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Rosalie Burgher "Woman of Distinction"

State Senator James L. Seward (R/C/I-Oneonta) today honored Rosalie Burgher of Olive as the 2013 Senate "Woman of Distinction" from the 51st senate district at the 16th annual senate Women of Distinction ceremony at the Capitol.



"Over the years, I have been fortunate to highlight a number of inspirational, trailblazing leaders through the senate's Women of Distinction program, and this year is no different," said Senator Seward.

Mrs. Burgher as judge at annual Frog Jumping Contest, 2012 Olive Day (West Shokan, NY)

"Rosalie Burgher has been a driving force in the Olive community for the past six decades and shows no signs of slowing down." (Contd. Pg. 6)

Toil and Trouble: New York City's Quest for Water and the Rondout-Neversink Story



An opening reception for the new exhibition Toil and Trouble: New York City's Quest for Water and the Rondout-Neversink Story, featuring keynote speaker Robert F. Kennedy Jr., will take place on Wednesday, May 22, 4 p.m. at the Time and the Valleys Museum, 332 Main Street, Grahamsville, NY.

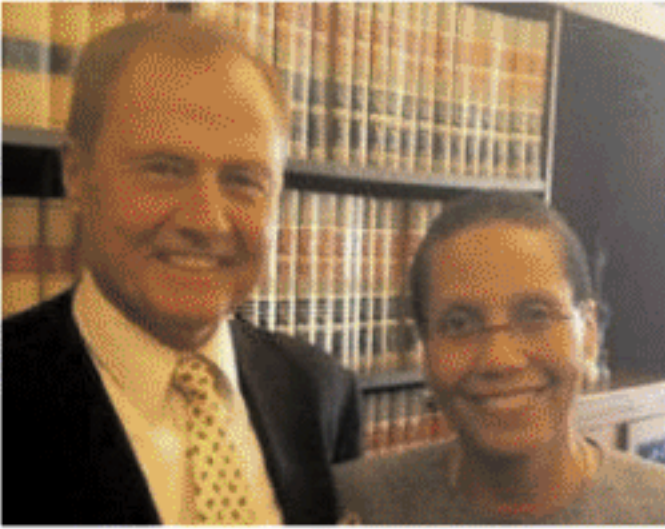
Other speakers include Alan Rosa, Catskill Watershed Corporation and Carter H. Strickland, Jr. Commissioner, NYC Department of Environmental Protection. The reception will also include participation from the Tri-Valley School District and local area youth groups.

This new interactive exhibition spans the very beginnings of New York City history through the Clean Water Act and beyond. It tells the story of NYC's Water Supply

System, with a special concentration on the Rondout and Neversink reservoirs and "The Takings" - the emotional story of local residents who were forced to sell their land to New York City for the building of the water system. Family members who lived in the communities where the reservoirs now stand are expected to attend the reception. (Contd. Pg. 3)

Bonacic Announces Sheila Abdus-Salaam Appointed NY Court of Appeals Judge

Senator John J. Bonacic (R/C/I-Mt. Hope) is pictured with newly appointed New York Court of Appeals Judge Sheila Abdus-Salaam. As Chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee, Senator Bonacic moved her nomination to the Senate Floor for confirmation by a unanimous vote.



Prior to joining the bench, Justice Abdus-Salaam worked as a staff attorney for Brooklyn Legal Services and served in the New York State Department of Law as an Assistant Attorney General in the Civil Rights and Real Estate Financing Bureaus. She subsequently served on the New York City Civil Court from 1992 to 1993. She was a New York Supreme Court Justice, from 1993 to 2009. She was designated as a Justice for the Appellate Division, First Judicial Department in 2009 by Governor David Paterson. She was an Associate Justice of the New York Appellate Division of the Supreme Court, First Judicial Department from 2009 until her elevation in 2013.

Justice Abdus-Salaam was nominated by New York Governor Andrew M. Cuomo on April 5, 2013 to fill the vacancy on the New York Court of Appeals created by the death of Judge Theodore T. Jones. She was confirmed without opposition on May 6, 2013. Justice Abdus-Salaam is the first African-American woman to serve on the Court of Appeals.

UC Exec Hein Announces Agreement to Extend D&H Canal/O&W Rail Trail Through Nevele Resort Property

Ulster County Executive Mike Hein today announced an agreement in principle for the dedication of more than five miles of rail trail through and along the Nevele Resort property in the Town of Wawarsing. Nevele Investors, the company proposing to develop the Nevele Resort, Casino & Spa, owns an approximately 5-mile segment of the former rail corridor from Ellenville to Spring Glen that connects to the Ulster/Sullivan County border. The agreement for the trail extension, which would significantly extend the D&H Canal / O&W rail corridor, was made with Michael Treanor, CEO of Claremont Partners Limited and its subsidiary, Nevele Investors LLC. The trail expansion agreement which takes the form of a "right of way" will exist regardless of future resort development. (Contd. Pg. 10)



Ulster County Executive Mike Hein, Wawarsing Town Supervisor Scott Carlsen and CEO of Nevele Investors LLC Michael (Photo courtesy of the Office of the Ulster County Executive and maps)

Ellenville Enables the Gift of Life

Organ and tissue donations are an important part and a life-saving benefit of patient care. Year round, Ellenville Regional Hospital actively partners with The Center for Donation & Transplant (CDT), a federally designated non-profit organization that coor-

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Andrew Sigond, Robert Peirano, Tanya Cutaia and John Breslin

dinates the retrieval of donated organs and tissues at 43 hospitals throughout western Vermont and northeastern New York State. (Contd. Pg. 4)

Restoration of Historical Halls-Mills Bridge



Halls-Mills Bridge located on the Hunter Road in Claryville was affected by high waters and a large number of trees that came downstream during Hurricanes Irene and Lee in August of 2011 leaving one of the stone abutments damaged. Local resident, Bob Drown sent this recent photo showing the new renovations to the bridge.

