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"What's Shakin' in Shandaken?" - Page 6

Seeking Volunteers for New Museum, Opening this June [Grahamsville, N.Y.] - A new Museum is coming to Sullivan County! Time and the Valleys Museum will open the doors to a new museum facility in Grahamsville, New York. Within this brand new facility will be three floors of exhibitions on local history and the watershed area, a research center and museum shop! (Contd. Pg. 3)

#### Liberty Free Theatre Announces Seventh Season with O'Neill's 'Hughie'

Liberty -The Liberty Free Theatre will open its seventh season with Nobel Laureate Eugene O'Neill's memorable and moving play, Hughie, for seven performances: May 19-21 and May 26-29. Also Scheduled are Rilla Askew's Strange Business, The Way Home by Constance Alexander, The Harvey White Chronicles by Paul Austin, a special series of play readings and poetry and music events. Hughie is directed by Chet Carlin and features the performances of Michael Frizalone and James Heisel. Performances are Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays at 7:30 P.M, with one matinee on Sunday, May 29 at 3:00P.M. Admission is free. Seating is limited and reservations are recommended. The theatre is looking for volunteers, especially young people who are interested in learning how professional theatre operates. The audience is invited to gather after the performance for food, drink, and music. The theatre is located at 109 South Main Street, Liberty. Call 292-3788 for reservations and information.

#### Maverick Health Center Moves to Boiceville

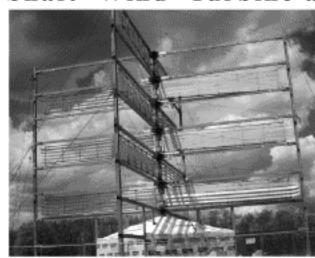
Cutting the ribbon at the new Maverick Health Center in Boiceville April 16 were (l. to r.) Shawn DuBois of Rondout



Savings Bank; Dr. Martin Krakower; James Davenport, president of Rondout Savings; Dr. Brian Callahan; Olive Supervisor Berndt Leifeld, CWC Counsel Timothy Cox, and Dr. Randall Rissman. The expanding practice relocated from a Phoenicia building leased from the Town of Shandaken to the larger Boiceville quarters where it is offering additional medical

services to a growing patient base. Renovations to the structure were accomplished by a \$255,000 loan from the Catskill Fund for the Future, matched by the Rondout Savings Bank. The facility is served by the recently completed Boiceville community wastewater treatment system, which was funded and cooordinated by the CWC.

## Environmental Technologies to take down Vertical Shaft Wind Turbine at SUNY Sullivan



Loch Sheldrake -After a number of attempts to reengineer the vertical shaft wind turbine on the campus of SUNY Sullivan, Sam Ikeda, President of Environmental Technologies LLC (ETLLC), announced with regret that his company will be dismantling the turbine and restoring the property to its original condition. (Contd. Pg. 4)

#### Ellie Irons and Dan Phiffer Receive 2011 Wildcat Fellowship

The Wildcat Fellowship Program is pleased to announce that Ellie Irons and Dan Phiffer have been awarded the 2011 Wildcat Fellowship for "Neversink Transmissions." Their extraordinary artwork project will unite natural materials - including branches and forest debris -- with interactive Wi-Fi and traditional radio transmissions.

This year's Fellowship winners will receive \$1,000. The award also provides the use of an artist's studio at the foot of Wildcat Mountain, a two-week residency in a guest cottage in Claryville, and a month-long exhibition at the Old Stone House in Hasbrouck, NY. (www.oldstone-house.catskill-life.com).

The 2011 Wildcat Fellowship Program was carried out in partnership with the Rondout/Neversink Stream Program of the Sullivan County Soil and Conservation District. (Contd. Pg. 3)

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Story & Photos- Carol Montana,



Mikki Costa (center) was presented with a beautiful flower arrangement as Ladies Auxiliary Mother of the Year.

### SCCC 21st Annual Kite Festival Combines Recreation and the Arts



The clouds and few drops of rain didn't dampen the spirit of those eager to fly their kites at this year's Annual Kite Festival at Sullivan County Community College. While there were rides for the kids, games, food and music outside, for those who appreciate art, the SUNY Sullivan Student & Faculty Art Show was held in the SCCC DeHoyos Gallery. Many fantastic pieces were ehibited.

This year's Fisher Film Festival included viewing of screenings by students of music videos, edited pieces and Best of Videos.

Guest speakers included well known television news personalities, and SCCC Alumni, Amon Focus.

The Fisher Film Festival concluded with the viewing of 'extra videos' that were submitted by former SCCC students and Assistant Professor Scott Healy, who also emceed the film festival.

## Eureka Market & Café Grand Opening on Saturday



The new "country store" will focus on local and organic produce (including produce from Neversink Farm and Rusty Plough Farm), dairy (including cheeses from Calkins Creamery and Tonjes Farm Dairy) and grocery items. Eureka's bakery section includes a wide selection of their own homemade pies, cupcakes and fresh-baked-daily muffins, exceptional breads from Flour Power and banoffee pie. (What's banoffee pie? C'mon in and we'll show you)

Green Mountain coffees are available, and lingering over a cappuccino or espresso and a pastry while checking your email using the free WiFi is encouraged (normally getting a signal in this area is a challenge at best). (Contd. Pg. 9)

Healthy Ulster County Week includes events to encourage Ulster County residents to eat better, exercise more and take control of their health. *Pleasant Stone Farm* in Ellenville will host special events all week including a Holistic Health Fair on Saturday - See Page 8

#### YE OLDE TRI-VALLEY TOWNSMAN

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Have a question- please call: Linda Comando (845) 985-0501. As always, thank you for your support.

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Ye Olde Tri-Valley Townsman on-line: http://thetownsman.com ON THE FRONT BURNER: Rejoice with them that do rejoice, and weep with them that weep.

Romans 12:12

**Irene A. Welch,** a fifty-six year resident of Neversink, NY passed away on Friday, April 29. She was 87.

Irene served as Postmaster of the Neversink Post Office from 1965 until 1985. She served in many community organizations including The Neversink Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary and Ambulance Auxiliary, Retired Senior Volunteer Program, The National League of Postmasters and was a charter member of the Tri-Valley Lioness Club. Irene was a loving wife, mother, grandmother and great grandmother who enjoyed being surrounded by her family. Irene loved to cook, tend her garden, square dance and travel the world

Survivors include one daughter, Susan Harris; two sons, Gilbert Welch and his wife Susan and Al Welch and his wife Lorraine; five grandchildren, Beth Welch, Lynn Goldstein, Eric Welch, Tina Tynecki and Thomas Welch; and four great grand children, Samuel and Jason Goldstein, and Kayla and Parker Welch. Irene was predeceased by her husband Gilbert Welch and a daughter Sarah Kay.

Visitation will be held on Saturday, May 7 from 10 - 12 Noon at the Colonial Memorial Funeral Home, 396 State Route 52 Woodbourne, NY 12788. The memorial service to celebrate Irene and Gilbert's life will immediately after the visitation and their interment will follow at Grahamsville Rural Cemetery, Grahamsville, NY; Father Jeff Golliher will officiate. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Neversink First Aid Squad or The American Heart Association.

Arrangements were under the direction of Colonial Memorial Funeral Home, for further information please call 845-434-7363 or visit our website at www.colonialbryantfuneralhome.com.

#### PLEASE NOTE:

Ye Olde Tri-Valley Townsman Subscription Rate to Increase

Due to several postal increases during the past few years, it is necessary for the subscription rate for Ye Olde Tri-Valley Townsman to increase. As of June 1st, the new rate will be \$25.00 for one year.

We appreciate your continued support.

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

May 2, 1951 - Private Milton Kortright, son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Kortright of Woodbourne, is attending the automotive mechanics course at the Common Specialists School, Fort Jackson, South Carolina. He attended Liberty High School and was employed by the S.A. Healy Co. prior to his enlistment in the Army on Nov. 14, 1950.

The Clark Ryan house in Grahamsville has been sold to C.M. Dayton. Possession will be given June 5th. This was formerly the James Slater home and consists of a two family house and garage located on the State Road in the center of the village. Mr. Dayton bought the Briggs' homestead in Grahamsville a few years ago and is making his home there. He conducted a store in Grahamsville for many years.

The water in the Merriman Dam at Lackawack has been drawn down to a very low point to make the final closure of the diversion tunnel. The capacity of the dam when full is 55 billion gallons of water. The old road through the valley is visible now for the last time.

May 3, 1961 - Miss Joan Grey, daughter of Mrs.

Dorothy Grey, Sundown Road, has been accepted for admission in the department of Secretarial Science at the Agricultural and Technical Institute, Cobleskill, N.Y.

The Sullivan County Board of Supervisors adopted a resolution presented to it by the Publicity and Development Committee for the second annual "Operation Facelift" campaign scheduled for the first week in May. Last year a similar campaign was in effect and it served to eliminate many eyesores before the opening of the resort season.

Frank Koscijanski, 70, died suddenly at his home on Saturday. He lived on Thunder Hill for 34 years. Mr. Koscijanski was born April 1, 1891 in Poland. He was married to the former Mary Roman. Survivors are his wife; two sons, Stanley of Olive Bridge and Thaddeus of Middletown; two daughters, Mrs. Wanda Cypert of

Grahamsville and Mrs. Helen Elia of Middletown and eight grandchildren.

Theron Hasbrouck, RFD carrier, has just been awarded his safe driving medal for the 19th consecutive year.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Greenhall are the parents of a son, James Thomas, born April 28th at the Hackensack Hospital, N.J. Mr. and Mrs. John McGuire are the maternal grandparents.

May 5, 1971 - Mrs. Nancy Seamon of Neversink, N.Y. will be 100 years old on May 13, 1971. She was married to Charles Seamon in 1900 and he built the present store in Neversink in 1930. Mr. Seamon died in 1936 and Nancy ran the store herself until two years ago when her niece, Jessie Bailey, took over the business. To this day Nancy still lives on the premises and welcomes her many friends who stop in to see her.

Happy anniversary to Mr. and Mrs. Bill Edison, 18 years on May 9th and to Mr. and Mrs. Gordon LeRoy, 7 years on the 9th.

The Spencer Quicks, now living in the Wakefield apartment, are building a home on

Hastings Drive.

Notification of recent college acceptances includes Keith VanKeuren, son of Mr. and Mrs. Nelson VanKeuren, has been notified of his acceptance at the State University of N.Y. Agricultural and Technical College at Delhi. He plans to major in business administration; Mary Lou Cypert has been accepted in the commercial art program at Sullivan County Community College. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Cypert.

April 30, 1981 - On May 2nd, Scout Kenneth Glen Haag will advance to Eagle Scout. Mr. and Mrs. George Haag of Lows Corners invite friends, neighbors and fellow scouts to help celebrate their

son's Eagle Court.

A number of local people attended the stock car races at White Lake on Sunday. Charlie Cross was the announcer. Among the drivers were Terry Chase, Billy Curry and Charlie Howe. Beatrice Curry was one of the competitors in the Powder

Puff Derby.

WHAT IS A COW? A cow is a completely automatic milk manufacturing machine. It is encased in untanned leather and mounted on four vertical, movable supports, one on each corner. The front contains the cutting and grinding mechanism as well as light sensors, an air inlet and exhaust, and a foghorn. At the rear are the dispensing apparatus and an automatic fly swatter. The central portion houses a hydro-chemical conversion plant. This consists of four fermentation and storage tanks connected by an intricate network of flexible plumbing. This section also contains the heating plant complete with automatic

four hanger-downers and a swishy-wishy.

Author unknown

Tri-Valley Chicken BBQ and Cabaret Concert

controls, pumping station and main ventilating

system. In brief, the externally visible features

are: two lookers, two hookers, four stand-uppers,

On Tuesday, May 17th, the Tri-Valley FBLA will host its annual Chicken BBQ in conjunction with the Music Department's annual Cabaret Concert. The Chicken BBQ will be held from 3:00-6:00 PM and is take out only... but not to worry; the Cabaret concert will begin at 5:30 in the upstairs gym-bring your meal up, sit down at a table, eat, and enjoy the show!

Tickets for the BBQ (Chicken prepared by Miller's BBQ) are available from Lynn Moore at Tri-Valley by calling 985-2296 ext. 5403, or from any FBLA member. Tickets are \$10 each and include chicken, roll, sides and a freshly baked cookie. If you are planning on attending the Cabaret concert, eating utensils will be provided. Drinks and other snacks will be available for purchase at Cabaret. There is no admission charged to

the Cabaret Concert.

