

## Carol Pautz Winner of Team Bryce Raffle



Sprague & Killeen, Inc. is pleased to announce that Carol Pautz of Ellenville was the winner of the Team Bryce raffle drawing held on February 24, at the agency's office on Canal Street. Mrs. Pautz took home a huge Family/Goodie night basket filled with games, snacks and other fun items to enjoy on a long winter's night at home.

Last week Sprague & Killeen, Inc. president Dwight Coombe and sales associate Jamie Brooks had the honor of visiting young Bryce and his parents Brian and Nicole Rogerson at their home in Neversink, where Bryce is now recuperating from his heart transplant in January.

Thanks to the generous donations of individuals and businesses in our community, Sprague & Killeen, Inc. raised \$600 and matched that figure to present the Rogerson's with a check for \$1200 to help offset expenses incurred from Bryce's surgery.

The office would also like to thank Peter's Market in Napanoch for allowing them space at their store to sell raffle tickets.

We wish Bryce a continued speedy recovery and all the very best in the days and years to come.



## Volunteer Open House At the Time and the Valleys Museum



The Time and the Valleys Museum will be hosting an Open House for potential volunteers on Sunday, April 6 from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. in the Community Room of the Daniel Pierce Library. St. Rt. 55, Grahamsville, Sullivan County. Anyone interested in learning about volunteering can join current volunteers for refreshments, Museum tour and information on both volunteering and the Museum's activities. Attendees will learn about helping in the Museum shop, at events and as an exhibit guide. (Contd. Pg. 3)

## D.A.R.E. Graduation for TVCS 5th Graders



GRAHAMSVILLE - Friday March 21, 2014 was D.A.R.E. graduation day for 5th graders at Tri-Valley Elementary School.

This year's D.A.R.E. essay winners were: Tia Katz, Joshua Ackerley, William Rodrigues, Keegan Streimer, Agigail Orsborne, Juan Jornet, Madison Botsford, Reagan Allison, Jordan Costa, Kelsey Shamro, Cathy Flores, and Keegan Countryman. The D.A.R.E. poster winners were Trevor Mears, Nicole Hotalen, Danielle Bowen.

Pictured with some of the graduates are: D.A.R.E. Officer/Sergeant Cheryl Crumley (left), Sheriff Mike Schiff (center) and D.A.R.E. Officer/Sergeant Luis Alvarez (right).

## Ukraine: The Cold War Returns?



A panel discussion on the conflict of Russia and Ukraine was held at the Seelig Theater on Tuesday, March 18, the day after Crimea's Moscow-backed leaders declared a 97-percent vote in favor of annexation of Crimea by Russia in a referendum Western powers said was illegal.

Anne Ruskiewicz, Associate Professor of history and geography at Sullivan County Community College was the moderator for a panel of four who presented facts from their point of view. Associate Professor of History Tom Martin represented the Ukrainian point of view emphasizing that the "Russian world" is a concept that has no fixed borders like the United States.

John Horner, the Sullivan County Community College Adjunct Faculty of International Relations, proffered the International and Military Dimensions contending that "the Crimea was kidnapped by Russia. (Contd. Pg. 8)

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**ON THE FRONT BURNER:** The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; and the knowledge of the holy is understanding.  
Proverbs 9:10

**COLLEGE NEWS:****Local Residents Inducted Into The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi**

The following local residents recently were initiated into The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi, the nation's oldest and most selective collegiate honor society for all academic disciplines.

**Olivia Rehm** of Grahamsville (12740) initiated at State University of New York at Potsdam  
**V. Berrios-Webbe** of Hurleyville (12747) initiated at Fordham University

These residents are among approximately 32,000 students, faculty, professional staff and alumni to be initiated into Phi Kappa Phi each year. Membership is by invitation and requires nomination and approval by a chapter. Only the top 10 percent of seniors and 7.5 percent of juniors, having at least 72 semester hours, are eligible for membership. Graduate students in the top 10 percent of the number of candidates for graduate degrees may also qualify, as do faculty, professional staff, and alumni who have achieved scholarly distinction.

Founded in 1897 at the University of Maine and headquartered in Baton Rouge, La., Phi Kappa Phi is the nation's oldest and most selective all-discipline honor society. The Society has chapters on more than 300 college and university campuses in North America and the Philippines. Its mission is "To recognize and promote academic excellence in all fields of higher education and to engage the community of scholars in service to others."

**Local residents make fall 2013 Dean's List at SUNY New Paltz**

The following local residents were named to the Dean's List at the State University of New York at New Paltz for the fall 2013 semester.

**Melissa Cavrell**, a resident of Fallsburg, N.Y.. Cavrell's major is Undeclared.

**Megan Eisenberg**, a resident of Liberty, N.Y.. Eisenberg's major is Digital Media Production.

**Melissa Franson**, a resident of Napanoch, N.Y.. Franson's major is History.

**Shayna Greenspan**, a resident of Grahamsville, N.Y.. Greenspan's major is Early Childhood & Child Ed B-6.

**Alexandra Harkin**, a resident of Olivebridge, N.Y.. Harkin's major is Communication Disorders.

**Katrina Klinge**, a resident of Olivebridge, N.Y.. Klinge's major is Sociology.

**Sararose McCabe**, a resident of Olivebridge, N.Y.. McCabe's major is Early Childhood & Child Ed B-6.

**Bilqees Rahman**, a resident of Ellenville, N.Y.. Rahman's major is Biology.

**Zachary Schiff**, a resident of Olivebridge, N.Y.. Schiff's major is English.

**Cara Stropoli**, a resident of Olivebridge, N.Y.. Stropoli's major is Adolescence Ed: Spanish.

**Kevin Vogelaar**, a resident of Ellenville, N.Y.. Vogelaar's major is History.

**Heidi Woloszczak**, a resident of Hurleyville, N.Y.. Woloszczak's major is Music.

Dean's List designation is reserved for students who excel academically and earn at least a 3.3 grade point average in a semester with a full-time course load.

Located in the heart of a dynamic college town, ninety minutes from metropolitan New York City, the State University of New York at New Paltz is a highly selective college of about 8,000 undergraduate and graduate students.

**DAYS OF YORE....****Today's History**

**April 7, 1954** - Miss Joyce Van Wagner was guest of honor at a bridal shower held at the Methodist Church Hall in Sundown last

Saturday night. Joyce is a 1952 graduate of Tri Valley Central School, the first class to graduate from the new school. She will be married in April.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Huntsberger held "Open House" on Wednesday at their home. They were celebrating their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary. Over fifty people attended.

Easter flowers are here to bring,

Color and fragrance into our room.

Flowers belong to Easter and spring,

Come in to choose your favorite blooms

KUM to KRUM'S

**March 18, 1964** - Sylvester Ackerley of Poughkeepsie, a former Ulster County farmer, died on March 7, 1964. He was born in Grahamsville August 12, 1885, a son of the late William and Sophrona Ackerley. He was married November 28, 1906 at Grahamsville to the former Bertha Greene. Surviving are his wife; a daughter, Mrs. Doris Whispie of Hyde Park; two brothers, Archie Ackerley of Grahamsville and Floyd Ackerley of Ellenville.

Congratulations to friends on their anniversaries - Mr. and Mrs. I.C. Slater will have their

Fred Eck, a retired construction worker, died on March 11th at his home in Napanoch. He was 79. He was born at Sholam December 30, 1884, the son of Conrad and Mary Bowers Eck. He was married at Sholam on May 4, 1907 to the former Maude Osterhoudt, who survives. In addition to his widow, he is survived by six sons: Conrad, Frederick, Earl, Richard, Robert and Frank; three daughters, Mrs. Raymond Sheeley, Mrs. Dorothy Wright and Miss Frances Eck.

**March 27, 1974** - Miss Ellen Friedman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Friedman of Sugar Loaf Road, Grahamsville has been notified of her acceptance into the general freshman program by SUNY Brockport, SUNY College at Cortland, and the State University College of Arts and Sciences at Geneseo and also Oswego.

On Saturday, March 23rd, the Tri-Valley Chapter of FFA went to Rondout Valley High School for the District level of competition in the three contests in FFA. Judy O'Brien, who won the local and sub-district speaking contests, handled her speech superbly and defeated speakers from Schoharie and Greenville.

**March 22, 1984** - Fred W. Stabbert, Jr. chairman of the Board of Directors of United National Bank, and Vincent Zanetti, president, have announced the appointment of Barbara M. DeWire Walter as vice president and manager of the Liberty office of the bank.

From the pen of Tom Higgins - As of this writing (March 15) Old Man Winter is still with us and letting us know he still means business. First he hit us with 4 1/2 inches of snow on March 5th which was followed by sleet and rain. Then he threw another 4 inches of light snow at us on March 8th and followed that up five days later with 6+ inches on the night of March 13th.

Well, I guess the winter of 2014 isn't so odd after all.

Roy McDole of Sholam Rd., Napanoch, a retired carpenter with McDole Construction Corp. and a lifelong area resident, died unexpectedly on Thursday, March 15, 1984 in Ellenville Community Hospital. He was 86. The son of the late James and Mary Ellen Coniker McDole, he was born Sept. 2, 1897 in Lackawack. The widower of Evelyn O'Neal McDole, he was a member of the Napanoch Golden Age Senior Citizens.



## A Round About Tri- Valley

-Carol Furman

Daniel Curry, son of Bob and Karen Curry of Neversink has been promoted to the rank of Lieutenant Colonel in the U.S. Army Reserves. Dan, his wife, Kristy, and their two daughters live in Springfield, Virginia. Dan is pursuing his Doctorate Degree at George Mason University where he is also an Assistant Professor. Congratulation to Dan and his proud family!

The Tri-Valley PTO is collecting empty Capri Sun and Honest Kids juice pouches. They will be reimbursed \$.02 for each pouch they collect. There are collection boxes in the elementary and high school cafeterias. Sandy Ehrets and Paula Ryan are helping to launch this fundraiser.

A Lenten service will be held on Sunday evening, March 30th at the Grahamsville United Methodist Church. Soup and sandwiches will be served at 5:30 pm and the service will begin at 6:30 pm. All are welcome.

The corned beef and cabbage dinner hosted by the Claryville Fire department on March 15th was delicious! It was also nice to see and visit with some "old" friends. As the weather gets nicer, those who have been house-bound all winter are beginning to venture out.

**Reminder:** Neversink/Grahamsville Fire Department Spring Pancake Breakfast is Sunday, March 30th from 7:00 - Noon in Neversink. Get well wishes to Spencer and Jackie Quick of Grahamsville. Both have been a little under-the-weather lately.

Local Girl Scouts Troops 60 and 673 are sponsoring a spaghetti super to benefit the Grahamsville food pantry. The dinner will be held on Saturday, March 29th from 4:00pm until 7:00 pm at the Grahamsville Fire Department Hall.

As I write this column I realize that we have escaped several snowfalls which either went north or south of us. My daughter, who lives in Penn Van, had over 20 inches of snow on March 12th. Schools up there were closed for two days. Thank goodness we dodged that bullet! On March 17th, it was snowing in south Jersey and we had sunshine. Are we lucky, or what? Of course we could still see some snow around here. I remember one year it snowed in May when my lilacs were in bloom!

