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## In Further Retrospect - A Talk by John Conway Virtual Program Hosted by the Time and the Valleys Museum

[Grahamsville, N.Y.] - Join the Time and the Valleys Museum for a virtual program: "In Further Retrospect" on Sunday, May 17rd at 2 p.m. with Author and Sullivan County Historian, John Conway.

Here is an opportunity to hear the author talk about the evolution of the column and about the topics covered in the book, In Further Retrospect. The program presents vignettes of Sullivan County's history from colonial times to the 21st century, and including stories from virtually every corner of the County.

Virtual attendance is EASY. Just email the Museum at [info@timeandthevalleymuseum.org](mailto:info@timeandthevalleymuseum.org) to register, and you will receive a reply email invitation with information on how to log in to zoom.us for the talk. Please call 845 985-7700 or [info@timeandthevalleymuseum.org](mailto:info@timeandthevalleymuseum.org) for more information.

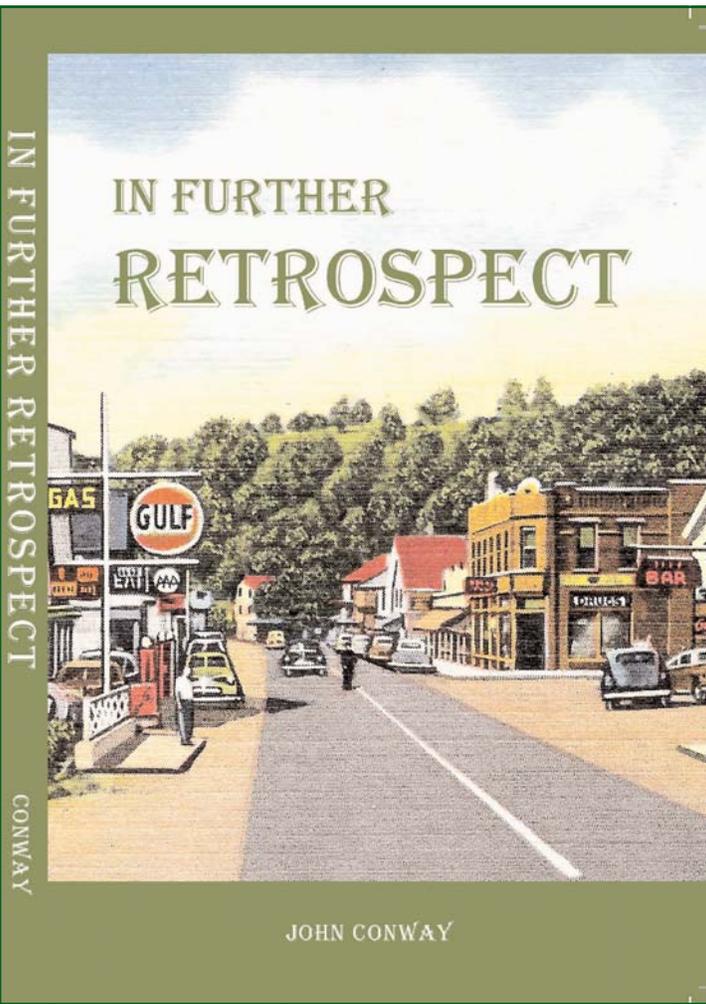
About In Further Retrospect: More than 30 years have passed since John Conway's first Retrospect column about Sullivan County history appeared in the Times Herald-Record newspaper in July of 1987, and the column is still going strong, appearing on Friday's in the Sullivan County Democrat since 2004. Twice before, collections of these columns have been gathered together in book form... Retrospect was published in 1996 and Remembering the Sullivan County Catskills in 2008. Now comes In Further Retrospect, the biggest and best collection yet.

About the Time and the Valleys Museum: Connecting Water, people and the Catskills, the Time and the Valleys Museum is currently closed.

Current exhibitions when reopening:

- o Water and the Valleys, an exhibit on the history of the Rondout and Neversink watershed area from early geological times to the 20th century. This newly renovated exhibition includes interactives such as a Native American artifact guessing game, grinding corn with a mortar and pestle, videos and more.
- o Tunnels, Toil and Trouble: New York City's Quest for Water and the Rondout-Neversink Story, an interactive exhibit on NYC water supply system and the towns that were removed to build the system, which includes computer interactives, games, puzzles, videos and building a dam and tunnel.
- o 1930s Lost Catskill Farm
- o NEW! Once Upon a Time: One Teacher, 8 Grades, One Room School

Opening summer, 2020.



The Museum is located at 332 Main Street (St. Rt. 55) in Grahamsville, Sullivan County. Adults admission is a suggested donation of \$5, Children under 16 \$2, and children under six are free. Town of Neversink and Town of Denning residents receive free admission every Thursday. As a Blue Star Museum, the Museum offers free admission to active duty military members and up to five family members. For more information call 845 985-7700, e-mail [info@timeandthevalleymuseum.org](mailto:info@timeandthevalleymuseum.org) or visit [www.timeandthevalleymuseum.org](http://www.timeandthevalleymuseum.org). Groups, camps and schools are always welcome - Guided tours are conducted for groups of 15 to 100 people throughout the year.

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**ON THE FRONT BURNER:** Acquaint now thy self with him, and be at peace: thereby good shall come unto thee.

Job 22:21

**DAYS OF YORE...****Today's History****May 10, 1950**

At its annual meeting held last Tuesday evening, the Bradley School District voted 15 to 5 in favor of transporting their students to the Tri Valley School beginning next year. The twenty-odd students affected by this decision are not non-resident students at Liberty Public School. Mr. and Mrs. Ray Erath expect to open their bakery on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. David Levitz of Beaver Dam Road are the parents of a son, born at Veterans' Memorial Hospital in Ellenville last Tuesday.

The work on the Lows Corners Tunnel is going forth at record speed. Last week they dug in over 350 feet, which exceeds anything they have ever done before. The tunnel is now in over a mile.

Damage from the severe electrical storm which occurred late Thursday and early Friday, centered in the Red Hill-Claryville area, causing widespread interference with telephone and electric service and killing a cow and calf in the stable of Floyd VanAken.

**May 11, 1960**

Miss Frances Walsh of Prince Edward Isle, Canada, became the bride of Mr. George Haag Sr. of Sundown and Staten Island in the afternoon of Saturday, April 30th. The Rev. Fred E. Jenkins of the Bethel Methodist Church officiated; Mr. and Mrs. George Haag Jr. were the attendants.

Miss Barbara Krum, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Krum of Grahamsville was married on Sunday at 2 pm to Mr. William H. Mahnken, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Mahnken of Darrow School, New Lebanon, N.Y. The ceremony took place at the Methodist Church in Grahamsville.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Hall are the parents of a daughter born at the Maimonides Hospital, Liberty on Sunday, May 8th. She weighed in at 7 lbs. 13 ozs.

The Rev. William J. Guinan, Pastor of the Immaculate Conception Church, Woodbourne, N.Y., has announced that the first Mass will be celebrated in the new church on Sunday, May 22nd at 10:00 am. This Mass will be a High Mass celebrated by Father Guinan. Mrs. Win. J. Goldsmith of Grahamsville will be the organist.

Special Ulster County prosecutor Bernard H. Tompkins yesterday said an investigation into the alleged kickbacks to county officials had saved the Ulster County taxpayers \$80,000 a year at a total cost to them of \$2,000. As a result of the investigation, Mr. Tompkins said that the

price of road oil had been reduced from 19 cents a gallon in 1957 to 14.9 cents a gallon.

**May 13, 1970**

Miss Karen Ulrich, a senior at Tri-Valley Central School, has been notified of a four year scholarship from West Virginia Wesleyan College. Miss Ulrich has been granted the Freshman Honor Scholarship which amounts to \$4,800. This award is one of the largest every presented to a Tri-Valley student.

Services were held Friday for Chester M. Hook, 58, of Neversink, who died Monday at Liberty Loomis Hospital after a long illness. Born March 23, 1912 in Neversink, he was the son of Lena Kortright Hook and the late Samuel Hook. He was married to the former Susie Cooper.

Scout Troop 187, Grahamsville, spent Saturday as guests of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Cypert of Frost Valley, fishing and camping out overnight. Twenty-two scouts attended.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Curry, Milford, Pa., are the proud parents of a son, Jeffrey Scott, born at Horton Memorial Hospital on May 9th. He weighed in at 7 lbs. 5 oz. Mr. and Mrs. Chandler Curry are the paternal grandparents; Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Kelder are the maternal grandparents.

**May 15, 1980** - Betty Condon, a senior at Tri-Valley Central School, played oboe with the Hudson Valley Philharmonic Youth Wind Ensemble at the Poughkeepsie Mall on Saturday, May 3rd. Betty was the only area musician participating.

Herman Lee Huffman of Neversink, 57, died Friday, May 9, 1980 at Community General Hospital, Harris. A resident of the area for 33 years, he was born Dec. 19, 1922 in Springfield, MO to Harley and Bertha DeWeess Huffman. He was married to the former Helen Krum.

Herman J. Cypert, 83, or Hasbrpuck, died Wednesday May 7, 1980 at Community General Hospital, Harris. A retired mail carrier and Lochmor Golf Course employee, Mr. Cypert was born in Hasbrouck to Daniel and Mary Vantran Cypert. A lifelong resident, he was married to the former Madeline M. Muthig.

Anniversary wishes to Mike and Karen Wolf on the 7th; to Carl and Jane Houghtaling on the 16th; Marge and Albert Dymond on the 19th and a very happy 61st anniversary to Herbert and Esther George who were wed on May 22nd, 1919.

## Tri-Valley Students' Pandemic Journaling

### This week's featured student:

Thursday 2020 April 9

Today was a great day. At 9:30 I had a live science class and then at 10:00 I had my first live gym class. Everyday I hope for this period of social distancing to end, and I pray for those who are on the front lines and don't have the comfort of their own homes. Still, at the same time I know that myself, my family, and many people are so blessed to be unaffected by the Coronavirus. Having this time off, though, has given me the opportunity to pick up my art pad and draw. I have also been on a James Bond marathon. Aside from that, we took a visit to Kelder's Farm and got fresh food. We assumed it would be pretty safe. To finish off the day, I talked with my family for quite a while, with the Family Circle (some sort of Facebook app). After this long and eventful day (as eventful as one can be in a somewhat self-quarantine). I write this and look forward to Good Friday and then Easter.

Saturday 2020 April 11

Today we got a lot accomplished, my mom rearranged the beds in the garden, and we got the walls and ramp of the chicken coop finished! My grandparents came with freshly made horseradish, and we picked up our car from the dealership. So it appears to me that as hectic, confusing, and stressful as this time is, life still goes on. I also now can fully understand the concept of an Easter without family. We do plan to Facetime our family, and we are going to attend an Easter mass on the tv, so it shouldn't be that different, but still, everyday I wish that this Coronavirus would go away, so that I can see all my family again. For now I'll keep practicing social distancing and listening to my dad's jokes.