The theme for this year's Cabaret Concert is "An Astrological Journey." Songs that are about, or remind us of the Sun, Moon, Stars, and Planets will be performed by the Middle School and High School Jazz Band, soloist from the Mixed and Women's Choirs, as well as Faculty members. Songs will include: "Moon Dance," "How High the Moon," "You Light Up My Life," "Sunshine on my Shoulders," "Stardust," "Space Walk"... the list goes on.

So come early, buy a dinner of chicken, go upstairs, sit and listen-

#### HERE AND THERE

Condolences to Bob Pecoraro and family of Sundown and East Patchogue on the recent passing of his mother.

If you have local news that you would like to put in the Townsman, please email your copy to: tytownsman@yahoo.com or send it via regular mail to: Townsman, P O Box 232, Grahamsville, NY 12740 or drop it in the drop box on the porch of the Grahamsville First Aid Buildin

NEVERSINK NEWS - Hulda Vernooy (Call Hulda at 985-2268 with your Neversink news.)

#### Plucking Litter in Neversink



Three 8th grade Tri-Valley students volunteered and 'plucked the litter' for two miles along Route 55 starting on Schumway Road they worked their way toward the Neversink Reservoir. The three young men, Sean Kennedy, Zach Nilsen, and John Killian were under the supervision of Jeff Nilsen and worked for six hours! Good job!

#### Swim Lesson and Tennis Registration

On Monday, May 16, 2011 Summer Swim and Tennis Lesson Registration will take place at the Tri-Valley Little League Field. Stop by and get registered early. Forms will also be available at the Neversink Town Hall during normal business hours.

### Seeking Volunteers for New Museum

(From Pg. 1)

The Museum is currently seeking interested individuals, young and old, who would like to become involved in the Museum at this exciting time. Volunteers are needed in the reception area, Museum shop, as exhibition guides, in the research center and offices. There are MANY benefits to volunteering at the new museum, including a discount in the Museum Shop, an invitation to a special yearly recognition event, gaining new skills, and meeting new people and making new friends.

It's easy, worthwhile and fun! All information and training will be provided. Volunteers can help one or two afternoons a month or more, whatever suits their lifestyle, as much or as little as they like.

To learn more about volunteer opportunities, join us for information and refreshments at a VOL-UNTEER OPEN HOUSE, Thursday, May 12 from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Neversink Town Hall, second floor on St. Rt. 55 in Grahamsville. For more information on the new Time and the Valleys Museum and the different volunteer positions and ways to get involved and volunteer benefits and training, please call Mary Inghrim at 985-2262 x 313 or 985- 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. Currently located in the Neversink Town Hall, the Museum provides educational programming for the public and is actively raising funds to install exhibitions in the Museum's new home, 332 Main Street, Grahamsville. For additional information on the Museum please call us at 985-2262 x313 or go online at

www.timeandthevalleysmuseum.org.

2011 Wildcat Fellowship (From Pg. 1)

The winning entry - chosen from a group of four finalists-was based on the artists' response to a call for pro-

posals for "Art along the Neversink: The Stream Project."

The selection of Ms. Irons and Mr. Phiffer was made by a jury of five individuals, representing deep roots in the Catskills and the artistic community: Suzanne Bevier, Fred Gutzeit, Dee Shapiro, Carol Smythe, and Scott Woolsey. Biographies of the five jurors are posted at wildcatfellowshipprogram.net/. The other Fellowship finalists were Risa Hirsch Ehrlich, Michael Asbill and Andrea Cukier.

On the jury's selection of "Neversink Transmissions," Carol Smythe-the Town Historian of Neversink-wrote that Irons' and Phiffer's proposed project "has potential for tremendous public impact." As Irons and Phiffer have described "Neversink Transmissions": "the project proposes complementary transmission and receiving structures from which the audience can access locally generated knowledge about the Neversink River and surrounding watershed.

It will involve a public sculptural component built from locally sourced, biodegradable materials and an interactive, digital component broadcast on a local wireless network .... An additional low-power radio component will draw attention to the project for local motorists. The project seeks to highlight critical topics of watershed management, generate a new archive of local oral dialogues, and explore issues of connectivity in modern rural communities.

Irons and Phiffer began their project on May 7th and 8. They have scheduled interviews with the town historians of Neversink and Denning and with stream-program coordinator Karen Rauter. The artists will be in full residence in Claryville in late July and will participate in a work-in-progress tour that will allow members of the

public to share their questions and comments with the artists.

Ellie Irons received her M.F.A. from Hunter College in 2009. Her work has been exhibited throughout the Northeast, including shows at the Estuary Gallery (Beacon, NY); Climate/Gallery (Queens, NY); the Williamsburg Firehouse (Brooklyn, NY); and the Rosenwald-Wolf Gallery at the University of the Arts in Philadelphia. In California, her work has been exhibited at the Los Angeles Municipal Art Gallery. In The Netherlands, where Irons spent a semester at the Frank Mohr Institute in Groningen, her work has been exhibited in Schiermonnikoog and Assen. Irons's previous honors include the Outpost Residency in the Signal Fire Residency Program (Portland, OR, 2010) and the Waddenwerk Summer Residency Program (Schiermonnikoog, NL, 2009). Irons is a CASA Teaching Artist of the Brooklyn Arts Council and an Adjunct Lecturer in the Electronic Design and Multimedia Department of City College (CUNY).

Dan Phiffer is an Adjunct Assistant Professor at the Interactive Telecommunications Program (ITP) at New York University, an Adjunct Lecturer in the Electronic Design and Multimedia department at City College of New York, and is also a Media Technology Developer in the Digital Media Department at the Museum of Modern Art in New York. He graduated from ITP in 2007. He has lectured widely in Europe and throughout the United States and has been exhibited or featured at Ars Electronica FutureLab (Linz, AT), STUK kunstencentrum (Leuven, BE), MoMA (New York, NY), SFMOMA (San Francisco, CA), and V2\_Institute for the Unstable Media (Rotterdam, NL). His awards include a 2008 Rhizome Commission, a 2007 Turbulence Commission, and an honorary mention from Prix Ars Electronica for a project he co-founded, ShiftSpace.

The Wildcat Fellowship Program of Claryville, NY, awards a residency in the Catskill Mountains to one or more gifted emerging artists each year. The program-now in its fourth year-gives artists a chance to experience art-making in a rural mountain setting of peace and beauty. It also provides young artists with a chance to connect to new audiences in the Catskills. The curator of the fellowship program is Patricia Eakins, and the execu-

tive director is Peter Martin, both Claryville residents.

The mission of the Rondout/Neversink Stream Program of the Sullivan County Soil and Conservation District is to inspire streamside landowners and the larger watershed community to live in harmony with Catskill creeks and rivers and the beautiful landscape they support. The Stream Program works with town officials, highway superintendents, landowners, educators and community stakeholders to assess stream conditions on the Rondout Creek, Chestnut Creek and Neversink River; implement Stream Management Plans and recommendations for healthy stream practices; assist landowners in increasing streamside vegetation; and educate about good

stream-stewardship practices: http://www.catskillstreams.org/majorstreams\_nr.html

For more information about the Wildcat Fellowship Program of Claryville, New York, contact Patricia Eakins, fabulara@earthlink.net, 212-928-4227. 116 Pinehurst Avenue, #C-42, New York, NY 1003 3.

For more information about the Roundout/Neversink Stream program, contact Karen Rauter at 845-985-2581 or: KarenRauter@rondoutneversinkkstreams.org

IT'S TIME FOR SPRING CLEANUP!!! THE TOWN OF NEVERSINK WILL BE CONDUCTING THEIR ANNUAL SPRING CLEANUP PROGRAM ON: May 7, 11 & 14, 2011

#### THE PROGRAM IS SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING LIMITATIONS:

 Only those holding a GRAY 2011 Transfer Station Permit will be admitted.

Three Pick-up loads per household. (Permit Cards will be punched for each load.)

3. TVs & other Electronic equipment can be disposed of without fee. No batteries or ballasts. Fees will apply to fluorescent bulbs. Please keep all these items separate. Only checks can be accepted at the Transfer Station - NO CASH.

4. Tires, Refrigerators, Freezers, Dehumidifiers and Air Conditioners will not be accepted during this time. Please do not bring them during cleanup.

**REMINDER:** Scrap metal and large recyclable items can be taken any time throughout the year. Because of the high volume of traffic during Spring Cleanup time, the Town Board requests that these items be brought at a time other than during Spring Cleanup.

The Town of Neversink Transfer Station is open only to those persons who reside (have their household and generate their waste material) in the Town of Neversink.

#### OWNERSHIP OF VACANT LAND DOES NOT QUALIFY FOR USE OF THE FACILITY.

"The Municipal Cleanup Initiative Program is made possible by the Sullivan County Legislature."

#### DORKY DANDELIONS

By Peggy DeWire

"Hi Peggy, I'm over here in the garden," Sally called. "Come in for coffee after I finish weeding the dandelions out of this last row."

I leaned against the white picket fence around her

neat garden with its tidy rows of plants and looked at the dandelions scattered here and there and agreed, "Yep, they're dorky all right."

This alien weed from Europe (Taraxacum offincinale in the Composite family) is so com-

mon on lawns and fields everywhere that it hardly needs description. Everybody knows the familiar yellow flower, jagged leaves and lovely white seed balloon. All nine species of dandelions got named from their jagged edged leaves that look like teeth in a lions jaw - a corruption of the French dent-de-lion.

In Grahamsville dandelions usually bloom twice in summer, May-June and September. They range over the whole land in cities and countryside, growing from saucer size leaf rosettes up to platter size with huge two-foot long strap leaves in Alaska. I saw these jumbos thriving in Anchorage city lots

Some southern species are called wild lettuce (Lactuca canacensis), growing two feet tall with white flowers.

"Let's have dandelion coffee," Sally said, "I've gotten pretty good at roasting the roots in a slow oven till they're all dried, then grinding them in the blender."

Over a fragrant cup of coffee we talked leisurely until Sally pointed to a big crock sitting in the pantry. "I'm making dandelion wine again with that great recipe you gave me last summer. What a pretty gold color and good taste.'

I smiled back. "Sally, I've got another dandelion surprise for you to try. When you're out picking young tender leaves for salad, also get the little hard green flower buds to pickle. Use any bread-andbutter pickle recipe and substitute the dandelion buds for cucumber slices."

As I walked back home later, I thought about how these common weeds were a staple food source for songbirds, especially goldfinches and chickadees and for grazing animals like deer that munch the green leaves and blossoms.

I once had a pet baby groundhog orphan (its mom had been killed beside a highway) that I brought home to raise. We would walk around the yard together as he nibbled the lawn and kept an eye on me as I flipped him dandelion flower heads. He ate them quickly like a child stuffing down popcorn. To him dandelions were definitely not dorky.



SUPERVISOR'S CORNER

By: Greg J. Goldstein, Town of Neversink Supervisor

**<u>Reminder</u>** The Town Hall will be closed on May 30th in observance of Memorial Day.

Congratulations to Bob and Marion Ehrhardt who were honored on May 9th at the Villa Roma in Callicoon as the 2011 RSVP Seniors of the Year for the Town of Neversink. They have been active volunteers with the RSVP program for over six years sponsoring the AARP Driver Safety Program... thank you Bob and Marion for volunteering your time to the community!

<u>Congratulations</u> to Barbara Purcell for being selected as the recipient of the 2011 Sullivan County Pride Award for the Town of Neversink! Barbara was the inspiration behind the "barn quilts" projects. She works tirelessly volunteering her time and has been an outstanding member of our community for years!

**Burning Permit** Reminder for those who have permits: open burning is NOT permitted from March 16th to May 14th.

Dept. of Motor Vehicles The DMV will be at the Town Hall from 10 AM to 2:30 PM on May 12th, June 2nd and July 14th.

**Parks & Rec** Reminder that the Parks & Rec Office is open every Tuesday from 3-6 PM at the Town Hall. Director Jamie Brooks will be available during that time for sign-ups and to answer whatever questions you may have.

**Spring Clean-up** The town will be conducting our annual Spring Cleanup Program on May 7th, 11th & 14th. You must have a 2011 Transfer Station Permit; each household is limited to three pick-up loads. For further info, please call Town Clerk Lisa Garigliano at 985-2262 x307.