### Late Winter Snow

by Inez George Gridley

These small sierras sawing at the sky  
Border the highway as the plow goes by.  
The snowdrifts fatten on the leeward side  
While papers, beer cans, garbage hide  
Beneath the graying blanket on the ground.  
At thawing time the long lost, will be found -  
Litter and junk, tumbled snow fences...  
Let's hope spring cleaning comes  
when spring commences!

**Words of Wisdom:** I have never been hurt by anything I didn't say. (Calvin Coolidge)

## Volunteer Open House At the Time and the Valleys Museum (From Pg. 1)

Benefits to being a Museum volunteer include a 10% discount in the Museum Shop, an invitation to a special yearly recognition event, gaining new skills, and meeting new people and making new friends. **Volunteers can help one or two afternoons a month or more, whatever suits their lifestyle, as much or as little as they like.** All information and training will be provided. NO previous knowledge of history or museum experience is required, just time and a willingness to learn.

"We have many volunteer needs including helping in the museum shop, reception desk and offices," according to Volunteer Chairperson, Mary Inghrim. For more information on the volunteer open house, the many different volunteer positions, benefits and training, please call the Museum at 985-7700.

**Located at 332 Main Street in Grahamsville (St. Rt. 55), the Museum will open for the season Memorial Day Weekend (May 24 and 25) and will be open Thursday to Sunday, noon to 4 p.m. through October, and other times by appointment.** Adults admission is \$5, Children under 16 \$2, and children under six are free. Current exhibitions include:

- Water and the Valleys
- The Family Farm: 1930-1950
- Tunnels, Toil and Trouble: New York City's Quest for Water and the Rondout-Neversink Story

For more information call 845 985-7700 or go to our website: [timeandthevalleymuseum.org](http://timeandthevalleymuseum.org).

The Time and the Valleys Museum is a living and interactive resource that preserves the past, educates the present and ensures the uniqueness of the Rondout and Neversink watersheds for all generations. For additional information on the Museum please call

us at 985-7700 or go online at [www.timeandthevalleymuseum.org](http://www.timeandthevalleymuseum.org).

## Become a Renaissance Intern - Earn Money and Make a Difference in Your Community

[FERNDAL] - Sullivan Renaissance is recruiting a limited number of paid community interns for the 2014 season. The primary role of the interns is to assist with care of gardens and other elements of community projects throughout the county.

Young people from outlying portions of Sullivan County will be needed as well as those from the more populated villages. Approximately fifteen interns will be hired. Salary is \$10 per hour. Applicants must be between the ages of 16-20 at the time of application. Applications are available online at:

[http://www.sullivanrenaissance.org/\\_doc/Intern\\_Application.pdf](http://www.sullivanrenaissance.org/_doc/Intern_Application.pdf).

They are due April 1. Final applicants will participate in a personal interview.

The work includes planting, watering, mulching, fertilizing, weeding, dead-heading of plants, and other related activities. Some interns also assist with administrative and organizational tasks such as clerical support, phone calling and fundraising activities.

In addition to supporting the gardening and project work of community volunteers, Renaissance interns participate in a leadership program where they engage in discussion on current issues, meet with local leaders and participate in a day of service.

The program is a collaborative effort between Sullivan Renaissance and the Sullivan County Center for Workforce Development. For more information contact Sullivan Renaissance at 845-295-2445.

Sullivan Renaissance is a beautification and community development program principally funded by the Gerry Foundation.

## CWC Expands Septic Program Eligibility

The Catskill Watershed Corporation (CWC) has extended eligibility guidelines for its Septic Rehabilitation and Replacement Program. Homeowners in the five-county NYC Watershed West of the Hudson River, whose homes were built prior to November 2, 1995 and whose property is within 300 feet of a watercourse, are eligible to participate in the program.

The program is voluntary. Homeowners who agree to participate will be reimbursed for the cost of pumping and inspecting the septic system to determine its condition. If repairs are needed, the CWC will pay for 100% of eligible costs of repairs for permanent residences, and 60% for non-primary residences.

Several hundred potentially eligible homeowners recently received a letter from the CWC inviting them to participate in this program to preserve water quality in the New York City Watershed. If you did not receive a letter and feel your property may be eligible, please call 877-928-7433 (toll free) or 845-586-1400 to arrange for a staff visit.

CWC programs and projects are explained in detail on the corporation's web site: [www.cwconline.org](http://www.cwconline.org). Inquiries are welcome Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the CWC's offices, 905 Main St., Margaretville; via email at [invest@cwconline.org](mailto:invest@cwconline.org), and over the toll-free line, 877-WAT-SHED.

## CWC Hosts Seminar for Septic Designers, Contractors

The Catskill Watershed Corporation (CWC) will host a seminar Thursday, April 17 for engineers and contractors who design and install on-site septic systems.

The workshop on Advanced Enviro-Septic Treatment Systems and standard onsite system designs will run from 9:30 to 2 at the CWC office, 905 Main St., Margaretville. Space is limited. Register online at [www.cwconline.org](http://www.cwconline.org) by Thursday, April 10.

The free workshop will be led by Presby Environmental Sessions. Four Professional Development Hours will be provided for the 4.5-hour course which is intended for engineers and designers of residential and commercial septic systems. Morning refreshments and lunch will be provided.

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## 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.*

Generally not greeted in the same manner as crocuses, robins or opening day of Little League, the sight of turkey vultures (a/k/a 'turkey buzzards') as I was told recently by Scott Hynson is a definite signpost pointing to the coming of spring.

These huge carnivores have migrated back to the Catskills. Usually you will see turkey vultures soaring gracefully and silently several hundred feet high, although they frequently sit on trees along the stream, or you may see several gathered on the road feasting on a dead animal.

The turkey vulture is an amazing birds known for some really interesting habits and characteristics. The Turkey Vulture received its common name from the resemblance of the adult's bald red head and its dark plumage to that of the male Wild Turkey and a similar habit of the turkey, sitting on the ground to eat.

Turkey vultures often fly in small groups of 2 to 3. They fly with wings held in a "V" shape and soar with a wing span of approximately 68". While both Turkey vultures and Bald eagles have large, dark wings one thing that distinguishes them from each other while in the sky is that their flight patterns are different. A vulture will "teeter-totter" like a kite on a string being pulled by the wind as it flip-flops through the air while the eagle flies plank-straight as though ignoring the wind. Rather than flapping their wings, both large birds will spare their energy and soar on rising heat thermals.

The turkey vulture is a member of the family Cathartidae. The female vultures usually lay 1 to 3 eggs in a year in spring. The incubation period is generally 38 to 41 days, after which the eggs hatch. All the responsibilities for incubating, as well as caring for the young ones are shared by both the parents. The young ones start flying within 70 to 80 days after hatching. They do not build nest for laying eggs; instead they lay eggs in caves or on the ground. An adult turkey vulture can live up to 16 years in wild, while in captivity, it can survive till 30 years.

Turkey Vultures do not have vocal organs instead they hiss and grunt. They hiss when they sense danger or threatened, and grunt is made when they are hungry, and also while courting. Turkey buzzards are gentle birds and use vomiting as a means of self-defense. When threatened, it throws up semi-digested food that has a foul smell that forces the predator to move away. Vomiting also allows it to fly away quickly from the predator by its body weight.

Another strange habit, a turkey vulture will urinate on their legs. They do not perspire, so this helps cool them in summer. The strong acids present in the urine also kills bacteria that may be on their legs after they tread on the bodies of dead and decaying animals. Turkey vultures are often observed sitting on the trees with their wings spread, known as the 'horaltic pose' that not only warms their body and dries their wings, but the hot sun will also aid to destroy bacteria.

The turkey vulture may resemble hawks to some extent, but recent DNA studies have shown that the new world vultures are more closely related to storks than to hawks or even old world vultures! The new world vultures are different from their old world counterparts mainly being that the old world vultures have strong beaks and their feet possess sharp, hooked claws. On the contrary, the beak of the new world vultures are weaker, and their feet resemble those of chickens. Their feet allow them to hold food in place, but they cannot lift or carry the food to other places. Turkey vultures have evolved to efficiently locate and consume carrion (dead animals). Their brains have large olfactory bulbs, which process information from a good sized nasal cavity. This means a great sense of smell, something not all that is not common in many birds. As the turkey vultures rise upon the warm air currents and saw to great heights looking for dead animals, they also use their keen eyesight, but it is especially 'that nose' that is sensitive to ethyl mercaptan, a chemical given off by rotting flesh that allows them to locate food on the ground as they soar over the dense Catskill Mountain forests!

While not a flowery sign of spring, certainly the Turkey Vultures do play a vital role in the vast web of life. Thank you Scott for making us aware of another signpost to spring!

## Household Hints

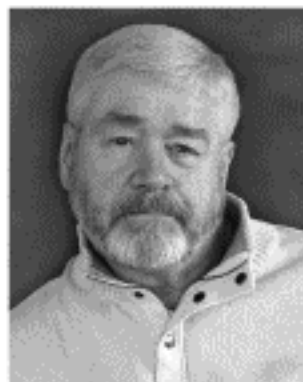
### Make nail polish last longer

Your nail polish will have a longer life expectancy if you first dampen your nails with some vinegar on a cotton ball and let it dry before applying your favorite polish.





## The Accident



### Mysterious Book Report No. 138 by John Dwaine McKenna

It's no secret to regular readers of the Mysterious Book Report that our focus is on finding new and upcoming authors who show a lot of promise, as well as a lot of talent, in the thriller and crime fiction genres and bring them to your attention. My criteria are simple. Is it a new and unknown author? Does he or she have something interesting to say and a unique voice to say it in? And lastly, am I still thinking about what I've read for several days after? If so, the book will probably make our *Best Books of the Year List*, which is issued each December at around Christmas time.

**The Accident**, (Crown Publishers, \$26.00, 400 pages, ISBN 978-0-385-34845-4) by Chris Pavone meets all the above criteria and then some. It's Pavone's second novel, (his first, *The Expats*, was a NY Times bestseller and an Edgar Award Winner) and it's a keep-you-up-all-night page turner that I predict will also be a best seller because the author has an uncanny ability to ratchet up the tension on the first few pages and keep it there throughout the remainder of the book. The novel begins at dawn, with a literary agent named Isabel Reed finishing the last page of an anonymous manuscript that she's sure will be a runaway bestseller because of the explosive nature of its tell-all contents. It names names of powerful people and the crimes they've committed over the years while building a worldwide media empire and amassing fabulous wealth. But along with the wealth and fame, comes a desire for power... national political aspirations that would be crushed if the manuscript were to go public. When those with copies of the manuscript start dying however, it becomes apparent that it's as deadly as it is controversial. The cast of characters are broad and include a media titan; an anonymous hidden author who's undergoing plastic surgery to disguise his appearance and save his life; and a rogue CIA officer who's in league with the media mogul who'll stop at nothing to prevent the book from being published. *The Accident* is a first-rate thriller from a first-rate author we'll be hearing a lot more from in the coming years. Take this opportunity to read and grow with him.