Saturday 2020 April 26

Is it summer yet? All week I've been playing in my small stream, wishing I could be down at the falls, and now I was finally able to go. My cousins and I had gone for a bike ride, and then the idea that we should go fishing came up. Right away we got to work collecting worms, about 25 or so. And before we went down, my grandparents came down, it was a pleasure to see them. And then we were back on the road, I walked down to the falls with my fishing pole in one hand and tackle box in the other, shortly stopping by my aunt's to say hello, I made it down in about 15 minutes. We fished for a while, and when we had fished to the point that we hadn't caught anything and were starting to get bored. (This didn't take very long, we aren't the most patient fishers.) We went exploring. We had the most fun!!! We found caves in the waterfalls, took a dip in the water, sat on top of the waterfalls, met our parents who had just come down, and ate a couple of snacks. I can't wait for the warmer weather when the falls warms up a bit.

Tyler Conjura  
7th Grade, TVCSD

## Nature Column - Linda Comando

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

### Another Happy Little Yellow Spring Flower

It looks like bright yellow dandelions were popping out all over last week. They are not the only bright yellow flower that is blooming. If you see cheerful little golden flowers along the roadside or stream-banks, it could be Coltsfoot. They are often mistaken as small dandelions.

Coltsfoot is native to Europe, but also grows widely in sandy places throughout the United States and Canada. It is a low-growing perennial with fleshy, woolly leaves. A member of the Asteraceae (daisy) family, coltsfoot produces a single golden-yellow flower head that blooms early in spring. Coltsfoot is a curious herb which seems to grow in 2 distinct stages. Very early in the growing season, the plant develops flat orange flower heads.



The 1 3/8-inch-wide flower heads are perched on top of thick, scaly, reddish 6-inch stalks that appear before the leaves (accounting for the alternate common name son-before-the-father, or *filius ante patrem* in Latin, as it was known during the Middle Ages). The flower head looks much like that of a dandelion but has a central disk like that of a daisy. Each narrow, petal-like ray flower has a pistil (female organ) but no stamens (male organs). Each disk flower has both stamens and a pistil, but the latter is non-functional. The flowers, which open in sunshine and close in cloudy weather and at night, are usually pollinated by butterflies and bees.

After the flowers die off, rosettes of 6- to 8-inch-wide stalked green leaves arise from the creeping rhizomes. Some early botanists, observing the leafless flowers in one place and the flowerless foliage in another, concluded that they represented separate species.

Both the upper and lower leaf surfaces are at first covered with hairs, but those on top fall off as the leaf expands. The mature leaves are smooth and green above, felty and white below.

The entire plant may grow to a height of 20 inches.

The seed heads are fluff balls like those of dandelions. European goldfinches and American indigo buntings use this down to line their nests, and it is said that Scottish Highlanders once used it to stuff pillows.

Coltsfoot was so well known as a medicinal herb in olden times that a painting of the Coltsfoot could be seen on the door posts of many apothecaries shops in Paris. Coltsfoot is among the collected wild plants in the Balkans, Eastern Europe (Bulgaria, Czechoslovakia, Hungary, Poland, the former Yugoslavia), and Italy. It also has been a part of Chinese folk medicine for centuries. Extracts of coltsfoot once had been used as flavorings for candies.

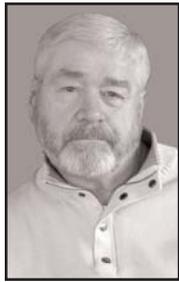
Coltsfoot spreads too vigorously for the herb garden; in fact, it is said that the underground stems can remain dormant for years and then sprout exuberantly when the ground is disturbed. If you must have coltsfoot in your herb garden, confine it in a bottomless pot or grow it in a container.

If you are out and about for a nature ride you will see the yellow polka dotted carpet appearing along the roadsides in the Catskills. The happy little yellow Coltsfoot flowers are just another way for Mother Nature to confirm that Spring is here.

## Household Hints:

### Remove bumper stickers

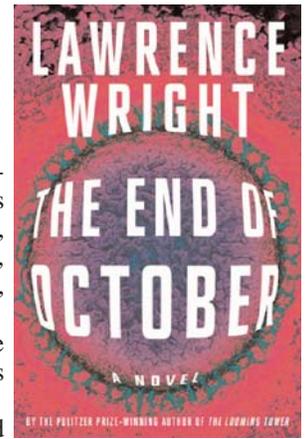
If those tattered old bumper stickers are more repulsive than nostalgic, it's time to break out the vinegar. Saturate the top and sides of the sticker with undiluted distilled vinegar and wait 10-15 minutes for the vinegar to soak through. Then use an expired credit card (or one of those promotional plastic cards that come in the mail) to scrape it off. Use more full-strength vinegar to get rid of any remaining gluey residue. Use the same technique to detach those cute decals your kids used to decorate the back windshield.



# The End of October

## Mysterious Book Report No. 405

by John Dwaine McKenna



Some novels are more entertaining than others, some are more exciting, thrilling, intricately-plotted, eye-opening or educational. But, if you find one having ALL of those elements, it's bound to be a number one best-selling smash hit. Such is the case with the just published thriller, *The End of October*, (Knopf, \$27.95, 374 pages, ISBN 978-0-525-65865-8) by Lawrence Wright, the Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist and author of ten non-fiction works, including the best seller,

### The Looming Tower.

In a stunning bit of drama that feels as if it were ripped from the headlines, *The End of October* opens with the discovery of a new and previously unknown, deadly virus which causes acute hemorrhagic fever and is almost always fatal, destroying the victim's lungs. Sounds familiar . . . wait . . . it gets scarier.

When forty-seven people die of a mysterious Ebola-like fever in an Indonesian refugee camp, world-renowned microbiologist Dr. Henry Parsons is sent to investigate. There, he finds squalor, lack of sanitation and medical care, the corpses of a team of NGO doctors who were ill-equipped and totally unprepared to deal with a highly infectious, universally fatal pandemic in the making, as well as bureaucratic bungling, resistance and denial. And, despite the marshalling of world health resources and quarantines, the disease cannot be stopped or contained. When Dr. Parson's driver, who is a devout Muslim, goes on his obligatory once in a lifetime pilgrimage to Mecca-known as the Hajj to the faithful-he unwittingly exposes three million individuals from all corners of the world to the deadly, highly contagious viral killer.

As the virus spreads, unprepared governments scramble to respond, and the lying, finger-pointing, rumors, speculation and conspiracy theories run rampant. Relationships between nations fracture, old animosities are revisited and hostilities begin as the world crumbles in this dystopian masterpiece that's crammed full of scientific and political facts and insights. Its an electrifying walk on the wild side that's near enough to reality to make your hair stand on end!!

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Sullivan County Dramatic Workshop has been, and will continue to comply with the Governor's and health expert's COVID-19 restrictions. Unfortunately, due to those restrictions we have had to cancel three shows so far this season. Those shows are: "The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Nighttime," "Torch Song" and "Young Frankenstein."

It is our hope that once the COVID-19 restrictions have been lifted the rest of our season will go on. In the meantime, we are accepting video auditions for "Rivoli Vaudeville Live". Those who wish to participate may send their submissions to Jim Schmidt at slj2859@aol.com by June 1, 2020. Depending on when the restrictions

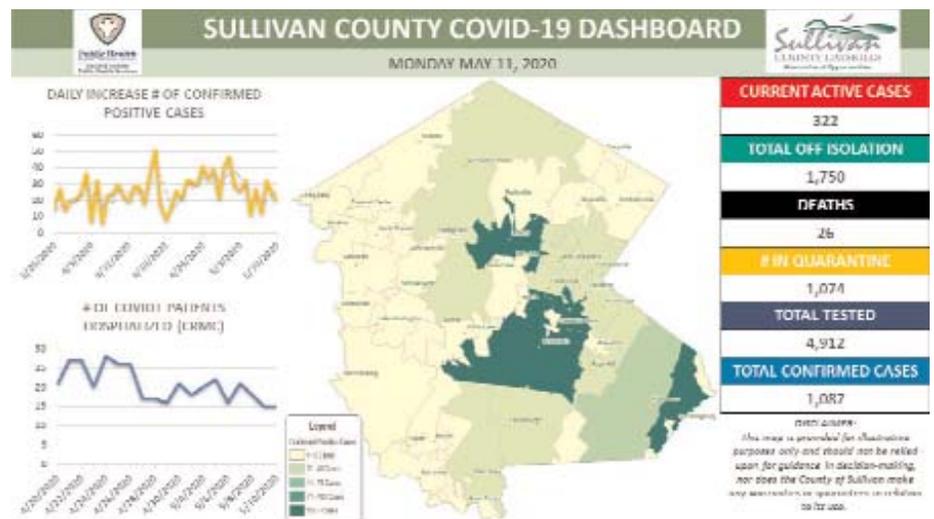
are lifted, we may need to adjust the season further.

Since we cannot open the doors of the Rivoli Theatre, we have been working on different ideas to showcase the many talents of our members. Come check us out on Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, and our website at <http://www.scdw.net>. Any future changes to our season will also be posted there, or contact us at [scdwemail@aol.com](mailto:scdwemail@aol.com) to get updates via email.

The Sullivan County Dramatic Workshop is looking forward to the day when our stage will be filled with performers and the audience can once again enjoy live entertainment at the Rivoli.

Until then, we miss you all, and stay safe.

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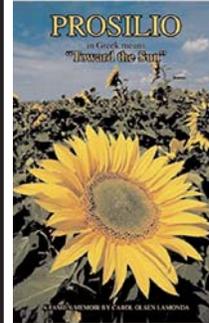
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## The Olive Jar - By Carol Olsen LaMonda Pandemic

Scientists are working in labs 24/7 to discover and produce treatment and vaccines for the Covid-19 virus that has turned our lives into a "New Normal." As healthcare workers, first responders, and essential workers work on the front lines, the rest of us have turned to quiet safety of our homes and our technology.

Distance learning, tele-health, banking on-line, shopping with credit cards and home delivery, streaming movies and pod casts have become our new normal, habits that just might transform our lives once the "PAUSE" has been unpaused.

Not only do we shop, bank, and buy with a click, we do drive-by everything. We pick up meals at curb-side; we visit from the safety of our cars; and we are re-imagining new ways of doing things like graduations and holidays. Birthday parades, street serenading, and banners are our ways to show love and appreciation. Drive-in movies are sure to make a come-back.

