register for one of these regular weekday programs.

Congressman Gibson Convenes Heroin Summit with Law Enforcement Officials



Kingston - Congressman Chris Gibson convened a heroin summit with law enforcement officials from across the 19th Congressional District at his Kingston office last week. The summit was called to help identify and address the many challenges facing law enforcement personnel and communities across the Hudson Valley and Catskills.

County sheriffs, State Police officials, city and town police leaders, and District Attorneys were all in attendance to both listen to the scope of the problem from many perspectives and offer their best practices for how they are combating this growing epidemic. (Contd. Pg. 4)

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ON THE FRONT BURNER: Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen.
Hebrews 11:1

DAYS OF YORE....

Today's History

March 24, 1954 - A son, Gregory Paul, was born to Pfc. and Mrs. Paul Henderson of Lackawack on February 26th at the Beaumont General Hospital in El Paso, Texas. Mrs. Henderson is the former Adele Brown.

Miss Martha Pomeroy is currently sporting her new copy of the Columbia Encyclopedia around Tri Valley School. Martha won the encyclopedia as a result of obtaining the highest grade in a test put out by TIME magazine and given to the seniors at Tri Valley.

The Shavertown covered bridge over the Beech Hill creek is to be dismantled this month and reassembled near the Farmers' Museum in Cooperstown. The bridge, which is just west of the forks where the road turns south to go over Beech Mountain to Lew Beach, has to be torn down because of the dam to be built at Downsville for New York City.

March 11, 1964 - William Lawrence, a junior at Tri Valley, has been selected to attend the 1964 Summer Conference Orientation Program at Clarkson College of Technology in Potsdam, New York. Selection for this unusual opportunity is highly competitive and represents a distinct honor for the student. William is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Burr Lawrence of Liberty.

Jemima D. Tillson, age 90, died on March 4, 1964 at Hasbrouck, N.Y. She was the daughter of David and Louisa Tappen DePuy. Mrs. Tillson was married at Shokan in January, 1912 to the late Clark Tillson who passed away on February 4, 1952. A housewife, she had been a lifetime resident of Hasbrouck.

Birthday wishes this week to: John Krom, Master William Warren Schulte, Keith Ferber, Mrs. Donald Hill, Christine and Mike Dean, Ralph Countryman.

March 13, 1974 - Miss Kathi Walker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Walker of Grahamsville, will be appearing on March 23rd as one of the four high school soloists with the Sullivan County Chamber Orchestra. Kathi competed with other talented young flutists from the county to determine who would receive this honor. The concert will be held in the SCCC auditorium.

President Marion Robinson of the Tri-Valley Teachers Association is leading a contingent of the delegates to the second annual Representative Assembly of the New York State United Teachers in Montreal, Canada. The meeting runs from March 21 to the 24th. Other delegates include Martha Hatch.

March 15, 1984 - Michael Parker, 1983 Tri-Valley graduate, of Grahamsville, has earned a place on the Dean's List for the fall 1983 semester at Marist College in Poughkeepsie. Along with the freshmen Dean's List, students in the division of Natural Science, Management Studies, and Computer Science will be honored at a special dinner sponsored by the college.

Last July Rosemarie Nitschke participated in a three week Wildlife Safari in Kenya, Africa visiting ten National Parks from Nairobi to Mombassa. She flew to Kilokifora on Lake Turkana and visited the camp and site where world famous Archeologist, Richard Leakey's expedition unearthed many fossils including remains of early man 52 million years old!

Watershed Training Program Rescheduled- The Watershed Teaching Training scheduled for March 13, 2014 has been postponed until Thursday, April 24th

Teachers from Tri-Valley, Fallsburg, and Liberty School Districts are invited to attend a free professional development opportunity on Thursday, April 24, 2014. Sullivan County school teachers in the NYC Watershed can receive a free training on stream and watershed education offered by

Cornell Cooperative Extension (CCE) Sullivan County. This event will be held from 5:00 to 8:00 pm at the Gerald J. Skoda Extension Education Center on 64 Ferndale-Loomis Road in Liberty.

Through a three-hour program and the opportunity for future in-class support, CCE educators aim to enhance in-school watershed education in Sullivan County. Grant funding has made it possible for CCE educators to provide trainings to teachers at no cost to them. Teachers completing the training will have a good understanding about watershed science and the impact of land use practices on water quality, stream processes (erosion and deposition), and the impact of infrastructure and management practices on flood risk.

The grant allows CCE to provide access and support to participating classes for two resources; the EnviroScape and the EmRiver Stream Model. Teachers can use these tools to reinforce classroom lessons. Additionally, professional education credits can be applied to teachers' requirements through this training.

Teachers from Tri-Valley, Fallsburg, and Liberty School Districts who are interested in this special educational opportunity must pre-register by Monday, April 14. Registration and more information can be obtained by calling 845-292-6180 or emailing Michelle Lipari at mml249@cornell.edu. This program is made possible with funds from the Catskill Watershed Corporation in partnership with the New York City Department of Environmental Protection.

SUNY Ulster Schedules Financial Aid Workshop March 25 At the Business Resource Center

SUNY Ulster will offer a financial aid workshop on Tuesday, March 25, from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. in room 116 at the Business Resource Center, along Ulster Avenue in Kingston. Learn to navigate the financial aid application process and complete your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), with the Director of Financial Aid. Plan ahead for this workshop by visiting www.pin.ed.gov to obtain your electronic pin at least three days prior to the workshop. Also, bring your 2013 tax information; W-2 forms, federal tax returns, and any other income or asset documents. Reservations are required. Please contact the Financial Aid Office at 845-687-5096 or email financialaid@sunyulster.edu to reserve your seat today.

UC Sheriff "Drive to Survive" Training

Ulster County Sheriff Paul VanBlarcum announces that the Ulster County Sheriff's Office hosted a "Drive to Survive" training on Thursday, March 13, 2014. The training was sponsored by NYMIR, New York Municipal Insurance Reciprocal. The course was instructed by Chris Daly, a 16-year police veteran from the State of Pennsylvania who specializes in accident reconstruction and serious vehicle crashes.

Over 200 members of the Ulster County Sheriff's Office along with members from the Greene County Sheriff's Office and the Ulster County Safety and Insurance Departments attended the training. Three 3-hour sessions were held throughout the day and evening.

The "Drive to Survive" training program is designed to teach officers that no matter how long they have been driving or how good they think they are, there are limits to the safe operation of an emergency vehicle. Statistics show law enforcement officers are involved in an accident every 28,000 miles they drive. Using the same techniques employed by crash investigators, this class is designed to provide a better understanding of important topics that are essential for safe emergency vehicle operation in all types of road and weather conditions.

Sheriff Van Blarcum continues to employ a proactive approach to reduce the number of on-duty motor vehicle accidents by members of his office. This type of training will reduce the risks and assist in lowering the risk assessment to the County, thereby helping to lower insurance costs which results in a savings to Ulster County taxpayers.

A Round About Tri-Valley

-Carol Furman

March 18th was Alice Kelder's 90th birthday! The family celebrated by having dinner at the White Wolf. Belated happy birthday, Alice!

Do you like pancakes? Well, you can enjoy a delicious pancake breakfast on March 23rd at the Claryville Firehouse from 7:00 am - Noon and/or on March 30th at the Neversink Firehouse from 7:00 am - Noon. These breakfasts are plentiful, inexpensive and help to support your local fire companies.

June A. Constant passed away on March 5th at the age of 89. Sympathy to the Constant Family.

The Sportsman and Outdoor Recreation Expo will be held on Saturday, March 22nd at SUNY Sullivan from 8:00 am - 8:00 pm. Adult admission \$4.00-children under 12 are free.

The former Van Nostrand Farm on Merritt Road in Grahamsville has been sold to The Center For Discovery. The 165 acre farm will be used as a workplace for young adults with autism. The Center wants the young adults to learn dairy farming utilizing goats. The Van Nostrands purchased the dairy farm from Harold and Delia Merritt years ago.

The turn-out was amazing for Girl Scout Recognition Sunday on March 9th at the Grahamsville Reformed Church. The Church was filled with Scouts, parents of Scouts and regular Sunday morning worshippers. A lovely reception followed the service. Thank you Rev. Ruter, Michele Quick-Lepke and Joan Evans for planning the beautiful program to honor the Scouts. A special tribute was made to Margaret Dolan of Grahamsville. Margaret was one of the members of the first Girl Scout troop in Grahamsville in the early 1930's. Margaret's troop leader was Mrs. Hastings and the meetings were held at the Hastings home, which is still located at the foot of Hastings Drive in Grahamsville.

Penny Coombe of Grahamsville was scheduled to have other knee replaced on March 18th. Penny had her first knee replacement just a very short time ago. She looks great and says her pain in that knee is gone. Isn't it amazing what surgeons can do today!

According to Loretta Ackerley, her sister Kim Nash is home from the hospital following surgery and is doing well.

Congratulations to Charlie and Amy Zanetti Hicks on the recent birth of another son! Joseph Burke Hicks was born on March 9th.

Neversink Parks and Rec. has a trip to the **Botanical Gardens** planned for Saturday, June 7th. Jamie still has about 10 adult seats left to make the trip a "go". If you've never been to the Botanical Gardens, why not consider going? The gardens are just beautiful and the trip includes a one-hour tram ride and a garden buffet. Contact Jamie soon if you would like to go.

Words of Wisdom: Trying to squash a rumor is like trying to unring a bell!

Neversink Renaissance Plans 2014-15 Organizational Meeting

Community members interested in our ongoing efforts to beautify the Town of Neversink are invited to attend a Neversink Renaissance Organizational Meeting on Thursday March 27th at 7:00 PM in the basement Community Room of the Daniel Pierce Library. The purpose of the meeting is to not only to plan this year's maintenance projects, but to look toward entering the Renaissance Category "C" Competition in 2015. A prize of \$25,000 goes to the community that wins the "Golden Feather Award". Some ideas that are being considered include assisting in the beautification planning for the future Little League complex or the Time in the Valleys Museum Village. Of course there are many ongoing maintenance projects that must be considered as well.

Please come prepared with any ideas you think should be considered for this year or next. There are so many ways individuals may become involved in community beautification. Should you have questions, please call Dave and Phyllis Moore at 985-2746.

Free Gardening Training -Go from a Brown Thumb to a Green Thumb in Three Easy Classes

[FERNDALE] - The first of three free hands-on instructional trainings to teach the public about gardening will be held on Wednesday, April 2. The classes will be taught by Sullivan County Master Gardener Volunteers at the Gerald Skoda Extension Education Center in Ferndale.

"Soil, Water & Sun!" is on April 2; "Weeds, Shoots & Flowers!" on May 7; and "Designing, Digging & Delegating!" on June 4.

All classes will be held from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. on Wednesdays at Cornell Cooperative Extension (CCE) Sullivan County in the teaching garden located at 64 Ferndale-Loomis Road in Liberty.

Sullivan Renaissance and CCE are holding the trainings to assist individuals who want to volunteer but aren't sure how to help with community gardens in their hometowns.

Attendees will learn the basics of caring for a garden from start to finish - and be able to roll up their sleeves to work in their own gardens and to help at nearby community projects. Those who successfully complete all three classes will receive a completion certificate and a special gift from Sullivan Renaissance.

Sullivan Renaissance will announce funding for gardening projects in communities throughout Sullivan County on April 24. Each of the organizations receiving a grant will rely entirely on volunteer support to meet its goals. All of them can use additional help. Training space is limited and pre-registration is requested for all three classes. Refreshments will be provided. For more information or to register, contact Sullivan Renaissance at 845-295-2445 or www.sullivanrenaissance.org.

Get Ready for the 20th Annual Old Time Fiddler's Gathering

On Sunday, April 6, 2014 from 2:00-6:00 pm the 20th Annual Old Time Fiddler's Gathering will be held at the Neversink Fire Hall on Route 55 in Neversink, NY.

Many local talented musicians will be featured. There will be a Barbeque "Take Out" or enjoy eating it while listening to the music. The Barbeque will feature food by Mark McCarthy.