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### Hay, Baleage, & Forage Quality Workshop with CCE Orange, Sullivan, & Ulster

MIDDLETOWN/ KINGSTON- Seasoned farmers or beginners can gain valuable knowledge at an in-depth workshop on producing and marketing hay and baleage and feeding forage to beef, sheep, goats, horses, and alpaca to maximize livestock performance. A Hay, Baleage, and Forage Quality workshop is offered on Friday, April 11, 2014 in Orange and Ulster Counties.

Aaron Gabriel, a Northwest New York Crop Specialist, will discuss how to obtain and maintain optimum forage quality. Topics covered will be managing, renovating, and establishing hay fields. Participants will take a close look at forage quality and the economics involved in making hay. Tips from the area specialists can help in growing quality forages.

A partnered program with Cornell Cooperative Extension (CCE) Orange, Sullivan, and Ulster Counties, this class will be held at CCE Orange County 11:00 am to 2:00 pm. A live webinar of this workshop will be available at CCE Ulster County beginning at 11:00 am.

Cost of this program will be \$15.00 per person or \$20.00 per farm and includes a light lunch.

Space is limited so pre-registration with non-refundable payment is required by April 9. Registration and more information can be obtained by calling 845-292-6180 or emailing Michelle Lipari at [mml249@cornell.edu](mailto:mml249@cornell.edu).

### Sullivan County Accepting Agricultural District Applications

Sullivan County is accepting applications from property owners seeking to be included in New York State Agricultural Districts 1 and 4, beginning April 1st and ending April 30th, 2014. The Districts promote the preservation of agricultural land and encourage the continued use of farmland for agricultural production by protecting farmers from restrictive local laws, providing them with tax incentives, and requiring that governments notify farmers of projects that could adversely affect farmland. Agricultural District 1 encompasses towns in northern and western Sullivan County, and Agricultural District 4 covers the County's eastern and southern towns.

Eligible parcels must predominantly consist of viable agricultural land, defined by New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets Law as land highly suitable for agricultural production and which will continue to be economically feasible for such use if real property taxes, farm use restrictions and speculative activities are limited to levels approximating those in commercial agricultural areas not influenced by the proximity of non-agricultural development.

Inclusion in the County's NYS agricultural districts is voluntary and requires an application made during the upcoming thirty day window. The brief application requires an explanation of why the land should be included, along with owner contact information and the property's location and tax parcel numbers. Applications should be submitted to the Sullivan County Agricultural and Farmland Protection Board, in care of the Sullivan County Legislature. The Board will make recommendations to the County Legislature for each request. The County Legislature will hold a public hearing and then vote on the approval of each recommended request. Subsequent to County approval, an updated district map with a report showing the new parcels for inclusion will be submitted to the State Department of Agriculture and Markets for State approval.

Upon approval by Agriculture and Markets, each property owner will be notified by mail and the real property tax records for each parcel will be updated. Applicants will receive notification by fall.

Interested property owners may obtain an application by calling Melinda Meddaugh, Agricultural Planner with at the Sullivan County Division of Planning and Environmental Management, at 845-807-0527 or [melinda.meddaugh@co.sullivan.ny.us](mailto:melinda.meddaugh@co.sullivan.ny.us), or by visiting the County website at: <http://www.co.sullivan.ny.us/Departments/DepartmentsNZ/PlanningandEnvironmentalManagement/Agriculture/tabid/3257/Default.aspx>.

### 41st Anniversary of the SC Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RVP)

The Sullivan County Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) will be celebrating our 41st Anniversary on May 12th 2014 at our Annual Recognition Day Luncheon. The RSVP program is celebrating 41 years of existence in Sullivan County and it is another milestone year! We are honoring over 288 RSVP seniors who volunteered over 60,000+ hours of service time to many community agencies in Sullivan County during 2013. The Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) Advisory Council would humbly request on behalf of these seniors to please make the Annual Recognition Day Luncheon more special. We are offering you the opportunity to place an advertisement or Sponsor note to say thanks in a very special way. To reach out to RSVP Seniors Volunteers in your organization, Township and community to thank them for their service to our County.

If you decide to place an advertisement, your ad will appear in our Volunteer Luncheon Journal as well as the RSVP Senior Sullivanites newsletters that are issued quarterly to hundreds of people and available on our web page. Prices for the Journal ads are as follows (\*Please see attached letter and ad form for more details):

- o Full Page \$ 200 (may be submitted on Official Letterhead)
- o Half Page \$ 100
- o Quarter Page \$ 75
- o Business Card \$ 50
- o Booster (one line of text) \$ 15

Thank you in advance for your commitment to RSVP! Please make checks payable to RSVP. The deadline for Ads and Boosters has been firmly set for March 1st thru April 7th 2014.

### CWC Annual Meeting April 1

MARGARETVILLE, NY, March 17, 2014 - The Catskill Watershed Corporation (CWC) will hold its 17th Annual Meeting of member towns Tuesday, April 1 at 1 p.m. at CWC offices, 905 Main Street, Margaretville.

Results of the election of three representatives to the CWC Board of Directors - all from Delaware County -- will be announced. A slide show of CWC achievements over the past year will be featured.

The floor will then be open for questions and comments from representatives of member towns and villages, and the general public.

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors will be held immediately following the Annual Meeting.

The public is cordially invited to attend both meetings.

CWC programs and projects are explained in detail on the corporation's web site: [www.cwconline.org](http://www.cwconline.org). Inquiries are welcome Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the CWC's offices; via email at [invest@cwconline.org](mailto:invest@cwconline.org), and over the toll-free line, 877-WAT-SHED (877-928-7433).

### NYSDOT Extends Public Comment Period On High Speed Rail Plans - Comments on Draft Environmental Impact Statement Accepted through April 30

ALBANY, NY (03/21/2014)(readMedia)-- New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT) Commissioner Joan McDonald today announced the extension of the public comment period on the High Speed Rail Empire Corridor Tier 1 Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS), which outlines plans for improving passenger and freight rail service on the Empire Corridor between New York City and Niagara Falls. Public comments will be accepted through Wednesday, April 30.

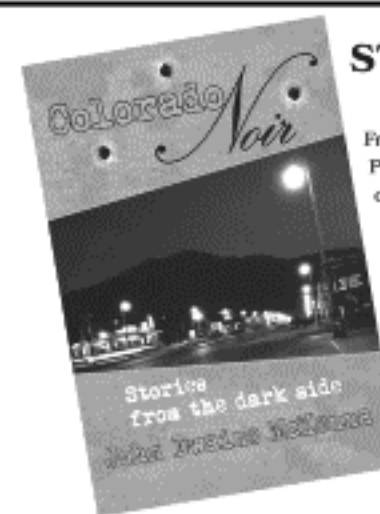
"The community is critically important in helping us plan for effective transportation improvements, and we're pleased that this proposal is generating so much interest," Commissioner McDonald said. "By extending the public comment period, we're making it even easier for the public to have its say about expanding high speed passenger rail service to the Empire Corridor west of Albany and enhancing service south of Albany, improvements that will create jobs, support tourism and economic development, and make our environment cleaner."

The public comment period was extended in response to community requests. It was scheduled to close Monday, March 24. It started on January 31, when the DEIS was published in the Federal Register.

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. Information about the project, including a copy of the DEIS, is available on the NYSDOT website at <https://www.dot.ny.gov/empire-corridor> and on the Federal Railroad Administration's (FRA) website at <http://www.fra.dot.gov/Page/P0679>.

Earlier this month, more than 500 people attended six public hearings held across the state about the proposals. NYSDOT and the FRA, which are conducting the environmental review, sponsored the meetings. Informational open houses and hearings were held between March 4 and March 12 in Albany, Syracuse, Buffalo, Rochester, Utica and Poughkeepsie. More than 250 people already have submitted comments.

Comments may be submitted on the project website, or emailed to [empirecorridor@dot.ny.gov](mailto:empirecorridor@dot.ny.gov) with the subject line "Draft EIS." Comments also may be mailed to David Chan, Project Manager, New York State Department of Transportation, 50 Wolf Road, Pod #61, Albany, NY 12232.



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## The Olive Jar - By Carol LaMonda A Stitch in Time

There are over 314 million people in the United States. There are only 4,622 people in Olive. If I were a mathematician, which I am not, I would say the odds of having been selected for an honor were slim to none. Well, Cheryl Kosarek, former Home and Career teacher at Onteora and avid quilter, entered a quilt into a competition celebrating the Centennial of Grand Central Station in Manhattan. The final exhibition shows thirty quilts celebrating the event. Cheryl Kosarek's quilt titled "The Jewel of New York" depicts the famous clock in her inimitable style of beading. This work of art was judged one of the nine honorable-mentioned quilts that came from all over the United States. (Contd. Pg. 9)

### Olive Free Library to offer free Master Gardener lecture series beginning on March 29, 2014 at 2:00 p.m. with a talk titled: "Dirt Cheap: Fun and Frugal Gardening."

West Shokan, NY - The Olive Free Library is sponsoring a series of Master Gardener lectures given to help people learn to plan and create a successful home garden. The first talk on Saturday, March 29 at 2:00 p.m. is titled: "Dirt Cheap, Fun and Frugal Gardening". This visual lecture will emphasize fun ways to save money in the garden by learning some quick and easy short cuts. Even soil, the most basic part of gardening, can be done without spending much cash. Learn how to get soil-making elements easily and frugally, as well as plants, tools, and containers, all for a bit less money. Take home a list of sources for free and discounted seeds and plants, ideas for cheap compost and mulch supplies, plus a list of plants that will reproduce freely in your garden. You'll be inspired with ideas for a trashcan turned into a tumbling composter and plants from your kitchen leftovers. Laugh a bit and get a new money-saving perspective on gardening. The lecture will be presented by Cornell Cooperative Extension Master Gardener Cecily Frazier.

Cecily Frazier, is a Master Gardener Volunteer in Ulster County, a life-long organic gardener, and someone who loves to learn new things about her passion--gardening. She volunteers at the Vanderbilt Garden, and is a founding member of the Rhinebeck Village Tree Commission.

Other lectures are planned for April 5 and May 3. For information about any Olive Free Library programs please contact: Katie Scott-Childress 845-657-2482 director@olivefreelibrary.org

### From Ulster County's Sheriff's Office

Deputies from the Ulster County Sheriff's Office report the arrest of Michaeline M. Zager, age 42, of Box 3382 State Route 28 in the Town of Olive.

Michaeline M. Zager has been charged with the felony of assault in the second degree and the misdemeanor of criminal possession of a weapon in the fourth degree.

On March 21st, 2014 at approximately 11:30pm, the Ulster County Sheriff's Office received notification from a the Kingston Hospital of a victim that had been stabbed. Investigation revealed that the incident occurred at Box 3382 State Route 28 in the Town of Olive. Further investigation revealed that Michaeline M. Zager was involved in a domestic dispute with a family member at that location. During the dispute, Mrs. Zager stabbed the victim in the back with a kitchen knife. The victim sustained non-life threatening injuries and was transported to the Kingston Hospital in a private vehicle. Subsequently Deputies went to the residence, located Mrs. Zager and took her into custody without incident.

Michaeline M. Zager was arraigned before Town of Olive Judge Cox and remanded to the Ulster County Jail in leu of \$25,000 Cash Bail / \$50,000 Bond. Mrs. Zager is to schedule to appear in the Town of Olive Court on March 26th, 2014 at 4:30pm

Deputies from the Ulster County Sheriff's Office report a one car, personal injury automobile accident which occurred on State Route 52 in the Town of Wawarsing.