Halls Mills Bridge is one of 22 covered bridges in New York State. Construction began on the bridge in 1906 and was completed in 1912. It was built by David Benton and James Knight. The bridge is a single span of town lattice truss design. The bridge will be open to pedestrians only. Until 1963, the bridge was accessible by automobiles. The Halls-Mills Bridge is now 101 years old carries a lot of well-preserved history that now includes surviving Hurricanes Irene and Lee.

Thank you Bob, for the picture and the good news!



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ON THE FRONT BURNER: For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. Romans 8:14-15

OBITUARY

Clarence L. Tillson "Tilly" of Woodbourne passed away on Tuesday, May 7, 2013 at home with his family by his side. He was 85.

He was the son of the late Frank and Pearl Keaton Tillson, born May 20, 1927 in Grahamsville, N.Y.

Clarence was a dedicated employee no matter where he worked, and had a great work ethic, starting at a young age. He started working when he was 15 for Smith's Garage, driving a bus for kids his own age, with various routes. He later began working for the Town of Neversink plowing snow. Then he helped with the construction of the Neversink Dam. He proudly served his country in the United States Army from 1950 to 1952 during the Korean Conflict. He later became a long distance truck driver for McBride MC Transportation and later retiring from Glover Leaf Transportation. He was one of the original members of the Grahamsville Fire Department. He married Hilda Cypert on January 31, 1952. He will be missed deeply.

He is survived by his wife, Hilda of Woodbourne and his only daughter, Naomi Tillson of New York City. He was predeceased by his brother, Harvey Tillson in 2006.

There will be a Memorial Visitation on Saturday, May 18th at Colonial Memorial Funeral Home, State Route 52, Woodbourne, N.Y. from 1-2 p.m. A Firematic Service will begin at the funeral home at 2 p.m., followed by a Funeral Service.

The family would like to give special thanks to all of the hospice workers of Orange and Sullivan Counties that helped them during their time of need. They would also like to thank Dr. Emanuel N. Rodriguez for all his care through the years.

Days of Yore...

...Today's History

May 20, 1952 - Monday night, at the Spring Rally held in Middletown, Frank Carlsen was elected to the office of Treasurer for the Orange-Rockland-Sullivan FFA group. Franklin Smith, Dennis Eighmey and Frank Carlsen were on the committee to decide the winners in the activity contest.

Feet as small as Cinderella,
Or big as Clementine?
Any size, our Summerettes,
Are sure to fit you fine!

Ladies Ball Band Summerettes for cool comfort

KUM TO KRUM'S

May 15, 1963 - Long-time Grahamsville residents, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald DuBois Sr. of the Woodbourne Road, will celebrate their 42nd wedding anniversary this Friday, May 17th. Mr. and Mrs. DuBois have made their home here for 39 years, having moved to Grahamsville after spending the first three years of married life in Liberty.

Mrs. Kathleen Hamilton has received notice of her commission as Postmaster of the Neversink Post Office, effective May 7, 1963. She has been Acting Postmaster of the Neversink Post Office since October 9, 1961.

Mr. and Mrs. Alan Petrozak of Goshen are the parents of a son, Joseph Alan, born May 8th, weighing 8 lbs. Mrs. Petrozak is the former Dian Lievre, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Lievre of Sundown.

Mr. and Mrs. George Knox of Neversink are the parents of a son, born May 8th at Maimonides Hospital in Liberty.

May 23, 1973 - Valedictorian of the Class of 1973 will be Robert Lehrer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Lehrer of Beaver Dam Road, Grahamsville. He will be attending the State University of New York at Binghamton. Robert attained an average of 92.15 to earn this coveted title. Miss Ann Higgins, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Higgins of Sundown, has been named salutatorian. Her overall average is 91.91. Ann will begin her studies at St. Lawrence University.

Funeral services were held Saturday for Mrs. Minnie S. Terwilliger of Napanoch who died last Wednesday at Ellenville Community Hospital. Born in Kerhonkson on June 6, 1904, she was the daughter of the late Elting and Anna Churchwell Krom. She married Milton Terwilliger on October 12, 1940 in Accord. She is survived by her husband; one son, one brother and five sisters.

May 19, 1983 - Joseph H. Levy of Kingston, NY has recently received notification that he passed his Architectural Licensing examination and is now a registered architect. Joseph, a TVCS graduate, graduated from the New York State Institute

of Technology in 1980 and is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Levy of Grahamsville.

Timothy E. Allison, a civil engineering major, graduated from Syracuse University on May 7, 1983 with a Bachelor of Science degree. He is a 1979 graduate of TVCS and is the son of Betty and Karl Allison, now of Neversink. Tim has accepted a job with the Department of Transportation, San Diego, Cal. Beginning July 5th.

RED HILL FIRE TOWER NEWS - 2013

We would first like give special thanks to the staff of the Daniel Pierce Library for helping to provide such a fine place to hold our annual Red Hill Fire Tower Committee meeting.

The Red Hill Fire Tower and observer's cabin will be open to the public on Weekends and Holidays from June 8 - October 14, 2013; 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM. In the event of fog, rain, or thunderstorms, the fire tower and cabin will be closed for the day. If you choose to visit the fire tower on a day when it is not manned, the view is still exceptional from the upper landings of the tower. Our guides look forward to seeing you up there. If you have any questions, comments or would like to volunteer, please call Doug Hamilton at 845-985-7427, (e-mail: redhillfiretower@yahoo.com).