Cost for the music: \$10.00 for adults, \$1.00 for students and children under five are free.

Cost for the food: \$10.00 for either Chicken or Pulled Pork plus 2 sides with a drink; \$12.00 for Ribs and 2 sides with a drink; and \$7.00 for sandwich, chips and a drink. Baked goods will also be sold.

For more information call Paul Lounsbury at 985-2923 or cell 845-649-8963 or Karen Gorr at 292-3749. This event is a fundraiser for the Sullivan County Pregnancy Support Center.

Still Time to Apply for a Sullivan Renaissance Grant- Application

Assistance Available in Every Community
Organizations and individuals interested in being part of the 2014 Sullivan Renaissance Community Beautification Grant Program still have time to plan projects and submit an application for funding. Sullivan Renaissance staff will visit any community to explain the programs and assist with the application process.

Applications are available at <http://www.sullivanrenaissance.org/grants/applications/>. They may be completed electronically or mailed to: Sullivan Renaissance, c/o The Gerry Foundation, PO Box 311, Liberty, NY 12754.

The deadline for submission of community beautification grants is Wednesday, March 19. As part of the application, projects are required to include a garden design and plant list. However, given the snow pack that is still on the ground, this portion may be submitted at a later date. Community beautification grants will be awarded during the Spring Forum on April 24 at 7:00 p.m. in the CVI Building in Ferndale. Projects must be completed by August 5.

Environmental Initiative Grants, Mini Grants, Seasonal Demonstration Grants, Community Mitzvah Award, and other grant programs have different deadlines.

A video of the keynote address, achievement awards, and two featured speakers from the Sullivan Renaissance Annual Conference, Local Market and Expo on March 8 will be posted this week on: <http://www.youtube.com/user/SullivanRenaissance>

Interagency Task Force

Governor Andrew M. Cuomo has announced the formation of the first ever interagency task force on agriculture. The Strategic Interagency Task Force on Lessening Obstacles to Agriculture was created by the Governor to address barriers to the growth of New York's Agricultural economy. Task force members, comprised of leadership from State government, as well as representatives from the field of agriculture, will work together to ensure that State agencies that deal with farmers are communicating regularly, interacting efficiently, and lessening regulations on farms.

Sullivan County welcomes the creation of the task force and applauds the Governor's commitment to Agriculture statewide. Cindy Geiger, Chair of the Agriculture and Sustainability Committee and member of the NYS Blue Ribbon Task Force on Farming states, "it is promising to see efforts moving forward to address barriers to one of the top industries in the

State to provide much needed economic development in agriculture".

Agriculture has a large positive economic impact in Sullivan County. Cornell Cooperative Extension has estimated that the 323 farms in the county directly contribute \$85.9 million toward the community's economy and \$257.7 million when considering the economic multiplier of agriculture.

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 and Polly Hill.

Pussy Willows and Their Furry Coats

How many of us remember seeing a large vase overflowing with pussy willow branches sitting on the dining room table? To most of us this was a sure sign that spring is just right around the corner.

I am keeping my eyes open, but still have not seen any pussy willows showing off their furry coats. Have you?

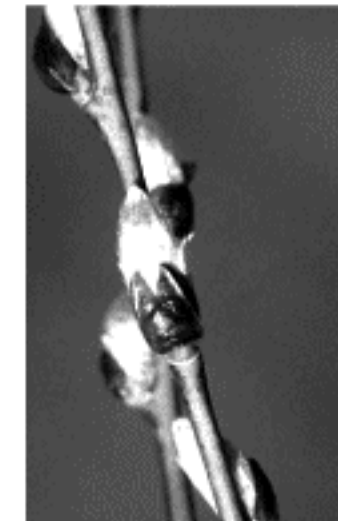
All the pussy willows that I have seen so far still have a hard exterior, the bud scale. If you touch it, you will notice it has a hard exterior. This is the protective covering for the young leaves and flowers inside the bud.

The leaves are oval shaped and come after the catkins have bloomed.

The catkin, its "fur coat" helps keep



Bud scale of Pussy Willow



The furry catkins

the developing pussy willow's reproductive parts warm. The silky gray catkins are a tightly bunched arrangement of stamens and are actually many strands of flowers. Once you see the furry catkin appear, it will only be a few days later that the yellow stamens appear. This is the part of the flower that makes pollen.

Pussy willows are dioecious, having the male and female reproductive organs in separate individual plants and they are protandrous, having the male reproductive organs come to maturity before the female.

There are male pussy willow trees and female pussy willow trees. The buds, or "catkins," on the male pussy willow trees usually appear earlier than do those on the females.

Consequently, chances are that if you encounter a stand of pussy willows in late winter or very early spring, it's the male catkins that you are seeing.

The catkins of males yield numerous tiny staminate flowers typically consisting of a pollen-containing anther and a filament, later in spring. The female catkins will bear pistillate flowers, comprising the stigma, style, and ovary.



Tiny staminate flowers appear later in spring.

Pussy willow is highly variable in its identifying characteristics. Typically it grows as a shrub or small tree that may reach heights up to 30 feet.

Willows, in general, grow rapidly and produce extensive root systems. Pussy willow trunks may be single or clustered with stout ascending branches and branchlets. Bark is slightly fissured and ridged. First-year pussy willow twigs are hairy but become glabrous or smooth with age.

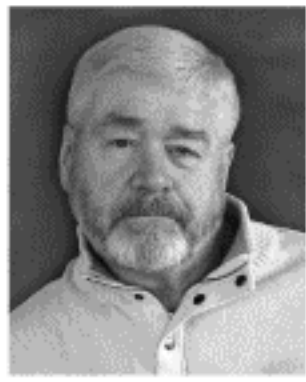
Pussy willow leaves are deciduous meaning they shed their leaves annually. The leaves are simple, and alternate. Leaf shape varies from oblong to elliptic, and blades are typically 2 to 5 times as long as they are wide. Pussy willow trees are native to wetlands in the Catskills. They regenerate asexually by sprouting and sexually through seed production and germination. Pussy willow flowers are insect and wind pollinated and the small willow seeds are easily dispersed by wind.

As we anxiously await spring, keep your eyes open and once you see the furry little catkins, you will agree, the Pussy Willow is truly one of our most enduring indications of spring.

Household Hints

Clean windshield wiper blades

When your windshield actually gets blurrier after you turn on your wipers during a rainstorm, it usually means that your wiper blades are dirty. To make them as good as new, dampen a cloth or rag with some full-strength white vinegar and run it down the full length of each blade once or twice.

Hurt**Mysterious Book Report No. 137** by John Dwaine McKenna

One of the up and coming new authors who's gaining a lot of credibility because he writes great mysteries with a political twist is an Irish writer named Brian McGilloway. He lives and works in Derry, Northern Ireland, in an area known as the borderlands, because it abuts the Republic of Ireland. It is an area with unique, even extreme, sensibilities due to the protestant and catholic violence between British Loyalists or Prods, and Catholic Republicans, the Provo's and others who desire a unified Ireland. It is a complex and long-disputed issue which has broken out in open warfare between the groups, most recently in the 1970s, 80s and 90s, and referred to as 'The Troubles.'

Because he is able to write high energy crime dramas in which he weaves elements of the troubles and their aftermath, I usually step up and buy the British first editions of McGilloway's novels because I don't want to wait for American ones. His newest is no exception.

Hurt, (Constable & Robinson LTD, £17.99, 404 pages, ISBN 978-1-4721-1113-5) by Brian McGilloway begins with the discovery of a young girl's body, tied to a railroad track. She's dead, her throat cut, and the hunt begins for the killer. Detective Sergeant Lucy Black is the lead investigator, but the only clues she has to work with are on the girl's cell phone in the form of her last phone calls. Lucy, who's haunted by one of her old cases where the killer escaped after she identified him, is under intense scrutiny from a new boss, pressuring her for results.

But results aren't easy to come by. There's a reluctance of witnesses to talk to the police. Then another young girl goes missing and it becomes a race against time to save her life as Lucy discovers evil in the unlikeliest places and serves justice in a unique way. Look for the book to be released in the USA in early summer . . . just in time for relaxed summer reading. It's a page turner you won't want to miss.

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Congressman Gibson Convenes Heroin Summit with Law Enforcement Officials

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"The scourge of heroin and drug addiction is something I am hearing about often as I travel across the 11 counties of my district" said Congressman Gibson. "Our law enforcement professionals are doing the best they can in challenging circumstances, but they need more assistance and involvement from others to effectively start tackling this crisis. This is a multi-faceted problem that needs educators, treatment specialists, the healthcare community, and parents to join together to develop comprehensive solutions."

Dutchess County Undersheriff Kirk Imperati gave a presentation on the growing dimensions and negative impacts the heroin crisis is having in his county.

"This is a real and expanding threat across Dutchess County," said Sheriff Imperati. "More and more people are dying from overdoses and crime is growing by addicts desperate to get cash to buy more drugs. This is leading to our jails filling up with criminals addicted to heroin who are not receiving the treatment they really need and the jails can't provide."

Dutchess County Executive Marc Molinaro reviewed the growing cost heroin addiction is having on county resources, including treatment expenses and law enforcement. He also discussed new measures and programs the county is instituting to combat the issue.

Other speakers included Ulster County Undersheriff Frank Faluotico, Ulster County District Attorney Holly Carnright, Sullivan County Sheriff Mike Schiff, Greene County Sheriff Greg Seeley, and Schoharie County Sheriff Tony Desmond, all of whom described how heroin use has spread to even the most rural parts of their counties.

Congressman Gibson thanked all the participants for their input, and noted that some good ideas were exchanged that can help address the problem.

"But make no mistake-this heroin crisis continues to grow, and we as a community need to focus more resources, training, and education across all levels of government and society to stop this from getting worse, punish those who are breaking the law, and help those who desperately need it to combat their addiction to this devastating drug," said Congressman Chris Gibson.

Second Annual "Eileen Haworth Weil" Scholarship Brunch

The Sullivan County Human Rights Commission is sponsoring the Second Annual "Eileen Haworth Weil" Scholarship Brunch to be held in memory of Eileen's tireless work as a community activist. Paul Austin, Artistic Director of the Liberty Free Theatre and Sullivan County Human Rights Commissioner, will be the keynote speaker. The gathering will honor Priscilla Bassett, Gladys Walker and Matthew Migliaccio for their dedication to Human Rights. The Brunch will be held on Sunday April 27th from 11 AM to 2 PM at The Eagle's Nest in Bloomingburg, NY. Tickets are \$40 per person. Scholarship Funds raised will aid Sullivan County Community College students going on to a four-year degree.

For information or to make reservations e-mail Judy at work4tolerance@aol.com

CCE Offers Workshops to Save Energy, Save Dollars

LIBERTY, NY- Homeowners and renters can learn to reduce energy consumption and lower energy bills at a Save Energy, Save Dollars workshop on Thursday, March 27, 2014. This EmPower New York class is being offered by Cornell Cooperative Extension Sullivan County at 6:00 pm at the Gerald J. Skoda Extension Education Center on 64 Ferndale-Loomis Road in Liberty.

Participants who attend this free event will learn about reducing energy bills by following some low-cost and no-cost energy conservation methods. Each person will receive three (3) compact fluorescent light bulbs at no cost to them.

Advanced registration is encouraged by calling 845-292-6180. This program is one in a series of identical classes. Additional dates and times can be obtained by visiting www.human.cornell.edu/dea/outreach/index.cfm and selecting "Empower Energy Use Management Workshop Schedule".

EmPower New York workshops are sponsored by the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority (NYSERDA) and developed by Cornell University Cooperative Extension and NYSERDA.

Books for Millenials at the Ethelbert B. Crawford Public Library

The Millennial book discussion is a book group for people of the 'Millennial' generation, or adults in their 20s and 30s. A different book is discussed each month, including both teen and adult fiction. The group meets on the 4th Thursday of every month at 6:15.

The next three books for the Millennial book discussion group at the Ethelbert B. Crawford Public Library are *Skin Tight* by Carl Hiaasen (March 27), *Gone Girl* by Gillian Flynn (April 24), and *White Cat* by Holly Black (May 22).