<u>Transfer Station</u> The disposal of miscellaneous electronics such as televisions, computers, monitors, printers, gaming systems, stereo components, etc. are FREE at the transfer station. There will still be a charge of \$1.00 for fluorescent bulbs of any size. Ballasts and batteries will not be accepted. If any components contain a battery, such as laptops, cell phones, cordless phones, digital cameras, etc., please remove the battery before bringing to the transfer station for recycling. If you would like more information, please call Town Clerk Lisa Garigliano at 985-2262 x307.

**Website** Please be sure to check our website (www.townofneversink.org) for upcoming events, especially with the Parks and Rec Dept.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at 985-2262 ext. 301.

Vertical Shaft Wind Turbine at SUNY Sullivan (From Pg. 1)

The final decision was made only after a series of meetings with SUNY Sullivan's President, Dr. Mamie Howard-Golladay, who, despite the engineering problems with the turbine, believed the wind turbine could provide the college and the community with an exceptional learning tool.

"It is indeed unfortunate that the vertical shaft wind turbine is coming down," said Dr. Howard-Golladay. "Even though the turbine gear box was not capable of delivering the intended results, we were hoping to use it to support our planned Wind Turbine Technology program and enhance our Green Building Maintenance & Management and Environmental Studies programs."

The turbine gear box, which is located in a concrete casing below ground, and the turbine shafts as they were turned by the wind, could not work together properly to generate sufficient

enough power to satisfy Idkea.

"Despite the engineering problems, the college worked closely with Mr. Ikeda to find a solution that worked for both parties," Dr. Howard-Golladay added. "In the end, however, Mr. Ikeda, whose company owns the turbine, made a decision that he believed was in the best interest of Environmental Technologies."

Groundbreaking for ETLLC's 1.25-megawatt, vertical shaft wind turbine (model ETC-LU) took place on an acre of land leased from SUNY Sullivan and the County of Sullivanin November 2008. Albany-based Clough Harbour & Associates LLC, an engineering firm, completed construction of the world's first grid-scale, vertical shaft wind turbine in 2009.

A private company will begin dismantling the turbine for ETLLC on June 1.

Sesquicentennial News

On Sunday May 1st, the Ulster County Historical Society at the Bevier House Museum in Stone Ridge, offered a lecture on "Col. George W. Pratt (1830-1862)" by John Quinn from the Zaddock Pratt Museum in Greene County, assisted by UC Military Historian, Seward R. Osborne. A lengthy discussion on the life of Col. Pratt, enlightened the guests and offered a glimpse into the extensive public service this young man shared with his local community, and then in 1861 with his regiment, the 20th NYS Militia aka "Ulster Guard". For more information go to: http://www.prattmuseum.com Note: The Bevier House Museums' Civil War Room has the largest collection of Civil War artifacts on public display in Ulster County. - http://www.bevierhousemuseum.org/about-bevier.html

Coming Up: MAY EVENTS

On Wed May 11th 6:30pm- 8:00pm, the Ellenville Public Library & Museum will welcome Andrew Higgins, Associate Professor of English at SUNY New Paltz. He will be discussing the impact of the Civil War on three of our most influential writers of that era: Whitman, Longfellow and

Dickinson. For further details see: http://eplm.org
May 21st-22nd "Ashokan Civil War Days", May 21st-22nd at the Ashokan Center in Olivebridge,
NY. Jay Ungar and Molly Mason creators of "Ashokan Farewell", welcome all to join in "Answering Lincoln's Call". Living history demonstrations and re-enactors will provide everyone with an insight into life during the American Civil War. This is the third event at this venue and gets better every year! For program details see: http://www.ashokancenter.org/civilwardays/ Much more to come; join us as we commemorate the sesquicentennial. For program listings please see: http://www.nycivilwar150.org or contact Laura Smith, President Veterans Grave Preservation at http://civilwarveteransny.ning.com.

AARP Driver Safety Program

The AARP Driver Safety Program will be held at the f South Fallsburg Community Center (Former Ambulance Building) Laurel Avenue South Fallsburg, New York on Saturday, May 21,

2011 from 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Sonny Smith, an AARP- Certified Instructor, will give this course in one full day session, which will consist of a lecture, discussion and video presentations. Participants will receive a certificate which entitles them to apply for a discount on their automobile insurance. To register or for information, phone Sonny Smith at 434-8922 (Leave Message). The fee is \$12 for AARP members and \$14 for non-members; make checks payable to AARP,

and mail to Sonny Smith. Please enclose your phone number with payment. Classes are limited to 35, so apply early. This course is instructed by a Retired & Senior Volunteer Program (R&SVP) volunteer and is sponsored by the Sullivan County Office for the Aging.

#### Treasurer Ira Cohen $\mathbf{SC}$ awarded Treasurer of the Year by County Leaders from Across the State

The Award, presented at the 45th Annual NYSAC County Finance School Conference in Onondaga County. The award is presented by the New York State County Treasurer and Finance Officers Association-an affiliate of the New York State Association of Counties (NYSAC)-to a County Finance Officer who demonstrates outstanding "service and leader-ship" on behalf of county finance officials statewide.

'Ira Cohen's knowledge and expertise in county finances and real property taxes are second to none," said NYSAC Executive Director Stephen J. Acquario. "I congratulate him

on receiving this award. It is truly well deserved."

In addition to his membership in the County Treasurer and Finance Officers Association, Ira Cohen sits on NYSAC's Resolutions Standing Committee, which helps develop the Association's legislative priorities each year. He is a member of the Blue Ribbon Task Force on the Future of Farming in New York State, and was a member of Governor David Paterson's Task Force on Public Retiree Health Benefits.

The County Annual Finance School Conference is coordinated by a partnership between NYSAC, the Office of the State Comptroller and the NYS Treasurers and Finance Officers Association

National Tourism Week

Ferndale - May 7-15 is National Tourism Week. In conjunction with National Tourism Week, the Sullivan County Visitors Association will be hosting its Annual Literature Exchange at 4 p.m. on Wednesday, May 11, in the upper parking lot at Sonoma Falls in Morsston. The Exchange provides area tourism businesses with the opportunity to stock up on brochures belonging to fellow businesses prior to the start of the busy summer season; thus providing them with a complete representation of literature for the traveler. Attendees will have an opportunity to tour the Sonoma Falls facilities. A BBQ will also be provided along with entertainment courtesy of a WSUL live remote!

All tourism related businesses in the county are encouraged to attend this popular annual event which provides a perfect mix of networking and fun for all. The Literature Exchange and BBQ are free to members of the Sullivan County Visitors Association. Non-members may participate at a cost of \$25 per business and \$10 for each additional per-

son per business.

Visitor spending in Sullivan County brings in over \$311 million per year generating over \$19.5 million in local taxes received and employing over 4.8 thousand people in the county's tourism industry.

For further information on the Literature Exchange or to make a reservation for any part of the afternoon events, call

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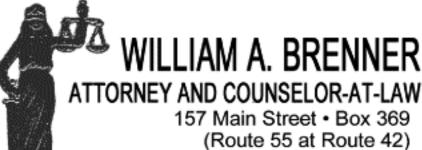
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As always, everyone is welcome to visit the Town of Shandaken website (shandaken.us) to get up-to-date information on events and activity within the Town and region.

**Zoning:** The Town Board is considering extending the Highway Business Zone, current-

ly ending at the corner of Rte. 28 and Rte. 212 in Mt. Tremper, to cover adjacent parcels on Rte. 28. The proposed amendment would re-zone properties on the South side of Rte. 28 from The Cottages at Rockcut Ledge to the Tonche Bus Garage. Along the North side of Rte. 28 the proposal would re-zone from Rte. 28 frontage 250 feet into each lot down to Car Craft Towing, just past Alyce and Roger's Fruit Stand. We will be setting up a special meeting to discuss this issue through resolution tonight. Another topic to be discussed is the creation of a new law to address Farm Stands in Town. The Town welcomes your emails and comments on the proposals. We have confirmed that any of these actions WILL NOT jeopardize our efforts for a Scenic Byway Designation.

Phoenicia: On Tuesday, May 4 the CWC granted financial assistance to Sweet Sue's in Phoenicia. Sue, her engineer and contractor are working diligently to try and be up and running before the Memorial Day weekend. We certainly wish her the best of luck and look forward to another summer of great pancakes. We are continuing to investigate other areas of the Town for flood damage, but the Stony Clove is our immediate issue. We have identified a section of the Simpson Mini-Park as impinging the flow under the bridge. Any issue with the bridge will have to be dealt with through NYS DOT.

Shandaken Day: We are setting up for another fun-filled day of activities in the Parish Field in Phoenicia. We are currently looking for any stories or history that you can provide us concerning the Hamlets of Chichester, Phoenicia or Woodland Valley. We are also asking for nominees for our Pride of Shandaken and Hamlet Hero Awards to be conveyed on the Shandaken Day itself. If you have any ideas, stories, history or just would like to help us organize the event call my office during the week or join us at our next meeting at the Ice Cream Station on Main St., Phoenicia Monday, May 16 @ 7pm.

Meetings: Town Bd. - First Mon./month; Parks & Rec. Bd. - Second Mon./month; Planning Bd. -

Second Wed./month; **ZBA** - Third Wed./month

Warmest regards...Robert A. Stanley, Supervisor, Town of Shandaken

## the Olive Branch FROM THE OTHER SIDE

OF THE MOUNTAIN- Paula Rhodes Hello My Friends,

You won't believe it but I have been censored! 'Me', the definition of Smart-alecky! I really wasn't trying to upset anyone. After I got censored, I let Gary read it and he said - thank goodness Linda and Bill have a muffler! Because you certainly don't.

My mother-in-law always says I just say what I think. She actually started the saying that I have no filter or muffler. She said she was kind of frightened that I wrote a column of my thoughts. And thank goodness I usually think about things like how to talk Gary into letting me have chickens or what pie I want to make. Or Grandbabies!

I really-really wasn't trying to upset anyone. I did state my beliefs of the afterlife. I believe when you are dead you are dead! And maybe the afterlife wasn't what some think it is. When I die I will be an organ donor, but warn whoever gets them, my parts are very used - cremate the rest and sprinkle my ashes anywhere except Houston, TX or Florida-personal reasons. - But, please remember, I am dead. You don't have to keep me. One day after we are all gone aliens will come here - find all of the graveyards and wonder why we felt the need to save our dead. But, I don't think that is why I got censored.

I think it may have been the part about my form of justice. I mentioned in my justice system I would rip off and feed certain body parts to herds of wild warthogs, but, I went into details. I also mentioned that people should send thank you notes for gifts. I have actually let several people read my original column and most said - after laughing hysterically - the same thing Gary said - thank goodness Linda & Bill have a muffler! Everyone who knows me, knows I say exactly what I think but as I said I usually think about chickens and pies, which is kind of strange in itself. I know how my mind works. Remember the goat and chicken bread? But, sometimes things need to be made fun of. And sometime things that are said have absolutely nothing to do with politics or religion. I always say I am of the political and religion of the small business owner. I don't have one. Sometimes it is just a joke!

So laugh in the sunshine and have a wonderful week my friends. It is going to be such a nice one. I'm going to go and make brownies, before I start a Jihad! The Dixie Chicken

Onteora Central School District Annual Meeting and Election
The Annual Meeting and Election on the 2010-2011

School Budget and Election of School Board Members will be held at the polling centers listed below on Tuesday, May 17, 2011, between the hours of 2:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m. District # 1 -own of Shandaken and that part of Lexington (Greene County) already in the Onteora District. Polling Center: Phoenicia Elementary School, Phoenicia, New York; **District # 2** -Town of Olive and that part of Marbletown already in the Onteora District. Polling Center: Bennett Elementary School, Boiceville, New York; **District # 3** -Town of Woodstock. Polling Center: Woodstock Elementary School, Woodstock, New York; District # 4 -Town of Hurley. Polling Center: West Hurley Elementary School, West Hurley, New York

On Tuesday, May 17, 2011, at 8:00 the Board of Education will hold a Regular Meeting and at approximately 9:30 p.m., the Onteora Board of Education will hold a Special Meeting to canvass the votes cast. The meeting will be held in the High School Conference Room on 4166 Route 28 in Boiceville, New York.



#### RESERVOIR MUSIC NOTES- Fred

Perry, Owner of Reservoir Music Center, 3179 Route 28, Shokan, NY 12481. 845-657-6127.