ERH Presents Paintings by Artist Llyn Towner

Llyn Towner's paintings will be on solo exhibition at the Healing Arts Gallery at Ellenville Regional Hospital from May 6 through June 21. The show is free and open to the public, 8am-8pm daily. Opening Reception: Monday May 20th 5 - 7pm. Ellenville Regional Hospital is located at 10 Healthy Way in Ellenville. For more information about the Healing Arts exhibit or the Ellenville Regional Hospital, please contact (845) 210-3043.

Ms. Towner has shown continuously in the Mid-Hudson region since moving to Woodstock in 2001. She is a board member of the Woodstock Artists Association, Woodstock, NY, a member of the Woodstock Byrdcliffe Guild, Woodstock, NY, and of the National Association of Women Artists, New York, NY.

As a life-long gouache painter, she was always willing to explore the properties of other materials such as plaster, wax and ink, and began to use pastel in earnest a few years ago. After a while, gouache began to insist on being part of the work and indeed, there is a strong relationship between the opaque water color gouache, made with pigment, chalk and gum Arabic and dry pastels which are also made from pigment, water, a binder such as gum Arabic and sometimes chalk or kaolin clay. She is currently immersed in abstract drawing and painting, using a variety of media including pastel, conté, graphite, ink, and gouache on a variety of materials. Very recently she has been exploring the properties of pastel on corrugated cardboard, the square, three color compositions and the endless shapes offered by the intersecting line. Mark-making holds her attention as she continues to explore the formal elements of composition. The journey continues - may it never end.

Recent exhibitions include juried Group shows in Main Gallery & Small Works Gallery at the Woodstock Artists Association in 2012 and 2013 - "The Drawing Galaxy" Group show at The Doghouse Gallery, Saugerties, NY, in 2012 and the Members Show at the Woodstock Byrdcliffe Guild, Kleinert James Gallery, Woodstock, New York 2012. Her works are part of private collections in Australia, Mexico, Spain, UK and USA.

District Bass & Minnow Stocking Program

It is time to think about stocking your pond with bass and minnows. The Sullivan County Soil & Water Conservation District is having their Annual Bass & Minnow Fish Stocking Program. If your pond seems to have excessive vegetation you may want to consider grass carp.

If you are interested in stocking your pond with Largemouth Bass, Fathead Minnows or Grass Carp, call the Conservation District at (845) 292-6552 and request an order form with a price list be mailed to you. The District will be accepting orders until Thursday, June 20th, 2013.

A Round About Tri-Valley

- Carol Furman

Congratulations to the Neversink Fire Department on 65 years of service to the Neversink Community!

Wednesday, May 22, 2013, at 4:00 pm, Time and the Valleys Museum in Grahamsville will celebrate the past, present and future of NYC's water system. Keynote speaker will be Robert F. Kennedy, Jr. The new museum exhibit "Tunnels, Toil and Trouble" will officially open.

Richard M. Higgins of Woodbourne passed away on May 1. Sympathy is extended to the entire Higgins Family. "Mr. Higgins" was 76 years old.

Bob and Martha Landau of Neversink, enjoyed having their daughter, Kate, and their granddaughter, Grace, visit with them. Kate and Grace recently returned to their home in California.

I recently happened to visit a few moments with Neil Bright of Napanoch while shopping at Shop Rite. He has just finished writing a book! He looks great and yes, he still jogs about 6 miles each day!

Jack and Carol Clark from Aden Hill and Dave and Amy Forshay of Willowemoc recently returned from a 10-day cruise. Part of their trip took them through the Panama Canal. That was an experience they will never forget, I'm sure. The Canal is about 51 miles long and an unending stream of ships from all nations pass through the system of locks each day.

The Tri-Valley FBLA recently attended their State Convention in Rochester, NY where they won several awards, many of them first or second place awards. An article was previously published listing all of their accomplishments. They certainly can be proud of their FBLA Chapter!

The NYS FFA Convention took place in Albion, NY on May 3rd and 4th. Christina Kackos placed first in Extemporaneous Speaking and the Agriculture Issues Team placed first, as well. Brady Rogers was elected NYS FFA Treasurer and Ryan Sanok was elected District II President. The Chapter also received the National Chapter of the Year Award. There were many more achievements won by the FFA at the Convention, but I'm sure Ms. Berescik, the Chapter Advisor, will have an article in The Townsman soon. I know Mr. Strangeway, Tri-Valley's first Ag Teacher who started the Chapter back in the 50's, will be very pleased when he hears about the Chapter's amazing accomplishments.

Some of you may remember Beth Spencer, the Agriculture Teacher at Tri-Valley during the 80's and early 90's, Beth's daughter, Megan Lamb, placed first at the NYS FFA Convention in the Junior Prepared Speaking category.

Don't forget to vote on May 21st on the 2013 - 2014 Proposed Tri-Valley School Budget and Capital Project. Voting will take place at Tri-Valley School.

A Proposition to raise taxes to support the Daniel Pierce Library will be voted on at the Daniel Pierce Library on Tuesday, June 11 from 12:00 Noon - 8:00pm.

Exercise your right to vote!

Words of Wisdom: A letter from a reader to "Dear Abby" posed the following question: "I wonder why somebody didn't do something? Then I realized I was somebody." (Chicago Tribune)

Town of Neversink Memorial Day Service To Be Held May 27, 2013

Memorial Day Services will be observed in the Town of Neversink on Monday, May 27, 2013, at 11:00 am at the flagpole in the Grahamsville Rural Cemetery. Participants will include local veterans, Boy Scouts, clergy, local officials and families of the veterans whose flags are to be exchanged.