The book for the March 27 Discussion, *Skin Tight* by Carl Hiaasen, is about former Florida state investigator Mick Stranahan, who just wants to be left alone to fish and to feed his pet barracuda. Unfortunately for Stranahan, someone is out to get him. This book is full of crazy villains, dark humor, and a plastic surgeon with shaky hands.

Copies of discussion books are available at the library. For more information, please call 845-794-4660 x. 8.

Free Movies for Monticello Youth

Movie Showings in Monticello Begin Friday [MONTICELLO] - Tired of winter? Need to get out and have some fun? The Youth Committee of the Monticello Interfaith Council is here to help! The group will hold its very first movie night on Friday, March 14, 2014 at 6 PM in the Ted Stroebele Recreation Center at 2 Jefferson Street in Monticello.

Friday's movie will be "The Croods"--the humorous story of a caveman family's adventures in an unfamiliar world. There will be snacks available for a nominal fee but the movie is free, free, FREE!

Mark this date with a big red marker and help spread the word! This is the first showing in an ongoing series of free PG and PG-13 movies--the group will hold a Friday evening showing and a Sunday afternoon double-feature showing each month beginning Friday. Not only will this event provide entertainment for kids and their grownups,

but it's an opportunity for individuals to come together and foster a sense of community in Monticello.

The Youth Committee of the Monticello Interfaith Council is working to build a more positive environment for area youth and relies on support from area businesses, community organizations and individuals to sustain this initiative. Donations can be made by cash or check, payable to the Monticello Interfaith Council and mailed to St. John's Episcopal Church (attention: Monticello Interfaith Council), PO Box 107, Monticello NY 12701. In-kind donations and contributions of time are also appreciated. All donations go directly to programs for Monticello youth. For more information, contact Cara Kowalski at (845) 295-2445.

The Monticello Interfaith Council was founded in 2010. Its purpose is to increase understanding, respect and cooperation among the various religious faiths and to help address social needs of the Monticello community. The Youth Committee was formed in 2013 to specifically address the needs of young people.

Fallsburg Central School District Pre-K and Kindergarten Registration

Registration for Kindergarten will take place on March 31-April 11

Registration for Pre-K will take place April 28-May 9

Kindergarten students must be 5 on or before December 1, 2014

Pre-K students must be 4 on or before December 1, 2014

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; and Custody papers (if applicable)

For an appointment please call Sarah Ungerleider at 845-434-6800 x 1222

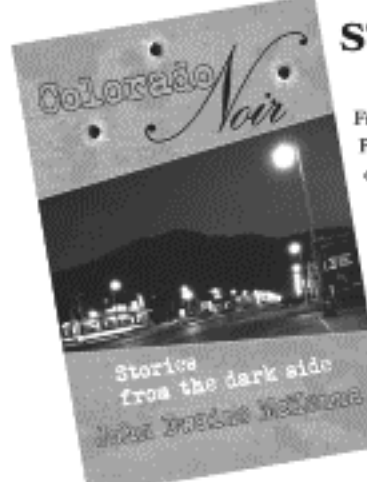
Registration must be completed by a parent or legal guardian.

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.

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The Olive Jar - By Carol LaMonda

Occupied

Tax time is rolling around, and like most people, I dread the necessity of it. It means sorting out that basket of paper I have stuffed with receipts and vouchers all year long without regard to filing. That is a good day's worth of organizing and recording. I also don't like paying the taxes, but what I hate the most is the decision about what to write in the little box marked "occupation."

For years, I just wrote "student." For almost three decades, I could write "teacher." Now I don't know what my occupation is. I certainly am "occupied" all day long, but what do I declare my life's work. I clean; I nap; I read; I cook; I write; I paint; I play CANDY CRUSH. Hmm, does "FaceBook Voyeur" count as a profession?

Seriously, I usually write "retired" although that makes me feel old and useless. Sometimes I write "writer" but worry that the IRS might expect a live-able salary to be recorded with that occupation. Royalties from PROSILIO allow my husband and I to dine out occasionally, usually at a reasonable chain restaurant, but I would starve to death on my column writing and good intentions to finish the next book. I did have a boost to my ego recently when I stopped into the Elting Library in New Paltz, and they asked me to sign their hard-covered edition of my memoir. For an instant, I felt like an author.

Perhaps I could be an "artist." I do paint in oils and have sold a few paintings. Maybe then I could write off the trip to Oaxaca, Mexico I took with Destination Arts. Nah! The IRS would easily see the negative numbers in salary. Even the Common Core's new Singapore Math couldn't justify that. Maybe my art could be my charitable donation. Hmm. It is true that if you compliment me on a painting, it becomes your albatross to hang whenever I come to visit.

I guess I could just write "life coach" in the occupation box. I am forever telling other people how to live their lives. Somehow, I think the tax man just reads numbers and not letters, so whatever I write in that box would be acceptable. How about my occupation this winter...SNOW SHOVELER.

Oneida Nation to Start Initial Payments of \$11 Million to Madison County Followed by \$12.5 Million Annually to Oneida County

Governor Andrew M. Cuomo and the Oneida Nation of New York today marked the formal approval of a milestone settlement by initiating the first of substantial dedicated payments to Madison and Oneida counties. Governor Cuomo and Oneida Nation Representative Ray Halbritter today announced the transfer of \$11 million to Madison County to settle tax claims. Madison will also soon begin benefitting from annual payments of \$3.5 million from the state pursuant to the agreement with the Oneida Nation. Annually, Oneida County will begin receiving payments next month of approximately \$10-\$12 million from the state's share of revenue from the Oneida Nation net win from slot machines. Additionally, the state will provide Oneida County with an additional \$2.5 million for the next 19 and _ years to cover tax claims.

To hear the remarks go to:

www.governor.ny.gov/assets/audio/12098416_01.mp3

Last week, U.S. District Court Judge Lawrence E. Kahn accepted the New York State and Oneida agreement settling decades of dispute and putting to rest outstanding land claim, gaming, tobacco taxation and revenue sharing issues. The Court's approval was the final step in putting the full agreement into effect, as it was previously ratified by the New York State Legislature, Madison County and Oneida County, the U.S. Department of Interior and the New York State Attorney General.

"Today is a great step forward that ends decades of litigation and centuries of dispute that will allow investment, economic development and aid in the creation of jobs throughout the region," Governor Cuomo said. "As these payments signify, we now embark on a new chapter of partnership and mutual respect where all involved communities can benefit and prosper. It took leadership to make this happen and I thank Oneida Representative Halbritter and our leaders in Madison and Oneida counties for working so hard to bring this agreement to fruition and I look forward to continuing our partnership."

Ray Halbritter, Oneida Indian Nation Representative, said, "The Oneida Nation is honored to be a part of this agreement, which represents a commitment to mutual respect, equal partnership and shared prosperity. Governor Cuomo's focus, integrity and willingness to negotiate a fair agreement helped make this historic accomplishment possible. With New York State, Oneida and Madison counties now as full partners, we have ensured a sustainable economic engine for the entire region for generations to come."

John M. Becker, Chairman of the Madison County Board of Supervisors, said, "On behalf of Madison County, we thank Governor Cuomo for his steadfast leadership in bringing 20 years of dispute to a close. These substantial payments are more than a fiscal boost for the county - they are a signal that working together and finding common ground can lead to positive change."

Anthony J. Picente Jr., Oneida County Executive, said, "I want to thank Governor Cuomo for his leadership during this process. Governor Cuomo, Nation Representative Halbritter and Chairman Becker showed the effort and continued willingness to get this agreement done. I thank them for it. Today is a good day for our region. I have said, my entire time in office, we needed to come to the table and jointly work out our differences. I was honored to be a part

of reaching this agreement, and am grateful to see it come to fruition today. The commencement of annual revenue sharing brings with it increased fiscal stability and a positive outlook for everyone. We move on together as partners in prosperity."

The settlement reached last year ends decades of litigation over property tax, land and reservation issues. The agreement grants the Oneida Nation exclusive rights to casino gaming in Central New York in exchange for sharing a portion of gaming revenues with the state and local governments. In addition, the agreement ends legal disputes over land claims by setting a cap of approximately 25,000 acres on land that could be under the Nation's sovereignty. Further, the agreement ends unfair competition by requiring the Nation to adhere to minimum pricing standards and charge a sales-tax equivalent for cigarette sales to non-Indian customers.

Prior to the agreement, New York State and the Oneida Nation had ongoing disputes since 1795. The Nation, the State and the counties had been in litigation since 1970 and there had been multiple failed attempts to resolve the disputes.

The agreement is detailed below:

Tribal Revenue Sharing with State and Local Governments and Gaming Exclusivity

Under the agreement, the Oneida Nation has exclusive rights to casino gaming in a ten county region of Central New York (Cayuga, Chenango, Cortland, Herkimer, Lewis, Madison, Oneida, Onondaga, Oswego, and Otsego counties). Vernon Downs is authorized to continue its existing harness racing and video lottery facility. In exchange, the Nation is devoting 25 percent of its net gaming revenue from its slot machines to the State of New York, which is estimated to be at \$40-\$50 million annually.

In addition to today's \$11 million to Madison County to settle past tax claims, the state share of revenue from the Nation is distributed as follows:

- o Madison County will receive \$3.5 million per year from the New York State share.
- o Oneida County, as the host county, will receive 25 percent of the state's payment (approximately \$10-\$12 million) annually and in addition will receive a \$2.5 million for the next 19 and _ years to cover tax claims.

Settling Land Claims

Under the settlement, the Oneida Nation has agreed to a permanent cap of approximately 25,000 acres of land which may be taken into trust by the Department of Interior as Nation land. Oneida and Madison County will drop their legal claims concerning land disputes against the Oneida Nation and the State of New York will withdraw its support for those legal claims. The Nation expressly waives its rights of sovereignty over any land over the cap amount.

Ending Unfair Competition

The settlement requires the Oneida Nation to impose a Nation sales tax that equals or exceeds the State's and counties' sales, use and occupancy taxes.

Under the agreement:

- o The Nation sales tax will apply to all cigarettes, motor fuel, and all other sales by Indian retailers to non-Indians.
- o The Nation will adhere to minimum pricing standards for cigarette products.
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URGENT Reports the Arrest of Two Men Subsequent to an Extensive Narcotics Trafficking Investigation

Members of the ULSTER REGIONAL GANG ENFORCEMENT NARCOTICS TEAM (URGENT) report the arrest of two men subsequent to an extensive narcotics trafficking investigation. URGENT received intelligence in regard to Detrell Pittman, AKA "Dirty Bird" or "D", selling cocaine, crack cocaine and marihuana from 11 Backman Avenue in the Village of Ellenville. Members of URGENT and Ellenville Police initiated an investigation and Pittman subsequently sold cocaine to undercover URGENT members on several occasions. Further, members of URGENT obtained a search warrant for the drug sales location. On Tuesday members of URGENT and Ellenville Police proceeded to 11 Backman Avenue and executed the search warrant. A search of the residence revealed: over an ounce of cocaine and crack cocaine, approximately two pounds of marihuana, electronic scales with drug residue, large amounts of drug packaging material and U.S. Currency. Pittman and another male were taken into custody inside the residence and charged with the following:

Detrell L. Pittman, 34, AKA: "Dirty Bird" or "D", of 11 Backman Avenue, Ellenville, NY

- o 5 counts of Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance 3rd degree, a class B felony
 - o 3 counts of Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance 3rd degree, a class B felony
 - o 1 count of Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance 4th degree, a class C felony
 - o 1 count of Criminal Possession of Marihuana 2nd degree, a class D felony
- Pittman is a known member of the BLOODS criminal street gang

Darron T. Wilson, 45, of 333 North Umberland Avenue, Buffalo, NY

- o 1 count of Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance 3rd degree, a class B felony
- o 1 count of Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance 4th degree, a class C felony

Pittman and Wilson were arraigned in Town of Esopus Justice Court. Pittman was remanded to the Ulster County Jail in lieu of \$50,000 cash bail and \$100,000 property. Wilson was held without bail.