On Wednesday, March 19, 2014 at approximately 10:26 pm, Deputies responded to a report of a car into a tree in the area of State Route 52 and Birchall Road, Town of Wawarsing. A vehicle operated by Reyanna Clunie, 25, of 110 Center Street, Ellenville was heading westbound on State Route 52. Clunie's vehicle went off of the road and struck a tree, causing extensive damage to the vehicle and injuries to Clunie.

Clunie suffered a possible fracture of her right arm and was transported to the Ellenville Regional Hospital by the Ellenville Rescue Squad. State Route 52 was closed in both directions by the Ellenville Fire Company for approximately 1 hour during the investigation.

Deputies were assisted at the scene by the Ellenville Fire Company, the Ellenville Rescue Squad and the Village of Ellenville Police Department.

Deputies from the Ulster County Sheriff's Office report the arrest of Edward J. Champion, age 26, of 140 Berme Road in the Village of Ellenville.

Edward J. Champion has been charged with the Class E Felony of failing to register as a sex offender required by New York State Corrections Law.

On March 19th, 2014 at approximately 4:00am, Deputies located Edward Champion, a level two sex offender, residing at 140 Berme Road in the Village of Ellenville. Investigation revealed that he had been living at the location for over a month and failed to register the address with the Department of Criminal Justice Services as required by New York State Corrections Law.

Edward Champion was processed and arraigned before Judge Pape in the Town of Rosendale Court and remanded to the Ulster County Jail in leu of \$50,000 cash bail/ \$100,000 bond. He is to reappear in the Town of Rosendale Court on March 21st 2014 at 10:00am.

### Financial Records of 500 Public Authorities Now on [www.openbooknewyork.com](http://www.openbooknewyork.com) Website Contains Millions of State and Local Government Financial Records

State Comptroller Thomas P. DiNapoli today announced that financial information for more than 500 state and local public authorities is now available at Open Book New York <http://www.openbooknewyork.com/>, a transparency website launched by DiNapoli in 2008. The database, going back to 2007, can be downloaded in an Excel, tsv or csv format.

"Public authorities often do business out of the public eye, but they are responsible for overseeing billions in taxpayer dollars and assets," DiNapoli said. "We're working to open the books and let the public see public authorities' revenue and spending. This addition to Open Book New York makes it the go-to source for comprehensive, user-friendly financial information for state and local governments."

In December, DiNapoli added state payments to Open Book New York. The state payment data, which includes about 10,000 new payments each day, contains the agency submitting the payment request, the payment recipient, the payment amount and the date the payment was made. About six million payments are available for searching.

Open Book New York also contains detailed revenue, spending, debt and property tax cap information for 3,100 local governments, going back as far as 1999. Nearly 50,000 state contracts and amendments can also be searched, along with major spending categories for state agencies. Most data is updated daily.

"When we launched Open Book New York, we promised to keep adding information and we have. But rather than just posting the information, we allow users to download entire databases and make comparisons among government entities. We want this website to give government watchdogs and individuals the tools they need to give knowledgeable feedback to their elected officials," DiNapoli said.

As the state's fiscal watchdog, DiNapoli is responsible for processing all state payments, reviewing tens of billions in state contracts annually and monitoring local government finances.

### Cornell Landscape Webinar Series Offered by CCE Sullivan County

LIBERTY, NY- The second of the two educational sessions of the Cornell Landscape Webinar Series is being offered this spring by Cornell Cooperative Extension (CCE) Sullivan County's Master Gardener program. Session II, "Urban Horticulture: Woody Shrubs for Stormwater Retention & the State of Our Urban Forests", will occur on Wednesday, April 16, 2014. Both events will be held from 4:45 to 7:15 pm at CCE's Gerald J. Skoda Extension Education Center on 64 Ferndale-Loomis Road in Liberty. New York State (NYS) Department of Environmental Conservation credits have been applied for in categories 3a, 3b, 10, and 25, and 2.5 International Society of Arboriculture credits have been granted.

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Recovering Our Urban Forests: Update on Invasive Pests (& Invasive Practices) | Rick Harper, UMass Extension Assistant Professor, will discuss the urban forest health condition of our nation's community trees. Rick will include information about underlying causes - both pests and cultural practices - and share integrated solutions that include chemical and non-chemical options.

Cost to attend the session is \$35 and includes a light dinner. Pre-registration with non-refundable payment is required by April 14 for Session II by calling 845-292-6180.

More information about these opportunities or the Master Gardener program can be obtained by emailing Susan Dollard at [smd243@cornell.edu](mailto:smd243@cornell.edu).

### Cahill Appointed to the Joint Budget Conference Subcommittee on Health

(Albany, New York) Assemblymember Kevin A. Cahill (D - Ulster, Dutchess) announced today that he has been appointed by Assembly Speaker Sheldon Silver and Ways and Means Chair Herman D. Farrell, Jr. to sit on the Health Joint Budget Subcommittee.

The Joint Budget Conference Subcommittees are intended to provide public transparency of the budgetary process. The bi-partisan panel includes representatives from each house who are charged with the task of negotiating specific provisions within the final budget.

"I am honored to have been selected to help lead health deliberations this year," said Cahill. "As both Chair of the Assembly Committee on Insurance and longtime member of the Assembly Committee on Health, I am well aware of the magnitude of this section of the budget and its great impact on the well-being of citizens across the state."

Discussions will involve New York State of Health Benefit Exchange, Medicaid redesign efforts, the Spinal Cord Injury Research Program, and Early Intervention.

"My colleagues and I are committed to fostering meaningful debate on the budget. We are poised with crafting legislation that will appropriate adequate and fair funding to every facet of the healthcare system in New York State," said Cahill.

### Bye, Bye Birdie at Fallsburg High School

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In fall 2013, the College presented a program, moderated by Dr. Gerald Benjamin that reviewed the mission and goals that had been set for community colleges at their outset. Dr. Milliron will discuss the challenges and opportunities that lie ahead for these seminal institutions. Admission is free. To reserve a seat, please call (845) 687-5262.

### Awarding of 60 Year Pin and Certificate of Membership



Worshipful James E. Sullivan, Grand Master of Free and Accepted Masons in the State of New York with the assistance of Worshipful Brother Timothy Dexheimer, DSA, George's son. The ceremony took place at Liberty Masonic Lodge, F & AM in Liberty, New York

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Tuesday evening, March 11th, 2014. There were 76 Lodge Brothers, their families and friends in attendance. The Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner beforehand was delicious and well attended also.

### Noted Speaker addresses the Future of Community Colleges As part of SUNY Ulster's 50th Anniversary

Dr. Mark Milliron, co-founder and Chief Learning Officer of Civitas Learning, will speak on April 3, at 1 p.m., in the SUNY Ulster College Lounge. An award-winning educational leader, author, speaker and consultant, Dr. Milliron, will guide a discussion on what is ahead for two-year colleges and how they can prepare to serve their students and the community.

A dynamic and engaging speaker, Dr. Milliron has served as the founding chancellor of Western Governors University Texas; the Deputy Director for Postsecondary Improvement with the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation; Endowed Fellow and Director of the National Institute of

### Ukraine: The Cold War Returns? (From Pg. 1)

Dr. Larysa Dyrszka, a pediatrician, joined the panel supporting the Ukrainian and Ukrainian/American point of view. She spoke about the rich culture of Ukrainians who endured the Holodomor, the forced starvation under Stalin in the '30s and bore the brunt of Hitler's armies in World War II. She relayed that somehow, through it all, Ukrainians maintained a national culture, language and identity. Dr. Dyrszka also expressed the constant threats on Ukraine, "foreshadows what is now happening at Maidan".

Also on the panel was Tom Lambert, Professor of Sociology who has been a professor at Sullivan County Community College for 40 years. Professor Lambert superbly purported the intention of Putin from the Russian point of view.



Panel member, Professor Tom Lambert explains why Putin is considered a rational leader.

Each panelist presented their facts and later had a chance for further discussion, as well as answer questions from audience participants.

While not all present were in accord with remarks made by Professor Lambert. In his usual unique apologetic manner he cleverly presented the facts of why Putin was so intent on gaining back Crimea, Ukraine and ultimately moving westward.

Query from the audience integrated the ideology of propaganda, why the United States should be involved and "what will The World Bank do for Ukraine?"

Each panelist participated in responding to the questions and statements.

Dr. Dyrszka agreed with the statement made by Joseph Comando, a SCCC alumni, "Unarmed people were killed by Russian troops whose insignias were removed from their uniforms. We can see this on live videos on the internet, but they have not been aired on CNN or other news programs."

Professor Lambert eloquently described Putin, as a deeply religious man despite being a loyal KGB agent. Putin knew the church would be a key in his well-thought strategy. The Russian Orthodox Church has had a huge revival since the fall of the Soviet Union, underneath Vladimir Putin. As Russia began to recuperate from the chaotic 1990s and decided that it wanted to resurge its power not only domestically but also internationally, Putin put a great deal of effort and money into restoring the church physically and psychologically.

While Crimea is geographically, and culturally, at the crossroads of East and West there were three main factors that allowed Mr Putin to annex Crimea easily and without bloodshed. The first was the power of the Russian forces already legitimately stationed in Crimea that is home to Russia's Black Sea Fleet. The second was the acceptance of the ethnically and culturally Russian population in Crimea, which has longed to regain its place as part of the Soviet empire. The third was the weakness of the interim government in Kiev. Nevertheless, the question remains- "Ukraine: The Cold War Returns?"



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## "Scrambled Realities" Mixed Media Paintings by Jane Dell At Alliance Gallery

"Scrambled Realities," an exhibit of mixed media paintings by Jane Dell opens with a reception on Friday, April 25 from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Delaware Arts Center's Alliance Gallery in Narrowsburg, NY. The exhibit will be on view through May 17, 2014.

"I invite the viewer to enter an imaginary dystopia where familiar elements in unfamiliar combinations create a luscious unease," says artist Jane Dell. Her mixed media on Mylar\* paintings and acrylic/collage on canvas in "Scrambled Realities" include a playful, yet thoughtful mix of materials-watercolor ink, graphite, photos from vintage books, stock images from the Internet, and fabric-that represent an imaginative, metaphorical universe. (\*Mylar is a strong, stretched polyester film used for

thermal blankets, helium balloons, and videotape.)

"The balance that once existed between humans, animals and our environment is being replaced by confusion and concerns about the future," the artist says. "Things are spinning out of control, causing a juxtaposition of images, forms and colors within the paintings to unexpectedly appear."

Born in New York City, Dell studied at the School of Visual Arts before earning her BFA from Pratt Institute. She studied textile and fabric arts at Parsons School of Design, created a hand-painted silk business, and exclusively sold work at The Show of Hands gallery in New York City.

For the last 20 years her artwork has been focused on painting, collage and mixed media, and has been exhibited at Monmouth Museum in Lincroft, New Jersey, P.S. 122 and Gallery at First in New York City, and many other venues throughout the Northeast.

Many of her paintings are in private collections, including the Hudson County Community College in Jersey City, NJ and NYLO Hotels at 77th Street near Broadway in New York City.