Well, the draught is over, and I'm not talking about the weather. Thankfully, we are back to a full calendar of music this week, so that should make everyone happy.

At the last minute, I changed my mind about going to see Ralph Stanley last Friday, opting to stay closer to home and taking a chance on Jackie Greene at The Bearsville Theater, and I was not disappointed. Jackie rocked pretty good, and even though half his set was Grateful Dead songs (not a bad thing), he made them all his own, playing "Sugaree", "Deal" and others with an aggressiveness that The Dead rarely did. The guitar playing was tasty and inventive, and all in all, I would now highly recommend Jackie, especially if you're a Grateful Dead fan.

My store, Reservoir Music Center, just celebrated it's 5th anniversary, and I'm planning a party sometime in July to thank the community for their support. Details will be announced here as they become available.

Since we have such a full calendar this week, let's get right to it.

TONIGHT, Thursday, May 12 NEKO CASE AT The Bearsville Theater. Neko is one of the Americana Queens-in-Waiting, along with Elizabeth Cook, Allison Moorer, Joy Lynn White, and quite a few others. Of course, the reigning Queen of the genre is Lucinda Williams, but that's another story. Neko's got good songs, sings great, and contributed heavily to the last Jakob Dylan album, so her bona fides are firmly in place. She's appeared on Leno, Letterman, Conan, Fallon, and Elvis Costello's TV shows, and has sung with (other than Dylan) Roseanne Cash, Nick Cave, and Costello. I probably shouldn't even mention this, but she was also voted the sexiest babe in indie rock by the readers of Playboy.com, and was invited to pose for the magazine, but, to her credit, declined.

ROSS RICE at Market Market in Rosendale. Best known for his keyboard playing with local faves, Voodelic, this transplanted Memphian (that is, Memphis native) seems to be everywhere and plays every style equally well. Don't know if this is a Very Sexy Trio gig, solo, or what, but whatever it is, you will be entertained.

Friday, May 13

RHETT MILLER at Market Market. Rhett is the man behind the Old 97's, a really good Americana group, and I believe he lives in New Paltz, which is probably why he's playing this tiny venue instead of the larger clubs and theaters he usually plays. A great opportunity to catch him in a very intimate venue. This has to be one of my Weekly Picks.

LEVON HELM BAND with ARLO GUTHRIE at Ommegang Brewery in Cooperstown. Nobody here needs an introduction. This is an anti-fracking benefit, and if you don't know what fracking is,

check out the movie, "Gasland" for more info.

SHEMEKIA COPELAND at Club Helsinki in Hudson. Shemekia, daughter of the late, great Texas guitarslinger, Johnny Clyde Copeland, is crown princess of the blues, following in the footsteps of Koko Taylor and Etta James. If you dig the blues, you'll dig Shemekia.

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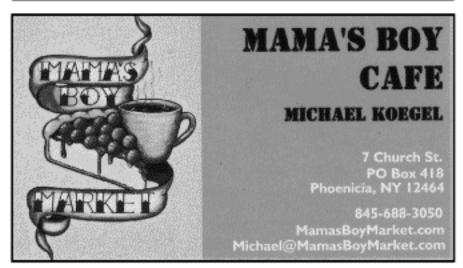
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Saturday, May 14 MIDNIGHT RAMBLE with KINKY FRIEDMAN. Kinky was a fixture at the old Lone Star Café in Manhattan when I used to hang out there. The former head of Kinky Friedman and the Texas Jewboys, he's now best known for his mystery novels and his campaign for Texas governor, which was unsuccessful, but was endorsed by Willie Nelson and just about every other Texas musician. Kinky's music combines great songs with comedy, with titles like, "They Ain't Makin' Jews like Jesus Anymore", "Asshole from El Paso", and "Waitret, Please Waitret (come sit on my face)". He ain't been around for a while, so I'm really looking for-

Tuesday, May 17 TONY TRISCHKA at The Linda in Albany. In keeping with this week's royalty theme, let's call Tony one of the Kings of Banjo. More traditional than Bela Fleck, but equally talented, he's been all over the bluegrass world for 40 years. Pick of the Week.

ward to this. Might even bring him a cigar, if I can fit it

Thursday, May 19

into the budget.

JOEY RAMONE BIRTHDAY PARTY at Irving Plaza, NYC. Technically, this belongs to next week, but since it's not nearby, I thought I'd give you a heads up this week, in case you needed to get a babysitter or something. This annual event, a tribute to the dearly departed lead singer of The Ramones, is always great, always rockin', and always has a great line up with special guests the norm. If you like rock n roll, make the trip.

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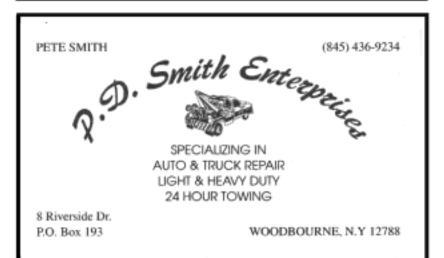
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#### BOCES Career & Tech Students Take 1st Place in Statewide SkillsUSA Competition

Students from the Sullivan County BOCES Career and Technical (C&T) Education Program attended the annual New York State SkillsUSA Spring Conference held in Syracuse, NY on April 13th, 14th & 15th.

While at the conference, students from across the state competed in various categories testing his or her vocational knowledge and skills. In addition to their knowledge, the students were also judged on their resume and professional appearance. Coached by Gloria Cahalan, C&T Community Work Based Instructor, the BOCES\_health team took first place in the Health Knowledge Bowl competition. The team members include: Meg Goble (Liberty Central School)

New Vision Health student, Corinne Martinez (Monticello Central School) - New Vision Health student, Stephanie Smith (Sullivan West Central School) -Health Occupations I student and Cierra Muzuruk (Liberty Central School) - Health Occupations I student. The team completed the competition with 977 pts. The second place winner took home 455 pts and the third place winner took home 326 pts.

In addition to the rigorous requirements of Sullivan County Career and Technical Center's New Vision Health (taught by Cathy Freda) and Health Occupations (taught by Carol Ranaudo), the four participants had to practice regularly and learn over 150 medical concepts to ensure their success against the other 20 teams in the SkillsUSA competition.

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resenting New York State SkillsUSA and the Sullivan County Career and Technical Center at the SkillsUSA National Conference held in Kansas City, Missouri on June 20th through June 25th, 2011

Although the five other SkillsUSA students who attended the competition did not have the opportunity to place in their categories, they still won by being chosen to attend the competition and gaining a valuable experience.

 Angelique Ramos, (LCS) New Vision I student competed in the Prepared Speech competition
- Amber Cookingham, (SWCS) Culinary II student

competed in the Culinary competition

 Andrew Witte, (LCS) Culinary I student competed in the Job Demo competition

- Ashton Clarke, (LCS) Cosmetology I student competed in the Cosmetology Junior competition





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- Amber Wallgren, (LCS) New Vision Health student competed in the Extemporaneous Speech competition

SkillsUSA is a national vocational club that places an emphasis on leadership skills and offers students the opportunity to work together to accomplish goals. Students routinely attend and run meetings where they develop projects that will help them learn how to excel as leaders in the business world. An emphasis is placed on community service, as students develop projects that will help enhance the community. SkillsUSA is a partnership of students, teachers and industry working together to ensure America has a skilled workforce. SkillsUSA helps each student excel. We are proud of all of our students who attended the competition.

For more information on the Career & Tech Programs offered at BOCES or the SkillsUSA competition, please contact the BOCES Career & Tech Dept at

(845) 295-415**2.** 

Healthy Ulster County Week (From Pg. 1)

Healthy Ulster County Week is intended to promote healthy living and includes events developed specifically to encourage Ulster County residents to eat better, exercise more, and take control of their health. During Healthy Ulster County Week, more than 60 special promotions are being offered by local businesses and community organizations to help keep Ulster County res-

"Healthy Ulster County Week is one part of my administration's initiative to make Ulster County the healthiest county in New York State," said County Executive Hein. "It is exciting that so many businesses and community organizations throughout Ulster County have come together with us during the 1st Annual Healthy Ulster County Week to offer such diverse and exciting health-

oriented special events and discounts.

"Transforming Ulster County into the healthiest county in NYS will require the commitment, focus, and effort of every individual, family, and organization in the community all pulling in the same direction," said Ulster County Public Health Director Dr. Hasbrouck. "It is not something that government can accomplish on its own. Healthy Ulster County Week is about creating an opportunity for community business and organizations to be active participants in this vibrant, and growing, public health campaign."

Pleasant Stone Farm, Health Food Store and Organic Cafe located at 7

Liberty Square in Ellenvill will host be hosting events throughout the week.

On Wednesday May 11:there will be a free Food class at 5 pm; Thursday May 12-free YOGA class at 10 a.m. and on Friday May 13- a free Fitness class at 5:30 pm. On Saturday May 14 there will be a free Holistic Health Fair from 2 to 6 pm with ND, LMT, chiropractors, acupuncturists, estheticians, yoga instructors. Seminars, raffles and free blood sugar and blood pressure screenings by Ellenville Regional and a talk by Ulster County Comptroller Mike Hein.

For more information, please contact Pleasant Stone Farm at: info@pleasantstonefarm.com

It's Spring Tea Time

Miss Burnham's Tea Room returns for its annual appearance at St. James Episcopal Church in Callicoon. It's an authentic Cream Tea -just like you would find at many a parish hall in England. The date is Saturday, May 14st. The time is 2:00 - 5:00 p.m.

In addition to a wide selection of teas, there will be Miss Burnham's Famous Scones with cream and home made marmalade, finger sandwiches, dainty cookies,

and more.

If you wish to look the part of a proper English lady, you may show off that hat you bought for the royal wedding, or borrow one of the millinery creations that will be available for you to wear while sipping tea and tasting appropriate delicacies. Red Hat ladies are encouraged to come in full millinery finery. Gentlemen are invited, too. But they are asked to remove their hats indoors - as is polite custom.

A donation of \$9.00 is requested to further the work of the church.

You may also purchase a copy of a cook booklet entitled, "Scones, Sandwiches, and Other Delectables." It features an introduction to the world of teas - "Water Bewitched, Heaven's Delight" - by Tea Sommelier Elizabeth Knight, along with recipes for Miss Burnham's Famous Scones, Wartime Bran Loaf from the pastry chef of the Waldorf Astoria, Spotted Dick, and other favorites.

St. James Church is located on State Route 17B, across from Roche's Garage, in Callicoon-For further information, call Mary at (845) 887-5454 or Nellie at (607)

498-4614.

## Lunch at the Live Bait Diner, An Exhibit of 30 Drawings &

30 Poems; Art by Joseph D. Yeomans. Words by Lewis Gardner Joseph D. Yeomans is a cartoonist and illustrator whose work has been commissioned for advertisements and commemorative events. As a painter he has participated in several group shows in the Hudson Valley region. Throughout careers as a nurse, teacher, park ranger, and truck driver, he has done one thing consistently: draw. Lunch at the Live Bait Diner is his first collaboration.

Lewis Gardner's poems and plays have appeared throughout the U.S. and in a number of other countries. The latest volume of Best American Short Plays includes his one-act "Pete & Joe at the Dew Drop Inn," and more than 60 examples of his poetry and light verse have appeared in The New York Times.

For \$16.90 postpaid, a catalog containing the drawings and poems of the exhibit is available at Live Bait Diner, P.O. Box 55, Lake Hill NY 12448, or:

livebaitdiner@gmail.com.

#### SC Businesses Help Beautification Projects -Community Volunteers Get Discounts from Local Merchants

[FERNDALE] - Dozens of local businesses are offering financial support to community organizations that received grants as part of the 2011 Sullivan Renaissance program. The Sullivan County Chamber of Commerce arranged for merchant discounts - typically from 10% to 20% - on products and services volunteers use to clean up and beautify communities.

This is the eleventh year that businesses have participated in the Sullivan

Renaissance Merchant Discount Program.

"We know that beautification efforts result in increased tourism and boost economic development. The Merchant Discount Program is a practical way that local businesses can help themselves while contributing to our economic recovery," said Chamber of Commerce President and CEO Terri Ward, "Keeping dollars in the county is not only smart and green; you can see the difference that has been made in our communities.

Ward urges businesses that would still like to join in this year to contact the Sullivan County Chamber of Commerce at 845-791-4200 or Sullivan Renaissance at 845-295-2452. Businesses do not need to be Chamber members to help.

All of the projects awarded grants on April 14th have been given a special discount card and a list of participating businesses.