I find myself thinking back to the Spanish Flu pandemic of 1917 and 1918. I ponder how I could have lived without all the modern inventions we now take for granted. Imagine getting your latest updates by newspaper or mail. Thinking back to that time brings me to contemplate the future. What changes will become part of the future? Certainly fashion has morphed. Masks have become a fashion accessory. I have not worn earrings because they interfere with ear elastics, and I rarely wear a bracelet because I am washing my hands and wrists so often. Perfume has been supplanted by Eau D'Clorox. Since I rarely leave the house, my casual wear has become so casual that it resembles my sleepwear.

The regular mail delivery has become a delightful experience, however, now that all junk mail and spam go to email. A walk with Hudson to the end of the long driveway usually is rewarded with a small package, an occasional letter, a check from Rakuten, or a delightful, unexpected card like the one that came today from my friend,

Diane Godfrey, another Onteora Retiree whose art classroom was across the hall from mine. She said she was inspired to paint this from something I posted on social media. It is her way of saying we are all in this together, and sometimes you just need a hug. I am passing it on to all of you as a reminder. Then I am framing and hanging this sweet painting.



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Hello Neighbors!

I am Brianna, the 2020 Children's Tumor Foundation National Ambassador. May is National Neurofibromatosis Awareness Month, and May 17 is specifically WORLD NF1 DAY and May 22nd is WORLD NF2 DAY.

Due to COVID our fundraising and awareness efforts have been dramatically affected. I am asking for your help during this difficult time. You can support patient's like me by lighting up your home or business BLUE & GREEN for the Month of May! If you are willing to take pictures, you can share them with me on social media (Facebook: Brianna Christine or Instagram: @Brianna\_Christine97), if not we appreciate your support within our hometown community!

My goal is to light up Grahamsville and Neversink! I would be eternally grateful if you join our family in spreading NF Awareness and Support!

Please visit CFT.org for further information about me, all that we are doing to find a cure for Neurofibromatosis and how you can help!

Sincerely,

Brianna Worden and Family

CTF 2020 National Ambassador

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## HUDSON VALLEY REOPENING WORKGROUP HOSTS FIRST MEETING

“Last week was the first meeting of the Hudson Valley Reopening Workgroup. Throughout the pandemic, we have taken a collaborative approach to protect the health and safety of our region. Working together with neighboring counties to responsibly and deliberately reopen our local economy is an extension of the work that we have been engaged in for months. We shared ideas, data, concerns, and the best practices we have seen respectively in our communities. We look forward to continuing to ensure Ulster, Dutchess, Orange, Sullivan, Greene, Columbia, and Putnam counties come out of COVID-19 stronger and more united. In the coming days, we will work together to produce a set of regional recommendations to responsibly open, which we will share with New York State for consideration.”

Matt Morrell, Town of Stockport Supervisor, Columbia County

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**Letter to the Editor:**

**A Time Of Refection  
 During The Coronavirus Pandemic**

My wife, the former Elizabeth Jones, and myself were sitting around the breakfast table today, May 8, 2020, reflecting on what is currently occurring with the coronavirus pandemic and looking back on our 54 years of marriage since our wedding day of May 8, 1966. May 8, 2020 is the 75th anniversary of VE Day, May 8, 1945, when WWII ended in Europe.

We talked about her grandfather John Jones and great uncle William Jones fighting for the North in the union cavalry during the Civil War. I mentioned my grandfather, Max Moskowitz, a rough rider in the Spanish American War. We reminisced about my wife's father Alton Jones and uncle William Howard Jones, WWI marines who fought in France and Belgium, and talked about my father, Sidney Moskowitz, who repaired Navy ships during WWII.

We wondered what they would have thought about the current war we are fighting against the coronavirus pandemic, and we concluded they would have said fight on to victory.

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## Find Your Adventure: Bringing Adventure to You! #RecreateLocal - Safely and Responsibly

DEC and State Parks are encouraging New Yorkers to engage in responsible recreation during the ongoing COVID-19 public health crisis. Getting outdoors for a short walk, jog, bike ride, or to simply forest bathe can help to reduce stress and anxiety when practicing social distancing.

For a full list of temporary closures and impacts to state lands, visit DEC's website.

State parks, lands, forests, and facilities are monitored by Park Police, Forest Rangers, Environmental Conservation Police Officers (ECOs) and other staff. These parks, lands, forests, and facilities and visitors will incorporate physical distancing to limit potential spread of COVID-19. In addition, these officers and staff respond to, and assist, local agencies with search and rescue missions, wildfire suppression, and more. Following this guidance (PDF) will prevent unnecessary burdens on, and dangers to, state resources and frontline emergency first responders during the ongoing COVID-19 response.

While enjoying outdoor spaces, please continue to follow the CDC/NYSDOH's guidelines for preventing the spread of colds, flu, and COVID-19:

- o Stay home if you are sick, or showing or feeling any COVID-19 symptoms, such as fever, coughing, and/or troubled breathing;
- o Practice social distancing. Keep at least six (6) feet of distance between you and others even when outdoors;
- o Avoid close contact, such as shaking hands, hugging, and high-five;
- o Wash hands often or use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol when soap and water are not available; and
- o Avoid unnecessary contact with surfaces that are often touched, such as doorknobs and handrails.

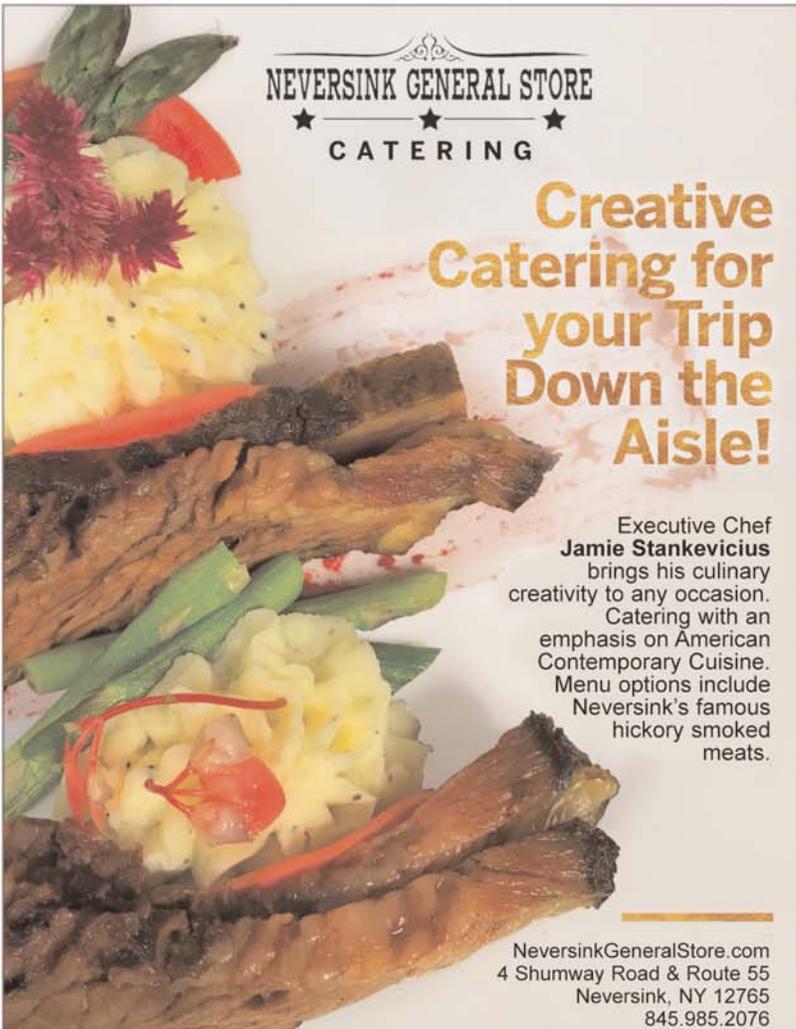
o New Yorkers are required to wear masks in public when appropriate social distancing cannot be maintained.

### Living Room Outdoor Recreation



Whiteface Mountain Summit Cam from The Wild Center

Missing your favorite outdoor locations and activities during this time of social distancing? There are plenty of resources online for you to take a tour via webcam. Kick up your feet, and take in some of the sights until we can get back to enjoying them. Want to get back to the mountains and waters of the Adirondacks? (go to: <https://www.adirondackalmanack.com/2020/03/virtual-adirondacks-be-an-arm-chair-traveler.html>) and Check out some of the webcams around the park. New York State is home to a variety of bird species. Check out a Peregrine Falcon webcam to see these miraculous birds in action. For other bird species across NY, Audubon features several bird cams including Red-tailed Hawks and Great Blue Herons. This article lists some of the other bird webcams across NY. DEC's Facebook page is another great resource of videos for you to enjoy the outdoors from your own living room.



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load and print and will help students and families learn about ways to reduce, reuse and recycle. Check out just some (<http://www.dec.ny.gov/education/72444.html>) of the nature activities that you can do while staying healthy.

**Enjoy Local Bird Watching**



Bird watching is an outdoor recreation activity that people of all ages and abilities can enjoy, plus it's a great way to explore your own backyard in a safe, sustainable way. You can use I Bird NY as a resource to enjoy the world of nature around us and stay connected to nature. You can watch from your window and identify the feathered friends that visit. For an additional challenge, open the window and listen closely for bird calls to see if you can identify birds by sound. Use the Audubon Guide to North American Birds to help you with visual or audio identification. Spending more quiet time on your outdoor adventure might help you discover species right outside your window. #RecreateLocal by visiting a watchable wildlife location near you. For a quick lesson with some bird watching tips, check out DEC's Facebook video.

**Surviving at home: DEC Resources**



For families with children that are looking for ways to get outdoors close to home, DEC offers many resources to explore your own backyard. Environmental Education lessons (<http://www.dec.ny.gov/education/73131.html>) can be a great way to take the classroom outside as the temperatures get warmer. Is the Hudson River close to home? Tailored Hudson River lesson plans can cover a wide variety of subjects including science, social studies, and English language arts. DEC's Facebook video shows a short lesson on tides on the Hudson River. A 36-page booklet from New York Recycles (<http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/9109.html>) is available for down-

**Stewardship Appreciation Awards Deadline Extended**



DEC is accepting nominations for the 2020 Stewardship Appreciation Awards. Completed nominations must be submitted no later than Sunday, May 31, 2020. If you know a group, individual, municipality, educational institution or non-profit organization that has gone above and beyond volunteer efforts on state lands, consider nominating them for this awards program. Not-for-profit organizations, individuals, educational institutions, and municipalities with formal agreements with DEC are eligible to apply. Nominees must be in good standing with DEC and New York State

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## OPERATION FEED Expresses Their Gratitude to all Healthcare and Essential Workers with an HONORS RIDE at Catskill Regional Medical Center and Around the Area

On behalf of OPERATION FEED and the Rotary Clubs of Liberty, Monticello and Livingston, hosted the OPERATION FEED HONORS RIDE that took place on Friday, May 8th, applauding our local healthcare workers, as well as driving through our local communities that house many of the participating restaurants and the businesses and friends that have supported OPERATION FEED.