This exhibit is free and open to the public.

## The Olive Jar - A Stitch in Time (From Pg. 6)

The Grand Cental Centennial Quilts will be on display from March 15 to July 6. According to Travel and Leisure magazine, approximately 21,600,00 visitors will pass through the terminal, known as the sixth most visited tourist attraction, so about a hundred thousand visitors will get to admire Cheryl's quilt. I bet only a few will know where the Town of Olive is on the map, but Cheryl's talent and handi-work put us there for all to see.



Cheryl is also involved in a simpler, more utilitarian, project of quilting. This week she has organized a local group to work with her on Project Linus that makes and donates quilts to children in shelters, hospitals, and disaster events. Marie Pantliano, Lois Ostapczuk, Janette Kahill, Jane McCabe, and yours truly will piece and sew quilts in an old fashioned "quilting bee."

Neighbors in Olive are community minded. They support each other whether it is the Fire Department's Brooks' Chicken sale or the upcoming Lasagna dinner at the Olivebridge Methodist Church. They will have gluten free and take out dinners available on Saturday, April 12th, 4:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. The prices are \$12 Adult, \$10 Sr/Child 11 and under. Contact: Steff at 657-2045 for information or reservations.

We all have our talents whether they be in the culinary, musical or quilting arts. It is in the sharing of those talents that the joy lies. The Reservoir Methodist Church is having its Talent Show on Saturday, April 4, at 7 p.m. at the DuBois Hall at the church in Shokan. There are many talented people in the congregation. I, on the other hand, will be there in the audience. Come join me.

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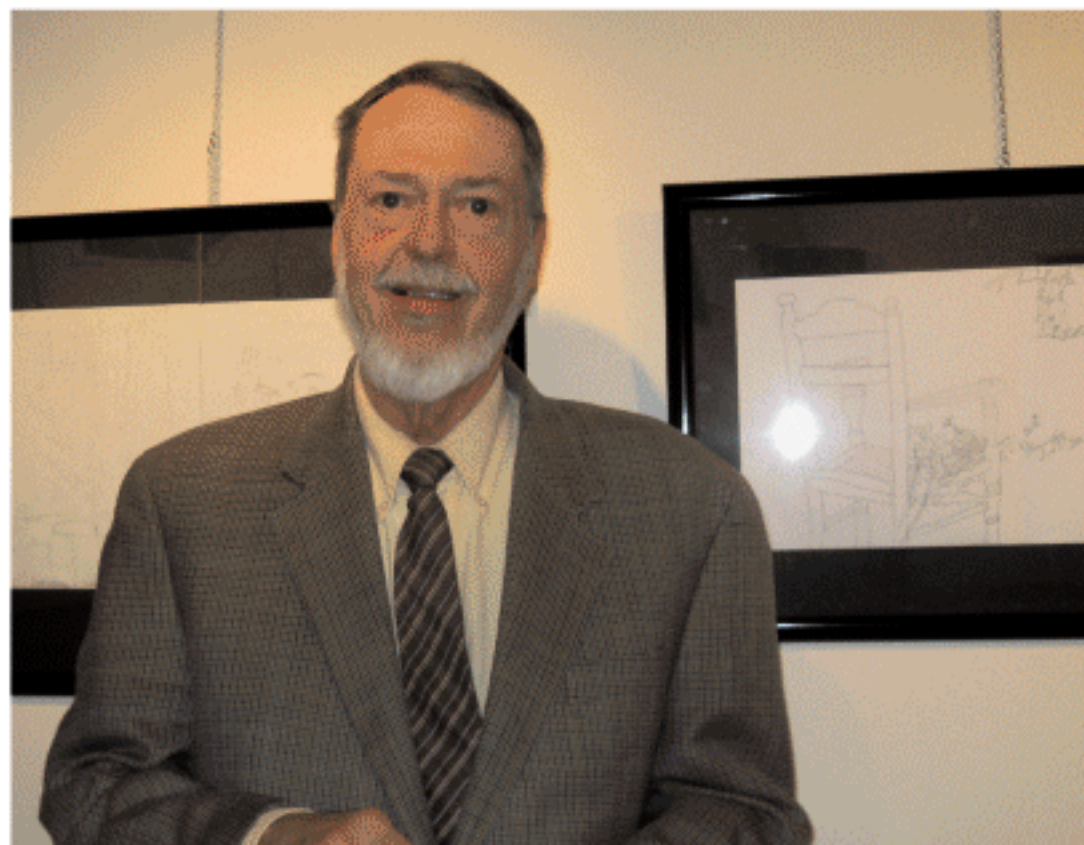
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## Ellenville Regional Hospital Healing Arts Gallery presents *Creative Convergence*

*Creative Convergence* a collection of artwork featuring four Cragmoor artists will be on exhibit now through April 25. The show is free and open to the public, 8am-8pm daily. A reception celebrating the artists and their work was held on Tuesday, March 18th.

Currently living in Cragmoor, Tom Bolger and Jeff Kraft were joined by former residents Richard Arnold and John Patrick Hart. The four artists presented a collection of Contemporary Realism in varied styles and mediums including paintings, sketches and photography, oil, acrylic, watercolor, pen and ink drawings.



Richard Arnold has been drawing all his life. His 'secret weapon' is line, which always moves through space. Arnold claims that not only are lines vectors of energy careening in all directions, they are by no means weightless, they have their own weight and it may vary from heavy and sluggish to light and zippy.

Richard Arnold is the founder of The Glen Wild Studio, Kiamesha Lake, NY.

The classic, contemporary and surreal converge in several mediums to create a compelling art exhibition from four artists who embody the best of these worlds. Tom Bolger, JK, Richard Arnold and John Patrick Hart transcribe their perception of art in variations of materials and styles.

There is a common thread throughout the work of all the artists in this exhibition. They demonstrate both the skill and tradition of classical works and the content and critical thinking of the contemporary world. They each have a desire to reach beyond surface appearance and paint something of meaning and significance.

Edgar Degas said "Art is not what you see, but what you make others see."

Ellenville Regional Hospital is located at 10 Healthy Way in Ellenville NY. For more information about the Healing Arts exhibit or the Ellenville Regional Hospital, please contact (845) 210-3043.



Tom Bolger, a self-taught painter who is always looking for new techniques and JK who stated, "Paintings for me are space to trigger a mental vacation," pictured with John Patrick Hart, author of 6 books on photography and storyboarding. Hart has taught classes at NYU for the past 16 years and is the owner of John Hart Photography Studio located in New York City.



## Casting Pink at the Biggest Trout Season Opener Ever 2014 Saturday, April 5, 2014

Following the day after the first induction dinner honoring Catskill Legends: Mac Francis, Phil Chase and Floyd Franke, Friday evening April 4, the Catskill Fly Fishing Center starts another new season.

In celebration of the New York State Trout Season and Official opening of the 35th Season Opener for the Catskill Fly Fishing Center and Museum, the 2014 theme is Women and Children First.

The Day will begin at 9:30 AM in the DEC lot just upstream from the entrance of the Museum Bridge, 1031 Old Route 17 in Livingston Manor, NY. Some of the top women movers and shakers\* and the Lake family will join Joan Wulff and deliver a ceremonial cast to in another new season. This year the Official Casters will be Casting Pink with new pink fly lines supplied by Cortland Line Company for Breast Cancer Awareness. And Casters will be using a Royal Wulff fly to launch the new museum gallery exhibit "Wulff Flies...still floating after 85 years" that features the innovations in fly tying by Lee Wulff since 1929.

Immediately following the Season Opening Cast attendees will have a full day of activities to choose from: Bamboo Mike Canazon and his Cane Crew will be running a casting tune up, opportunity to cast a bamboo fly rod and a casting clinic in the Livingston Manor Gym just down the road until 1 PM.

97 year old Agnes Van Put will open her soup kitchen in the gift shop and ladle out her famous homemade soups. Coffee and other goodie delights will also be served.

In the Catskill Fly Fishing Museum, World Ambassador of fly tying, Ted Patlen will be presenting his spring ensemble of flies that will surely catch fish and Lance Hidy, William Anderson and a great group of tradition wet fly and flymph tyers will be demonstrating and teaching a wide variety of patterns.

At 2 PM in the Wulff Gallery, a multi award winning movie on the flytying of Megan Boyd and flyfishing for Atlantic Salmon of Scotland. It is a full day of fun for anyone interested in any level of flyfishing from the largest fly fishing center in the world, The Catskill Fly Fishing Center and Museum.

No admission. Donations greatly appreciated.

### The personnel in Fishing's Biggest Season Opener at the Catskill Fly Fishing Center.

We celebrate... Women and Children First to officially open a new season at the Catskill Fly Fishing Center.

These women are the movers and shakers in the fly fishing community. They come from different areas and together they are building a new future in fly fishing for all. The Women:

Sara Low, NYC: fly fishing author, officer of TGF, NYS fly fishing guide and contributor to many organizations;

Lindsay Agness, Rochester, NY: Women's Initiative Coordinator, NY State Council TU;

Kelly Buchta: NJ President, Joan Wulff Fly Fishers, NJ, VP Northeast Region and Women's Initiative Coordinator- NJ State Council Trout Unlimited, Member IFFF, East Jersey Trout Unlimited, Catskill Fly Tyers Guild;

Kit Kechejian: Candlewood Valley TU Secretary, Trout in the Classroom Chairperson, CT State Council TU

Amie Broshear: Personal Trainer, wife of Country Singer Ryan Broshear and woman fly fisher;

Erin Phelan: Catskill Fly Fishing Center Executive Assistant, NY State Fishing Guide, BJOC/NY instructor and board member, bamboo rod advocate;

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### The Kids:

Logan Lake: Youth instructor at Catskill Fly Fishing Center, Bamboo rod-maker, fly tyer, fly fisher, BJOC/NY graduate and instructor; Rylie Lake: Youth instructor at Catskill Fly Fishing Center, fly tying, Rod Casting, fly fishing, and soon to be bamboo rodmaker. BJOC graduate and instructor;

Silas Lake: soon to be fly fisher to go beyond his brothers above accomplishments; Veida Lake: the girl in the family who says she will show them all; Johannes Mason: self-taught fly tyer, fly caster and fan of bamboo fly rods and first kid to participate in Season Opener ceremonies for 8 years. He is still with it at the ripe old age of 13.

### Governor Cuomo Announces Special Recognition for Cold War Veterans- New State Certificate Honors New York Cold War Military for Their Service

Governor Andrew Cuomo today announced a new state certificate for the more than 900,000 New Yorkers who served in the military during the Cold War. The New York State Cold War Certificate honors the service of New Yorkers who served in the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force or Coast Guard along with their reserve components, as well as the Army and Air National Guard during the 46-year standoff between the United States and North Atlantic Treaty Organization allies and the Soviet Union and its Communist allies.

"Those who grew up during the Cold War remember the fear and anxiety it inspired," Governor Cuomo said. "The tens of thousands of New Yorkers who served during that time deserve our heartfelt gratitude. The United States Congress formally recognized these veterans in 1998, and it is time New York State does the same."

The New York State Cold War Certificate is available to any New York resident who served in the military and was honorably discharged between the end of the Second World War on Sept. 2, 1945 and the dissolution of the Soviet Union on Dec. 26, 1991.