At this service, the flag honoring Wardell C. Graham will be lowered and retired, after flying for six months in tribute to all our veterans. In its place, a flag presented by the family of Donald H. Hill of Grahamsville, a veteran who proudly served his country in the Navy from 1951 to 1955, rising to the rank of Petty Officer Third Class, will be raised. Don was also one of the founders of the Flag Day Exchange Ceremony in 1984. The Flag Exchange Ceremony is held on Memorial Day and Veterans' Day every year to honor our veterans.

TVCS FBLA Chicken BBQ

Don't forget the FBLA Chicken Barbecue on May 21, the same day you will vote on the 2013 -2014 Proposed Tri-Valley School Budget and Capital Project at Tri-Valley School. Serving time of the BBQ is from 3:00 pm - 6 pm. \$10.00 per dinner. Eat in or take out. (1/2 chicken, roll, baked potato, corn-on-the-cob and a abrownie!)

Plan on doing both - voting and supporting the TVCS FBLA and enjoying a good Chicken Barbecue for dinner! For tickets call Mrs. Lynn Moore 985-2296 ext 5403.

Toil and Trouble: New York City's Quest for Water and the Rondout-Neversink Story (From Pg. 1)

Besides focusing on the different systems and how they work together, also included is "Would You Drink This Water?" illustrating the type of contaminants in early NYC water, "How Would You Feel?" delving into the lands taken and how local lives changed, and "Those Who Did the Dirty Work" about the men who built the tunnels and reservoirs.

Through photographs, artifacts, video, audio, interactive computer programs and hands on activities, visitors will be immersed in the fascinating story of the water system's development. They will "Spin the Wheel" of dirty water, listen to lost town residents talk about being forced to move from their homes, touch rocks dug from hundreds of feet below the earth, play a "Beat the Clock" game and complete an aqueduct puzzle. They will even build their own dam (including sinking and covering caissons) and dig a real tunnel!

Designed to entertain and enlighten visitors of all ages and abilities, the exhibition is perfect for school classes, youth organizations and adult groups seeking to learn more about the water system and its impact on the local area. For more information or to book a group tour, please call the Museum at 845 985-7700 or email info@timeandthevalleysmuseum.org.

Located at 332 Main Street in Grahamsville (St. Rt. 55), starting on May 23rd, the Museum will be open Thursday to Sunday, noon to 4 p.m. through Labor Day, and September and October weekends from noon to 4 p.m. Suggested donation for adults is \$5, Children under 16 \$2, and children under six are free. With THREE FLOORS of exhibitions, the Museum also has a Local History Resource Center (open Thursday and Sundays, 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.) and Museum Shop with local history and environmental publications, handcrafted artwork and gifts by local craftspeople, old fashioned toys and other unique items. For more information call 845 985-7700 or go to our website: timeandthevalleysmuseum.org. Other exhibition currently available:

The Impact of Water on the Life and Growth of the Valleys; The Family Farm: 1930 - 1950.

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

SC Longbeards Wounded Warrior Xcursion Project 3D Archery Shoot

On Sunday May 5, 2013 Catskill Mountain Archers & Travis Archery along with the Sullivan County Longbeards, NWTF came together to honor our veterans by holding a 3D Archery Shoot with all proceeds going to the Sullivan County Longbeards Wounded Warrior Xcursion project which is being chaired by Ethan Morgan, Longbeards member and a previous JAKE of the Year of the SC Longbeards and of the NYS NWTF.

We would like to thank the many local businesses that made raffle prize donations. We appreciate their generosity. They included:

The Shoe Box, Liberty; Last Licks, Liberty; Yanni's Gyro, Monticello; Yiasou Café, Liberty; Second to None, Liberty; Mister G's Grille, Liberty; Paesano's Pizza, Liberty; Catskill Sealcoating, Callicoon; Agway, Liberty; The Costa Family (maple syrup products) River Mart, Narrowsburg (discounted sandwiches), Woodbourne Lawn & Garden, Woodbourne.

The weather was great and over 90 people registered/shoot. Many members of the Catskill Mountain Archers ran the shoot and the Longbeards ran the kitchen. All registered shooters received free lunch which was provided by the Longbeards Chapter. Travis Archery did the entire set up. Travis Archery's next 3D shoot will be held on June 9, 2013; this is a fun event and all had a great time. For further information please call (845)443-3068

Household Hints

Clean a Teakettle- To eliminate lime and mineral deposits in a teakettle, bring 3 cups full-strength white vinegar to a full boil for five minutes and leave the vinegar in the kettle overnight. Rinse out with cold water the next day.

Nature Column - Linda Comando

A tribute to the memory of all of the Townsman ladies that we have lost and loved so much... Peggy DeWire, Avril Pappa, Joan Hall and Polly Hill.

The Magic of Milkweed

Milkweed is one of the plants that bring back fond memories for most of us. Whether it was the soft perfumed blossoms, opening a seed pod to feel the silky soft down inside, chase a fuzzy single seed that was caught by the



wind, or helping one of our children find a chrysalis of a monarch butterfly for a school project, each stage of the milkweed left its mark in our minds. From the time their first green shoots appear in spring until their dead brown stalks stand above the snow in winter, the milkweed plant has captured the attention of humans for thousands of years.

The scientific name, *Asclepias*, was given to the Milkweed by Carolus Linnaeus in the 18th century. The story of *Asclepias*, is a tragic story of a pregnant mother murdered by a jealous husband. The child is saved from the womb and left in the care of a centaur who is skilled in the arts of healing with natural remedies. He teaches the young *Asclepias* to heal others. *Asclepias* finds an herbal remedy that allows him to resurrect the dead. This power of anastasia insults the highest lord of the pantheon, Zeus, who looks at *Asclepias* as an hindrance to his monopoly of the pantheon and goes on to kill his rival with a thunderbolt.