Renaissance community projects will be completed by August 1 and judged between August 4 and 7. The Awards Ceremony will be held the evening of

August 8 at Monticello High School.

Sullivan Renaissance is a beautification and community development program principally funded by the Gerry Foundation. Additional funding has been secured by Hon. Maurice D. Hinchey, 22nd Congressional District. Sponsors include Bold Gold Media Group/Thunder 102, Sullivan County Democrat, The River Reporter, Thompson Sanitation and WSUL/WVOS.

For more information about its programs, call Sullivan Renaissance at 845-295-2445 or visit the website at www.sullivanrenaissance.org.

#### A Raisin in the Sun at the Rivoli Theatre



Left to Right - Ebony Isaac, John Nealis, Crystal Tweed, DeLois "Cookie" House and Frank Degroat

A Raisin in the Sun takes the stage at the Rivoli Theatre in South Fallsburg this weekend. This powerful production opens the SCDW 2011 Season and celebrates the 50th Anniversary of the release of the film version of Lorraine Hansberry's classic.

Performances Fri - Sun, May 13, 14, 15 - Call (845) 436-5336 or log onto www.scdw.net for additional information.

SC Schools Works of Art and Chair Auction for Scholarship Fundraiser

Hurleyville: Art students in Sullivan County will be auctioning works of art and chairs at Sullivan County Museum, Hurleyville, NY on Sunday June 5th from 2-4 pm. This is a unique scholarship fundraiser created to benefit area High School seniors who are planning on majoring in Art when they attend college.

Over the past couple of months, students from our local High Schools and BOCES have found chairs and transformed them through paint and other media into

"Works of Art" based on artists and artistic movements.

There is no limit to the imaginative efforts of these students. While some chairs are functional, many are whimsical and meant to be enjoyed as "Art." Many art teachers are also creating chairs to help this well-intentioned cause. In addition to the beautiful chairs, students will also be auctioning off various pieces of their artwork. Proceeds from the sale will be offered as scholarships at our local schools and Sullivan BOCES.

If you are interested in viewing these exemplary pieces of work the museum prior to the auction the museum will be opening its doors at 1 p.m. If you see a piece of artwork that you would like to have, you can place a bid in the bid box next to the chair. The highest bid in the bid box will start the auction for that chair the

day of the auction. For more information on the Arts and Education Program and the auction, contact Lisa Pacht, Director of Instructional Technology/ Arts I Education at Sullivan County BOCES (845) 295-4033.

#### SCCC Foundation Presents Its 12th Annual Golf Tournament

LOCH SHELDRAKE, N.Y. - The Sullivan County Community College Foundation announces its 12th annual golf outing to benefit student scholarships. The event - including a steak dinner open to non-golfers as well - will take place on Tuesday, June 28 at Grossinger's Country Club. Registration begins at 11:00 am, fol-

lowed by a 12:30 pm shotgun start.

For an entry fee of \$130 per person, or \$110 for SUNY Sullivan students, golfers get a full day of fun on the links including: a round of golf on Grossinger's world class course (cart & greens fees included), on-course refreshments, gifts, lunch, cocktails, and dinner. There will be contests and prizes at each hole, as well as a spectacular Hole-In-One Contest that could result in one golfer driving home in a brand new 2011 Buick Regal from M&M Auto Group! For non-golfers, the steak dinner is open to anyone for a donation of \$50.00 per person, and will be

Tournament Sponsorships are also available for individuals, businesses, and organizations looking to show additional support for the SCCC Foundation. Sponsorship opportunities include: Dinner Sponsor, Lunch Sponsor, Happy Hour Sponsor, On-Course Refreshment Sponsor, Golf Cart Sponsor, Hole Tee Sponsor. Each sponsorship level includes a high visibility presence at the event, as well as in the event program.

The tournament will be played in a scramble format, and will be limited to 26 foursomes. Registration is open now, and all payments must be received by June 23, 2011. Gather your group and make your call today to reserve space in this

tee-rific event benefitting the SCCC Foundation!

The Sullivan County Community College Foundation understands that education opens up worlds of possibility and is dedicated to helping make those possibilities into realities. The foundation exists to secure private funds used to provide scholarship assistance, fund equipment purchases and enrichment programs, and enhance and strengthen the academic programs that prepare students for life after formal education. SUNY Sullivan awards about \$100,000 in scholarships annually, and the generous contributions the foundation receives through its high profile events like the Golf Tournament help the college reach that figure year after year.

For more information on the SCCC Foundation's 12th Annual Golf Tournament, call Hillary Egeland at (845) 434-5750, extension 4377. Interested parties may also contact Hillary by email to: hegeland@sullivan.suny.edu. Donations to the SCCC Foundation are accepted year round. To learn more, please visit the Alumni section of SUNY Sullivan's homepage at www.sunysul-

livan.edu/alumni.

Eureka Market & Café Grand Opening (From Pg. 1)

Eureka Market is bringing New York-style pizza to the area (the recipe was given by a friend who owns a successful pizza place in the city), which is available by the pie or the slice, seven days a week. In addition to a carefully selected range of fresh food and groceries, Eureka is carrying an exciting array of design-led gifts and housewares, including scented citronella candles, and colorful iPhone and iPad covers by Jonathan Adler. ers by Jonathan Adler.

Formerly Brooks' Chestnut Woods restaurant, "Eureka" is taken from the smallest of the the 3 "lost hamlets" that were flooded to create the

nearby Rondout Reservoir.

The renovated premises is taking a distinctly green turn and has put down radiant floor heat, which will be powered by solar panels that are going in this summer. And now that the doors are open, focus will be turning to landscaping and beautifying their highvisibility spot on Route 55, just between the Neversink Highway Dept. and the Grahamsville Fairgrounds. Eureka Market was recently awarded a Sullivan Renaissance Mini-Grant, which will help in this effort.

The business is owned by Jennifer Grimes, who runs her real estate brokerage, Country House Realty, and her vacation rentals company, Red Cottage Inc., out of the building. Eureka Market & Café is being managed by Jamie Horan. For further information: Jennifer Grimes 845.985.5152 eurekamarket@me.com www.eureka-market.com

Eldred Lions Club to Host 7K Walk/Run for Education

Members of the Eldred Lions Club will take to the streets of Eldred on May 21st to raise funds as part of its 1st annual 7k Walk / Run for education. Funds donated by community members will be used to grow the Eldred Lions club scholarship fund along with other future community events to be held later this year. To register for this year's walk please visit our website at www.eldredlions.org or stop by the Corner store in Eldred.

According to Lou Monteleone of the Eldred Lions Club, "Money raised on May 21st will allow Lions to meet pressing needs in our community including helping our local students in continuing their education through our scholarship fund. Lions members thank everyone who contributes to this important work. You're truly helping Lions make a

difference in our community."

The Eldred Lions Club has 26 members and meets on the 4th Tuesday of every month at 7:00 PM at the Corner in Eldred. Lions clubs

are a group of men and women who identify needs within the community and work together to fulfill those needs. For more information or to get involved with the Eldred Lions Club, please contact Lou Monteleone at 845.557.3321 or online at www.EldredLions.org

Lions Clubs International is the world's largest service club organization with more than 1.3 million members in approximately 45,000 clubs in more than 200 countries and geographical areas around the world. Since 1917, Lions clubs have aided the blind and visually impaired and made a strong commitment to community service and impaired and made a strong commitment to community service and serving youth throughout the world. For more information about Lions Clubs International, visit the Web site at www.lionsclubs.org.

A Reading and Presentation by Poet and Artist Marilyn Stablein

Former Kingstonian and ASK member Marilyn Stablein (former coowner of Alternative Books and The Uptown: A Gathering Place) returns for an afternoon reading and presentation of artist books on Saturday May 21 at the Art Society of Kingston. She'll read excerpts from her books including: Splitting Hard Ground (La Alameda Press, 2010) which recently won the New Mexico Book Award and the New Mexico Press Women's Poetry Award; the memoir Sleeping in Caves: A Sixties Himalayan Memoir (published by Rhinebeck, NY's Monkfish Publishers) and Night Travels to Tibet (published by Woodstock's Shivastan Publishers.)

Her essays, poems, stories and reviews have appeared in over 100 journals and magazines. She is Art Director for The Malpais Review, a New Mexico literary magazine. She was a recent speaker at the Women Author's Book Festival in Santa Fe and has presented a lecture on her

artist books at the State Capitol Rotunda Gallery.

Her writing has won numerous awards including grants and citations from the National Endowment for the Arts, the New York State Council on the Arts, the Washington State Arts Commission, Southwest Writers and a Houston Brazos Writing Award.

#### ASK Health Insurance Open Enrollment & Renewal Session

The Arts Society of Kingston will be hosting an Open Enrollment and Renewal Session regarding the CDPHP health insurance plans being offered through ASK. There will also be information regarding ASK's new offering through CDPHP- Cancer and Accident Insurance. The event will take place at ASK, 97 Broadway in Kingston, on Wednesday, May 18th 2011 from 6 - 8pm, (meetings will be held every half hour between 6 and 8 pm). Joyce Polacco of Ulster Insurance is hosting the session and will be available to guide members/potential members through the process. CDPHP offers a monthly premium and this is a great opportunity for sole proprietors to receive insurance. For more information please contact the ASK art office at 845-338-0331. Refreshments will be served.

#### About ASK

The Arts Society of Kingston, a regional center for the arts, presents a diverse range of visual art exhibitions, performances, workshops, classes, and other arts-related programming for the benefit of artists, artlovers, and the general community of the Hudson Valley. Through its initiatives, ASK provides opportunities, resources, and education for artists. In carrying out this mission, ASK enriches the quality of life, bridges cultural gaps, and increases awareness and appreciation of the arts. For more information, please visit ASK for Arts.org.



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Liberty Gets into the Swim During "Phish" Weekend Events include Art in the Park, Food Fest, Yard Sale-O-Rama, Talent Show & Parade

(Liberty) - Liberty will be kicking into high gear during the weekend of May 28 though May 30 when the extended-jam rock band Phish will be performing at Bethel Woods for 3 consecutive nights and drawing large crowds to the area.

Saturday, May 28, features Art-in-the-Park, a show of local artists and crafters; Food Fest; yoga by Sat Nam Yoga; a daytime Talent Show and open mic. There will also be duck races throughout the day and a live radio remote broadcast. Also of note, Andre Turan will be breaking the Guinness Book of World Records for squats. Stop by and show your support! Liberty's famous Yard Sale-O-Rama will also begin on Saturday and end on Sunday, May 29. Both days' events are sponsored by the Greater Liberty Chamber of Commerce.

On Monday May 30, Liberty begins its Memorial Day observances with a Main Street parade at 10:30AM. Services will be held at the Liberty Veteran's Cemetery on Cold Spring Road following the parade and at the Sullivan County Veteran's Cemetery on Sunset Lake Road at 1PM. These events are sponsored by the Town of

Liberty and by American Legion Post 109.

Sunday also features free ice cream for kids at Liberty Elks Lodge, sponsored by Liberty Elks, following the memorial services. There will also be free music at LaPolt Park, sponsored by the Greater Liberty Chamber of Commerce.

If you sing, dance, read poetry, play an instrument or are a local artist or crafter, please sign up for the talent events or Art in the Park. There is no registration fee. Join in the fun. For the times of various events and other details, please email chair@catskills.com; for Talent

Show and Open Mic info email rcfrac@bestweb.net; for Art-in-the-Park vendor and artist info email jdgraphx@yahoo.com.

Playwright Labs

On Tuesday May 17th at 6:30 PM: "THE EL HYPOTHESIS" (Round 2) By D. Rich, a startling discovery by a scientist has his siblings in a quandary will be presented as one of two of The Art Society of Kingston *Playwright Labs*.

On Tuesday May 31st at 6:30 PM: "LUMOTTU" By Kathryn Laity, will be

the second of the Playwright Labs.

Arja lives with one foot in this world and the other in the mythic world of ancient Finland. Her family has moved to the new world, but the old world's magic clings to their lives - and deaths.

These are workshops rather than productions, whose focus is on process, not product. Scenes, shorts and full length (up to 90 minute) original stage plays can be read. It is the hope of the Lab that playwrights will listen to all feedback without defending or explaining their work, and then sift through the feedback at their leisure. In the end, only the playwright can decide what feedback to "use or lose."