The following agencies have members assigned to URGENT: Ulster County Sheriff's Office, Town of Woodstock Police, Town of Lloyd Police, Town of Shandaken Police, Ulster County Probation, Town of Plattekill Police, Town of New Paltz Police and United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE).

SUNY Ulster Holds Prep Session for High School Students

SUNY Ulster will hold a prep session for high school students to help them get ready for college. The "Are you Ready for College" event will be held March 22 (with a snow date of March 23), from 10 a.m. to noon, at the College Lounge. Students can choose from two informational sessions: Registration 101 will include information for graduating seniors and their parents on registration; and Excel Opportunities for sophomores, juniors and home-schooled students and their parents will discuss college programs that give high schoolers a head-start toward college.

The Registration 101 session will cover preparing for the first appointment with an academic advisor, getting started in a major, understanding degree requirements, choosing electives and linking a major to a career.

The Explore Opportunities to Excel workshop is geared for students looking to start early with college and will provide information on SUNY Ulster's Early College Program, Collegian courses and other programs.

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Association names Legislators of the Year

Mothers of children born with congenital heart defects presented award to sponsors of lifesaving bill, Bill Larkin and Aileen Gunther Albany, New York - Jennifer Corcoran Conway of Delmar knew her son Aedan would be born with a congenital heart defect, and was able to take the proper measures to put him on the path to a long, happy life. Patti Stone didn't know her daughter would be born with a congenital heart defect. Samantha lived just 50 days. Both women worked hard last year to pass the Pulse Ox Law, which, since January 2014, makes sure every newborn will receive a pulse oximetry test before being discharged

from the hospital That simple test might have saved Samantha Stone's life.

On Wednesday, March 12, at the Concourse of the Empire State Plaza, Corcoran Conway and Stone presented bill sponsors Sen. Bill Larkin, R-Cornwall-on-Hudson, and Assemblywoman Aileen Gunther, D-Forestburgh with the American Heart Association's Legislators of the Year Award. Larkin and Gunther sponsored the Pulse Ox Bill. "I am humbled and honored to receive this award," said Larkin. "I would like to thank the American Heart Association and the children and parents impacted by congenital heart defects

for their tireless work on behalf of the Pulse Oximetry legislation. Your support and encouragement was instrumental to this legislation becoming law and I thank you for all you have done to ensure the safety and well-being of newborns across New York State." "As a nurse and as a mother, I know that passing this legislation meant saving babies' lives," said Gunther. "The American Heart Association has been a great partner and tremendous advocate. I'm proud to have worked with them and every family on behalf of our newest New Yorkers." "Approximately 1 in 100 babies is born with a congenital heart defect," said Bob Elling, a paramedic instructor at Hudson Valley Community College and a member of the American Heart Association's New York State Advocacy Committee. "While the Pulse Ox test can't repair a congenital heart defect, it can indicate a problem, which means early intervention, and hopefully a long and happy life for these babies. Thank you, Senator Larkin and Assemblywoman Gunther for sponsoring this lifesaving legislation." About the American Heart Association The American Heart Association is devoted to saving people from heart disease and stroke - America's No. 1 and No. 4 killers. We team with millions of volunteers to fund innovative

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Women's History Month. Through the Governor's Path Through History initiative, New Yorkers can explore women's heritage sites and key events like the nation's first women's rights convention that took place in 1848 in Seneca Falls or the "First Lady of the World" Eleanor Roosevelt's home in Hyde Park.

"New York State has been inspired by the great contributions of New York women for over two centuries," said Governor Cuomo. "The Path Through History gets visitors started on a journey back in time to discover and celebrate the diverse people whose accomplishments made our state great. I encourage all New Yorkers to learn more about these extraordinary women who helped transform our culture and society."

Women's Rights is one of 13 themes used to organize 500-plus heritage sites across the state through the Path Through History initiative. Those looking to celebrate Women's History Month in March can learn about the important role women played in the women's suffrage and civil rights movement, but also about New York women in various fields from education to entertainment at museums and historic sites around the state.

Visitors can locate sites by looking for the Path Through History marker on major state highways as well as additional local signage. In addition, the Path Through History web page-www.paththroughhistory.ny.gov provides a list of sites.

"New York led the way in establishing women's rights and that long journey can be traced and recounted by visiting historical sites and museums all across the state," said Senator Betty Little, chair of the Senate Cultural Affairs, Tourism, Parks and Recreation Committee. "Path Through History encourages an interactive approach to learning about our past and developing a deeper understanding of the dedication of those who came before us and fought so hard. It's enriching tourism and something I hope many people take advantage of this month."

Rescheduled: CAS Presents Animal Avatars: Real and Imagined Beasts Book and Poetry Reading

The Catskill Art Society will present local author Patricia Eakins and poet Bertha Rogers for "Animal Avatars: Real and Imagined Beasts," a public reading of fiction and poetry at the CAS Arts Center at 48 Main Street, Livingston Manor, NY on Saturday, March 29 from 3pm to 4pm. This event is free and open to the public, and small donations will be accepted at the door.

Patricia Eakins, a writer with strong ties to Sullivan County who is currently based in New York City, will read from her collection of stories "The Hungry Girls," a book of counterfables about imaginary animals and feral people. She will also read excerpts from "The Marvelous Adventures of Pierre Baptiste," a novel in the voice of a slave who has taught himself to be a natural historian in the tradition of Buffon, as well as excerpts from a three-part work called "Power in Opposite Parts" that evokes the world of ancient shamanic hunters

Bertha Rogers is a poet, translator, book artist, and director of the Bright Hill Literary Center in Treadwell, NY. Bertha will share her translations of the Anglo-Saxon riddle-poems from the ancient Exeter Book, as well as her original riddle-poems and her poems on the theme of humanity's treatment

Fallsburg Central School District Hall of Fame Opens



March 5, 2014 marks the official opening of the Fallsburg Central School District Hall of Fame located in the main lobby of the high school. Superintendent Dr. Ivan Katz welcomed to this special occasion members of the current Board of Education, a past member, staff, administration, and community. He honored Jack Leshner, the first inductee, and all those that will follow him.

Mr. Leshner was formally inducted in a beautiful tribute at last June's high school graduation. As Dr. Katz said then and on March 5, the District is very proud to have Jack Leshner as our first Hall of Fame Inductee. "His body of work and contributions to this community embody the spirit of this Hall of Fame and will serve as a model in the years to come," the Superintendent concluded.

The next induction ceremony will take place on June 29th at the high school graduation ceremony. If you would like to find out more about the Hall of Fame or nominate a member of the Fallsburg Central School District community in recognition of outstanding achievement and commitment to learning, please contact Dr. Katz at (845) 434-6800, ext. 1214.

Celebrate Women's History Month -Visit homes of famous poets, activists, politicians and artists featured along the Path Through History and take part in special events across New York

Governor Andrew M. Cuomo today encouraged residents and visitors alike to learn about New York women's contributions to history, culture and society and celebrate in

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of animals and nature. She will also share from her translation of "Beowulf," with its compelling Grendel, "fierce, greedy and slaughter-proud."

The entire event explores rural life and culture through literature focused on timeless subjects of wildlife. Books will be available for sale and the writers will answer questions from the audience following the reading. CAS hosts area authors and poets for readings of new work, panel discussions, and multimedia presentations in all styles and genres, with a strong emphasis on local issues and stories. Works of fiction, poetry, memoir, creative and investigative nonfiction, and

history are just some of the forms presented here in the past, often paired with performances, films, and exhibitions at CAS to investigate comparative reflections of meaning.

This event was funded in part by Poets & Writers, Inc. with public funds from the New York State Council on the Arts with the support of Governor Andrew Cuomo and the New York State Legislature.

Patricia Eakins is the author of "The Hungry Girls and Other Stories" and "The Marvelous Adventures of Pierre Baptiste," which won the NYU Press Prize for Fiction and the Capricorn Fiction Award of the Writer's Voice. Her work has appeared in The Iowa Review, Parnassus, Conjunctions, Fiction International, BigCityLit.com, The Same and The Paris Review, which awarded her the Aga Khan Prize. Eakins has been awarded two creative writing fellowships from the National Endowment for the Arts, one from NYFA, one from CAPS, and the Charles Angoff Award from The Literary Review. She has also been Writer-in-Residence at the Woodstock Guild, Woodstock, New York. In 1997, "The Hungry Girls" was made into a work of theatre by the performance ensemble Collision Theory, which later commissioned Eakins to write the texts and lyrics for "Portrait (with horse and other)." She has also been commissioned to write texts for Elizabeth Austin's "Trace Memories," performed in a cave in Enfield, New Hampshire. Eakins is the subject of Reading Patricia Eakins, a book of critical studies of her work edited by Françoise Palleau-Papin. The French translation of "The Hungry Girls" by Mme. Palleau-Papin was recently published by the University of Grenoble Press. Eakins was the judge for the 2013 PEN - New England Fiction Prize and is co-director of Outloud/Uptown, a reading series in northern Manhattan.

Bertha Rogers has published more than 400 poems in journals and anthologies, and in several chapbooks and full-length collections, including the recent "Heart Turned Back" (Salmon, Ireland, 2010), and the forthcoming "Wild" (Salmon, Ireland, 2015). Her translation of "Beowulf" was published in 2000, and her translation of the Anglo-Saxon Riddle-Poems from the Exeter Book, "Uncommon Creatures, Singing Things: The Anglo-Saxon Riddle-Poems Translated and Illuminated," is forthcoming. She was a contributor to the recent "Open the Door: How to Excite Young People About Poetry" (Poetry Foundation & McSweeney's, 2013) and she has won writing and visual arts awards and residency fellowships to the MacDowell Colony, the Constance Saltonstall Foundation, the Millay Colony, Caldera, Jentel, Hawthornden International Writers Retreat, Catskill Center, and Hedgebrook. She is Delaware County's first Poet Laureate, traveling throughout the county to encourage the reading and writing of poetry. Rogers founded Bright Hill Press (BHP: www.brighthillpress.org) in Treadwell, New York, in 1992; and serves as administrator, in partnership with NYSCLA, for the New York State Literary Web Site and Literary Map, www.nyslittree.org. She has curated more than 750 poetry and prose readings for Bright Hill and other organizations.

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Warm Your Spirits with Pat Peters Colorful Exhibit of Photograph Gallery Wraps (From Pg. 1)

Pat says she "is a self-taught photographer, using a Canon since the 1970's.



I have been told I have a 'natural eye', which I now realize is a true gift. My photographs evolved from personal use, to fundraiser donations, to selling my photo cards and in the past 3 years exhibiting my photographs on canvas.

Pat has exhibited her photographs on canvas at The Ellenville Public Library & Museum Gallery, Ellenville Regional Hospital Healing Art Gallery, and Orange Regional Medical Center. Her photographs have been published on the covers of the 2011 Nature Conservancy and the 2013 National Firewise Calendar.

Websites of the Town of Wawarsing, Ellenville Wawarsing Chamber of Commerce and Cragmoor Stone Church currently display Pat's photographs. Ellenville Regional Hospital, Shadowland Theatre and Arts WAVE have all included her work in their auctions. Donated canvas photos hang in the halls of Ellenville Regional Hospital and the lobby of the Ellenville Public Library & Museum.

All canvas photos on exhibit at Peters Market are for sale. Special orders can be requested for different sizes and subjects.

Pat can be reached at 845-647-6264 and rpeters@hvc.rr.com.

CAS Presents "An Iliad" by Lisa Peterson and Denis O'Hare

Livingston Manor, NY - The Catskill Art Society will present a staged performance reading of the play "An Iliad" by Lisa Peterson and Denis O'Hare at the CAS Arts Center at 48 Main Street, Livingston Manor, NY on Friday, March 28 at 7:30pm and Saturday, March 29 at 7:30pm. The performance will feature veteran actor Chet Carlin of Parksville, NY in the starring role. Tickets are available for a suggested donation of \$20.