The certificate states, "In recognition of your service during the period of the Cold War, 2 September 1945 -26 December 1991, in protecting peace and stability for this Nation, the people of the state of New York are forever grateful."

The certificate can be obtained from the New York State Division of Military and Naval Affairs, which is responsible for administering New York state military awards.

Applicants can prove their service with a DD 214, indicating an honorable discharge or a discharge in honorable circumstances from active duty, an NGB Form 22, indicating either an honorable discharge or a discharge in honorable circumstances from the Army or Air National Guard, or a WD AGO Form 53-55 issued by the War Department prior to the creation of the Department of Defense.

Information on how to apply for the New York State Cold War Certificate can be found on the New York State Division of Military and Naval Affairs awards website here: <http://dmna.ny.gov/awards/> or by calling 518-591-5296.

### Background on the Cold War

The defeat of Nazi Germany and Japan in 1945 at the end of World War II resulted in a tense standoff between the Soviet Union, which occupied the countries of eastern Europe as well as northern China and Korea, and the United States, Great Britain, Canada, France and other

western allied countries. Soviet refusal to allow democratic elections in the areas of Europe the Red Army had conquered and the revelation of a Soviet spy network in Canada in September 1945 made relations between former allies worse.

In 1948 tensions climaxed as the Soviet Union prevented the United States and the west from supplying its garrisons in the jointly occupied City of Berlin. American and allied aircraft succeeded in supplying both western forces and German civilians for the next 11 months until the Russian blockade ended, keeping west Berlin a free city.

Under the Truman Doctrine the United States provided aid to Greece and Turkey to prevent communist insurgencies from succeeding, while in 1949 the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) was created in 1949 to link the United States and Canada with Western Europe in a defensive pact aimed to stop the Russians from invading.

Cold War competition sparked the space race between Russia and the United States, and both sides jockeyed for influence in all corners of the globe.

Occasionally the standoff turned hot. In 1950 North Korea, supported by China and the Soviet Union, invaded South Korea, which was supported by the United States. The U.S. and other United Nations countries sent forces and the war turned hot until 1953. In 1956 Hungary tried to break out of the Soviet orbit and the Russians invaded and in 1968 the same thing happened in Czechoslovakia.

The United States went to war in Vietnam to stop a Communist takeover of the south, while the Soviets and the United States backed the Arabs and Israelis, respectively, in the 1973 Yom Kippur War.

When the Russians intervened in Afghanistan in 1979, the United States supported forces opposed to the Soviet Union.

In 1961 tensions flared again in Berlin, and American and Russian tank crews went gun barrel to gun barrel for 17 hours at a site named Checkpoint Charlie. The East German government eventually resolved the standoff-over the issue of East Germans fleeing to the west-by building a wall around West Berlin.

And in 1963 the world went to the brink of nuclear war when the Russians installed missiles armed with atomic warheads on the island of Cuba, with the United States launching a naval blockade to stop further Russian moves.

Throughout the period, the United States Air Force maintained bomber and missile forces on alert, and the United States Navy prepared to fight Russian naval forces in the Atlantic and Mediterranean. The United States Army prepared to fight a massive tank battle to defend West Germany, and France from the Russian Army.

The Cold War standoff wound down at the end of the 1980s as the Soviet Union under Mikhail Gorbachev-facing a western military build-up and internal economic problems-began loosening the restrictions on Soviet citizens and encouraged the Soviet dominated countries of eastern Europe to do the same.

In November 1989, East Germany lifted restrictions on travel to the west, and East Germans, freed of the fear of border guards firing on them, spontaneously began destroying the Berlin Wall. Opponents of the other eastern European Communist governments launched their own revolts and without the backing of Soviet military power, those governments collapsed.

In 1991 some Soviet military leaders, unhappy with the course of events since the fall of the Berlin Wall, staged a coup to overthrow Gorbachev. When the coup collapsed, the Soviet Union effectively collapsed with it and the country broke up into Russia and a host of successor states.



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## From Congressman Gibson

Dear Friend,

I wanted to take this opportunity to update you on some recent efforts important to veterans and make you aware of upcoming events in the 19th Congressional District focused on our current and former military personnel. As a veteran myself, I have a strong focus on serving the men and women who have made great sacrifices to defend our freedoms.

First, under the bipartisan budget agreement passed in December, the cost-of-living allowance (COLA) formula for veterans age 62 and younger used to account for inflation was adjusted to slow the rate of growth. I did not support that specific provision. However, had that budget not been enacted, another government shutdown was possible and the blunt cuts imposed by the sequester would have continued. Thus, we passed the budget, determined to re-engage the fight to restore the full COLA increases for military retirees.

As you may already know, we were successful in our fight to prevent a change to the COLA formula for veterans. On February 16, the President signed into law a bill that fully restored the COLA increases for military retirees regardless of age. The legislation ensures that current and former service members who first became a member of a uniformed service before January 1, 2014 will receive a full COLA increase upon retirement.

In other developments, the Fiscal Year 2014 National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) included a provision similar to a bill I authored - the 21st Century Health Care for Heroes Act. Specifically, the 2014 NDAA directs the Department of Defense and Veterans Administration (VA) to create an interoperable, seamless electronic health record system with the Department of Defense. Moreover, the 2014 Consolidated Appropriations Act, passed in January, contained a major initiative to help the VA meet its goal of ending the disability claims backlog by 2015.

Last week, Representative Tulsi Gabbard of Hawaii and I introduced H.R. 4232, the Veterans Higher Education Opportunity Act, which modifies existing law so that service members may more easily take advantage of federal loan forgiveness programs. We have a responsibility to help ensure veterans returning from dangerous service abroad have an opportunity to focus on rebuilding their lives and contributing to their communities.

Further, I remain committed in my fight to pass H.R. 543 - the Blue Water Navy Vietnam Veterans Act of 2013. In 2002, the VA limited the scope of the Agent Orange Act to only those veterans who could provide orders for "boots on the ground" in Vietnam. As a result, veterans who served in the waters off the coast were forced to file individual claims with the VA to restore their benefits. My bill would grant presumptive exposure status to veterans who served in the territorial seas of Vietnam, enabling them to receive benefits if they suffer from any of the diseases the government has linked to Agent Orange.

I am also working within Congress to ensure that the Senate takes up a number of bills passed by the House, including bills I authored aimed at addressing the VA backlog and Blue Water Navy Initiatives. Even Democrats in the House have grown frustrated with the Senate's refusal to take action on common-sense legislation dealing with veterans and our military.

Finally, I want to make you aware of a number of events planned in the district for our veterans. These include Vietnam Veteran's Day Services in Hudson (March 29), a job fair at Columbia-Greene Community College (April 22), a Veterans District Advisory Committee meeting in Kingston (May 12), and a health fair at Hudson Valley Community

College (June 12-14). As we get closer to each event, I will ensure that further details are communicated to you.

Until we meet again, please stay in touch. My staff and I are happy to help you or your family in any way we can. It is an honor and privilege to serve you, and I hope to see you soon.

With warm regards and thanks,  
Chris Gibson  
Member of Congress

## Finds Veterans Are Not Informed of Health Benefits Options

Poor coordination of health benefits for veterans by the state Department of Health (DOH) and local social services departments resulted in many veterans being placed in the state's Medicaid program rather than federal programs, according to an audit released today by State Comptroller Thomas P. DiNapoli. Auditors found dozens of examples where necessary referrals were not made for federal benefits, limiting veterans' health options and costing state and local taxpayers millions.

"Our nation's heroes should be told that they have options when it comes to where they receive the health benefits they need and deserve. They should not be at the mercy of administrative problems, nor should taxpayers," DiNapoli said. "New York needs to do a better job coordinating how veterans are receiving their health benefits. Those who served in our Armed Forces should know all of their possible benefits."

As part of the state's Medicaid eligibility process, local departments of social services identify and refer veterans to the state Division of Veterans' Affairs (DVA) or local veterans' service agencies (VSA) so they can file for federal benefits. Such referrals are critical for enhancing the coordination of veterans' Medicaid and U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) benefits, as well as for helping ensure veterans access federal benefits.

In 2002, DOH determined that 15,390 veterans received Medicaid services totaling more than \$191 million in 2001. At that time, DOH sent a letter to all local departments of social services commissioners informing them that these expenditures could be reduced if veterans accessed care through the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA). The letter told local district commissioners to consider establishing local procedures for educating veterans about their eligibility for health care benefits through the VA and instructed them to assist veterans in obtaining those services. Since then, DOH has done little to ensure that local districts comply with state laws and DOH's Medicaid policies regarding the coordination of veterans' health care benefits.

During the five-year period ending March 31, 2013, New York's Medicaid program reimbursed health care providers \$3.47 billion for medical services provided to more than 70,000 veterans. Many veterans enrolled in Medicaid are also entitled to health care benefits through the VA. While it is a veteran's choice to use a VA health care benefit or a Medicaid benefit, significant cost savings could be realized by the state and its localities by assisting veterans and coordinating their health care benefits through the VA.

In a review of case records at counties with high Medicaid expenses for veterans, DiNapoli's auditors found that referrals to the DVA or VSA were not made in 81 of 91 (or 89 percent) of the cases tested. Further, local departments of social services did not use available resources to identify veterans and coordinate their health care benefits between Medicaid and the VA.

Additionally, DiNapoli's auditors

found 679 Medicaid recipients who appeared to be veterans' dependents and were potentially eligible for VA medical benefits during the five-year audit period. Medicaid paid health care providers nearly \$50 million for these recipients.

### DiNapoli recommended DOH:

- Reinforce policies and procedures regarding local districts' responsibilities, including identifying veterans, advising veterans of federal health care benefits, referring veterans and keeping records of referrals to the state DVA/local VSA, and ensuring veterans file for federal benefits;
- Identify local district best practices and share among all counties; and
- Actively monitor the performance of local districts to ensure they comply with the Law and the Department's policies and procedures regarding the coordination of veterans' health care benefits.

According to the VA, in 2010, approximately 14 million veterans (of about 22 million veterans nationwide who qualified for veterans' benefits) did not receive care from VA facilities - many because they did not know they could. Several states have started helping veterans, as well as their spouses and children obtain health care benefits through the VA. California, Connecticut, Kansas, Montana, Texas and Washington have identified the potential for significant Medicaid savings by implementing programs that help coordinate veterans' VA benefits.

About 913,000 veterans live in New York, according to the VA.

DOH officials concurred with several of DiNapoli's recommendations and indicated that certain actions will be taken to address them. DOH however said it would not implement several other recommendations. For a copy of the full report visit:  
<http://www.osc.state.ny.us/audits/allaudits/093014/12s162.pdf>

## First New York Veterans and Military Families Summit Governor Announces Initiatives to Provide Veteran and Military Families with Affordable Housing, Jobs and Educational Opportunities

Governor Andrew M. Cuomo held the first New York State Veterans and Military Families Summit last week. He was joined by U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Assistant Secretary for Public and Intergovernmental Affairs Dr. Tommy Sowers, along with leaders and representatives from Veterans groups, military bases, educational institutions and private businesses to discuss ways in which New York can improve services to Veterans and military families. The Governor announced multiple initiatives that will provide Veterans and military families greater access to affordable housing, employment, and educational opportunities throughout the state.