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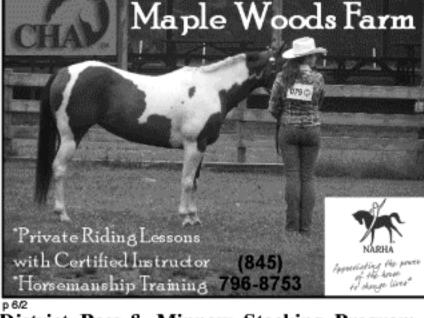


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District Bass & Minnow Stocking Program
It is time to think about stocking your pond with bass and minnows. The Sullivan County Soil & Water Conservation District is having their Annual Bass & Minnow Fish Stocking Program. If your pond seems to have excessive vegetation you may want to consider grass carp or barley straw. If you are interested in stocking your pond with Largemouth Bass, Fathead Minnows or Grass Carp, and/or purchasing barley straw, call the Conservation District at (845) 292-6552 extension 101 and request an order form with a price list be mailed to you. The District will be accepting orders until Friday, June 17th, 2011

#### SUNY Ulster Offers Veteran/Military Personnel

SUNY Ulster has scheduled an information session on Monday, May 16, from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. in the DeWitt Library on the Stone Ridge Campus to dis-cuss higher education options for Veterans and Active Duty Personnel. Counselors from the Admissions and Financial

Aid offices will be available to discuss programs of study, transfer credits, VA tuition benefits and campus support services. SUNY Ulster is a Service Member's Opportunity College with flexible scheduling options and online course offerings as well as career and technical nical training programs in a variety of subjects. Contact the Admissions Office at 845-687-5022 or admissions@sunyulster.edu to reserve a seat.

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Linda Comando, Editor Ye Old Tri-Valley Townsman Assemblywoman Gunther statement on the death of Osama Bin Laden

I congratulate President Obama and all of the brave men and women in our Armed Forces. The successful operation to locate and kill Osama bin Laden comes as a relief to many American families, as well as those worldwide who have suffered under his tyranny. But while we may feel relief, we know that his death will not erase the memory of September 11th or return those who were killed to their families. I grieve today for those who were lost. I pray for their families and friends and look with them toward a brighter day when the threat of terror no longer exists. God Bless America.

#### Hinchey Statement on Death of Osama bin Laden

Washington, DC - Congressman Maurice Hinchey (D-NY) today released the following statement regarding President Obama's announcement confirming that Osama bin Laden, the mastermind of the 9/11 attacks against the United States, has been killed:

"The killing of Osama bin Laden is a crucial victory in America's ongoing effort to defeat al Qaeda and all those who target America's citizens and homeland. Nearly a decade after September 11th, the mastermind behind the horrific attacks is now dead. I commend the courageous and heroic actions of our troops, the relentlessness of our intelligence community, and the strong leadership of President Obama and his national security team for bringing this terrorist to justice.

"In some ways this news can provide closure and comfort to the many residents of the congressional district I represent, and across America, who lost family members, loved ones, colleagues and friends on that horrific day. Several of those who died on

9/11 were from our part of New York.

"As we move forward, it is important to remember that our fight against terrorism is not yet over. We must continue to ensure that our military and intelligence officers have the tools they need to protect America from the threats posed by al Qaeda. As a member of Congress, I will continue working to ensure that we take every step necessary to keep Americas safe here at home and abroad."

#### Gillibrand Statement on President Obama's Visit to Ground Zero

New York, NY - U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand issued the following statement today after President

Obama's visit to Ground Zero:

"I was inspired by the strength of the families who stood here today, thinking of their loved ones, knowing that the first chapter has closed and moving to the next chapter. The death of Osama bin Laden is a bittersweet moment for them, because the person who planned and perpetrated these attacks which resulted in the loss of their loved ones has been brought to justice. To have that measure of justice is extraordinarily meaningful. For all the men and women who serve our country, President Obama was really saying thank you, and I thought that was a very beautiful and poignant way to memorialize our heroes and the victims of 9/11."

Gillibrand Continues Fight for Increased Anti-Terror Rail Funding for NY as New Details Emerge Bin Laden was Targeting Trains

Washington, DC - As new details emerge from a trove of evidence recovered at Osama bin Laden's Pakistan compound, reports indicate that Al Qaeda had eyed attacking trains in the United States. U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand, a member of the Senate Armed Services Committee, today continued her long standing efforts to secure additional anti-terror funding to protect New York. In a letter to Homeland Security Committee leaders, Gillibrand is urging them to include \$300 for the Transportation Security Grant Program in the FY'12 budget, including a minimum of \$20 million for the Intercity Passenger Rail Security Program and \$15 million for the Freight Rail Security Program as they develop this year's Homeland Security Appropriations bill. Gillibrand helped lead the fight to restore cuts in the FY'11 budget originally proposed by House Republicans.

In her letter to Senate Homeland Security Committee leaders, Senator Gillibrand wrote, "We must remain vigilant and ensure law enforcement officials and our rail carriers have the resources needed to keep us safe. We must be conscious of the budget challenges we face as a nation, but protecting the passengers, travelers and commuters using our transportation infrastructure is a responsibility we cannot afford to cut."

At Senator Gillibrand's urging, the U.S. Senate Subcommittee on Homeland Security approved \$350 million for transit security and \$350 million for port security in the FY2011 Homeland Security Appropriations bill, an increase from the \$300 million allocated to each program the previous fiscal year. The subcommittee also approved \$20 million to maintain funding for the Securing the Cities program, funding that was facing elimination, that provides resources to protect the New York metropolitan area against the threat of a radiological or nuclear attack. The final FY'11 budget deal included \$250 million for transportation security, which restored \$150 million in cuts by House Republicans originally proposed in the House passed continuing resolution.

Hinchey Votes No on New Giveaways to Oil Companies U.S. is Now a Net Exporter of Refined Petroleum **Products, Energy Information Agency** Says New Offshore Drilling Will Do Nothing to Lower Prices at the Pump Washington, DC - An attempt by Congressman Maurice Hinchey (D-NY) and House Democrats to bring up a bill to end massive subsidies for the oil and gas industry was blocked today by House Republicans who instead forced through a bill that would cut even more corners for the already profitable industry. The Democrat's legislation entitled the Big Oil Welfare Repeal Act of 2011 (H.R. 1689) would have ended \$30 billion in subsidies for the five largest oil companies, some of which have seen profits soar by as much as 70 percent on record-high oil prices. Hinchey voted no on the Republican alternative, which would have allowed the industry to escape commonsense environmental reviews, risking future oil spills.

"Domestic production is already at a record high," said Hinchey. "But instead of focusing on what's really driving oil prices - rampant speculation and a lack of alternative fuels - the Republican majority is working to cut more corners for Big Oil, eliminating sensible environmental review processes. A year ago today, we were just 15 days into the Deepwater Horizon oil spill disaster in the Gulf of Mexico. In all, nearly 5 million barrels of oil were dumped into the water. Instead of providing huge new Big Oil giveaways that put our environment and coastal communities at risk, we need to end \$30 billion in Big Oil welfare, invest in renewable energy and investigate Wall Street speculation that's driving up prices.

Hinchey voted against H.R. 1230, which would require the Secretary of the Interior to rely on pre-Deepwater Horizon environmental reviews when holding newly required lease sales in the Gulf of Mexico and off the Coast of Virginia. Hinchey noted that "at a minimum, we need oil companies to demonstrate that they can contain an underwater spill, but this bill would limit the Interior Secretary's ability to apply that

standard."

The U.S. Department of Energy's Energy Information Administration (EIA) has recently reported that the U.S. has become a net exporter of refined petroleum products for the first time in 20 years. The most recent data from EIA also shows that crude oil production in federal waters is at a record high and that opening up more of the the Outer Continental Shelf to new drilling will do nothing to lower gas prices.

Hinchey's was an original cosponsor of the

Big Oil Welfare Repeal Act of 2011 and has worked for years to cut the deficit by ending billions of Big Oil subsidies. Hinchey has also coauthored legislation to cut the deficit by \$53 billion by closing a loophole that has enabled Big Oil to avoid paying royalties for taxpayer-owned oil resources they have drilled for in the Gulf.

Hinchey also worked to pass the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform Bill that enables the Commodity Futures Trading Commission (CFTC) to impose tough new rules to crack down on oil speculation. The CFTC recently released new data indicating that speculation had increased by 64 percent since June 2008 to the highest level on record. To address the problem, Hinchey has urged the CFTC to use its authority to immediately crack down on speculation

## Comptroller Auerbach Posts Annual Finacial Report- Web Site Provides Ready

Access to Data for Citizens

Ulster County Comptroller Elliott Auerbach has received the 2010 Annual Financial Report prepared by the County's Commissioner of Finance and recently released by the County Executive.

NYS General Municipal Law requires the

County to annually make a report of its financial condition to the State Comptroller. The report format is a fund-by-fund presentation of the prior year financial information. "In the interest of transparency," said Auerbach, "I publish key financial information on my web site. The 2011 budget season is just around the corner and by providing early and ready access to this data perhaps greater public participation will result."

Members of the public who wish to view the 2010 Annual Financial Report may find it at the Comptroller's website at www.ulstercountyny.gov/comptroller. Click on the tab "Financial"

Data" at the top of the page.

The mission of the Ulster County Comptroller's Office is to serve as an independent agency of the people and to protect the public interest by monitoring County government to assess and report on the degree to which its operation is economical, efficient and/or effective and its financial condition sound.

Blue Ribbon Task Force Meets with Statewide Officials in Albany

On Tuesday May 3rd, 15 members of the Blue Ribbon Task force on the Future of Farming met with state officials and lawmakers in Albany. Task Force members were welcomed by Agriculture Committee Chairs Assemblyman Bill Magee and Senator Pattie Ritchie to discuss restorations to agriculture programs in the State Budget. Newly confirmed Commissioner Darrel Aubertine and his Deputy Commissioners also met with Task Force members to discuss departmental priorities and how the Task Force can be a resource and partner in protecting agriculture in New York. The Task Force is currently made up of 46 county members who represent 32 counties across the state and a broad cross section of farming and agriculture interests. For more information, as well as photos of the May 3rd meetings, please Task Force website http://www.nysac.org/Blue Ribbon Task Force/I ndex.php.

#### POLITICAL SLANT

Frank Comando

What does Sullivan County, The Hudson Valley and the Catskills need?

Looking back, many of us can remember the Catskills as one of the greatest resort areas in the world, with still some of the most under publi-

cized pristine areas of natural beauty.

To start with, Sullivan, Ulster, and Orange Counties are situated only 90 miles from New York City which is perfect for vacations in today's economy. Whether it is an overnighter or an extended stay, the Catskills and the Hudson Valley fit all purses, whether lean or having a lot of gold to jingle. With concert centers such as Bethel Woods Center For The Arts and vacation spots like the Villa Roma, The Emerson, Belleayre Mountain, and The Track, as we old-timers like to call it, that's Monticello Casino and Raceway, what does Sullivan County, and the surrounding areas need? Many believe two amusement parks would be nice. One for the kiddies and one for 'teens' of all ages.

Perhaps it is time to give more thought to a Las Vegas of the East to revitalize 'the mountains' to its former glory, with jobs, a reinforced

economy with new small businesses.

Let us all work together and just maybe someone, or a group with money, looking to make money, will invest in our area, our people and their integrity, their intellect, their need, their future, and their willingness to work for a better tomorrow.

Welfare and Medicaid enrollment might then dwindle, and affordable taxes could be paid promptly to sustain our infrastructure.

If you have something to say, say it here.

It must be less then 300 words.

E-mail politicalslant@yahoo.com

Denning Democratic Committee is proud to endorse

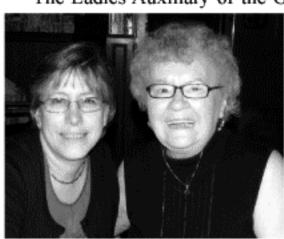
**Ulster County Democratic Candidates** 

Mike Hein - County Executive Johanthan Sennett - District Attorney

Paid for by the Democratic Committee of the Town Of Denning.

#### Ladies Auxiliary Annual Mother's Day Dinner (From Pg. 1)

The Ladies Auxiliary of the Grahamsville Fire



Department
celebrated
Mother's Day
with their
Annual
Dinner on
Wednesday,
May 4. This
year, as last
year, the dinner was held
at the beauti-

ful White Wolf Restaurant and Lounge in Napanoch.