This time of the year the young shoots of the milkweed, a perennial, appear near the dead stalks of last year's plants, flourishing in open fields and meadows, along roadsides and at the forest edges, growing in dense colonies that sometimes fill a field with green stalks. The common milkweed, *Asclepias syriaca*, is one of the best known wild plants in the Catskills; in fact, throughout North America. Milkweed is easily identified. The leaves grow in opposite pairs along the stalk with short stems. They are elongated ovals, veined and thick. The stalk and undersides of the leaves are covered with fine hairs. The flower bud clusters appear in spring, looking a bit like bunches of broccoli. Once the flowers open in early summer, they can range from white to pink or purple.

In late summer milkweed plants produce the familiar pointed, okra-like seedpods which are popular in dried flower arrangements. These range from three to five inches long when mature and contain seeds and silk that helps the seeds "fly" to their next destination. All parts of the plant will exude a white, milky latex substance if broken. The "milk" is not the sap of the plant but a special secretion. Extremely bitter, it serves as a protection against most nibbling and grazing animals. For the caterpillar of the monarch butterfly, milkweed leaves are their only food.

During WWII that hundreds of tons of milkweed pods were gathered by school children and the silky fluff was processed and became a substitute for kapok, used to pad life jackets and flying suits. Milkweed floss has the same density as goose down and is an even better insulator. Currently, there is renewed interest in Europe for creating textiles containing milkweed floss.

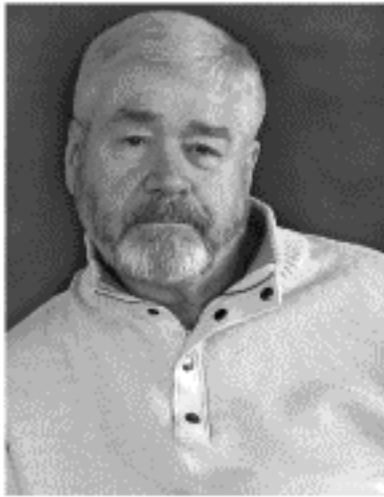
Milkweed was widely eaten by Native Americans and early European immigrants. Native Americans also used the fibrous stems to make nets, cordage, and basketry. The common milkweed has been identified in artifacts believed to be nearly 3,000 years old.

To the cattle farmers milkweed can be a hindrance, using the standby definition of a weed "any plant growing where it's not wanted". But these weeds are not only useful, let's not forget their beauty in the garden. The common milkweed, looks uncommonly good in a perennial border. All are great additions to natural plantings and for gardeners who are looking to attract Monarch butterflies; the *Asclepias* will do the job!

One of the other charms of milkweeds is their associations with insects. Find a comfortable spot on the grass near a clump of milkweed in bloom and witness insects and butterflies, especially the monarchs, which lay their eggs only on *Asclepias* species. After the eggs hatch, you can watch the exquisitely striped caterpillars as they feed on the leaves, developing the bad taste that protects them from predators. You may even be lucky enough to see an adult monarch as it emerges from its jewel-like chrysalis. The sweet blossoms of the Milkweed are also a big attraction for nectaring bees.

The story of the ancient Greeks does seem terribly romantic but it certainly leaves many mortals wondering what magic herbal remedy *Asclepius* had discovered that could challenge the overlord of the pantheon. Then again, none of us wants to get hit with a thunderbolt!

The great physicist Albert Einstein once stated that humanity would be extinct within a few years if the bee population was totally wiped out. Now that's something to consider when thinking of the Common Milkweed. Maybe he was on the right track!

Hardtwisted - Mysterious Book Report No. 91 by John Dwaine McKenna

It is an unfortunate truth that the folks who lived through the hard years of the Great Depression are dying off at a rapid pace. Every day more and more of them, and their hard-won wisdom, are being lost to us. You know who they are . . . the elderly ones who live as frugally as possible, wasting nothing and saving or putting to use everything from rubber bands to glass jars, grocery sacks to metal coat hangers. Why do they do it? I think it's because they've lived through hard times . . . and they're savvy and smart . . . therefore they take nothing for granted, leave nothing in their control to chance, because they all remember just how hard it was to live through the 1930's. They stand in my mind at least, as stark reminders of why we shouldn't assume that the good times will roll on forever. There're ants at every picnic and bad weather in the midst of sunshine, poverty amidst plenty.

As you've no doubt guessed by now, the Great Depression is the subject of this week's MBR No. 91.

Hard Twisted, (Bloomsbury, \$25.00, 291 pages, ISBN 978-1-60819-855-9) by C. Joseph Greaves is historical fiction. It is one of those super-interesting, thinly-promoted gems of literature which cross my desk only once in a blue moon that are so good they should be required reading in high school English classes. It is a fictional telling of a real series of events which took place in Oklahoma, Texas, Colorado and Utah during the years 1934-35, and it was named Best Historical Novel in the 2010 Southwest Writers International Writing Contest. Greaves was also awarded the grand-prize Storyteller Award at the same time, which is significant praise indeed.

Hard Twisted begins in Hugo, Oklahoma in May, 1934 when a man named Clint Palmer, who has just been released from the Federal Penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kansas meets a homeless man named Dillard Garrett and his thirteen year-old daughter, named Lucille, who's

known as Lottie.

Dillard Garrett mysteriously disappears and Palmer takes off on a year-long spree with Lottie as his captive. Their journey ultimately takes them to a remote sheep camp in Utah and culminates back in Greenville, Texas with the chilling "Skeleton Trial" of 1935. The characters are real and the events are actual. Greaves describes people and events in vivid, accurate prose that's as rare and beautiful as the southwestern countryside the action takes place in. The research is accurate, meticulous and minute in detail. The reader becomes so engrossed that readers can almost feel red grit dust in their mouth, see and feel the solitude, the terror and the outcome roaring at them like an out of control diesel locomotive. If you're curious about the depression, the dust bowl or a heretofore untold western saga, you'll want to read *Hard Twisted*. Superlatives aside, this one's simply outstanding. It will be enjoyed by all who choose to read it.