The summit focused on creating a comprehensive approach to improving services to Veterans and military families in New York, especially in the areas of affordable housing, employment, education, benefits, and mental health. It included the participation of leaders from 36 Veterans groups, 11 representatives from military bases in New York, 28 administrators from educational institutions, 18 executives from private businesses, and many other stakeholders.

"We owe our Veterans and military families a huge debt of gratitude -- and the best way to express it is through action," said Governor Cuomo. "Today's summit is about taking action so more New York veterans can realize the American Dream they fought to protect. And when we invest in our Veterans and military families, it pays dividends. We need their skills and leadership as we continue

rebuilding the Empire State."

New York State is home to nearly 900,000 Veterans. Seventy-two percent served during periods of combat. Approximately 88,000 New Yorkers served in Afghanistan or Iraq. Additionally, New York State is home to approximately 30,000 active duty military personnel as well as an additional 30,000 National Guard and Reserve personnel. New York has the 4th largest number of Veteran-owned small businesses in the country, behind only California, Texas, and Florida.

### POLITICAL SLANT

By Frank Comando - The Big Picture

## WHAT IS THE BIG PICTURE IN TODAY'S MISHMASH OF INTRIGUE AND DECEIT? THE UKRAINE, PLUS THE PLANE! THE PLANE! THE PLANE!

I cannot believe that with today's technology and the rhetoric coming from the talking heads of CNN and Fox News that this plane has not been found. With the excesses of excuses of why this plane cannot be found, this is propaganda at its worst. The talking heads claim, watch the plane, the plane, and pay no attention to the destruction of democracy in the Ukraine.

Magic they say is an advancing level of perception of the conscious mind. Meaning, that if you watch my right hand, you cannot see my left hand picking your pocket.

The super rich that support this take over of the Ukraine by hired assassins, which are clearly Russian hostile forces are murdering the freethinking peoples of a democracy.

There cannot be fair free elections when guns at the polls are pointed at the voters, as in the Ukraine. The same goal is accomplished by the felony subversion of elections.

When powerful political figures pay candidates in the opposite political party to run and lose an election, this is done to elect incompetent candidates. These two actions, i.e. the murdering in Ukraine, and election tampering here in the U. S. are different in their modus operandi of action, but it accomplishes the same goal, the destruction of democracy.

In light of this fact, we must believe that in this world poisoned by the corrupt merchants of industry and their military counterparts, we need to be on the watch as (Ike) President Dwight David Eisenhower warned, "Do let the merchants and the military get together, or you will lose your country."

All merchants, even a small town merchant that cover the headlines of a newspaper that is for sale in their stores, because they do not like that particular political point of view is wrong and a violation of the First Amendment, Freedom of Speech.

These destroyers of democracy are no better than 'Mafia thugs' with clubs beating the freethinking people into submission of following their corrupt goals. This subversion is also a violation of the First Amendment and cannot be tolerated any longer. Yes, it has happened here. Today's political structure in the US is, as it was, in 1900's, in Mexico during the days of Poncho Villa and the corrupt Diaz Government. This kind of politics leads to revolution and it could lead to foreign troops here. It could happen here, as it did in Ukraine. We must now selfishly guard our freedoms and reject these corrupt politicians that are destroying the American Dream. Elect only those you have done thorough research on.

### This space is also for you:

To have your comments and/or questions published space allowing and following Townsman guidelines as listed in the masthead send an Email to: [politicalslant@yahoo.com](mailto:politicalslant@yahoo.com)



**Calvary Baptist Church**

of Sullivan County at Loch Sheldrake

Presents

**Our 9th Annual Sportsmen's Banquet Dinner**

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."****Neversink & Grahamsville**

Fire Departments

Annual Spring Pancake Breakfast

**March 30, 2014****Serving from 7-12****Pancakes****Fresh Local NY Maple Syrup****Eggs Any Style****Home Fries & Sausage****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

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GRAHAMSVILLE, NY



Time and the Valleys Museum has copies of every Townsman printed since the beginning (1947) classified by year for anyone to research.

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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

**Ismael Berrios**  
Lead Pastor

P. O. Box 480

507 Hasbrouck Drive

Woodbourne, NY 12788

845-434-8263

Email: crosswayaog@aol.com

www.crosswayaog.com

**Sundown United  
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Sunday Worship Service • 8:30am

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Methodist Church**

Sunday Worship Service

10:30am

985-2283

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& Anthony Perito**79 North Main Street  
Ellenville, New York  
(845) 647-4343**Zumbathon Relay for Life Fundraiser**

Neversink Fire Department will hold a Zumbathon on Friday, May 16 from 6 pm to 8 pm.

Your \$10.00 donation will sponsor the ACS Angels at Sullivan County Community College Relay for Life on June 7th.

Join Terese Couitt and other instructors for a fitness dance party for a great cause. There will be raffles. For information call Teresa Couitt at (845) 249-7493.

**Relay For Life Fund Raiser**

Relay For Life Fund Raiser - Team ACS Angels will hold an event on Tuesday, April 1, 2014 at Second to None Restaurant, Shoprite Mall, Liberty from 4pm to 8pm. Eat Out, Have Fun and Make a Difference. 10% of all food and beverage sales will be donated to the American Cancer Society/Sullivan County Relay For Life.

**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, & DrinksAdults: \$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!

**The Hurleyville and Woodridge United  
Methodist Churches**

invite you to weekly worship:

**9 am in Hurleyville,****10:30 am in Woodridge.**

For more information, call

Pastor Susan Woodworth

845-794-6325

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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!

5277 State Rt. 42

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**Claryville Reformed  
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845-985-2041Bible Class 9:00 am  
Worship Services @ 10:00 am  
**Rev. Paul Nulton**  
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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.

**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

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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****Saturday Thrift Sale**  
Apr 19, 2014 • 9 - 1**Thrift Sale & Luncheon**  
Apr 8, 2014**Thrift Sale 9 - 1****Luncheon 11 - 1**Fellowship Hall  
Rt. 55, Grahamsville, NY**St. Augustine's Chapel**

Watson Hollow Rd. • West Shokan, NY

Sunday Mass - 9:30 am

Holy Days 5:30 pm

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

**Rev. George W. Hommel, Pastor****Grahamsville Reformed Church**

Sunday School 9:30 A.M.

Worship Service 9:30 A.M.

Rev. Paul Z. Ruter, Pastor

845-985-7480



**LEGALS/PUBLIC NOTICES**

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](http://cwconline.org). Questions can be directed to Nate Hendricks at [nhendricks@cwconline.org](mailto:nhendricks@cwconline.org) or 845-586-1400. EOE 3/20; 3/27

**HEARING NOTICE**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a hearing will be held before the Town Board of the Town of Neversink on the 9th day of April, 2014 at 7:15 o'clock PM at the Town of Neversink Town Hall, 273 Main Street, Grahamsville, New York, pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 20 of the Code of the Town of Neversink concerning a building(s) and/or structure(s) situate at 758 Thunder Hill Road, Town of Neversink, which building(s) and/or structure(s) has/have been deemed to be dangerous and unsafe to the public by the Town of Neversink Code Enforcement Officer. The above-described premises, also known as Town of Neversink, County of Sullivan tax map parcel Section 43, Block 1, Lot 13.1 is presently owned, according to the last preceding assessment roll of the Town of Neversink and by the record of the Office of the Clerk of Sullivan County by Robert and Beverly McIntosh, 11672 Old Stage Road, Petersburg, VA 23807.

At the aforementioned time and place the members of the Town Board of the Town of Neversink will hear all interested parties to consider evidence related to the Town of Neversink Code Enforcement Officer's determination as to the dangerous and/or unsafe condition of the aforementioned premises and whether the Town Board's order of 12/11/2013 to demolish said building(s) and/or structure(s) be affirmed, modified or vacated.

BY ORDER OF  
THE TOWN BOARD  
TOWN OF NEVERSINK  
LISA GARIGLIANO,  
TOWN CLERK  
DATED MARCH 7, 2014 3/27

**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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**Letter to the Editor**

Once again the students and staff at Tri-Valley Central School District have done an outstanding job in the presentation of the musical All Shock Up. There was so much talent showcased, from the students who sang and acted, to the band and we have this beautiful theater to bring it all together. This year we have added a new dimension to the visual pleasure of the production, the scenery, each flat was a masterpiece. The detail work was outstanding and so realistic that at times you expected a cast member to turn and walk back down the street. A new gem has been added to the staff of Tri-Valley, (Ms)Maureen Winter. She brings to the art department her knowledge of fine art, her talent and the ability to work with her students. Thank you all for all the many hours that you have put into creating an off Broadway production.

Elise Hornbeck  
Grahamsville, NY

**Reminder to Anglers that Fishing Licenses are Available to Purchase and Print from Home Computers**

Governor Andrew M. Cuomo today reminded New Yorkers that the 2014 trout and salmon fishing season opens April 1, and they can now purchase and print a fishing license from their home computers by visiting <http://licensecenter.ny.gov> in order to be ready to enjoy New York's great outdoor fishing opportunities on opening day. The Governor also encouraged anglers to consider investing in a lifetime fishing license, which could be converted to an Adventure License and be eligible to receive a free adventure license plate for his/her vehicle.

"New York offers some of the best fishing in the country," Governor Cuomo said. "As part of the state's NY Open for Fishing and Hunting initiative, fishing license fees have been reduced and licenses can be easily purchased and printed online from home. Now anglers don't have to wait until fishing season to get ready. I encourage New Yorkers to go online, buy their licenses and look forward to a great fishing season."

Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) Commissioner Joe Martens said, "DEC is beginning its fish stocking efforts and will continue these efforts throughout the spring to ensure New York's lakes, rivers and streams are well equipped

to provide ample opportunities for anglers to reel in a great catch."

Fishing licenses, which are required for persons age 16 and older to fish in New York's fresh water lakes and rivers, may also be purchased by phone at 1-866-933-2257. Anglers who purchase by phone will receive a confirmation number to use immediately as proof of holding a license until their actual license is received in the mail.

Whether fishing trout, salmon, bass, walleye or sunfish, New York provides outstanding fishing opportunities. For a wealth of helpful information on suggested fishing locations in various DEC regions and tips for beginning anglers, people are encouraged to visit the DEC website at [www.dec.ny.gov/outdoor/fishing.html](http://www.dec.ny.gov/outdoor/fishing.html).

As spring approaches, DEC will once again be stocking trout in waters across the state. A list of waters scheduled to be stocked with trout this spring can be found here. DEC's website also provides specific locations on streams where DEC has purchased fishing rights easements (PFR). Maps showing PFR easements are available here. In addition to the many trout stocked by DEC, anglers are reminded that many waters support one or more species of wild trout that are also available to add to the enjoyment of a fishing trip. Anglers are also encouraged to contact a DEC Regional Office if they have questions about fishing opportunities within a specific region. DEC Region and Regional Office Information is available here and early season trout fishing recommendations by DEC staff in each region can be found in the 2014 Coldwater Fishing Forecast here.