The Catskill Art Society presents a staged reading of the play "An Iliad," featuring actor Chet Carlin in a tour de force performance of epic power. Directed by local favorite Mimi McGurl, this captivating solo show blends contemporary conversation and poetry into a telling for our times.

"An Iliad" is a modern-day retelling of Homer's classic. Poetry and humor, the ancient tale of the Trojan War and the modern world collide in this captivating theatrical experience. The time is now: the present moment. The lone figure onstage

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is a storyteller--possibly Homer, possibly one of the many bards who followed in his footsteps. He is fated to tell this story throughout history.

The New York Times has called the play "spellbinding... Smartly conceived and impressively executed, "An Iliad" relates an age-old story that resonates with tragic meaning today."

The play is in one act and runs approximately 85 minutes with no intermission. Tickets available for suggested donation of \$20. Advance reservations are highly recommended as seating is limited. For reservations, call 845-436-4227 or e-mail info@catskillartsociety.org.

Mardi Gras Party at the Rockland House Huge Success!!

The Roscoe-Rockland Chamber of Commerce in conjunction with the Roscoe Renaissance held their very first Mardi Gras Party at the Rockland House on Saturday, March 8th.

There was continuous live music by the great Jon Zanger. Don Eggleton and Julie Zanger were crowned King and Queen of the Mardi Gras. Best costumes went to Chris Constant and Kendra Harris.

The proceeds all went towards the purchase of a HONDA generator so that the community can enjoy movies and music in Riverside park in Roscoe starting this summer. Yes, we even had a "FLASHER" - who earned A LOT of beads.....HE was fabulous!

Want to volunteer?? Please call Lilly at 845-439-3990 x-306.

The Repair Café Toss it? No way!

What is The Repair Café? It is a place to bring your beloved but broken item. Repair Cafe New Paltz is a free meeting place for sharing and repairing things. The idea was born in Amsterdam in 2009. At the Repair Cafe you'll find tools and materials to help you make the repair you need: on furniture, small appliances & housewares, clothes, crockery, toys and more. You'll also find "repair coaches" such as electricians, seamstresses, mechanics and all-purpose fix-it pros to get you started and help along the way. Plus coffee, tea and treats (for sale) to sustain you on your repair journey!

The number of Repair Cafés continues to grow steadily. Founded in the Netherlands, there are already more than 200 Repair Café groups: four times as much as a year ago. Also in other countries the number has grown to over 200. That means that worldwide, more than 400 Repair Cafés can be found!

Mission: To transform our throw-away economy, one beloved item at a time; To reduce stuff going into the waste stream; To preserve traditional repair know-how & skills, and pass them on, especially to the young; To show the people who have this knowledge that they are valued; To build community and sustainability; To feed our curiosity about "the way things work", provide scientific diversion & fun!

No, you don't have to go to the Netherlands to bring your 'stuff'. There is a Repair Café close by in New Paltz, NY. It is held at United Methodist Church, 1 Grove Street, New Paltz NY. The next scheduled Repair Café event in New Paltz will be Saturday, May 17, 2014 from 10 am - 3 pm.

Check them on Facebook - <https://www.facebook.com/RepairCafeNewPaltz>

Congressman Gibson Introduces Bill to Shift Classroom Emphasis from Testing to Teaching "Student Testing Improvement & Accountability Act" empowers state and local school systems

Congressman Chris Gibson (NY-19) announced the introduction of H.R. 4172, the Student Testing Improvement & Accountability Act, which makes common-sense reforms to the No Child Left Behind Act by reducing the frequency of federally-mandated assessments in U.S. schools.

Congressman Gibson introduced the bipartisan legislation March 6 with Congresswoman Kyrsten Sinema (AZ-9).

"My constituents have overwhelmingly expressed their concerns with the recent shift in education policy from a focus on teaching to a focus on testing," said Congressman Gibson. "Parents and educators across Upstate New York know that maintaining this approach will continue to hamstring our teachers and students."

"Working in Arizona schools for nearly a decade taught me the importance of empowering teachers to teach to the content they want their students to master-not simply to teach the material needed to know the next upcoming standardized test," said Congresswoman Sinema.

H.R. 4172 replaces current annual testing requirements for math and language arts with the exact same grade-span testing requirements in current law for science classes. This returns federal testing requirements to the once-per-grade-span standards established before 2001, when math and reading assessments were typically conducted once in grades 3-5, once in grades 6-9, and once in grades 10-12.

Under H.R. 4172, the states would retain the ability to exceed federal testing requirements if they seek to do so.

"I have lived a life of accountability, and I understand the need for a means to accurately gauge school performance, but I reject the notion that the only way to achieve this is through burdensome over-testing," said Congressman Gibson.

The National Education Association (NEA), which represents 3 million educators across the country, announced its support for the bill.

"The over-emphasis on standardized testing has caused considerable collateral damage in too many schools, including narrowing the curriculum, teaching to the test, reducing love of learning, pushing students out of school and driving teachers out of the profession," said NEA President Dennis Van Roekel. "This bill by Rep. Gibson and Rep. Sinema would help put a stop to these negative consequences and help ensure that all students succeed."

Common Core Implementation Panel Releases Preliminary Recommendations

The Common Core Implementation Panel, formed in early February by Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, unveiled a series of recommendations to immediately improve the implementation of Common Core in New York State.

The Common Core Implementation Panel recommends moving forward with a commitment to the Common Core coupled with

immediate course corrections and sustained support designed to better serve students and parents and ensure the successful implementation of the Common Core standards.

The recommendations include protections for students, measures to provide better support for parents and teachers, improve the public's trust in Common Core implementation, and additional reforms to protect data privacy. The full report is available at: http://www.governor.ny.gov/sites/default/files/Common_Core_Implementation_Panel_3-10-14.pdf

"The flawed implementation of the Common Core curriculum has resulted in frustration, anxiety, and confusion for children and parents," Governor Andrew M. Cuomo said. "It is in everyone's best interest to have high, real world standards for learning and to support the Common Core curriculum, but we need to make sure that our students are not unfairly harmed by its implementation. The recommendations released by the Common Core Implementation Panel today seek to achieve this goal. These recommendations would ensure that State Common Core test results in grades 3-8 will not appear on students' permanent records, reduce over-testing, and halt the State Education Department's data initiative with inBloom. The panel does not make any recommendation to halt or slow teacher evaluations. I will review these recommendations with the Senate and the Assembly."

Since Common Core was first instituted in New York, concerns have been raised by parents, teachers, school administrators, and community leaders regarding the program's implementation. A summary of the Panel's recommendations:

Protect Students from Inappropriate High-Stakes Testing:

- o Ban standardized "bubble tests" for young children: To protect young children from anxiety and developmentally inappropriate testing, the Panel recommends prohibiting the use of standardized "bubble tests" for children in pre-kindergarten through second grade.

- o Protect students from high stakes based on unfair test results: Before Common Core State testing begins in April, the Panel recommends: Ensuring that the results of English and math Common Core testing for grades 3-8 are not used against students and will not appear on their permanent records; phasing in higher pass scores for the Regents exams and ensuring teachers have course materials before high school students are tested on the new standards; and ending certain testing for students with disabilities and English Language Learners while still ensuring accountability for the performance of these students.

- o Use instructional time for teaching and learning - not over-testing: To help determine which assessments are truly necessary and beneficial, and reduce the testing burden wherever possible, the Panel recommends capping the amount of time that can be used for standardized tests and for test prep; improving transparency about what standardized tests students are required to take, and why; and implementing measures for school districts to more easily eliminate unnecessary standardized testing.

Provide Better Support for Parents and Teachers

- o Treat parents as essential partners in Common Core implementation: To help parents understand and participate in the Common Core implementation process, the Panel recommends creating state-of-the-art online resources and toolkits that are linguistically and culturally appropriate

to show parents what the Common Core is, what to expect, and how to help their children. In addition to a large-scale online effort, the Panel recommends including local community events and the dissemination of accessible and practical material through schools, non-profit organizations, libraries and other partners.

- o Ensure that teachers receive the training and support they need and deserve: To better engage teachers in the Common Core process, the Panel recommends providing high-quality local professional development opportunities for teachers. Schools that are successfully implementing the Common Core in each region should be identified and recruited to serve as models where other local teachers and principals can be invited to see instructional changes in action.

- o Give educators access to quality Common Core curriculum resources as quickly as possible: The Panel recommends the State Education Department quickly complete the unfinished Common Core curriculum modules and continuously improve all of the modules through the involvement of teachers and other educators and experts. In addition, the Panel recommends significantly increasing the number of assessment questions released following the Common Core tests so that teachers, parents and the public can see how students are tested. Teachers should also be given timely and useful information about student assessment results.

Improve public trust in Common Core implementation

- o Ensure ongoing parental and citizen participation and input into Common Core implementation: To build trust and confidence, and provide networks of New Yorkers who can assist educators and government leaders in the implementation of the Common Core, the Panel recommends the appointment of an independent public task force that includes parents, educators, legislators, and business, civic and community leaders to provide ongoing review of Common Core implementation across the state and make public recommendations as needed to replicate successes and address the need for further implementation modifications.

Protect student privacy

- o Establish strict data protection and security requirements, while ensuring that appropriate educational and operational data-sharing can occur: The Panel recommends enacting laws and policies that establish and/or reinforce strict data protection requirements, including procedures for parent notification in case of any data breach, including by a third-party, and strong penalties for violations; establishment of a "Parents Bill of Rights for Data Privacy" that includes complete transparency about what data is collected by the State and by school districts, who it is shared with and why; and naming of a Chief Privacy Officer for the State Education Department whose responsibilities include establishing standards for educational agency data security and privacy policies. The Panel does not support a "parent opt-out" of the use of data, which could place essential academic and operational functions in jeopardy. The Panel understands and respects parents' fears about the privacy of their children's data, and recognizes concerns about collecting unnecessary or intrusive data.

- o Halt the State's relationship with inBloom: The debate about this one provider has become a distraction to the successful implementation of the Common Core. The Panel recom-

mends that the State halt its relationship with inBloom and consider alternative paths to accomplish the goals of increased data transparency and analytics.

Senator Bonacic on CORE

Recently, the legislature voted on the Board of Regents who imposed the Common Core curriculum. The incumbent Regents have performed poorly with the Common Core roll out, and ultimately failed the parents and students of New York. As such, I did not vote for the incumbent members of the Board of Regents. A better process will produce a better outcome. We will explore a number of ways to change how Regents are selected. Having the Assembly perennially control this process is wrong for New York.

Cahill welcomes Sullivan Judge Josephine Finn to Board

(Kingston, New York) Assemblymember Kevin A. Cahill (D - Ulster, Dutchess) released the following statement regarding the New York State Board of Regents election that took place last week:

"The actions of the Assembly, including our vote last week on Common Core, the election of one new Regent and our tireless leadership on education funding, will send a clear message to the remaining Regents, the Governor, the Commissioner of SED, and our colleagues in the Senate, that our top priority has always been and will continue to be the education of our children."

"The legislative process can be intimidating and frustrating, even to the over 200 elected officials who are involved in these proceedings on a daily basis. That said, I believe we have effected positive change here and I look forward to further improving the education system in New York State," said Cahill.

Fallsburg Town Hall Forums on School Reform and the Common Core

Fallsburg Central School District (FCSD) invites the community to join them at three upcoming Town Hall Forums to see the steps Fallsburg's schools are taking to improve student achievement and ready students to meet the demands of the NYS Common Core Standards. At this series of meeting, FCSD will discuss the latest changes and challenges put upon schools by the New York State Education Department (NYSED). Parents and community members are encouraged to join school staff as they discuss:

- o The NYS Common Core Standards
- o The NYS Common Core assessments in grades 3-8 English language arts and math
- o The new Common Core Regents exams in English and math
- o The new teacher and principal annual professional performance review (APPR) systems
- o Trends in instructional technology

Most importantly, parents and community members will see the steps Fallsburg's schools are taking to improve student achievement and ready students to meet the demands of the NYS Common Core Standards.