Participants brought noise makers of all kinds – sirens, pots and pans, cowbells, etc., in addition horn blowing, making noise as they drove by each venue. There was also a great display of signs saying THANK YOU to our healthcare workers, support staff and first responders who have helped care for our loved ones during the Covid-19 pandemic. Signs also acknowledged all the restaurants and businesses where meals and baked goods have been purchased from as well as showing our heartfelt gratitude to those businesses who made substantial donations to OPERATION FEED helping the initiative to be a great success

**A little background** - The Liberty Rotary Club, together with the Monticello Rotary Club, Livingston Manor Rotary Club and Catskill Regional Medical Center (CRMC), has created Operation Feed, which purchases meals from local restaurants and delivers them to health care workers and their support staff at CRMC, Sullivan County Public Health and Mobilemedic; we recently also added Roscoe Community Nursing Home, Achieve Rehab and Nursing Facility, and the Sullivan County Adult Care Center. The purpose of Operation Feed is to support our health care workers (who are putting themselves at risk on the front lines to protect and aid all of us) and our local restaurants (which are limited to pick-up and delivery orders and have suffered greatly due to COVID-19).

From March 31 (when Operation Feed began) through April 30, more than 2,000 meals have been delivered, serving more than 1000 healthcare workers, support staff and first responders at CRMC, Mobilemedic EMS, Sullivan County Public Health, Roscoe Community Nursing Home, Achieve Rehab employees, and Sullivan County Adult Care Center.

OPERATION FEED has received more than 170 separate donations/grants from individuals and business. By May 10th in excess of \$25,000 will have been pumped into the local economy (more than \$30,000 if you consider in-kind donations), purchasing meals from 26 different restaurants and businesses and more than 50 Rotary and community volunteers have been involved. It is a great testament to our County and the support that everyone is providing to each other during this time of crisis.

Deliveries of food to the health care and essential workers continued through May 10.

Operation Feed is now planning its second phase, which will be to provide meals to children (and their families) in need in the Liberty, Monticello and Fallsburg areas. Once we have finalized these plans we will update everyone. Stay tuned!

Thanks so much for your support.  
 Onward and upward!

## The Scene Too

- Jane Harrison

I don't know what it was about this week but I really just couldn't get out of my own way! I'm blaming it on the full moon last Tuesday, the last supermoon of 2020.

### So far this last week:

I tried a new Fried Rice recipe titled Easy Fried Rice. I used all those bits of leftover veggies (broccoli, peas, corn), added onion and water chestnuts and mixed all of those with leftover white rice (of course) and leftover wild rice! More veggies than rice and the wild rice gave it a whole new dimension.

I learned the hard way that one can only tub wash one sheet at a time because there is limited space to hang them.

I took the whole lot to a laundromat.

After which I placed my 'outside clothes' in the sun, took a full shower then downed a shot of I didn't care what.

Every time I look in the kitchen sink, there are dishes. I really must have a talk with those cats!

I've misplaced a wireless keyboard and mouse.

I spent two hours looking for Terwilliger, who misplaced himself.

Whenever I clear a space of extras, it fills back up as if by magic.

I made a little progress on the socks I'm knitting, choosing to do lace instead of the typical ribbing on the leg.



I lost my phone (again). (Found it!)

I found a clean butter dish in the refrigerator. With no butter.

I lost the TV remote (again). Found it in with the cat food.

I ran out of potatoes. Me.



While I gather my wits about me for next week, here is what my musician friends are doing:

### JOANNA M GASS

Pictured here with SLAM ALLEN last summer at the Kauneonga Lake Street Fair, I met Joanna at our mutual friend's music store (now gone) in Ellenville maybe 8 years ago now, where she performed on the sidewalk, just her microphone, her tracks and her power-filled crystal clear voice that made me wonder 'what is THIS woman doing HERE in upstate NY!' (Contd. Pg. 12)



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## Her Quirky Journey:

-Marilyn Borth

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### 3 Hottest (and Safest) Travel Destinations After Coronavirus

Getting out and away from home is on everyone's minds, whether it be to just go out to eat in a restaurant, drink a beer at a local bar with some friends, go to a barbecue, or even go shopping for a new something, anything at the mall! Any escape from our home dungeons will be a blessing.

Some people, however, are dreaming big: where can I travel to that's farther than my town/city?

Naturally, I'm one of the latter, as you well know, and you may be, too! So, why not daydream together about future international travels once this thing finally ends?

#### 1. Georgia

Europe may appear to be a mess right now, but actually, not all of it is. Georgia (yes, the country, not the state) has some of the lowest numbers of coronavirus in Europe: just over 600 cases and only 10 deaths.

Not only is it nearly corona-free, it's also a hidden gem in Europe with beyond cheap expenses and Game of Thrones-like views! It's one of the best-kept secrets of Europe and honestly, it's on the top of my list of places to move to next!

#### 2. Vietnam

I know, I know. I've already gushed about my love and affection for Vietnam, but there's a good reason for it being on this list. Things have already opened up all over the country because they have had some of the lowest numbers across the board for the coronavirus! I mean, they've had 0 deaths and only 271 confirmed cases! How inviting is that!?

On top of that, it's a gorgeous country and insanely cheap. That, and flights to Asia will be dirt cheap by the end of this thing!

#### 3. New Zealand

Ah, yes- the land next to the land down under! When it comes to COVID-19 numbers, they are doing substantial work! Overall, they've had under 1,500 cases and only 21 deaths in total. As I've also mentioned earlier, flights to the other side of the world will be substantially lowered, so flying there shouldn't break the bank. Plus, they'll want to increase their tourism, like so many other countries in the world, so surely, traveling there will be cheaper! All you need to be wary about is the season, since their seasons are opposite ours.

Wherever you decide to go, whether it be downtown or across the globe, I hope you get there soon- healthily and happily!

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### The Scene Too (From Pg. 11)

"I'm trying to stay strong, which isn't easy for any of us. After a lot of thought, I came up with something I hope will not only keep the many regular fans of the Odd Tuesdays at the Rock Hill BREW connected to each other but to the place we all congregated by creating "SATURDAY NIGHT...AT HOME". It was the first of it's kind and I encouraged the regular gatherers to order take out or local delivery from the BREW, settle in and tune in to my FaceBook page, JOANNA M GASS MUSIC where they can from 6pm-ish to 8pm. I do a live feed from my livingroom. They can still request their favorite songs from me and talk among themselves and with me via the newsfeed. What was just an idea has become somewhat of a phenomenon with more joining every week. The 'audience' talks among themselves via the news feed, they crack jokes....they stay connected entertaining each other and ME. And they DO order out from BREW! It's been the Tuesday night 'home' for the SEARCH AND RESCUE ORCHESTRA for a long time and we all want do our part to keep our home and each other going through this frightening time."

### BARRY SCHIENFELD



I met Barry when he was still playing rock and roll maybe 9 years ago. Since then he has embraced Jazz somewhat whole heartedly, honing his skills under the tutelage of Jazz Master AL DEFINO (pictured here with Barry in one of my favorite pictures). Barry has also become a prolific song writer. So, when he sent this delightful ditty as to how he's coping, I would have expected nothing less.

"The plague and lockdown won't get me down ..  
Exercising, meditating, praying, practicing...  
Sleeping better...eating well,  
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No vaccine for me... looking forward to  
Being on the bandstand."

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## FOLLOWING PUSH FROM GILLIBRAND AND SCHUMER, USDA APPROVES NYS'S PANDEMIC EBT PROGRAM

### *P-EBT Will Provide Critical Funds to Families Whose Children Usually Rely on Free or Reduced-Price School Meals*

WASHINGTON, D.C. - Today, U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand and U.S. Senate Minority Leader Charles E. Schumer announced that, following their push, the Trump administration approved New York State's request to operate the Pandemic Electronic Benefit Transfer (P-EBT) program authorized under the Families First Coronavirus Response Act.

New York State had submitted their plan for P-EBT-which provides nutritional resources to families that have lost access to free or reduced-price school meals-on March 25, 2020. However, approval for the program was still pending on April 29, 2020, when the senators sent a letter to the USDA urging quick approval. A week later, the administration approved the request.

"The Department of Agriculture has done the right thing by heeding our call and approving New York's P-EBT program for easier access to school lunches," said Senator Schumer. "Over half of New York State's public school students receive free or reduced-price school meals, and thousands of children need food assistance due to school closures.

This program will get the necessary food assistance to these students and their families as soon as possible and ensure that New York's hungry children are fed."

"No child should ever go hungry and I am pleased that the Trump administration listened to our request and approved New York State's P-EBT program," said Senator Gillibrand. "Thousands of New York school children depend on school meals and this program will ensure they continue to go to bed with full stomachs."

The P-EBT program created under the Families First Coronavirus Response Act would provide assistance to families of children eligible for free or reduced-price meals dealing with school closures. P-EBT would send eligible households an EBT card with the value of free school breakfast and lunch for the days that schools are closed, if they've been closed for more than 5 consecutive days due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The program would permit New York State to provide benefits similar to SNAP benefits to more than 1.4 million children in the state who normally receive free or reduced price school meals and those who attend schools that offer free meals to all students.

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# Senator Metzger's Community Conversations Discuss the Impacts of Distance Learning on Students, Teachers, and Families during COVID-19

Hudson Valley and Catskills, NY...State Senator Jen Metzger (SD-42) hosted the fourth episode of her COVID-19 Community Conversations online series last evening, joined by Sullivan County eighth and 12th grade English teacher Matt Haynes and fifth grade special education teacher Laura Denman. Streamed live on Senator Metzger's Facebook page, the half-hour-long digital episodes feature local experts addressing topics important to Hudson Valley and Catskill communities.