Auxiliary President
Renee Simerson welcomed
several new members and
talked about the group's
activities, which include
their annual Easter Egg
Hunt at the Grahamsville
Fairgrounds, Santa in the
Town Square, and, of
course, their support of the
Grahamsville Fire
Department.



The group of 26 ladies feasted on menu items such as skirt steak, three kinds of shrimp, steamed dumplings, chicken cordon bleu, strip steak, herb crusted filet of salmon and lots of other scrumptious choices.

Coffee and dessert finished off a great meal and the ladies bid each other good evening as they left to begin another year of service to Grahamsville community.



#### CrossWay Assembly of God

Service Times
Sunday School 9:30 am
Sunday Worship

Service/ Children's Church 10:30 am

Monday Night Home Bible Study 7 pm

Tuesday Night Youth Home Bible Study 7 pm

Friday Youth Night 7 pm



Lead Pastor
P. O. Box 480

P. O. Box 480 507 Hasbrouck Drive Woodbourne, NY 12788 845-434-8263

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#### Sundown United Methodist Church aday Worship Service • 8:30ar

Sunday Worship Service • 8:30am

#### Grahamsville United Methodist Church

Sunday Worship Service 10:30am 985-2283

#### RAMSAY'S FUNERAL HOMES, INC

Serving Sullivan County Since 1896

66 John Street, Monticello, New York (845) 794-2700 275 S Main Street, Liberty, New York (845) 292-7100 Route 55, Kauneonga Lake, New York (845) 583-5445

#### Loucks Funeral Home

Geoff and Heather Hazzard & Anthony Perito

> 79 North Main Street Ellenville, New York (845) 647-4343

#### Caregiving and the Art of Communication

On Tuesday, May 24, the Caregiver Resource Center of Sullivan County will present Caregiving and the Art of Communication from 1-

Communication problems are often considered to be one of the great stressors for caregivers. Caregiving and the Art of Communication workshop, led by Donna Davies LCSW from the Alzheimer's Association, will help caregivers learn effective ways to communicate and enhance the caregiving experience. Some common communication problems that arise are: How do you talk with your parent about getting more help? How do you communicate with the person you're caring for without arguing or yelling? How do you speak with your siblings when you need help and you feel stuck with all the caregiving?

A special segment on communication and Alzheimer's disease will be included during the workshop, held at Cornell Cooperative Extension of Sullivan County (64 Ferndale-Loomis Road, Liberty). This class is a free program, funded by the NYS Office for the Aging Caregiver Program. Reservations are appreciated (five registered participants are required) - please call 292-5250.

The Caregiver Resource Center is a partnered program of Cornell

Cooperative Extension and Office for the Aging

GRAHAMSVILLE REFORMED CHURCH

Route 55 Grahamsville, NY (Across from T.V. School)

SPAGHETTI DINNER

SATURDAY, MAY 14, 2011

4:00 - 7:00 p.m.

ADULTS :

Community Garden Work Day Planned

The Claryville Reformed Church

will be planting their Community Garden again this year.

They shared produce with over 30 families

in need through their church and the Grahamsville Methodist Church.

This year's planting work day will take place

on Sat., June 4th at the

Claryville Reformed Church Community Garden

ST. ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL MISSION

The Little Church with the Big Heart

Sundays 8:15 a.m. - Communion

Music by Susan and Fred Van Wagner

Coffee hour follows service

All are welcome!

CHILDREN: 5-10: \$5.00

Italian Bread, Beverage

UNDER 5 FREE

Ice Cream Sundae

For Information: 985-7480

MENU: Spaghetti, Meat Balls, Italian Sausage

Salad

Dessert:







#### HUGE LAWN SALE Saturday, June 4 8am-1pm

at the Grahamsville United Methodist Church, on the parsonage lawn

356 Main Street, Grahamsville
To benefit Grahamsville UMC's
Mission work which includes:
UMCOR JAPAN, Health Kits, and Local Mission Projects
Something for everyone!
Household items, antiques, toys, knick-knacks,
furniture, etc....
For more info, call 985-2283 or 985-7427

Tri-Valley Lions Club Rabies Clinic
June 1, 2011 - 6-8 pm at Grahamsville Fair Grounds
Pets must be 3 months old.

#### **Spring Concert**

Samsonville United Methodist Church located on County Rte.3, Samsonville, NY 12461 will hold a Spring Concert on May 15 at2011, 3:00pm starring Rene Baily and The Saints of Swing along with the Choirs of the Samsonville and Olivebridge United Methodist Churches, and special guests.

Free Will Offering. Refreshments to follow.

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## St . Augustine's Chapel

Watson Hollow Rd. • West Shokan, NY Sunday Mass - 9:30 am

Holy Days 5:30 pm

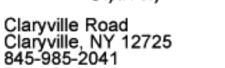
Penance 9:00 am, 2nd Sunday of the month

Rev. George W. Hommel, Pastor

#### Claryville Reformed Church

5277 State Rt. 42

South Fallsburg





For Information:

845-887-4742

Mother Joan LaLiberté

Bible Class 9:00 am Worship Services @ 10:00 am **Rev. Paul Nulton** John Bult, Organist

## CATHOLIC PARISH OF THE

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION (embraces Fallsburg, Neversink, Sundown and Ulster Heights)

6317 Rte. 42, Woodbourne. 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.

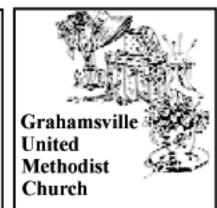
Daily Mass schedule:

Monday afternoon 5:45 (Holy Rosary at 5:30); Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday mornings: (includes Morning Prayer)- 8:50 am

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



May 7, 2011
Sundown United
Methodist Church
at the
Sundown Church Hall



Thrift Sale (9 am -1 pm) & Luncheon (11 am-1 pm) May 17 Trift Sale Only 9 am-1 pm - May 21

## Sunday School 9:30 A.M. Worship Service 9:30 A.M.

Hymn Sing & Covered Dish Supper 5:30/630 P.M. - 1st Sunday of the Month

Rev. Paul Z. Ruter, Pastor 845-985-7480

# NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING, ANNUAL MEETING, BUDGET VOTE AND ELECTION TRI-VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT AT GRAHAMSVILLE TOWN OF NEVERSINK, COUNTY OF SULLIVAN, NEW YORK

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the annual budget hearing of the residents of the Tri-Valley Central School District at Grahamsville, Sullivan County, New York will be held at the Tri-Valley Central High School Upstairs Gym/Auditorium in said District at Grahamsville, New York on:

Tuesday, May 10, 2011 at 7:00 P.M. (EDST)

for the purpose of presenting the budget for the 2011-2012 school year.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that a copy of the budget statement showing the amount of money which will be required for the following year for school purposes, exclusive of public money, together with the text of any proposition which will be presented to the voters, may be obtained at the Office of the Superintendent, Tri-Valley Central School, Grahamsville, New York and any school building, by any resident in the District between the hours of 9:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M. on each day except Saturday, Sunday or holidays during the fourteen days preceding the annual meeting (Beginning Tuesday, May 3, 2011).

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Annual Meeting, including the <u>VOTE</u> upon the appropriation of the necessary funds to meet the estimated expenditures for school purposes for the 2011-2012 school year budget and the <u>VOTING</u> for members of the Board of Education, and <u>VOTING</u> on any other proposition to be acted upon, will take place on Tuesday, May 17, 2011 between the hours of 11:30 A.M. and 9:00 P.M. daylight savings time at the Gymnasium of the Tri-Valley Central High School Building, in Grahamsville, New York.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the term of three members of the Board of Education will expire on June 30, 2011. Petitions nominating candidates for the office of member of the Board of Education shall be filed with the Clerk of said School District at her office in the Administration Building, on or before of 9:00 A.M. on Monday, April 18, 2011. Vacancies on the Board of Education are not considered separate, specific offices; candidates run at large. The three highest vote getters will fill the three full term positions. Nominating petitions shall be directed to the Clerk of the District; must be signed by at least 25 qualified voters of the District; must state the name and residence address of each signer, and, must state the name and residence address of the candidate.

The 3-year terms of the following Members of the Board of Education expire on June 30, 2011, and are to be filled at this election:

Kathy Denman Joyce Hartman Scott Mickelson

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that pursuant to a prior resolution of the District, personal voter registration is in effect. The dates for personal voter registration have been set for Tuesday, May 10th, 2011 and Wednesday, May 11th, 2011 in the Main Entrance Area, between the hours of 4:00 P.M. and 8:00 P.M.. Voters may also register at the Office of the District Clerk on any business day through Thursday, May 12th, 2011 between the hours of 9:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M. Residents are reminded that their registration is valid if they have voted at any school or general election held within the 4 calendar year period prior to May 17, 2011. If a voter is eligible to vote under Article 5 of the Election Law and is registered with the Sullivan or Ulster County Board of Elections, he/she is also eligible to vote at this election. The register of voters prepared pursuant to Section 2014 of the Education Law shall be available in the office of the Clerk, to any qualified voter, on each of the five (5) days prior to the annual meeting, except Saturday and Sunday, and at the polling place on the day of the vote.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that in accordance with Section 2018a of the Education Law, applications for ABSENTEE BALLOTS may be applied for at the office of the District Clerk. Absentee ballots must be applied for unless the voter's registration is marked "permanently disabled" by the County Board of Elections. Such applications must be received by the District Clerk at least seven (7) days before the election if the absentee ballot is to be mailed to the voter (Tuesday, May 10th, 2011) OR the day before the election (Monday, May 16th, 2011, if the ballot is to be picked up personally by the voter. Absentee ballots must be received in the Office of the District Clerk not later than 5:00 P.M. on the day of the annual meeting. A list of all persons to whom absentee ballots have been issued shall be available for public inspection during regular office hours (9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.) until the day of the election. Any qualified voter may file a written challenge of the qualifications of a voter whose name appears on such list, stating the reasons for the challenge.

By order of the Board of Education Martha Lee Ter Bush, District Clerk Dated: April 1, 2011

#### PUBLIC NOTICE REGARDING THE ERATH STORAGE BUILDINGS

Any group or organization that has items stored in the Erath single story block building on Rt. 55 needs to remove these items prior to <u>June 1, 2011.</u> If you have any questions, call Doug Hamilton at 845-985-7427.

#### NOTICE

This is to advise all taxpayers of the Onteora Central School District that a copy of the school budget will be on file four-teen days prior to the Annual Meeting and Election, except Saturday, Sunday or any Holiday, at the District's school-houses. This is pursuant to Chapter 64 (Senate Bill #3994 - Assembly Bill #4463). The election will be held on Tuesday, May 17, 2011 at the four elementary school polling centers

Counties Call on State to Cut Spending on Mandates State Mandated Costs Slated to Increase Three Times Over Proposed Tax Cap Limit

Property tax relief must start with reduced State spending, according to a new study conducted by the New York State Association of Counties that shows State-mandated costs are increasing well in excess of the proposed 2% cap for property taxes. The study also shows that spending on county programs Statewide falls below the proposed 2% property tax cap.

County spending on State programs, which is dominated by unfunded State mandates, is what drives up property taxes.

"County property tax increases are not driven by county costs," said NYSAC President William J. Ryan, a Westchester County Legislator. "They are State costs that the local taxpayers are forced to pay. If the State wants to get property taxes under control, they need to get spending on the programs they mandate under control." Nine State mandates consume over 90% of the county property

Nine State mandates consume over 90% of the county property tax levy outside of New York City. Of those nine State mandates, only one has grown by an average equal to or less than the proposed 2% cap over the past five years. The rest of the programs have grown by more than 4% each year. Pension costs, by themselves, have grown by an average annual increase of 31% over the past five years.

The 5 year average annual growth of the 9 mandates are:

Medicaid 2.5%, \$50 million Pensions 31.0%, \$175 TANF (-1%)

Safety Net\* 5.6%, \$11 million (includes

TANF and Safety Net)

Child Welfare\*Special Ed. Pre-KEarly Intervention
Indigent Defense
Probation
Youth Detention

2.0%, \$5 million
8.0%, \$12 million
7.7%, \$5 million
5.5%, \$7.2 million
6.2%, %7.6 million
6.9%, \$2.1 million

In 2012, the total county property tax levy increase allowable under the proposed 2% property tax cap would be \$90 million dollars. Based on the average annual growth, these nine mandated programs would require counties to pay an additional \$279 million for State programs.

"How can counties stay below a State-imposed property tax cap, when the State's costs borne by our taxpayers are going up by more than three times that rate," said NYSAC Executive

Director Stephen J. Acquario.