All meetings will be held at 6:30 PM on: Thursday, March 27, at the Woodridge Municipal Building, 2 Dairyland Road Woodridge, NY; Wednesday, April 23, Hurleyville Fire Department, 166 Main Street Hurleyville, NY; and Tuesday, May 27, at the Fallsburg Senior & Youth Center, 12 Laurel Avenue South Fallsburg, NY.

For more information, please see www.fallsburgcsd.net or contact Dr. Matthew T. Evans, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum & Instruction, at (845) 434-5884, x1204.

UC Executive Mike Hein Announces Major Personnel Realignment - The Changes Are Designed To Further Increase Government Efficiency, Enhance Service Delivery At No Additional Costs To County Taxpayers

Kingston, N.Y. - "As we focus on serving the great people of Ulster County, one of the important strengths of the administration has been our ability to attract and retain high quality, dedicated individuals who share a commitment to service and embrace a clear, reform based agenda," said County Executive Hein. "When circumstances such as retirements occur, we have been fortunate to identify highly qualified personnel to continue with this mission. In addition, when opportunities occur, I firmly believe in recognizing and promoting highly skilled individuals from within whenever possible. "So even though we have made County operations much leaner in recent years due to the accomplishment of an amazing workforce, we have collectively been able to ensure the delivery of more services than ever before while still containing property taxes, all the while delivering the largest reduction in government spending in Ulster County's history."

"As part of our administration's commitment to continual improvement, we routinely reexamine operations to identify the most effective and efficient ways to deliver service," continued the County Executive. "As part of this process, we are always open to evolving as an organization if it means improving service or protecting taxpayers. It has never been about designing a bigger government or a smaller government. Instead, it has always been about providing a better government for the people of Ulster County."

Personnel Director

The County as an organization is fortunate to be able to name an individual with a wealth of management and supervisory experience like Sheree Cross to serve as the County's new Personnel Director. As the former Director of the Golden Hill Health Care Center, Sheree brings a distinguished record of County service. Her extensive personnel experience gained from working with hundreds of employees at Golden Hill will aid her as she addresses all of the issues that face the dedicated workforce of Ulster County.

Office of Employment and Training

Lisa Berger has been universally applauded by tourism businesses throughout Ulster County for her work at Ulster County's Tourism Department. As the former Deputy Director of Tourism she helped deliver substantial and measurable results, and assisted in the growth of that important sector of the County's economy. Her professionalism, experience and work ethic will be an extraordinary asset to job seekers as well as potential employers. Her efforts in assisting Ulster County residents train for and identify quality employment opportunities now and into the future will benefit all of Ulster County.

In addition to these appointments which are all subject to confirmation by the Ulster County Legislature, the administration is announcing a series of additional personnel actions designed to improve overall service to Ulster County citizens and further control costs for all taxpayers.

1. Finance/Budget Restructure: As part of the administration's continuing effort to streamline operations and reduce costs, rather than hiring a new Budget Director, the Commissioner of Finance Burt Gulnick will continue to serve in the dual capacity of Budget Director/Commissioner of Finance, and will be assisted by two Deputy Budget Directors, creating a cost savings of over \$27,000.

2. Director of A.C.E.: Due to the appointment of Sheree Cross to the position of Personnel Director, the position of Director of the A.C.E. Unit (Accountability, Compliance and Efficiency) has become open, and former Deputy Budget Director Lisa Cutten has been promoted to fill this role. Susan Ronga will transfer from the Department of Public Works to serve as the Deputy Director of the A.C.E. Unit. These actions help create an extremely strong financial team and further the "good government" vision set forth with the creation of A.C.E.

3. Department of Public Works: David Bolles, Esq. is being promoted to serve as the First Deputy Commissioner of the Department of Public Works Administration, a position vacated as a result of Ms. Ronga's transfer. Mr. Bolles has been instrumental in expanding shared services and implementing additional cost savings initiatives throughout DPW.

4. Tourism Department: With former Deputy Director of Tourism Lisa Berger assuming new responsibilities as Director of the Office of Employment and Training, the administration is pleased to announce the new Deputy Director of Ulster County Tourism will be Fran DePetrillo-Savoca, formerly of the Ulster County Chamber of Commerce. Fran brings an extremely strong skill set to the County that includes extensive business outreach experience, as well as valuable marketing tools that will assist the entire Ulster County Tourism industry.

5. Disaster Assistance Coordinator: In the wake of natural disasters like Hurricane Irene, Tropical Storm Lee and Superstorm Sandy, Ulster County was able to obtain significant federal funding for flood a buyout program to assist Ulster County homeowners and businesses in getting out of harm's way. In order to ensure the maximum effectiveness of this complex program, a new position, Disaster Assistance Coordinator, is being created at no cost to County taxpayers. This individual will be responsible to ensure homeowners and businesses are not overly burdened by the federal requirements of the program and ultimately receive the much needed benefits from this critical program. This position will sunset upon the completion of this program. Former Purchasing Director Robin Peruso is being reassigned to complete this important responsibility. Her extensive experience coordinating with multiple government agencies and County departments, as well as interfacing with area businesses and private citizens has made her well prepared for this important new responsibility.

6. Purchasing Director: To further enhance the connection between the Contract Management Division of the County Attorney's Office and the County's Purchasing Department, the new Purchasing Director will be attorney Marc Rider, who is transitioning from the Ulster County Attorney's Office. He has a great deal of contractual experience that will benefit Ulster County taxpayers now and long into the future. This action will occur in conjunction with the physical move of the entire Purchasing Department from 300 Flatbush Avenue to the third floor of the Ulster County Office Building, and will help streamline operations and improve overall synergies among the County's Purchasing Department, Finance Department and the County Attorney's Office.

All of these structural and personnel realignments have been completed with the goal of further improving County Government services for residents without any additional costs to the Ulster County taxpayers, and in fact, these actions have saved over \$27,000.

News from New York State Department of Transportation

The New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT) will hold an open house and public hearing in Poughkeepsie on Wednesday, March 12, regarding plans for improving passenger and freight rail service on the Empire Corridor between New York City and Niagara Falls. The event will be held at the Cunneen-Hackett Arts Center at 12 Vassar Street. It will begin with an informational open house from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., followed by a public hearing from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. The sessions will provide opportunities for the public to comment on the proposals, either privately or during the open hearing forum.

The meeting, the last of six held this month across the state, will focus on the High Speed Rail Empire Corridor Tier 1 Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS), which has been approved by the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA). Updates about ongoing passenger rail projects also will be provided. Project managers and technical experts will be available to answer questions throughout each session. The meetings are sponsored by NYSDOT and the FRA, which are conducting the environmental review.

The DEIS examines the feasibility of higher speed passenger rail service alternatives along the 463-mile Empire Corridor, looking at how five potential alternatives would impact mobility, the environment and economic growth across New York State. The public is encouraged to review the DEIS at <https://www.dot.ny.gov/empire-corridor>. Public comments on the DEIS are due by Monday, March 24. Comments may be provided verbally or in writing at the hearings. Comments also may be submitted by emailing:

empirecorridor@dot.ny.gov, or using the public comment page of the project website at www.dot.ny.gov/empire-corridor/contact. Comments also may be mailed to Project Manager David Chan, New York State Department of Transportation, 50 Wolf Road, Albany, NY 12232.

Gillibrand Fights to Keep NY's USDA Offices Open - Department Of Agriculture Set To Close 250 Offices Nationwide, Including Up To 10 In New York With New Farm Bill Being Implemented - Including New Dairy Insurance Provision - Farmers Need Access To Local Offices

Washington, D.C. - U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand, a member of the Senate Agriculture Committee, today called for the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) not to close 250 critical offices across the country, including up to 10 offices in New York State. These offices are needed to successfully implement the new farm bill, helping farmers navigate the system and sign up for existing and new programs.

"Requiring our farmers to drive four hours round trip to their local USDA office is absurd," said Senator Gillibrand. "These offices serve farmers when they need it most - after natural disasters, to access credit through FSA loans, and to participate in insurance programs. Without accessible USDA field offices, our farmers won't have the information they need to make critical choices that will impact the sustainability of their farms. We cannot abandon these communities - keeping these offices open must be a priority."

"Now is not the time to be shutting more doors at County Farm Service Agency (FSA) offices. Farmers will be depending on these offices to help navigate big changes to dairy and specialty crop programs coming down the pike in the coming months courtesy of the 2014 Farm Bill. It is an especially critical juncture since New York suffered similar FSA closures just two years ago. We support and appreciate Senator Gillibrand's request to the Appropriations Committee

that would provide farm families with the hands-on assistance they will need," said Dean Norton, President of New York Farm Bureau.

The Farm Bill was signed into law just last month and includes many new programs which require in-depth explanation. FSA offices are often the only point of contact between farmers and USDA's multitude of programs. After natural disasters, these field offices provide in-person technical and financial support. When a farmer plans to expand their operation or acquire new land, they must visit their FSA loan officer in person to apply for financial assistance. FSA offices are instrumental in collecting data for crop insurance policies, as well as reporting losses after a natural disaster.

In addition, the farm bill includes a brand new dairy program which provides an essential safety net for dairy farmers when the price of milk drops. This new and complex program requires lengthy consultation and education to be effective since dairy farmers will be required to purchase margin insurance for the first time. Dairy farmers will face difficult choices as to how much margin insurance to buy given the specifics of their farm and the given year. They will require much consulting and education from their local FSA offices in order for this program to be effective.

POLITICAL SLANT

-Frank Comando

Solar for a Green Tomorrow

EXTEND NEW YORK'S SOLAR POWER PROGRAM

The New York Public Service Commission (PSC) is considering a plan to extend the successful NY-Sun Initiative solar program through 2023, which would lead to 10 times more solar power for our state.

The Public Service Commission wants to hear from New Yorkers and it is expected to make a decision very soon, so we need to act fast to show our support for solar power in New York. Start your own petitions, latest petition, which is to the New York Public Service Commission, says the following:

Let's build on New York's solar success. I urge the PSC to approve the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority's recent petition to extend the NY-Sun Initiative through 2023. Sign the petition get more signatures, and tell the New York Public Service Commission to expand New York's solar power program.

Our investment in local solar energy is helping build a clean, safe and more resilient energy supply throughout New York. Since Governor Cuomo launched the NY-Sun Initiative in 2012, solar energy development has surged, bringing with it quality jobs, cleaner air, and valuable distributed generation for a stronger grid.

NY-Sun has resulted in almost 300 megawatts of solar capacity, more than was installed in the entire decade prior to the program. And our growing solar industry now employs 5,000 New Yorkers, ranking us fifth in the nation for solar job creation. If approved, the Energy Research and Development Authority's NY-Sun petition will result in 10 times more local solar for our state, enough to power 465,000 New York homes and cut greenhouse gas emissions by 2.3 million tons annually.

Private investment in solar at this scale reduces the need for utilities to build traditional power plants and transmission infrastructure, which can help keep rates low for all New Yorkers and fight climate change at the same time.

Will you join me and add your name to my petition to the New York Public Service Commission to urge it to extend New York's solar power program? Get involved in creating your future.

This space is also for you:

To have your comments and/or questions, space allowing, and Townsman guidelines adhered to as listed in the masthead, Email politicalslant@yahoo.com

Calvary Baptist Church
of Sullivan County at Loch Sheldrake
Presents
Our 9th Annual Sportsmen's Banquet Dinner
-at-
The Loch Sheldrake Fire House - Rte-52, Loch Sheldrake, N.Y.
Saturday - April 5th, 2014
Starts 4:00 p.m. - Ends *8:15 p.m.
*or until all door prizes are given out.

NOTICE:
Due to limited seating, Donations for Tickets must be made in advance of event date
Children less than 12 yrs (New York State Legal Hunting Age) may not be admitted!
Donation \$12.00 / person - Contact Pastor Carl Caskey - 845-985-7410
Trophy Display, Game Dinner, *Door Prizes
* You must be present during the drawing and present your ticket stub to win!

Special Guest Speaker
Dr. David Samuel
Topic
"Things You Didn't Know About Bucks
That Will Improve Your Success."
"You may want to buy a ticket for some one you know."