Everyone who goes there enjoys the library. It's a gift of the ages for all ages. That's right . . . it's a public treasure open and available to everyone and . . . it's your one chance to meet a smart and foxy librarian and allow yourself to associate with the greatest minds of the human race. Make reading a regular personal habit. You'll become a happier and a much more interesting person!

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--JDM

ED NOTES: While the theme of John's weekly Book Reports evolve around a mysterious happening, I must admit that it is not a mystery, or meant to cause confusion that the reports are not in proper sequence, but rather a case of my filing the right reports in the wrong weekly files. And don't let the last sentence of this week's report throw you either (like it did me) - There will be a MBR No. 92 next week, and it is about

Town of Wawarsing Officials See Great Value in for AVLs - UC Exec Mike Hein's Success in Obtaining Local Government Efficiency Grant for Automatic Vehicle Locators (AVL) Utilized in Town and Village Vehicles

Wawarsing, NY - County Executive Mike Hein met with Town of Wawarsing Supervisor Scott Carlsen, Wawarsing Highway Superintendent Tony Paes and members of the Wawarsing Department of Public Works staff to discuss progress of Automatic Vehicle Locators (AVL) in County and Town vehicles. AVLs allow for real-time monitoring of vehicles with respect to speed, location and activity.



County Executive Hein with Wawarsing Town Supervisor Scott Carlsen, Wawarsing Highway Superintendent Tony Paes and Wawarsing Department of Public Works employees Randy Vankleek and Cindy Najdzion.

According to County Executive Hein, "I'm very pleased to deliver a solution that helps towns, villages and the County. In an effort to increase efficiency, save taxpayers' money and improve operator safety, we successfully competed for a Department of State Local Efficiency Grant to purchase Automatic Vehicle Locators. These devices, installed in municipal vehicles, allow the Department of Public Works to remotely monitor vehicles and enable more efficient scheduling and dispatch utilizing technology already in use organizations like FedEx, UPS and many other large fleet operators."

Ulster County was awarded a Local Government Efficiency grant by the New York State Department of State (NYS DOS) in the amount of \$481,012 to install AVLs in County and local municipality vehicles. To date, Ulster County has installed 141 AVLs in County vehicles; the Town of Wawarsing has installed 38 AVLs and the Village of Ellenville has 11.

According to Wawarsing Town Supervisor Scott Carlsen, "The partnership with Ulster County in a grant to cover the costs of our AVL system is a model for shared services. This will provide safety to our highway department employees, and a savings to our taxpayers. I sincerely appreciate that County Executive Hein would take the time to come and meet with my staff, and to have given consideration to the Town of Wawarsing as a partner in the grant. The utilization of this technology

offers both immediate benefit as well as long term value to taxpayers and municipalities."

"I appreciate that County Executive Hein was able to secure funding that allowed us to purchase AVLs," said Ulster County Commissioner of Public Works David Sheeley. "They are an invaluable tool for both management and safety."

The NYS DOS's Local Government Efficiency Program provides technical assistance and competitive grants to local governments for the development of projects that will achieve savings and improve municipal efficiency through shared services, cooperative agreements, mergers, consolidations and dissolutions. The NYS DOS's website touts County Executive Hein's AVL program as a successful shared services project on its website.

Gift of Life (From Pg. 1)

Recently, Ellenville helped fulfill the wishes of a local community member wishing to donate his organs and tissues for research. Such was a "donation first" for Ellenville and CDT, as both organizations worked collaboratively to facilitate the first research-only organ and tissue donor ever completed among CDT's 43 partner hospitals. As a Critical-Access Hospital, this was a major achievement for Ellenville.

Andrew Sigond, Hospital & Community Services Specialist with the CDT said that "A health care provider's role doesn't end when a patient dies-it continues in its service to not only the patient's family, but to carrying out the patient's final wishes. In this case, Ellenville went out of its way to provide incredible customer service to a patient and family it had never encountered previously! It is astounding that a critical access hospital can provide such service--it is a great demonstration and testament to the level of dedication and care the hospital staff looks to provide to its patient population and surrounding community!"

"On behalf of the surgical team here at Ellenville, I would like to thank the CDT for their consideration and inclusion of our staff in fulfilling this patient's final wishes," said John Breslin, Clinical Coordinator, Perioperative Services at Ellenville. "It is always an honor to participate in a procedure which profoundly affects many people on many different levels. This was certainly one. It was my sincere pleasure to coordinate, assist with and provide this service for the CDT in our Operating Room. The patient was able to receive timely, efficient, compassionate care that respected his wishes. The CDT's team was both courteous and professional. We are looking forward to working with them again," he added.

Today, more than 110,000 men, women and children are waiting for a life-saving organ transplant; this statistic includes just over 10,000 New Yorkers. Over 28,000 organ transplants were performed in 2012; however, the demand is still much greater than the supply, with an average of 19 Americans dying every day due to the shortage of donor organs.

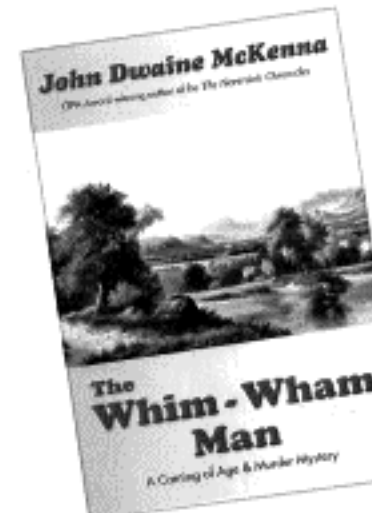
You or a loved one can register to be an organ and tissue donor by joining the New York State Donate Life Registry available online at www.donatelifecdt.org. By signing up, you can save or enhance up to 50 lives!