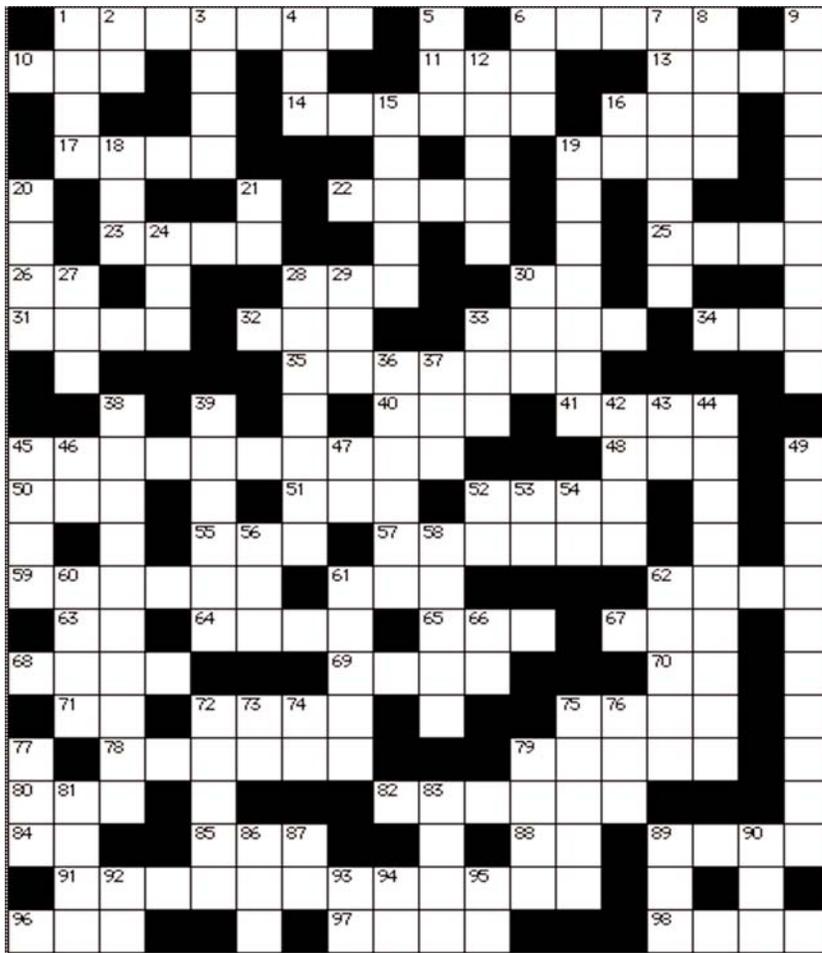
In Thursday's discussion, held during Teacher Appreciation Week, the teachers candidly discussed how their students are vocal about missing the social side of being in school and are experiencing screen-learning burnout, and also how families with multiple children are coping with managing different learning schedules and navigating technology and broadband connectivity issues in their rural school district. Twenty percent of the students in Tri-Valley Central School District do not have internet access. Haynes and Denman reassured parents that teachers and their schools are available to provide support during this difficult time, whether it's resources, school meal delivery, or counselor services.

"As a parent of two high schoolers myself, I greatly appreciate the dedication, compassion, and complete flexibility of teachers in efforts to meet students and families where they are during this challenging time," said Senator Metzger. "The conversation with teachers Matt Haynes and Laura Denman underscored how we truly are all in this together, and I hope that families throughout the district I represent are aware that their children's educators are available to them if they need assistance."

Matt Haynes, eighth and 12th grade English teacher at Tri-Valley and Secondary School Vice President of the Tri-Valley Teachers' Association, "I was honored to be a guest on Senator Metzger's Community Conversation series. Public education is something that I believe very strongly in. Despite the pandemic we are currently facing, it has been inspiring to see so many people come together to express their support for our local schools. The remainder of this year and the start of next year are going to be vital for our kids. We can't survive cuts in funding. Instead, we need to continue to invest in public education so that our students continue to receive the support they need. I want to thank Senator Metzger for allowing us to have this important conversation."

Senator Metzger's Community Conversations series will continue to occur via Facebook live, streaming twice-weekly on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 5:00 PM, and additional topical episodes in the series will be announced as New York State continues to grapple with the novel coronavirus global pandemic. Next Tuesday's episode will cover COVID-19 Mental Health Awareness and Resources with two experts from The Institute for Disaster Mental Health at SUNY New Paltz.

Sunny Days are on the Way - L. Comando



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- 87 I am
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- 90 Untruth
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- 95 Natural logarithm (abbrev)

**Old-Fashioned Sunny Yellow Cake**  
*(No artificial ingredients or preservatives, but made from staples from your cupboard)*

- 2 cups cake flour
- 2 teaspoons baking powder
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 cup butter, softened
- 1 cup sugar
- 3 large eggs, room temperature
- 2 teaspoons vanilla
- 3/4 cup milk

Preheat oven to 350°F. Grease and flour two 9" cake pans.

In a bowl, combine flour, baking powder and salt with a wire whisk.

Cream butter and sugar until light and fluffy. Beat in eggs, one at a time. Add vanilla and mix until completely combined. Slowly add flour alternatively with milk. At end of addition batter should be smooth. Divide between the 2 pans.

Bake for 20 to 25 minutes. Cool 5 minutes in the pan, then invert onto a rack and cool completely before frosting with your favorite recipe - or top it off with s strawberries and whipped cream!

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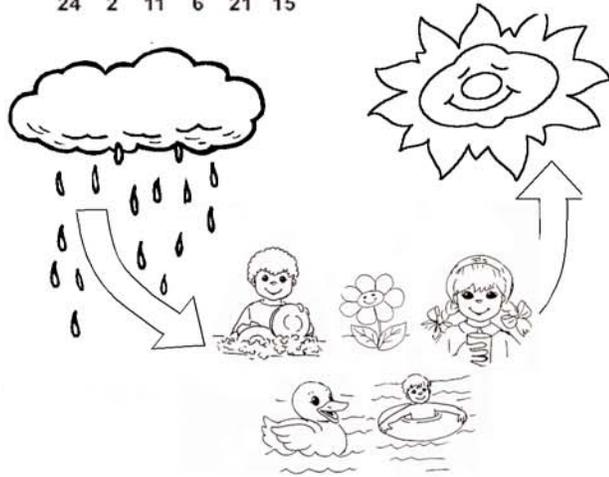
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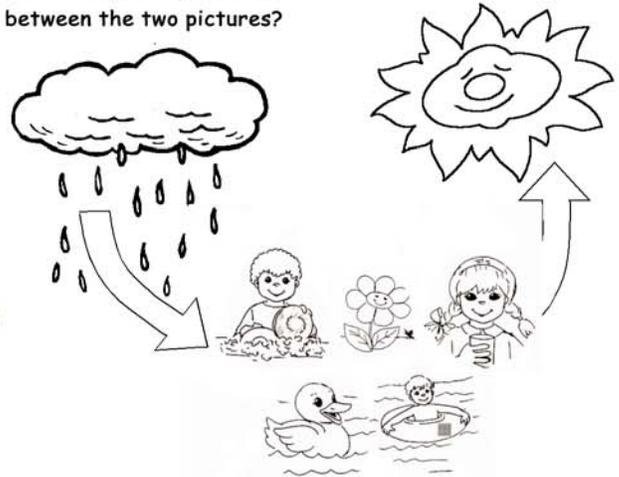
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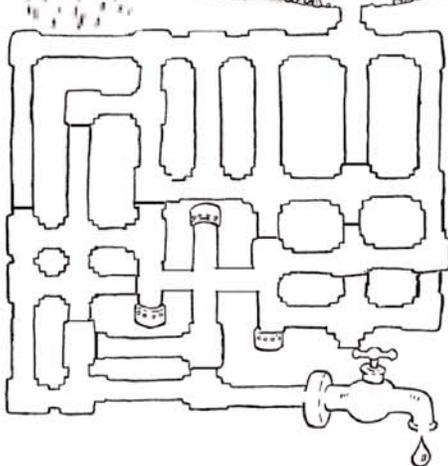


Follow the dots and you will see a source of your drinking water

Water follows a natural cycle. What are the differences between the two pictures?



Can you help the water get from the reservoir through the aquaduct system to the faucet where you can get a drink?



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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

MAY 5, 2020

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 virtually via YouTube Live on:

May 28, 2020  
At 6:00 P.M. (EDT)

for the purpose of presenting the school budget for the 2020-2021 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, will be posted on the District's website and 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 immediately preceding the Annual Meeting.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Annual Meeting, including the **VOTE** upon the appropriation of the necessary funds to meet the estimated expenditures for school purposes for the 2020-2021 school year budget and the **VOTING** for members of the Board of Education will take place on Tuesday, June 9, 2020 by absentee ballot only. Absentee ballots will be mailed to every qualified voter of the District on or before May 29, 2020. Absentee ballots must be received by the District Clerk by 5:00 p.m. on June 9, 2020 in order to be counted.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that self-nominating petitions of 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 5:00 P.M. on Monday, May 11, 2020. Self-nominating petitions shall be directed to the Clerk of the District and must state the name and residence address of the candidate.

Vacancies on the Board of Education are not considered separate, specific offices; candidates run at-large. For 2020, there are three Board seats available which are three-year terms, commencing July 1, 2020 and ending June 30, 2023, for seats currently held by the following Board of Education members:

Patrick Kelly  
Christopher Gozza  
Randy McGregor

Candidates whose names will appear on the ballot will have the opportunity to introduce themselves to the public at the Annual Budget Hearing virtually on May 28, 2020.

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 June 2, 2020 and June 3, 2020 in the Administration Building, 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, June 4, 2020 between the hours of 8:00 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 19, 2020. 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 Sunday, and at the polling place on the day of the vote. Potential voters who are concerned about appearing for personal registration due to COVID-19 risks, may register online at the Department of Motor Vehicles voter registration website at the following URL: <https://dmv.ny.gov/more-info/electronic-voter-registration-application>. Potential voters may also register by downloading a Voter Registration Form from the New York State Board of Elections website (<https://www.elections.ny.gov/VotingRegister.html#VoteRegForm>), completing it, and mailing it to the Sullivan County Board of Elections at the address listed on the second page of the form.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that military voters who are qualified voters of the School District may apply for a military ballot by requesting an application from the District Clerk at (845) 985-2296, ext. 5102 and [normapena@trivalleycsd.org](mailto:normapena@trivalleycsd.org). For a military voter to be issued a military ballot, the District Clerk must have received a valid ballot application no later than 5:00 pm on May 14, 2020. In a request for a military ballot application or ballot, the military voter may indicate their preference for receiving the application or ballot by mail, facsimile transmission or electronic mail. The School District will transmit military ballots to military voters on May 15, 2020. Completed military ballots must be received by the School District by 5:00 p.m. on June 9, 2020 in order to be counted.

A list of persons to whom absentee voter ballots have been issued will be available for public inspection during regular office hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. in the District Office until the day of the election. Any qualified voter may, upon examination of such list, file a written challenge of the qualifications as a voter of any person whose name appears on such list, stating the reasons for such challenge. Such written challenge will be transmitted by the District Clerk to the inspectors of election on the day of the vote.

Please be advised that due to the ongoing and dynamic nature of the response to the Coronavirus pandemic, the dates and procedures relating to school elections may be subject to change pursuant to the Governor's executive authority or through legislative enactments.