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PANCAKE BREAKFAST



SUNDAY, MARCH 23
Serving 7:00 until 12:00 Noon
ADULTS \$7
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UNDER 5 YRS. FREE
\$50 FROM THE BREAKFAST IS DONATED TO THE
CLARYVILLE REFORMED CHURCH FOOD PANTRY



BAKE SALE 

To Support a Tri-Valley
Family Who Lost Their Home In A Fire
Saturday, March 29th
4:00-7:00 p.m.
In conjunction with the
Girl Scouts Spaghetti Dinner
at the
Grahamsville Firehouse
Bakers Needed
You can drop off to donations to
Lynn Goldstein at school
or call 436-9255 for more info

Neversink & Grahamsville
Fire Departments
Annual Spring Pancake Breakfast
March 30, 2014
Serving from 7-12



Pancakes
Fresh Local NY Maple Syrup
Eggs Any Style
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OJ, Tea, Coffee & Milk

All You Can Eat!
Adults \$8.00
Kids 6-12 \$5.00
Children 5 and under FREE
For further information or to make a donation e-mail nfd@hvc.rr.com

Grahamsville Reformed Church
Roast Pork Dinner
April 5, 2014
Saturday, 4 pm to 7 pm

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

Adults: \$12.00, Child 5-10 \$5.00
under 5 free
Grahamsville Reformed Church Hall
For more information please call:
845 985 7480
We look forward to seeing you!
Thank you for your support, God Bless you!

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The Hurleyville and Woodridge United Methodist Churches
invite you to weekly worship:
9 am in Hurlyville,
10:30 am in Woodridge.
For more information, call
Pastor Susan Woodworth
845-794-6325



CrossWay Assembly of God

Service Times
Sunday School 9:30 am
Sunday Worship Service/
Children's Church 10:30 am
Monday Night Home
Bible Study 7 pm
Tuesday Night Youth Home
Bible Study 7 pm
Friday Youth Night 7 pm



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The Little Church with the Big Heart
Sunday, 8:15 am Service of Holy Communion
Music by Susan and Fred Van Wagner
Coffee hour follows service
All are welcome!

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COVERED DISH SUPPER
SUNDOWN METHODIST CHURCH
Church Hall
Apr. 5, 2014
Covered Dish Supper
5:30 p.m.



Grahamsville United Methodist Church
Thrift Sale & Soup Lunch
Apr 19, 2014 • 9 - 1
Thrift Sale & Luncheon
Apr 8, 2014
Thrift Sale 9 - 1
Luncheon 11 - 1
Fellowship Hall
Rt. 55, Grahamsville, NY



Sundown United Methodist Church
Sunday Worship Service • 8:30am

Grahamsville United Methodist Church
Sunday Worship Service
10:30am
985-2283



Claryville Reformed Church

Claryville Road
Claryville, NY 12725
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Bible Class 9:00 am
Worship Services @ 10:00 am
Rev. Paul Nulton
John Bult, Organist



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

Weekend Mass schedule:
Saturday afternoon: 5:00.
Sunday morning: 9:00 am and 11:30 am

Holy days of obligation: as announced in church bulletin.

Daily Mass schedule:
Monday afternoon 5:45 (Holy Rosary at 5:30); Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday mornings: (includes Morning Prayer)- 8:30 am (starting Sept. 3 - 8:50 am.)

Saturday afternoon confessions: 4 to 4:45.

Rev. John J. Lynch, Ph.D., Pastor. 434-7643.

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

Loucks Funeral Home
Geoff and Heather Hazzard & Anthony Perito
79 North Main Street
Ellenville, New York
(845) 647-4343

Grahamsville Reformed Church
Sunday School 9:30 A.M.
Worship Service 9:30 A.M.
Rev. Paul Z. Ruter, Pastor
845-985-7480

LEGALS/PUBLIC NOTICES**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:**

The Town of Denning Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a meeting on Tuesday, March 25th, 2014 at the Denning Town Hall, 1567 Denning Road, Claryville, NY 12725 set to begin at 7pm.

Said purpose of this meeting is the proposed Wind Turbine to be located on Eve Eden Road, as well as any other business before the Board.

BY THE ORDER OF THE TOWN OF DENNING ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

Mark Boncek
Chairman

February 26, 2014

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3/13; 3/20

The Catskill Watershed Corporation is soliciting bids for portable toilets for boat launch sites on the Cannonsville, Neversink, Pepacton, and Schoharie Reservoirs. Bids must be received at CWC by 4 PM, March 21, 2014. For bid documents please contact Barbara Puglisi or Frieda Suess at 845-586-1400. EOE 3/6-20/14

The Catskill Watershed Corporation is requesting proposals for a Professional Engineering Consultant to implement the Study, Pre-Construction and Construction Phases of the Community Wastewater Management Program for up to 5 Watershed Communities. Bids must be received at CWC by 2 PM, May 2, 2014. Pre-bid Meeting will be held at 10 AM, April 9, 2014. Bid documents can be obtained online at cwconline.org. Questions can be directed to Nate Hendricks at nhendricks@cwconline.org or 845-586-1400. EOE 3/20; 3/27

THE TRI-VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION

The next Regular Board Meeting for the 2013-14 school year is scheduled for Thursday, March 20, 2014 at 7:00 PM In the Secondary School Library Lower Level

Chairman of Sullivan County Legislature Scott Samuelson Comments: In regard to the proposed Casino Resort Development by EPR and Empire resorts

"This has been a terrific project from the start, as the development team has worked closely with community stakeholders for more than two years, helping to position this proposal so it can take this vision to market quickly and efficiently. Once approved, crews will be able to break ground within 30 days, something quite rare in the development industry. No other destination resort project can match this timeline. This project has the backing of the Sullivan County Legislature."

ANNOUNCEMENT

The following positions are available at Tri-Valley Central School:

Substitute Cafeteria Workers

Interested parties should submit letter of interest or application to:

Mrs. Lisa Raymond, Assistant Superintendent for Business
Tri-Valley Central School District
34 Moore Hill Road
Grahamsville, New York 12740
(845) 985-2296 ext. 5201

Cut-off date for receiving applications/letters of interest: April 11, 2014

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State Senate Budget Plan Focuses on Property Tax Relief, Education, Seniors and Job Creation

The State budget plan put forward by the State Senate would address several issues of importance to families and all taxpayers in the Hudson Valley and Catskills.

The Senate budget plan:

* Proposes a \$1.4 billion "Freeze Plus" program that freezes property taxes for two years for school districts and local governments who stay within the 2% tax levy cap, which will help homeowners;

* Increases school aid by \$811.9 million, including a restoration of \$541 million of the Gap Elimination Adjustment (GEA), which is \$217 million more than proposed by the Governor;

* Proposes \$145 million to be made available to districts outside of New York City for Universal Pre-Kindergarten expansion, while also leaving flexibility for the funding to be used for kindergarten and/or GEA restoration;

* Proposes making higher education more affordable for middle class families by increasing community college base aid by \$28 million, increasing tuition assistance for low- and middle-income taxpayers, making more students eligible for TAP, creating a low-interest revolving loan fund to help students pay off loan debt, and establishing a new tax credit for graduates who stay and work in New York;

* Proposes expanding the income eligibility for the EPIC prescription drug program from \$35,000 to \$75,000 for individuals and from \$50,000 to \$100,000 for married enrollees;

* Expands the Governor's proposed elimination of the net income tax on upstate manufacturers, to apply statewide; and

* Accelerates the phase-out of the job killing 18-a energy tax.

The Senate and Assembly, along with the Governor, plan on spending the next week negotiating their differences in the various budget proposals. "It is my goal and expectation that the State will adopt an early budget that meets the needs of families across our State," Senator Bonacic said.

UC Sheriff Teams up with Keith Bennett Karate Academy to Offer Women a "Hands-on/Fighting to Survive" Self-Defense Workshop

Kingston, NY - The Ulster County Sheriff's Office, under the direction of Sheriff Paul J. VanBlarcum, has teamed up with Keith Bennett's Karate Academy (KBKA), one of the most highly regarded self-defense schools in the region, to offer a special women's self-defense workshop. This unique, hands-on workshop will be held on Saturday, March 22nd, from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and again from 12:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m., at the Ulster County Law Enforcement

Center, 380 Boulevard, in Kingston, New York. The workshop is available to all women who reside in Ulster County. No prior self-defense training is necessary, and admission is free. Advance reservations are required and can be made by calling 845-340-3590.

"This workshop is a follow-up to our self-defense classes offered last year. This year's focus is on the critical, hand-on street fighting techniques that women can use to extricate themselves from dangerous situations. These classes are not a substitute for ongoing and more formal self-defense training, however participants will learn valuable skills that can help them survive a violent altercation," said Sheriff VanBlarcum.

Sheriff Paul J. VanBlarcum is serving his second four-year term as Ulster County Sheriff. The mission of the Ulster County Sheriff's Office is to serve the public by enhancing its partnership with the community, and in doing so, protect life and property, prevent crime, solve problems and foster good will through courtesy and professionalism. More information about Sheriff VanBlarcum and the Ulster County Sheriff's Department is available online at: <http://www.co.ulster.ny.us/sheriff>.

Keith Bennett Karate Academy is located on 53 Albany Avenue, in Kingston. KBKA has been in business since 1990 and was voted by the readers of the Daily Freeman as the Best Karate School in Ulster County. KBKA owner and lead instructor Keith Bennett has been involved in martial arts for over 37 years. He is a 6th degree Master in the Martial Arts, has a Ph.D. in Martial Arts Studies and holds belts in multiple styles. More information is available at <http://keithbennettkarate.com>.

SUNY Ulster's Dr. Ray Raymond Featured Lecturer for Spring 2014 Institute for Constitutional Studies Series

SUNY Ulster's Dr. Ray Raymond will speak on "John Jay and the Shaping of the New York and the U.S. Constitutions" as the featured speaker in the Spring 2014 Institute for Constitutional Studies Series.

Raymond, Ph.D., Director of the college's Institute for Constitutional Studies and Associate Professor of Government and History, will speak on March 25, at 7 p.m., in the College Lounge.

In his lecture, Raymond will examine how John Jay's education in The Principles of the Enlightenment at King's College (now Columbia University) equipped him to contribute to the New York State and U.S. Constitutions.

Raymond was the 2009 Thomas Hawkins Johnson Visiting Professor at the U.S. Military Academy and is a fellow of the Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History in New York City and the Royal Society of Arts in London. He is a regular visiting lecturer at the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, where is an adjunct Professor of Politics; the U.S. Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs; and the U.S. Naval Academy, Annapolis, Maryland.

Raymond also is a 20-year veteran of the UK diplomatic corps, a former senior adviser to Prime Minister Tony Blair and was invested a Member of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire by Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II.

Raymond founded the Institute for Constitutional Studies to help college faculty, students, teachers, business people, the legal community and the general public in the Mid-Hudson Valley deepen their understanding of the fundamental principles of the United States and the New York state constitutions, their history and their

continuing relevance to current public policy debates.

The event is free and open to the public. For information, contact (845) 687-5262.

Reps. Gibson, Gabbard Introduce Legislation to Increase Access to Education for Veterans - Veterans Higher Education Opportunity Act expands Perkins Loan forgiveness for returning troops

Washington, DC - Congressman Chris Gibson (NY-19) and Congresswoman Tulsi Gabbard (HI-2) today introduced the "Veterans Higher Education Opportunity Act," a bipartisan bill to allow veterans who have served at least a six-month deployment to participate in the Federal Perkins Loan Forgiveness Program.

Under current rules veterans cannot use this program unless they serve a 12-month deployment or longer, which does not reflect the reality of the deployment cycle. The average deployment length is about 200 days, meaning that many veterans are unable to qualify due to a shorter deployment or an injury that ends a deployment early.

"As a combat veteran, I am proud to co-sponsor the 'Veterans Higher Education Opportunity Act,'" said Congressman Gibson. "I was the first person in my family to go to college, and during my military career I worked with hundreds of young people seeking the same opportunity. This bill will help ensure that these brave men and women-and veterans of future generations-are able to focus on rebuilding their lives and contributing to their communities following their service to our country."