UC Board of Elections to Host Campaign Finance Seminar

The Ulster County Board of Elections will be hosting a Campaign Finance Seminar on Thursday, May 23rd from 9:00 AM until 12:00 PM at the Ulster County Office Building in the Legislative Chambers on the 6th floor.

The seminar will be conducted by the New York State Board of Elections. You can register for the seminar or check for alternate locations and dates on the following web site - http://www.elections.ny.gov:8080/plsql_browser/efs_training_dates_2013

The Ulster County Board of Elections urges all Elected Officials, Candidates, Committee Chairs and especially their respective Treasurers, to please attend this informational seminar. You may also call the Ulster County Board of Elections with any questions or if you require further information at 845-334-5470.



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The Olive Jar - Carol LaMonda Cyber Etiquette

Eye contact among humans in polite discourse may soon cease to exist. The texting generation might lend you an ear, but their eyes are on the gadget in their hand. Watch any group of individuals at a restaurant, a party, or any social gathering, and about half the participants have their eyes cast downward to check calls, e-mail, or texts. Any normal conversation is punctuated by beeps, tones, tunes and chimes as downloads enter the phones.

I have, unfortunately, heard alarms and rings go off in church and even heard "Yankee Doodle" interrupt a funeral eulogy. Many venues, like movie theaters, insist that cell phones be turned off. Recently, upon descent of the plane, I witnessed the announcement that passenger cell phone and tablet use needed to be discontinued during take-off. The pilot's command was accompanied by a chorus of sighs and groans. At landing, there was a simultaneous access to service with everyone exiting the plane with carry-on in left hand and smart phone in right.

It is hard to avoid eavesdropping at the snatches of conversation to which the incidental audience is privy. "And so I said to him..." might be overheard with the unknowing listener thinking whatever to fill in the blanks. Privacy flies off into the cloud of cyberspace as talkers speak loudly into a device.

We are so used to sound-bites and tweets that a complete conversation with expanded thoughts and shared ideas is becoming a rarity. Furthermore, eye contact and honest emotion is becoming lost as we speak into our hands and look downward at a phone held at crotch level to read on social media.

Town of Olive Memorial Day Parade and Ceremony

There will be a Memorial Day Parade and Ceremony to honor the men and women who sacrificed their lives to defend the honor and principles of our great nation on Monday, May 27, 2013 at 9:30 am.. We encourage you to come and support our effort to provide the community with a suitable program for this National Holiday. The parade will begin at the West Shokan Post Office on Route 28A and proceed to the Veteran's Memorial in front of the Town Hall Building on Watson Hollow Road. The Ceremony will be held at the Veteran's Memorial. Music will be provided by the Onteora High School Marching Band. In the event of rain, the Memorial Ceremony will be held under the pavilion at Davis Park which is adjacent to the Town Hall.



RESERVOIR MUSIC NOTES- Fred Perry-Owner of Reservoir Music Center
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Greetings, and welcome to this week's Reservoir Music Notes! Not a lot of earth shaking news going on in the music world, so we're gonna get right to this week's live music picks.

Wednesday, May 15 - I don't usually recommend shows as far afield as Infinity Hall in Connecticut, but this week, I'm making several exceptions. Tonight, INDIGENOUS, a Native American blues rock band that I've known about for many years, is at Infinity Hall. The main attraction of this band is their amazing lead guitar player, who is the closest thing to Stevie Ray Vaughn that we've got left! Highly recommended! Also tonight, at The Highline Ballroom in Manhattan, the legendary ERIC BURDON AND THE ANIMALS will be performing their string of gigantic hits, as well as other, blues and rock based material.

Thursday, May 16 - Back to Infinity Hall, where the great Western Swing band, ASLEEP AT THE WHEEL, will hold court. Closer to home, the REGGAE IN RESIDENCE series continues at The Bearsville Theater, and THE SLIDE BROTHERS, a sacred steel band sponsored by Robert Randolph will be at The Falcon in Marlborough. Downstate, we've got JOE BONAMASSA at The Beacon Theater for the first of three nights, and the kings of all reggae bands, THE WAILERS, at Irving Plaza.

Friday, May 17 - In the city, my first Pick of the Week! The amazing Soul and R n B singer, BETTYE LAVETTE, is at Town Hall with the equally amazing BLIND BOYS OF ALABAMA! Bettye's been around forever, and she is one of the best! The fabulous SHEILA E is at BB King's, and upstate, JIM WEIDER'S PROJECT PERCOLATOR is at The Falcon, and Punk/ New Wave stalwarts, THE FEELIES, are at Club Helsinki in Hudson.

Saturday, May 18 - The city of Beacon, NY is celebrating their centennial with something

called BEACON ROCKS 100: A CENTENNIAL MUSICFEST, at Memorial Park. Don't know who's playing, but Beacon is a cool town, it should be a beautiful day for an outdoor event, so, why not? At The Falcon, ROB PAPARAZZI AND THE HUDSON RIVER RATS will tear the house down! Rob is one of the best harmonica blowers on the planet, and the only heir apparent to the late, great Paul Butterfield, who should be in the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame, along with all of his bands!

Sunday, May 19 - Two shows, one upstate, one downstate. Upstate at Club Helsinki, JAMES MCCARTNEY, son of Paul, will probably be worth checking out, and downstate, the 13th ANNUAL JOEY RAMONE BIRTHDAY BASH is at a new home at Bowery Electric. Doesn't matter who's playing. This is always a great event!