By order of the Board of Education  
Norma Peña, District Clerk  
Dated: May 5, 2020

5/14; 5/21

## Ulster County Executive Ryan Announces UC has Turned the Corner in COVID-19 Pandemic

*County Executive Ryan announces Ulster County Recovery Task Force initiatives, a new self-diagnostic testing program through Rite Aid in Kingston, and the availability of antibody testing for Ulster County first responders*

KINGSTON, N.Y. - Ulster County Executive Pat Ryan today held a live briefing on COVID-19. In his address, County Executive Ryan stated that Ulster County has now turned a corner in its response to the COVID-19 pandemic. He also outlined a number of priorities of the Ulster County Recovery Task Force, announcing programs to combat the opioid crisis, support mental health and wellness, and housing. This includes initiatives focusing on combating the opioid crisis, launching the Generation to Generation program to support the well-being of seniors, and an update on the Tenant Protection Unit.

"For the first time in over two months I feel confident in saying that we have turned the corner here in Ulster County," County Executive Pat Ryan said. "We are not through it yet, but we have absolutely turned the corner and that's all thanks to everyone that has done their part to follow the PAUSE order, to do social distancing, to wear masks, all the things that we've asked, so thank you. We still have a lot of work ahead but I'm more optimistic than I've been in awhile."

County Executive Ryan announced that Ulster County has seen non-lethal opioid overdoses increase by a third in comparison to this time last year. However, despite this increase, the rate of overdose fatalities has not increased and is consistent the past two years. In partnership with the Ulster County Recovery Task Force, the Ulster County Healing Communities Narcan Work Group members have developed a county-wide virtual training model, which includes several partnerships with local community agencies for Narcan delivery and safe pick up options throughout the county. Since April 21st, these groups have held four virtual trainings, distributing more than 50 kits across Ulster County thus far.

"Opioid addiction and usage was already a challenge prior to COVID and as expected we have seen preliminary data that has shown an increase in usage," County Executive Pat Ryan said. "As County Executive, one of my top priorities is tackling the opioid epidemic and we are going to continue to do everything that we possibly can to help those struggling."

Group members are also partnering with Ulster County, to begin offering "on the spot" safe distance Narcan trainings at various PPE pick up locations in Kingston. Samadhi will also continue to provide Peers to Health Alliance Emergency rooms, and at our county jail through their MAT program and has received \$50,000 in funding. Additionally, Ulster County will continue to utilize the funding through the Columbia University HEALing communities study and have hired 2 full-time employees to help connect and amplify the current work of the Substance Use Disorder organizations in Ulster County. This funding will be applied directly to programs to help them increase their capacity. The county is also working with Family of Woodstock to provide transportation services for Ulster Regional Opioid Court defendants in need of transportation and linkages to care for the 90-day duration of their Opioid Court tenure and has received \$21,000 in funding.

First announced as a part of County Executive Ryan's State of the County address, Ulster County Office for the Aging's Generation to Generation program connects senior citizens and high school students for the purpose of forging meaningful connections and ultimately documenting the living history of Ulster County's senior community. This project will now be conducted remotely to protect our health while simultaneously engaging our seniors in much needed social interaction. Students will interview seniors and then learn video editing skills to create curated memories for the community to share. Interested volunteers can sign-up here.

The COVID-19 Tenant Protection Unit will also work closely with the taskforce. The new unit was created to exclusively review tenant

complaints related to COVID-19 and has already responded to over 80 problems and inquiries by phone and email. The COVID-19 Tenant Protection Unit, staffed by members of the Ulster County Public Defender's Office, assures that tenants' rights are being protected through Governor Andrew Cuomo's "New York on Pause" order, which put all commercial or residential eviction under a moratorium which has been extended until August 20th. To make a tenant complaint, residents should call 845-340-3232 or visit here.

Additionally, County Executive Ryan announced that HealthAlliance is now offering voluntary COVID-19 antibody testing to first responders at their Broadway Campus. The antibody testing may show if you have ever been infected with the virus, even if you didn't have symptoms. This test does not take the place of testing that is currently being conducted in our testing tents for active infection, which we will continue to offer to community members who are experiencing symptoms of COVID-19.

Interested First Responders may call 845-303-2730 from 8:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Monday through Friday and 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday to schedule appointments. Once scheduled, First Responders will be asked to enter through the Broadway Campus Main Entrance by the Emergency Room where they will be screened and escorted to the testing location for their appointment.

County Executive Ryan also announced that Rite Aid will be opening a Drive Thru testing location in the City of Kingston. Rite Aid has been working with the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services to establish Drive Thru Testing locations in a number of the states utilizing the Nasal Self Swab COVID-19 Testing concept. FEMA is supplying the Nasal Self Swab COVID-19 test kits. The participating Rite Aid is located at 351 Flatbush Avenue, Kingston. Testing at this location will begin on Monday, May 11th.

The testing will operate under the following guidelines:

- o Testing will begin on Monday, 5/11/2020.
- o Testing will be free of charge to patients.
- o Testing is still by appointment only via [www.riteaid.com](http://www.riteaid.com). Scheduling of appointments will begin on Sunday May 10, 2020.
- o Rite Aid recently expanded its testing criteria. Testing will include all individuals over the age of 18 with or without symptoms.
- o A Rx from a doctor or health care provider will not be required.
- o Instead of using tents located in our parking lots like previously done, patients will arrive and come through the pharmacy drive through where they will receive a test kit through the drive through drawer. Testing will be completed in the confines of the patient's car, sealed by the patient, and then handed back to the Rite Aid pharmacists through the drawer. Alternatively, some sites may use a drop box type kiosk for testing to be deposited and collected by Rite Aid personnel to minimize contact.
- o Rite Aid will be utilizing the self-swab nasal tests.
- o Clinical oversight for the COVID-19 testing program is provided by PWNHealth, a national clinician network that enables safe and easy access to diagnostic testing.
- o Rite Aid has partnered with Verily and will use its Baseline COVID-19 Program to provide screening, scheduling, and return of results to participants at Rite Aid testing sites.
- o Bio-Reference Labs will be doing the testing and reporting all results to NYDOH and County Health Departments.
- o At present, each site will have the ability to conduct 50 -100 tests per day.

There are currently 1,474 confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Ulster County and 51 fatalities.

To watch the live briefing on Facebook Live, please visit:

<https://www.facebook.com/UlsterCountyExecutive/videos/552304118805290/>

For additional information about COVID-19, please visit:

<https://ulstercountyny.gov/coronavirus>

Ulster County COVID-19 Hotline: 845-443-8888

NYS Coronavirus Information Hotline: 888-364-3065



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*Due to the recent extension of NY on PAUSE, we are postponing this year's Wings & Wheels for Warriors to Saturday, June 20th with a rain date of Sunday, June 21st. It is our hope that this highly anticipated event will be a bright spot for our community. We are watching the Covid-19 situation carefully and will continue updates on the event as this new date approaches.*

## **Message from Frost Valley:**

We hope that you remain healthy and safe. During this time of social distancing, we know how important it is to stay connected. So we wanted to reach out to let you know how grateful we are for your support of Frost Valley.



Last week we made the unprecedented and heartbreaking decision to cancel summer camp. With that in mind, we invite you to watch this video message (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ABFUfwmcb74&feature=youtu.be>) to our camp parents from our CEO Jerry Huncosky.

Thanks to your loyal support, we are confident that the future is still full of hope.

Stay healthy & safe!

Due to the Coronavirus, Church services have been cancelled. All local church information will remain as usual so that contact information will be available through this sad time. Some churches are providing services on-line. Check with your parish for updated information.

St. Mark's UM Church  
68 Clinton St., Napanoch

**YARD AND CLOTHING SALE  
CLOSED  
UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE**



**Sundown United Methodist Church**

**Covered Dish Supper**

5:30 pm

To be Announced

*Sundown United Methodist Church Hall*



**Grahamsville United Methodist Church**

**Saturday Thrift Sale**

9:00 am to 12 noon  
To be Announced

**Thrift Sale**  
9am-12 noon  
Luncheon  
11 am - 12:30 pm  
To be Announced



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All are welcome!

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[www.standrewsepiscopalmission.org](http://www.standrewsepiscopalmission.org)



**Sundown United Methodist Church**  
Peakamoose Rd., Sundown  
Sunday Worship Service - 8:30 a.m.  
Wednesday Bible Study - 6:45 p.m.  
Pastor Seung Jin Hong  
845-985-2283  
e-mail: [Sundownumc@gmail.com](mailto:Sundownumc@gmail.com)

**Grahamsville United Methodist Church**  
Rte. 55, Grahamsville  
Sunday Worship Service - 10:30 a.m.  
Sunday School for grades k-7 - 10:30 a.m.  
Mid-week Bible Study opportunities available!

**Regular Office Hours**  
Wednesday 9 am - Noon  
Friday 3 pm to 6 pm

If you wish to make an appointment to talk to Pastor Seung Jin Hong please call 845-985-2283

For all other information contact Pastor Seung Jin Hong.  
845-985-2283 • e-mail: [Grahamsvilleumc@gmail.com](mailto:Grahamsvilleumc@gmail.com)

**CATHOLIC PARISH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION**  
(Embraces Fallsburg, Neversink, Sundown and Ulster Heights)

**6317 Rte. 42, Woodbourne, NY**

**Weekend Mass schedule:**  
Saturday afternoon: 4:30 pm  
Sunday morning: 9:00 am and 11:30 am

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

**Saturday afternoon confessions:** 3:45 to 4:15 pm  
Rev. Ignas Dhas MMI, Administrator  
(845) 434-7643

*Grahamsville Reformed Church*

*The Church with a friendly welcome*

**Pastor Kenneth Ronk**  
Sunday School 9:30 am  
Worship Service 9:30 am  
P O Box 238 - Route 55  
Grahamsville, NY 12740  
845-985-7480

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Claryville Road  
Claryville, NY 12725  
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Worship Services @ 10:00 am

Church Hall available for rent  
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**St. Augustine's Chapel**  
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Sunday Mass - 9:30 am  
Holy Days 5:30 pm

Penance 9:00 am, 2nd Sunday of the month  
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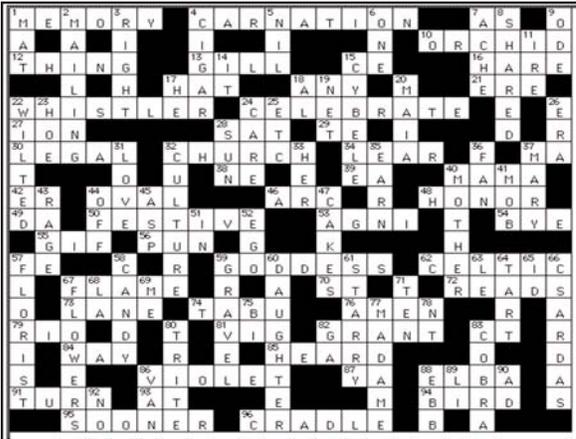
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**AL-ANON MEETINGS-** <http://www.al-anon.alateen.org>  
 Mon- 7:00 p.m. United Methodist Church, 170 N. Main Street, Liberty  
 • Thurs- 7:00 p.m. Immaculate Conception Church Annex,  
 6317 Rt 42, Woodbourne  
 Sat- 8:00 p.m. United Methodist Church, 170  
 N. Main Street, Liberty

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

Ans to last week's Crossword



**Public Notice**

Friday, May 9th, 2020  
 Please Be Advised:

The Village of Monticello Planning Board will be holding two (2) Public Hearings by video and teleconference, pursuant to the Governor's Executive Order 202.1, and applicable COVID guidelines, Executive Orders of the State and Resolutions of the Village, the public will not be permitted to attend in person, on Tuesday, May 26th, 2020 at 7:00pm. The meeting will be available to the Public via the ZOOM app and the following information will be needed to access the meeting:

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 Topic: Monticello Town Planning Board meeting  
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Any and all Public comments must be submitted in writing to the attention of the Village Clerk and should be emailed to [Clerk@villageof-monticello.com](mailto:Clerk@villageof-monticello.com) no later than 2:00pm on Tuesday, May 26th. Any and all comments received will be read aloud at the meeting and must include your name, address and name of the Project that you are referencing.