"For the past 13 years, our men and women in uniform, and their families, have served and sacrificed tremendously," said Congresswoman Gabbard, one of the first two female combat veterans in Congress. "We have a collective responsibility to serve these brave heroes in return, set them up for success, and provide them with the opportunities and tools to continue their service as they transition to civilian life."

The "Veterans Higher Education Opportunity Act" is supported by several veterans service organizations, including the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW), Disabled American Veterans, Iraq and Afghanistan Veterans of America, and the National Guard Association of the United States.

"The VFW agrees that lowering the requirement from 12 to 6 months for eligibility will allow more veterans to utilize this program, providing for financial security and improved quality of life," said Raymond C. Kelley, Director of the VFW National Legislative Service. "We owe our brave men and women the opportunity to succeed after service."

The "Veterans Higher Education Opportunity Act" is supported by several veterans service organizations, including the Disabled American Veterans, Iraq and Afghanistan Veterans of America, and the National Guard Association of the United States.

The "Veterans Higher Education Opportunity Act"

- Amends current law to reduce the required deployment from 12 to six months in order to be eligible for the Perkins Loan Forgiveness Program. The program was originally designed to incentivize public service for college graduates.

- Ensures that servicemembers who are wounded as a result of their service and are unable to meet the six-month requirement will qualify for the forgiveness.

- Has no cost and is budget neutral.

Town of Neversink Parks & Recreation Department

www.townofneversink.org

(845) 985-2262 extension 312

Friday, May 2 - **Roller Skating** - Tri-Valley Students grades 1 - 4. Must come on the bus and leave on the bus. 6:30 pm pickup at Tri-Valley School - \$3 per person **must be paid by Tuesday, April 1.** Includes transportation & admission.

May 3 - **Ringling Bros Barnum & Bailey Circus.** Leave Town Hall 1 pm return approx. 8:30 pm. \$25/Neversink Residents & Tri-Valley Students; \$40 non residents. **Must be paid by Tuesday, March 18.**

Friday, May 16 - **Roller Skating** - Tri-Valley Students grades 5 - 8. Must come on bus & leave on bus. 6:30 pm pickup at Tri-Valley School - \$3 per person **must be paid by Tuesday, April 1.** - Transportation, admssion, skate rental, a slice of pizzas & drink

June 7 - **Botanical Gardens & Lunch** - Leave Town Hall 8 am. Must be 21 yrs old to attend. Includes garden buffet. \$40/Neversink Residents-\$80 non-residents. **Must be paid by Tuesday, March 25**

July 26 - **Saratoga Casino & Raceway.** Leave Town Hall 8 am return 8:30 pm. 20 Free Play, voucher for Garden Buffet and motor coach transportation. Must be 21 years old. \$28 Neversink resident/non-residents. Must be paid by June 3.

FREE FUN every FRIDAY afternoon 1- 4 pm in the upstairs meeting room in the Neversink Town Hall.



Daniel Pierce Library hours of operation beginning September 1, 2011.

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.

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

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

Claryville Vol. Fire Dept. Movie Night

Claryville Fire Dept will present **Frozen** Rated PG at Movie Night on **March 21st** at 8:00 pm at the Warren Cole Community Fire Hall. Free admission and soda and popcorn provided. Feel free to bring comfy pillows and blankets. Any questions call (845) 428-1654. Donations appreciated.

Spring Fling Celebration at Lippman Park

Celebrate a Beautiful Spring with The Ellenville Wawarsing Youth Commission on Saturday, April 12, 2014 from 11 am to 1 pm at Lippman Park, Route 209, Wawarsing.

There will be singing, dancing, treats, face painting, crafts, Bounce House, music, games and the Easter Bunny and Sweetie Bird.

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- 3/20/14 Neversink Fire District Meeting at 7 p.m.; Public Meeting at 7:30 p.m.
- 3/21/14 **Claryville FD Movie Night -Frozen** at 8:00 pm at Warren Cole Community Fire Hall (845) 428-1654
- 3/23/14 Claryville Fire Dept **All You Can Eat Pancake Breakfast** - 7 am - Noon
- 3/25/14 Town of Denning Zoning Board of Appeals - 7 pm -
- 3/30/14 Neversink Grahamsville FD Annual **Spring Pancake Breakfast** 7 am- 12 noon. (See page 13 for details)
- 4/1/14 Town of Denning Board Meeting - 7:00 pm **Sundown Church Hall**
- 4/2/14 Town of Neversink Planning Board Meeting- 7:00 pm
- 4/5/14 Sundown Methodist Church **Covered Dish Supper** - 5:30 pm Church Hall
- 4/5/14 **Roast Pork Dinner** - Grahamsville Reformed Church
- 4/5/14 **9th Annual Sportsmans Dinner** 4-8:30 pm (See page 13 for details)
- 4/8/14 **Grahamsville United Methodist Church Thrift Sale** 9am-1pm & **Luncheon** 11 am - 1 pm
- 4/8/14 Town of Denning Town Board Business Meeting 7:00 pm Town of Denning Town Hall
- 4/10/14 Dept. of Motor Vehicles Neversink Town Hall 10:00 am - 2:30 p.m
- 4/10/14 Claryville Fire District Meetings 6:30 pm -Regular Meeting - Claryville Firehouse
- 4/15/14 Town of Neversink Zoning Board of Appeals - 7:30 pm
- 4/16/14 Neversink Rondout Antique Machinery Assoc. Monthly meeting - 7:30 pm
- 4/18/14 Town of Neversink Holiday - **GOOD FRIDAY**
- 4/21/14 Grahamsville Fire Dist. Board of Fire Commissioners - 7:00 pm

Save the Date!

May 3, 2014 **Tri-Valley Lions Journey For Sight Walk** in memory of Gene Ganz, Don Hill, Helen Kwasinowicz; & Horace Sheeley. It will be a 3 mile walk in the Fairgrounds. Registration is at 8:30am in the Grahamsville First Aid Building.

Wednesday, June 4, 2014.-**Tri-Valley Lions' Rabies Clinic** from 6-8pm under the Pavilion at the Grahamsville Fairgrounds. A \$5 donation would be most welcome, but not mandatory. Bring previous rabies certificate for each animal, and your pet can receive a 3 year rabies vaccination.

July 12, 2014- 10 am- 3 pm **Community Yard Sale Craft & Vendor Fair** - Grahamsville Fairgrounds. Spots \$15 a piece. Rain or Shine. Free Admission & Parking. All welcome!

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- PETER'S MARKET

LOCATIONS in the TOWN OF OLIVE & SHANDAKEN

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.

County Farmland Protection Plan Farmer Focus Group Rescheduled

Due to inclement weather the County Farmland Protection Plan Farmer Focus Group meeting scheduled for March 12th at Cornell Cooperative Extension was cancelled. The meeting is rescheduled for Thursday, March 20th from 6:30-8:30pm at Cornell Cooperative Extension of Sullivan County. If you have additional questions please contact the Division of Planning and Environmental Management at 845-807-0527 or planning@co.sullivan.ny.us

SC: Upcoming Exhibits Expressions Art Exhibit Through 3/29

Narrowsburgh - DVAA - The 7th Annual Art Exhibit hosted by SullivanArc, featuring beautiful paintings by people with Developmental Disabilities. The exhibit runs until March 29.

Exhibit: Explorations 1 Through 3/29

Liberty - Creative Impulse - We are starting our Gallery Season with paintings from the Artists of New Hope Community. Come see the work of these very talented individuals in acrylic, watercolor, scratch-board and painted textural work. The Show runs from March 6th through the 29th, with an opening reception on March 6th from 6-8pm.

Child's Play and Wherever You Go Through 4/6

Livingston Manor - Catskill Art Society - "Child's Play" and "Wherever You Go," a solo exhibition featuring the photography of Christopher Vernale. "Wherever You Go" is an abstract series started when Vernale moved to Brooklyn, NY. "Child's Play" is a series creat-

ed in 2012, representing the balance between truths we found as children playing with toy soldiers and other forms of playing war, as opposed to the truths we learn later in life. Thursdays - Saturdays 11am-6pm, Sundays 11am-3pm, and Mondays 11am-6pm.

Exhibit: Show of Spring Through 6/1

Parksville - Rolling River Cafe, Gallery & Inn - Local artists and photographers display their works of wonder. Every week Fri.- Sun. from 5:00p.m.-10:00p.m.

Exhibit: "New Work" Through 3/30

Wurtsboro - Wurtsboro Art Alliance - "New Work" is a group show from artists in Sullivan, Ulster and Orange Counties.

SC Farmers' Markets

Sunday, March 23: Callicoon Indoor Farmers Market A collection of locally produced goods...fair trade, organic, rain forest alliance certified coffee; maple syrup, maple candies, creamed maple; varieties of honey, creamed honey with cinnamon; artisan pasta made with NY organic wheat; varieties of goat & cow cheese; goat's milk soap; herbal tea blends; fresh flowers & potted plants; wool blankets & dresses; fresh baked bread; organic vegetables; apple

cider; fresh fruit; quiche; soups; wine; meat (chicken, pork, beef, goat); eggs and much more!

SUNY Ulster Holds Nursing Information Session March 27

SUNY Ulster will hold an information session about its Nursing degree program on Thursday, March 27, at 4:00 p.m. in room 121, at the Business Resource Center in Kingston. Due to limited openings, SUNY Ulster's Nursing Program is only available to residents of Ulster County.

This session will provide information on the admissions process, the program curriculum including pre-requisites and co-requisites, as well as new testing requirements. For further information and reservations, phone the Admissions Office at (800) 724-0833 or email admissions@sunyulster.edu. Further information about the Nursing program can be found at www.sunyulster.edu.

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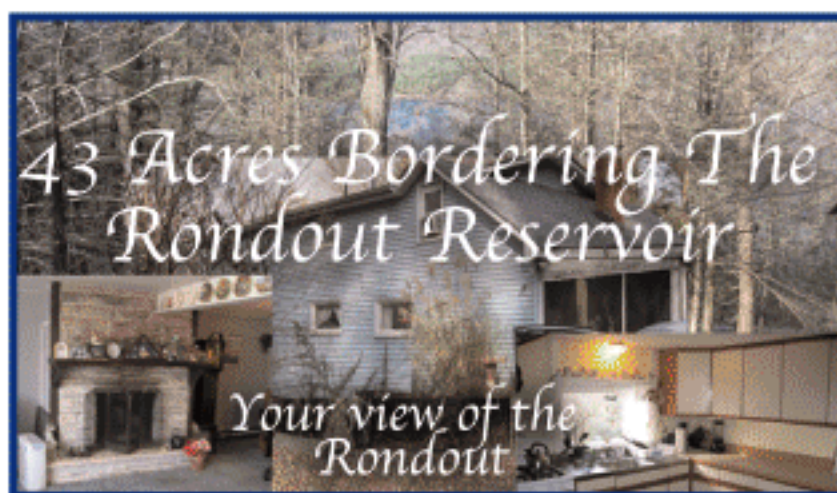
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- 2BR/2BA cottage w/sunroom, stream, sunny deck, front porch near Mongaup Pond in Livingston Manor. \$199k
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Quiz: 1. Who played Helen Kokintz?
 2. Who played the Duchess Gloriana XII/Count Rupert Mountjoy/Tully Bascombe?

What's Going On In The Gnome Gneighborhood™ This Week? -

GRAHAMSVILLE

The Grahamsville United Methodist Church will hold their first **Thrift Sale and Luncheon** on April 8th. The Thrift Sale is 9 am - 1 pm and the Luncheon is 11 am - 1 pm.

Saturday, March 29 4-7 pm **Girl Scout Spaghetti Dinner** at the Grahamsville Firehouse. There will also be a **Bake Sale** during the dinner. The proceeds of the Bake Sale will go to a Tri-Valley family who lost their home in a fire. (See page 13 for details)

Saturday, Apr 5 - **Roast Pork Dinner** at the Grahamsville Reformed Church 4 pm- 7pm

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