Governor Cuomo's NY Open for Fishing and Hunting Initiative is an effort to improve recreational activities for in-state and out-of-state sportsmen and sportswomen and to boost tourism opportunities throughout the state. This initiative includes the streamlining of fishing and hunting licenses and reducing license fees, improved access for fishing at various sites across the state, stocking as much as 900,000 pounds of fish, expanding fishing clinics and increasing hunting opportunities in various regions. Through these efforts, New York has become a premier destination for bass fishing tournaments at the Great Lakes, Finger Lakes, Lake Champlain and Oneida Lake.

Also under the NY Open for Fishing and Hunting just this year, the Governor's Administration has:

- o Unveiled the new NYS Adventure License to allow outdoor enthusiasts, boaters, anglers and hunters to consolidate their recreation licenses and benefits onto their New York State Driver's License (please visit the NYS License Center website for more information on licensing or to apply for an outdoor recreational license);

- o Introduced New York State Adventure License Plates, featuring nine plate designs available for free to those buying new lifetime hunting, fishing or park licenses in 2014;

- o Proposed 50 new access sites throughout the state to connect hunters, anglers, bird watchers and other outdoor enthusiasts to 380,000 acres of untapped State-owned lands across New York. The new access points will allow for more than \$6 million in projects for access to hunting and fishing, boat launches, and new hiking opportunities;

- o Proposed \$4 in funding to address critical infrastructure repair needs in the state's 12 fish hatchery system operated by that produce and annually stock a combined average of 950,000 pounds of fish into New York's waters;

- o Debuted the Lifetime Empire Passport, which offers visitors to State Parks the option of paying a one-time fee to experience all that New York State Parks has to offer throughout their lifetime;

- o Proposed to limit the liability of landowners who allow recreational activities on their properties, which could open up vast, untapped resources for additional hunting, fishing and many other recreational pursuits; and

- o Proposed to allow crossbow hunting once again in New York State.

Recreational and sporting activities generate significant economic value across New York State. According to the Congressional Sportsmen's Foundation, sportsmen and women spent \$4.95 billion on hunting and fishing in New York in 2011 and support more than 56,000 jobs across the state. In addition, spending by sportsmen and women in New York generated \$623 million in state and local taxes in 2011. According to a recent U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service survey, in 2011, New York State was second in the nation in total angler spending on fishing-related items and sixth in non-resident angler spending. This spending generated an estimated \$108 million in state and local taxes. New York State remains a clear leader in the number of paid angler licenses, with nearly one million licenses purchased

**Joint Task Force on Heroin and Opioid Addiction -Panel will hold forums across the region to gather expert testimony to develop legislative action**

State Senator John J. Bonacic (R/C/I- Mt. Hope) announced that he will be part of the Joint Task Force which will examine the "alarming" rise of use of heroin and other opioids in New York and develop recommendations for treating and preventing addiction.

This bipartisan task force, chaired by Senator Phil Boyle (R/C/I- Suffolk County), will examine the issues and solicit input from experts and other stakeholders about addiction prevention and treatment options, as well as the rise in heroin and opioid use, and the potential for drug-related crimes and other negative community impacts. The task force will then develop recommendations which will be used to draft legislation to address the issues raised.

"The growing epidemic of heroin use throughout New York State is alarming," said Senator Bonacic. "It transcends regions, race, gender and economic status. We must do everything in our power to help stop this highly accessible and addictive drug from poisoning our communities."

The first forum will take place on April 8, 2014 at Suffolk County Community College's Brentwood Campus; additional dates and locations for forums throughout the state, and in particular, in the Hudson Valley, will be announced shortly.

**THE TRI-VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION**

The next Regular Board Meeting for the 2013-14 school year is scheduled for  
Thursday, April 3, 2014 at 7:00 PM  
In the Secondary School Library  
Lower Level.

**NOTICE: FOR THOSE PERSONS WHO ATTENDED THE ADEN Hill BOOK SIGNING THE DATE OF NOVEMBER 2012 PLEASE CONTACT THE AUTHOR AT 845-255-6345 OR EMAIL ADDRESS: [robertlapolt@hotmail.com](mailto:robertlapolt@hotmail.com)**



**Town of Neversink Parks & Recreation Department**

[www.townofneversink.org](http://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, admission, 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

**Open House at Little Lambs Christian Pre-School**

Open House will be held on March 29, from 10 - 12 noon at the Little Lambs Christian Pre-School located at 7 Port Ben Road, Wawarsing, NY. For information call 647-3810 or 647-

# Spring Fling!

Celebrate a Beautiful Spring with  
The Ellenville Wawarsing Youth Commission!

Saturday April 22, 2014  
Uppman Park - Route 209 - Wawarsing  
11am-1pm

- Singing
- Dancing
- Treats
- Face Painting
- Crafts
- Bounce House
- Music
- Games

The Easter Bunny & Sweetie Bird

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- 3/29/14 Girl Scout Spaghetti Dinner Grahamsville Firehouse 4-7 pm A Bake Sale will also be held during the dinner
- 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 4-7 pm
- 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
- 4/12/14 Sundown United United Methodist Church **Breakfast** 7:30-9 am
- 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
- 4/17/14 Neversink Fire District Meeting at 7 p.m.; Public Meeting at 7:30 p.m.
- 4/18/14 Town of Neversink Holiday - **GOOD FRIDAY**
- 4/21/14 Grahamsville Fire Dist. Board of Fire Commissioners - 7:00 pm
- 5/3/14 Grahamsville Reformed Church **Roast Turkey Dinner** 4-7 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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**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.

**Casting Call for "Guys and Dolls"**

The Sullivan County Dramatic Workshop, the longest standing community theatre group in our area, announces its casting call for the all-time favorite musical "Guys and Dolls" directed by Harold Tighe. Audition dates are Saturday, April 5, 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM, and Sunday, April 6, 1:00 to 4:00 PM at the Rivoli Theatre in South Fallsburg. Dance requirements are standard (Musical staging/Some Dance/Optional). Show dates are August 8, 9, 10, 15, 16, and 17.

Cast: Arvide Abernathy: Bass drum and cymbal player in Mission Band. Male, 50-65 yrs old. Range D4-F5; Benny Southstreet: Nathan's right-hand man, gambler. Male, 30-45. Range D4-G5; Big Jule: Gambler, bully type. Male, 30-50. Range F3-G5; Ensemble: sightseers, mission band members, crap shooters, hot box girls, waiters, Cuban dancer;s; Harry the Horse: Crook and gambler. Male, 35-55. Range F3-G5; Lt. Brannigan: tough guy, police officer. Male, 40-55; Miss Adelaide: Nathan's pretty fiancé. Female, 25-35. Range A3-E5; Nathan Detroit: Good-hearted gambler. Male, 35-45. Range D4-F5; Nicely-Nicely: Nice, cheery gambling crook. Male, 30-45. Range D4-B5; Sarah Brown: Sergeant of the Mission, naïve, prude. Female, 20-30. Range B3-G5; Sky Masterson: Suave, high-stakes gambler. Male, 35-45. Range B3-E5

For more information, please call Harold 845 807-7212ril 5, 1:00 to 4:00 PM at the Rivoli

Theatre in South Fallsburg. Dance requirements are standard (Musical staging/Some Dance/Optional). Show dates are August 8, 9, 10, 15, 16, and 17.

**The Cyber Shack 1 Year Anniversary & Re-Grand Opening Celebration - Sunday, March 30, 2014 from 10am - 7pm (Ribbon Cutting at 1:00pm)**

Join the Sullivan County Chamber of Commerce on Sunday, March 30, 2014 from 10am - 7pm for the Re-Grand Opening and 1 Year Anniversary Celebration of The Cyber Shack. The **Cyber Shack** is located at 42 South Main Street, Liberty, NY. The Cyber Shack is a computer repair shop and internet café. Stop in all day for refresh-

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### Sundown United Methodist Church Breakfast

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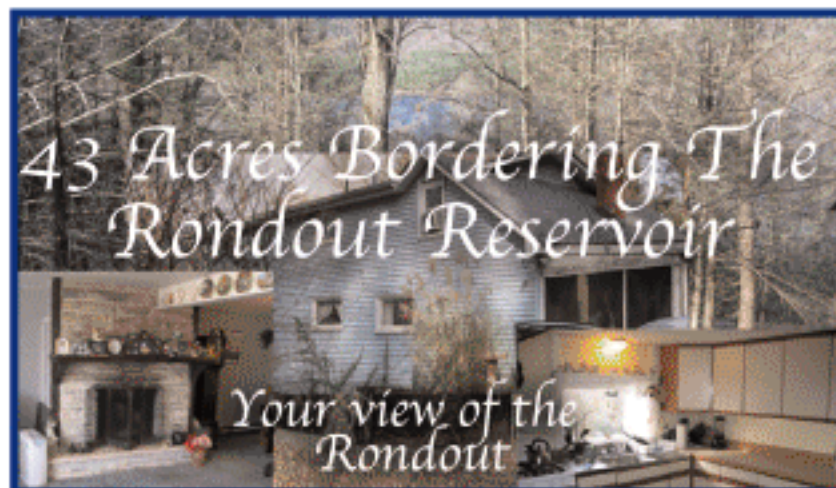
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Include in your listing: Address of Sale, dates and time (Optional telephone # if you wish). Send your information along with a check for \$6 to:

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## Knarf's "Classic Movie Trivia

### HIS GIRL FRIDAY

(Comedy, 1940)



An unscrupulous editor plots to keep his star reporter-and ex-wife-from re-marrying. Directed by Howard Hawks, and starring, Cary Grant, Rosalind Russell, Ralph Bellamy, Gene Lockhart, Helen Mack, Ernest Truex, Clarence Kolb, Porter Hall, Roscoe Karns, Abner Biberman, Cliff Edwards, John Qualen, Frank Jenks, Billy Gilbert. Splendid comedy remake of THE FRONT PAGE with Grant as conniving editor, Russell as star reporter (and his ex-wife), Bellamy as mama's boy she's trying to marry amid hot murder story. Terrific character actors add sparkle to must-see film, scripted by Ben Hecht and Charles Lederer. Remade (with the same gender twist) in 1988 as SWITCHING CHANNELS. *See this film on TCM. 8:00 PM, Saturday, March 29, 2014, BW- 92 MIN, Rated TV-G.*

**Quiz:** 1. Who played Bruce Baldwin?  
2. Who played McCue

## What's Going On In The Gnome Neighborhood™ 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... and **Don't forget Saturday Thrift Sale on April 19, 2014**

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

### SUNDOWN

Sundown United Methodist Church: **Covered Dish Supper** on April 5th -5:30 pm at Church Hall • **Breakfast** on April 12th 2014 from 7:30-9:00am. Pancakes, Sausage, and Eggs. Free will donation

### ELLENVILLE SHADOWLAND THEATRE

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### ANSWER TO KNARF'S MOVIE TRIVIA

1. **Ralph Bellamy**, Engaging performer who made his mark as the nice-but-bland fellow who loses the girl to Cary Grant or his ilk in the screwball comedies "His Girl Friday" (1940) "The Awful Truth" (for which he received an Oscar nomination), also appeared in over 100 films. Mr. Bellamy was also known for championing his profession, as founder and board member of the Screen Actors Guild and as president of Actors' Equity for 12 years.
2. **Roscoe Karns**, Veteran character actor of 127 films, Roscoe is most favorably cast as a friendly simpleton.