The plans are also available for you to view via the following link:  
<https://www.geiscompanies.com/monticello>

All are welcomed to view.

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## DANIEL PIERCE LIBRARY

The library is closed until further notice due to the current public health crisis.

All library materials that are checked out are now due back June 1, 2020. We do not want to take a chance of anyone incurring fines during this time so we have changed the due dates for all patrons. We encourage you to hold on to your items and return them once we re-open.

DPL staff members are checking voicemails and emails daily (Monday through Friday) while we are closed to the public. We will do our best to return your call in a timely manner.

Please continue to check our website and Facebook page for updates, online programming and educational resources. You can also access E-books, audiobooks, streaming media, and digital resources anytime.

**PLEASE CONTACT A MEMBER OF EACH ORGANIZATION TO MAKE CERTAIN OF CHANGES AND CANCELLATIONS DUE TO COVID-19**

Many organization and municipalities are now using the internet to conduct meetings and to communicate with members and the community.

We welcome all organizations and municipalities who will be utilizing the internet to to do so and to submit their contact information (URL) and we will post the information on our Calendar of Events.

Send your information to: [tvtownsmay@yahoo.com](mailto:tvtownsmay@yahoo.com).

Town of Denning - [www.denning.us](http://www.denning.us)

Town of Neversink - <https://townofneversink.org>

5/20/2020 Neverink-Rondout Antique Machinery Association Meeting - 7:30 pm

**TOWN OF OLIVE MEETINGS ARE AS FOLLOWS:**

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

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

**COVID-19 ONLINE BEREAVEMENT GROUP**

This on-line support group is new and is for those who have lost a loved one to Covid-19.

The link below goes to our page with all information.

Go to:

<https://hospiceoforange.com/grief-symptoms-can-be-heightened-during-this-current-community-health-crisis/>

**Tri-Valley Elementary School**

**WANTED:**

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**Message from Neversink EMS**

I am the captain of Neversink EMS. As a community service, we are making and distributing fabric facemask to the community. We would appreciate your mentioning this in the paper. We will have them available at the Neversink post office, or I can be contacted directly on my cell 845-866-5660. There is no charge - this is a labor of love. We hope that everyone is staying safe.

*Ann Bivins*

**Claryville Volunteer Fire Department  
Seeking Help to Celebrate  
65th Anniversary**

Claryville Volunteer Fire Department will be celebrating its 65th Anniversary. They are asking anyone who may have pictures of the Fire Department if they could borrow them to make copies for this celebration.

Please contact Jean Keesler at [jkeesler1@yahoo.com](mailto:jkeesler1@yahoo.com) or 845-985-7879.

**Time and the Valleys  
One Room School Project  
Question??**

Does anyone in the community have info about a possible Beaver Dam or Curry school? If so would you please share with our researchers? 845-985-7012

The Staff is also looking forward to hearing from community families whose ancestors might have experienced schooling at one room schools. We are specifically looking for the following pre 1920 items: lunch pails or boxes; children's clothing and toys; two 48 star flags; ice skates; bikes; pictures or other memorabilia of former schools.

## **Attorney General James Secures New Protections – Security Safeguards for All Zoom Users Agreement Will Enhance Data Security and User Controls – Students and Schools Will Have Access to Additional Security Measures**

NEW YORK - New York Attorney General Letitia James today announced an agreement with Zoom Video Communications that will provide security protections for more than 200 million users on the platform. New security measures are being put in place to support and protect consumers, students, schools, governments, religious institutions, and private companies using the application for work, education, prayer, and socializing. After the outbreak of the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19), cities and states across the nation began quarantine and social distancing procedures that forced businesses and schools, as well as many social interactions to be moved online. Zoom had a sudden surge in both the volume and sensitivity of data being passed through its network, but the exponential increase in users also exposed security flaws and vulnerabilities in Zoom's platform and software, and a lack of privacy protections. Additionally, a number of people reported that their Zoom conferences had been "Zoombombing," or interrupted by uninvited participants seeking to disrupt the conference. Attorney General James opened up an investigation into Zoom's privacy and security practices in March culminating in today's agreement. "Our lives have inexorably changed over the past two months, and while Zoom has provided an invaluable service, it unacceptably did so without critical security protections," said Attorney General James. "This agreement puts protections in place so that Zoom users have control over their privacy and security, and so that workplaces, schools, religious institutions, and consumers don't have to worry while participating in a video call. As the coronavirus continues to spread across New York State and this nation and we come more accustomed to our new normal, my office will continue to do everything in its power to help our state's residents and give them every tool to continue living their lives."

In March, after the widespread increase of COVID-19 infections across the country, cities and states began to shutter and institute social distancing policies to limit contagion. With schools, businesses, religious institutions, and so many other industries forced to shut down, Americans had no choice but to move their day-to-day activities online. As a result, Zoom experienced a massive surge in demand for its free services, as teachers began using the platform to conduct classes remotely with students, workplaces used Zoom to conduct business online, and consumers began using it to socialize remotely with loved ones. By late April, Zoom was hosting approximately 300 million conferences per day on its platform, compared to the approximately 10 million conferences per day in January 2020 - an increase of nearly 3,000 percent in less than four months.

As consumers, businesses, and students were increasingly using Zoom's platform to communicate and share information, a number of newly reported issues emerged. Numerous users reported that their Zoom conferences had been interrupted by uninvited participants seeking to disrupt the conference - dubbed "Zoombombing." Additionally, a number of privacy and data security issues were also reported, including Zoom's lack of end-to-end encryption - as it had previously publicly represented - and the leakage of users' personal information to other users without consent. Finally, Zoom was sharing users' personal information with Facebook, including for those users who were not using the Facebook login feature and even those without Facebook accounts.

Attorney General James immediately opened an investigation into Zoom's administrative, technical, and physical safeguards to protect consumers' personal data and to handle the increased traffic on the platform, as well as to investigate whether Zoom was complying with numerous New York State and federal laws. In the subsequent five weeks, the Office of the Attorney General and Zoom have worked cooperatively and quickly to implement more stringent and robust protections for consumers, schools, and businesses.

Today's agreement will protect New Yorkers and users nationwide by

ensuring Zoom's compliance with New York State and federal laws; and will ensure Zoom provides services that are more secure, that provide users with enhanced privacy controls, and that protect users from abuse.

### **Zoom Agrees to Be More Secure**

Zoom has agreed to implement and maintain a comprehensive data security program to protect all users that will be designed and run by the company's Head of Security. Zoom will also conduct risk assessment and software code reviews to ensure that the company's software does not have vulnerabilities that would allow hackers to exploit users' information. The company has agreed to take steps to protect consumers from attacks where hackers attempt to access accounts using old credentials. Additionally, Zoom has agreed to enhance its encryption protocols by encrypting users' information, both in transit and as stored online on their cloud servers. Finally, Zoom will operate a software vulnerability management program and will perform the most thorough form of penetration testing each year.

### **Zoom Agrees to Enhanced Privacy Controls**

Zoom has agreed to enhanced privacy controls for free accounts, as well as kindergarten through 12th grade education accounts. Hosts - even those with free accounts - will, by default, be able to control access to their video conferences by requiring a password or the placement of users in a digital waiting room before a meeting can be accessed. Hosts will also be able to control access to private messages in a Zoom chat, control access to email domains in a Zoom directory, control which - if any - participants can share screens, limit participants of a meeting to specific email domains, and place other limits on participants with accounts, to the extent applicable. Additionally, Zoom has taken steps to stop sharing user data with Facebook and has disabled its LinkedIn Navigator feature, which shared profiles with users even where the user wanted to stay anonymous. Finally, Zoom has agreed to provide a copy of its annual data security assessment report to the Office of the Attorney General for the term of the agreement.

### **Zoom Will Protect Users from Abuse**

Zoom has further agreed to continue to maintain reasonable procedures to enable users to report violations of Zoom's Acceptable Use Policy, including allowing meeting hosts to report a user for engaging in abusive conduct. Zoom will also update its Acceptable Use Policy to include abusive conduct based on race, religion, ethnicity, national origin, gender, or sexual orientation. Finally, Zoom has agreed to investigate reported misconduct in a timely fashion and to take appropriate corrective action based on its investigations, including banning users who violate the policy.

Today's agreement will protect New Yorkers and users nationwide by ensuring Zoom's compliance with a number of New York State and federal laws, including New York Executive Law § 63(12) and GBL §§ 349 and 350, New York Education Law 2-d, and the Children's

### **Online Privacy Protection Act.**

Yesterday, the New York City Department of Education (NYC DOE) reached its own agreement with Zoom, which will enhance protections for city schools, students, and educators after the NYC DOE halted the use of Zoom across the city's digital classrooms in April. The Office of the Attorney General worked with the NYC DOE and Zoom over the last month to address gaps in data security and privacy practices. Attorney General James wishes to thank the NYC DOE and Chancellor Richard Carranza for their cooperation. Today's agreement with the Office of the Attorney General follows up on that announcement by offering Zoom users a more comprehensive resolution that will protect all New Yorkers and users nationwide.

This matter was handled by Assistant Attorney General Noah Stein, Volunteer Assistant Attorney General Nathaniel Kosslyn, Internet and Technology Analyst Joe Graham, Deputy Bureau Chief Clark Russell, and Bureau Chief Kim Berger - all of the Bureau of Internet and Technology; with special assistance from Assistant Attorney General Sania Khan of the Civil Rights Bureau. The Bureau of Internet and Technology is overseen by Chief Deputy Attorney General for Economic Justice Christopher D'Angelo and First Deputy Attorney General Jennifer Levy.