"The renewed focus by Governor Cuomo and State Lawmakers to control property taxes presents an opportunity to redesign government in New York State," said Monroe County Executive Maggie Brooks, the president of the NYS County Executives Association. "We must take advantage of this opportunity by reducing or eliminating the need for property taxes to finance State programs."

"A property tax cap is untenable without reducing or eliminating these State mandates," said Ryan. "As County officials, we fully support a property tax relief. But in order for a tax cap to be effective, the State must relieve counties of the burden of

unfunded mandates.'

"Our focus should be addressing local quality of life needs, and we could do that more effectively without increasingly onerous State fiscal demands," said Orleans County Chief Administrative Officer Charles (Chuck) Nesbitt, president of the NYS County Administrators Association. "If we take away these nine mandated programs and services, counties could live within the 2% property tax cap."

SULLIVAN NYCONNECTS: Choices for Long Term Care A Single Point of Entry for Long Term Care

The Long Term Care Council is the advisory board for SULLIVAN NYCONNECTS, the single Point of Entry for information on long term care services in Sullivan County

term care services in Sullivan County.

The next meeting of the Long Term Care Council will be Wednesday, May 18, from 3:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the Legislative Committee Room (2nd floor) in the Sullivan County Government Center. Meetings of the Long Term Care Council are open to the public.

For further information about the Long Term Care Council, please contact Martha Scoppa, Point of Entry Coordinator, SULLIVAN NYCONNECTS, Office for the Aging, 100 North Street, P.O. Box

5012, Monticello, New York 12701 or (845) 807-0257.

#### Town of Neversink Parks & Recreation Department www.townofneversink.org (845) 985-2262 extension 312

<u>ALBI CONCERT & HOT DOG LUAU</u> Sunday, July 17.

The Buddy Holly Story Forestburgh Playhouse July 27. \$30 residents/\$46 non-residents must be paid no later than June 28.

ZOOM FLUME Saturday, August 6. \$10 residents/\$34 non-residents must be paid no later than June 28.

Rhinebeck Fair Thursday, August 25. \$15 residents/\$30 non-residents must be paid no later than June 28 this includes admis-

sion & transportation.

Pumpkin Decorating & Pizza Friday,
October 28. \$5 residents/\$10 non-residents must be paid no later than October 4.

<u>Army Football Game West Point DATE</u> & TIME TO BE ANNOUNCED \$25 residents/\$38 non-residents must be paid no later than TBA this includes admission & transportation.

Transportation to NYC Saturday, December 3. \$20 residents & non-residents must be paid no later than November 8. Call Parks & Recreation at (845) 985-2262 Ext 312 for more information



Daniel Pierce Library Winter hours effective Thursday, December 2, 2010. The library will open at 10:00 A.M. and close at 8 P.M. on Tuesdays and Thursdays. This is a change from its former hours of 11:00 A.M. to 9:00 P.M. Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday hours will remain the same. If you have any questions, please call the library at 985-7233.

#### Closed Sundays and Mondays

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 con-845-985-7233

Time and the Valleys Museum has copies of every Townsman printed since the beginning in loose-leaf binders classified by year for anyone to research. For further information, contact the historian's office in Grahamsville at 985-2262 x313,

e-mail: historian@townofneversink.org,

or visit www.timeandthevalleysmuseum.org 5/11/11 Town of Neversink Board Meeting Dept. of Motor Vehicles Neversink Town Hall 10:00 am - 2:30 p.m. 5/12/11

5/12//11

Town of Denning Planning Board Meeting - 7 pm Grahamsville Reformed Church Spaghetti & Meatballs, Sausage Dinner - 4:00 - 7:00 pm 985-7480

Grahamsville United Methodist Church Thrift Sale (9am-1pm) & Luncheon (11am-1pm)

Town of Neversink Zoning Board of Appeals - 7:30 pm -(subject to cancellation due to inclement weather)

Town of Olive Planning Board Meeting - - Town Meeting Hall, Bostock Rd.

Neversink Rondout Antique Machinery Assoc. Meeting - 7:30 PM

Neversink Fire District Monthly Meeting 7:30 -Public Meeting 8:00 pm

Thrift Sale -Grahamsville Methodist Church Hall - 9 am - 1pm

Clarvville Fire Dist Commissioners Meeting - 7:00 PM 5/14/11 5/17/11

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5/24/11 5/30/11 Claryville Fire Dist Commissioners Meeting - 7:00 PM. TOWN OF NEVERSINK HOLIDAY - MEMORIAL DAY

5/31/11 Town of Neversink Parks & Recreation Dept. 7 pm Neversink Town Hall

Tri-Valley Lions Club Rabies Clinic - Grahamsville Fair Grounds 6-8 pm. Pets must be 3 months old. 6/1/11 6/1/11 Town of Neversink Planning Board

6/4/11 Sundown Methodist Church Covered Dish Supper - 5:30 pm Sundown Church Hall Community Garden Work Day at Claryville Reformed Church Community Garden Grahamsville United Methodist Church Thrift Sale (9am-1pm) & Luncheon (11am-1pm) 6/4/11

6/7/11 Town of Denning Board Meeting - Sundown Church Hall 7:00 pm
Town of Neversink Board Meeting
Town of Olive Audit Meeting - 7:30 pm - Town Meeting Hall, Bostock Rd.
Town of Olive Town Board Meeting - 7:30 pm Town Meeting Hall, Bostock Rd. 6/7/11 6/8/11

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6/14/11 6/15/11 Town of Denning Business Meeting Neversink Rondout Antique Machinery Assoc. Meeting - 7:30 PM Dept. of Motor Vehicles Neversink Town Hall 10:00 am - 2:30 p.m.

6/16/11 6/19/11 Claryville Fire Dept. Pancake Breakfast 7 am - Noon

Save the Date!

The Opening Ceremony of the Daniel Pierce Library addition will take place on Sunday, June 12, 2011 at 2:00 P.M. All are invited. July 30th - Time and the Valleys Olde Time Fair and Antique Auction

9/17 & 9/18 -Neversink Rondout Antique Machinery Association Annual Antique Tractor Show -Grahamsville Fairgrounds

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

Town of Denning Message Board: http://www.denning.us Town of Neversink Website: http://town of neversink.org Daniel Pierce Library - http://www.danielpiercelibrary.org
Time and The Valleys Museum - http://timeandthevalleysmuseum.org
Ye Olde Tri-Valley Townsman On-Line Edition: http://thetownsman.com
To find out what is happening at Tri-Valley CSD: http://tvcs.k12.ny.us

#### Ye Olde Tri-Valley Townsman is available at the following retail stores and restaurants:

SUNDOWN CAMP & BAIT SHOP GRAHAMSVILLE DELI GRAHAMSVILLE AUTOMOTIVE CANNIE D'S BLUE HILL LODGE 3 GOLDENS CONVENIENCE STORE

ARATI GIFT SHOP (Brickman Rd.) VALERO MINI MALL (Loch Sheldrake) WOODBOURNE CITGO STATION MO'S GAS STATION (Woodbourne) P.D. SMITH ENTERPRISE (Woodboume) AGWAY • J.B. MAK (Liberty)

JAMES NAPANOCH GROCERY MATTHEW'S PHARMACY NAPANOCH APPLIANCE PLEASANT STONE FARM PETER'S MARKET

NEW LOCATIONS in the TOWN OF OLIVE: & SHANDAKEN

The Good Stuff Cafe' • Boiceville IGA • J & G Log Homes, LLC • Sands Salvage Boiceville Florist • Phoenicia Pharmacy • Mama's Boy • Ricclardella's • Emerson Resort

AL-ANON MEETINGS - http://www.al-anon.alateen.org Monday 7:00 p.m. United Methodist Church, 170 N. Main Street, Liberty Thursday 7:00 p.m. Immaculate Conception Church Annex, 6317 Rt 42, Woodbourne Saturday 8:00 p.m. United Methodist Church, 170 N. Main Street, Liberty

SPRING BALLROOM/SWING/TANGO DANCE PARTY • SATURDAY MAY 14TH 730PM TILL 1030PM singles welcomed.... DANCE THE NIGHT AWAY AND ENJOY COMPLIMENTARY INDIVIDUAL LESSONS ALL NIGHT LONG!! GLIDE ON JACKIE'S 2500 SQ. FT. FLOOR AND SWING INTO GREAT MUSIC AND FRIENDS ALL NIGHT LONG. COMPLIMENTARY GOODIES, CHEESE, WINE & MORE! INSIDE: LIBERTY FITNESS CENTER FIND US ON THE WEB: www.libertyfitnesscenter.net

### FORE! Golf Season Begins

The golf season has begun in picturesque Ulster County and despite a harsh winter the county's dozen courses have all opened in good condition.

If golfers are looking for a challenging course with great risk-reward potential, Rondout Golf Club in Accord has lots of water and some reachable par-5's that provide enough of a test for those brave enough to avoid the peril. And the 27-hole Apple Greens Golf Course, which is cut right out of an apple orchard in Highland, is a unique experience for golfers of all levels.

Much of the buzz in Ulster County this year is about the new nine holes being built at the Lazy Swan Golf and Country Club Village in Saugerties. Work has progressed nicely on the new nine with the grand opening slated to be around Labor Day. Lazy Swan owner Tony Bacchi opened the original nine holes of his facility, located at the foothills of the Catskill Mountains, in 2008. He brought back golf course designer Barry Jordan, who laid out the original nine, to fashion the rest, making the 18-hole layout 6,500 yards with a par of 70.

"Barry did an excellent job designing the original holes and the reputation of the course speaks for itself," Bacchi said. "But in order to add a layer of validity to the course, I wanted it expanded to 18

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holes. Plus, it helps us as a destination. It adds a certain level Memorial Day Parade of prestige, which the course is entitled to."

The fairly open existing nine will be flanked on both sides by densely wooded holes with narrower fairways. The two nines will be integrated once the 18-hole layout is completed. The original course will remain open during construction of the additional holes. Lazy Swan's quiet elegance and its proximity to the Saugerties exit on the New York State Thruway has caught the attention of a growing number of golfers from the Tri-state region.

Highlighting the opening of Ulster County's golf season is a variety of specials at its 12 charming golf courses. For more information on Ulster County's courses, visit www.ulstercountvalive.com or call Ulster County Tourism at 845-340-3568.

Driving Classes at SUNY Ulster

SUNY Ulster's Continuing and Professional Education Department will offer several driving courses during May and June. Course offerings include the 5-Hour Pre-licensing Class, Defensive Driving Class and Driver Education. All are open to the public and require pre-registration.

The 5-Hour Pre-licensing Class meets the New York State Department of Motor Vehicles classroom requirement in driver safety education. The course will be offered on Saturday, May 21, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Class is held at the Stone Ridge Campus. The course fee is \$40.

The Defensive Driving Class allows participants in the 6-hour class can save 10% on their auto liability, nofault and collision insurance premiums for 3 years. They may also receive a reduction of up to 4 points on their driving record toward points accumulated prior to class completion. Classes are scheduled for Monday and Thursday, May 16 and May 19, 6:00 to 9:00 p.m., and Saturday, June 4, 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Both classes are held at the Business Resource center in Kingston. The course fee is \$45.

The Driver Education Class is held at the Business Resource Center in Kingston this summer. The course is approved by the New York State Education Department and provides 48 hours of course instruction. Class orientation is being held on Monday, June 27 at 11:00 a.m. Class is scheduled from July 5 - August 17.

For more information or to register, contact the Continuing and Professional Education office at 845-339-2025 or visit www.sunyulster.edu to register online.

Ceremony Live Birds of Prey On Monday, May 30th the parade will start promptly at 10:00 am, with a ceremony taking place at the "NEW" Firemen's and Veterans Memorial Park in Roscoe. Along with honoring our Troops and Veterans there will be outstanding performances by Roscoe Central School students!! The music department is led by Kelly Bullis and Rachel Kleinman who are deeply involed in making this Memorial Day a very special event. Following the ceremony there will be a live demonstration by "Birds of Prey" in honor of our Troops and Veterans. Poppy plants will be available for sale.

God Bless our Troops and our Veterans! May God Bless America!! For further information

please call 607-498-5363.

### Memorial Day Yard Sale at Cannie D's

Cannie D's in Neversink, is having a yard sale Memorial Day weekend. Space is available on a first come first serve basis. Call for information and to reserve your spot 985-2076.





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