**UC Executive Pat Ryan Announces  
Community PPE Production Effort has  
Produced over 30,000 Face Shields for  
Hospitals, Nursing Homes,  
and Local Governements**  
*Head of New York State Association of  
Counties Calls Community PPE  
Production Initiative Largest in the State –  
Face Shield Project That Started Mid-  
March at SUNY New Paltz Supplied  
Hospitals and First Responders in New  
York City and Across the State  
With Partnership of Ulster County's  
Project Resilience, IBM and Dutchess  
County, Project Successfully Shifted from  
Network of 3D Printers to Full Factory  
Production of Tens of Thousands of Units*

KINGSTON, N.Y. - Ulster County Executive Pat Ryan today announced that over 30,000 face shields have been produced for hospital workers, local police departments, and nursing homes throughout New York and Connecticut. Nearly eight weeks into the program, what started as a small production effort now produces thousands of pieces of PPE and is believed to be the largest community PPE production initiative in New York State and possibly the nation.

The face shield project, started in mid-March by SUNY New Paltz Science and Engineering Dean Daniel Freedman, Director of the Hudson Valley Additive Manufacturing Center, and County Executive Pat Ryan. The project received financial support from the Novo Foundation and Central Hudson and initially established a production network of 3D printers in high schools, colleges and universities throughout the Hudson Valley and Capital Region. IBM stepped up soon after and contributed materials and design expertise, and by mid-April, USHECO Custom Plastic Manufacturing in Rosendale and IBM produced specialized molds and machinery to enable factory production of thousands of the face shields per day.

The face shields, designed to protect users from contagious airborne particles, have been used at SUNY Downstate Medical Center in Brooklyn, Mt. Sinai Beth Israel hospital in New York City, Yale University Medical Center, Albany Medical Center, HealthAlliance Hospital in Kingston and Vassar Brothers Medical Center in Poughkeepsie, to name a few.

"In a matter of weeks, we went from a frightening shortage of PPE masks to a successful large-scale local mass production capability by using strong community partnerships and ingenuity," said County Executive Pat Ryan. "From our face shields program, delivering over 100,000 meals through Project Resilience, and standing up our own COVID-19 testing locations, Ulster County has continued to find creative solutions to help serve and protect our community."

"With IBM's help and our partnership with Ulster County, and many other companies, schools, and libraries in the region, we have what is likely the most impressive community PPE response in the state if not the entire country," said Director of the Hudson Valley Additive Manufacturing Center Dan Freedman, who is also an advisory board member for Stratasys, the world's largest manufacturer of 3D printers. "The work we have done has shown what can happen when we all work together towards a collective goal. I have no doubt that this effort has saved lives and kept our first responders safe."

"When the nation's PPE supply chain was crumbling, Ulster County Executive Pat Ryan put out a call to action in his community. The response to this call to action was an impressive public-private partnership that resulted in the largest community production of PPE in the state, and maybe the nation," said New York State Association of Counties

Executive Director Stephen J. Acquario. "This face shield project is another example of how New York Counties are leading with the most critical local responses to the COVID-19 pandemic. It shows how our front-line counties are improvising in ways that are saving lives and serving our communities in ways never before conceived." Dutchess County Executive Marc Molinaro partnered with Ryan to support the factory production of the face shields enabling both counties to distribute them to health care workers, first responders, community groups and various facilities.

"We thank the Hudson Valley Additive Manufacturing Center at SUNY New Paltz for producing a record number of face shields and sharing its designs, making these vital protections more accessible to those who need them," said Dutchess County Executive Molinaro. "Dutchess County is proud to have partnered with Ulster County to purchase thousands of face shields from fabricators in the region, including SUNY New Paltz, supporting perhaps one of the largest productions of personal protective equipment in the state, if not the nation. Dutchess County has already distributed 11,000 face shields to front-line workers who are battling Coronavirus and saving lives each day."

A sampling of some of the facilities using the face shields produced through this effort:

SUNY Upstate Medical Center; Mount Sinai Beth Israel; SUNY Downstate Medical Center; Danbury Hospital; Ellenville Hospital; Woodland Pond Senior Care; Columbia Memorial Hospital; Albany Medical Center; Cornerstone/Orange Regional Medical Center; HealthAlliance of the Hudson Valley; Nuvance / Vassar Brothers Medical Center; CP Unlimited; Cortland Hospital; Brett Lox/Woodstock Respiratory Therapist; NP Health Center; Sharon Health Center; ORMC Lab; Glen Arden HCC; St. Lukes Cornwall; Dutchess County; Putnam Hospital Center; SUNY New Paltz; Town of New Paltz Police Department; Town of Crawford Police Department; ORMC; Diaz Ambulance; North Central Bronx hospital; Putnam Ridge Rehab; Catskill Regional Medical Center; New Windsor EMT; Phelps ER; Emergency Community Assistance Center in Monticello; Phoenix Rehab Center; Somers Rehab and Nursing Center; Mid-Hudson Children's Museum; IMA Group (Gerry Setaro); Villa Veritas; and Lutheran Care Center, Poughkeepsie.

## **Senators Metzger, Skoufis on Reopening of Drive-In Movie Theaters**

Earlier today, Governor Cuomo announced the statewide reopening of drive-in movie theaters beginning May 15. This follows action taken by Senators Jen Metzger (SD-42) and James Skoufis (SD-39) calling on the state to permit school districts the opportunity to use drive-in theaters as a venue for graduation ceremonies.

Senator Jen Metzger said, "We have been advocating with the Governor's office to allow drive-in theaters to open, both to provide people with a safe form of entertainment during this public health crisis and to enable these venues to be used by schools for graduation ceremonies, and I am thrilled to see these businesses included by the Governor in the first round re-openings."

Senator James Skoufis said, "Drive-in theaters are an inherently low-risk space given people's isolation in their cars. They also present a creative, safe opportunity for school districts as they consider graduation ceremony plans. Last week, I sent a letter to state education officials along with my colleague Senator Metzger urging them to look at innovative ways to commemorate high school graduation, including using the Warwick drive-in movie theater as a possible local alternative. While I am pleased to see drive-ins will officially be open and available, I encourage the State Education Department to provide school districts with guidance on their use for commencement ceremonies."

"High school and college graduations are an incredibly meaningful moment in our lives, and if we can identify creative, safe ways to offer the fullest ceremonies possible, we ought to do just that."


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**Hope to see you soon!**

**ANSWER TO KNARF'S MOVIE TRIVIA**

2. Richard Attenborough  
1. Candice Bergen

**Memorial Day Weekend**

**Miles and Miles of Yard Sales**

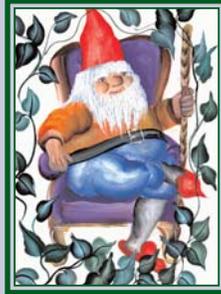
At this time, in the best interest of everyone's safety the **4th Annual Sundown**

**Miles and Miles of Yard Sales** will be postponed

Please stay safe and stay well

If we stay healthy not only will we have the chance to do this in the future, but we will also help decrease the burden on our 'front line' health care workers

**Thank you all for understanding**

**Knarf's Classic Movie & Trivia**

ON TCM Starting At 1:15  
AM  
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**THE SAND PEBBLES**

*The Sand Pebbles* is a 1966 American war film directed by Robert Wise in Panavision. It tells the story of an independent, rebellious U.S. Navy machinist's mate, first class, aboard the fictional river gunboat USS San Pablo, on Yangtze Patrol in **1920s China**.



**Directed by Robert Earl Wise** (September 10, 1914 – September 14, 2005) was an American film director, producer, and editor. He won Academy Awards for

Best Director and Best Picture for both *West Side Story* (1961) and *The Sound of Music* (1965). He was also nominated for Best Film Editing for *Citizen Kane* (1941) and directed and produced *The Sand Pebbles* (1966), which was nominated for Best Picture. The film stars **Steve McQueen, Richard Attenborough, Richard Crenna, Candice Bergen, Mako, Simon Oakland, Larry Gates, and Marayat Andriane**. **Robert Anderson** adapted the screenplay from the 1962 novel of the same name by Richard McKenna. *The Sand Pebbles* was a critical and commercial success at its general release. It was nominated for eight Academy Awards and eight Golden Globe Awards, with Attenborough winning the Golden Globe for Best American actor. (Contd. Pg 26)



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## Knarf's Classic Movie & Trivia

(From Pg. 25)

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MAY 21, 2020**

### THE SAND PEBBLES

#### Steve McQueen

Steve Mc-Queen (1930 - 1980) stars as Jake Holman in 'The Sand Pebbles'.

Steve Mc-Queen, in full Terence Stephen McQueen, (born March 24, 1930, Indianapolis, Indiana, U.S.—died November 7, 1980, Juarez, Mexico), macho, laconic American movie star of the 1960s and '70s. Cool and stoical, his loner heroes spoke through actions and rarely with words.



#### Richard Attenborough

Richard Samuel Attenborough, Baron Attenborough, (August 29, 1923 to August 24, 2014) was an English actor, filmmaker, entrepreneur, and politician. He was the President of the Royal Academy of Dramatic Art (RADA) and the British Academy of Film and Television Arts (BAFTA).



#### Richard Crenna,

Richard Donald Crenna (November 30, 1926 – January 17, 2003) was an award-winning American motion picture, television, and radio actor and television director. Crenna starred in such motion pictures as *The Sand Pebbles*, *Wait Until Dark*, *Un Flic*, *Body Heat*, the first three Rambo movies, *Hot Shots!*



#### Candice Patricia Bergen



\*Candice Patricia Bergen (born May 9, 1946) is an American actress and former fashion model. She won five Emmy Awards and two Golden Globe Awards for her eleven seasons as the title character on the CBS sitcom *Murphy Brown* (1988–1998, 2018). She is also known for her role as Shirley Schmidt on the ABC drama *Boston*

*Legal* (2005–2008). She was nominated for the Oscar for Best Supporting Actress for

\* From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

**Quiz:** In the film “The Sand Pebbles”

1. Who played Shirley Eckert?
2. Who played Frenchey Burgoyne?

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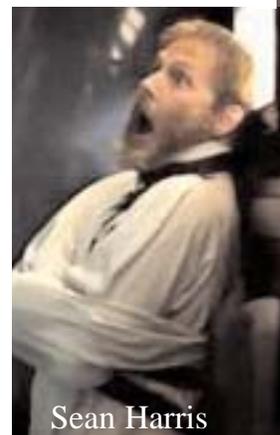


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Vanessa Kirby, and Angela Bassett, who join the franchise. 2018 MPAA Rating: PG-13 (Parents Strongly Cautioned) CC 4.4 out of 5 stars



Rebecca Ferguson



Sean Harris



Michelle Monaghan,