Monday, May 20 - Tonight marks the beginning of a 5 night run at The Beacon Theater for one of the most exciting, professional, and most rockin' bands ever - TOM PETTY AND THE HEARTBREAKERS! If at all possible, catch at least one night. These guys are one of the best live bands around! The other dates are May 21, 23, 25, and 26. In case you didn't figure it out, this is my #1 Pick of the Week!

Tuesday, May 21 - PETER ROWAN at City Winery and SHOOTER JENNINGS, Waylon's son, at Bowery Ballroom.

Wednesday, May 22 - RAY WYLIE HUBBARD at Hill Country Barbecue, and something called STONES FEST NYC is at the Music Hall of Williamsburg tonight, and Bowery Ballroom tomorrow. Don't know who's playing or any more details, but, how bad could it be, right?

Thursday, May 23 - TOOTS AND THE MAYTALS acoustic at The Bearsville Theater, and GEORGE JONES TRIBUTE at The Rodeo Bar. Gotta run. Have a great week!

Rosalie Burgher "Woman of Distinction" (From Pg. 1)

Rosalie has been a fixture with a number of community organizations. Her greatest contribution was helping found the Olive Free Library. From the time of its inception to present day, Mrs. Burgher has been vital in the library's operation and growth. She has helped collect book donations to fill the shelves at the original library, raise funds for construction of a new building, and held virtually every library position including director. Even today, after stepping down as library director, she has stayed on in a staff position at the age of 86.

"When I called to congratulate Rosalie on her selection as a 'Woman of Distinction' she wasn't home. Instead, she was at the library hard at work - a typical day for her," added Seward. Rosalie devotes a great deal of her time and energy to community service organizations. She has held leading roles with the local school PTA, the

American Legion Auxiliary, Girl Scouts, Cub Scout, and many more.

"Rosalie is a devoted mother, grandmother and great grandmother to her own family and a counselor, teacher and advisor to everyone else she comes in contact with in the Town of Olive. She embodies the meaning of a true 'Woman of Distinction' for all of her inspiring and continuing achievements," Seward concluded.

The senate's "Woman of Distinction" program was created in 1998 to honor New York women who exemplify personal excellence, or whose professional achievements or acts of courage, selflessness, integrity or perseverance serve as an example to all New Yorkers.

Previous winners in the annual event have included leading women from the worlds of business, academics and civic life, as well as those who have performed heroic or selfless acts, made significant discoveries or provided examples of personal excellence against difficult odds.

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Rental Boats Will be a Boost to Outdoor Recreation and Tourism Economy in Catskills

New York City Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) Commissioner Carter Strickland today announced that, for the first time, approved boat rental businesses in the Catskills will be able to store kayaks and canoes alongside four City reservoirs, providing another boost to the tourism economy by making it easier for businesses to rent recreational boats to visitors. More than a dozen businesses have already expressed interest in storing rental boats alongside the Cannonsville, Pepacton, Neversink and Schoharie reservoirs, where recreational boating is allowed with the appropriate permits.

"DEP is committed to expanding outdoor recreational opportunities and supporting the tourism economy in the Catskills," Commissioner Strickland said. "By providing storage for rental kayaks and canoes at the reservoirs, it will now be easier for visitors to enjoy boating on our reservoirs without having to buy and maintain their own boat."

DEP has worked with the Catskill Watershed Corporation (CWC) to acquire 30 storage racks that will each hold four rental boats. CWC is also soliciting information from local businesses that rent boats, including how many boats they would like to store, and which launch sites they would prefer to use. Businesses will be vetted and approved through a request-for-proposals process.

"The CWC is happy to continue to support DEP's recreational boating program by providing funds for boat racks," CWC Executive Director Alan Rosa said. "The racks will allow safe, neat storage of canoes and kayaks, including rental boats that will enable folks that don't own one to enjoy some quality time on the water."

To protect the quality of the water in the reservoirs, the rental kayaks and canoes will be steam cleaned before they are stored inside the racks at each of the four reservoirs. Because they will not leave the reservoirs, the boats will not need to be steam cleaned after each use. Local businesses will determine the cost of renting the boats. Visitors using the rental boats still must obtain an access permit, free of charge, from DEP and boaters may still use personal kayaks and canoes on the reservoirs, so long as they are steam cleaned to avoid the spread of invasive species.

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The 10th Annual Trout Parade is dedicated to the memory of Barry Foster, who as emcee for eight years infused the parade with all the energy and humor to keep it going on its wiggling way. Barry passed away this year on April 19, but his spirit is such to keep the Trout Parade going for a long time to come.

The 2013 Trout Parade will step-off promptly at 1:00 p.m., led by the honorary "Sturgeon General" and featuring a wide variety of music, entertainment and floats representing local businesses, organizations and performance groups from this area and beyond. Look for pre-parade entertainment to include stilt-walkers from the NaCl Theatre, performers from Catskill Puppet Theatre, face painting

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Catskill Art Society is producing this year's Trout Parade in partnership with the Livingston Manor Chamber of Commerce, and with support from businesses and individuals from around the community. Proceeds from the parade will benefit the Arts and Music programs at the Livingston Manor Central School, and the Catskill Art Society.

To celebrate the milestone of the Trout Parade's 10th Anniversary, the CAS Arts Center is assembling a special exhibit to showcase the event's his-

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tory and celebrate the joy of fishing. CAS is seeking artwork and artifacts featuring fish to represent this central part of our community's identity. This exhibit will be on display for one week through this year's Trout Parade, and participants are welcome to "borrow" their work to use in the Parade!

All original artwork, photographs, historical artifacts, and unique fishing paraphernalia is welcome for submission. There is no fee to submit work. All pieces should be delivered ready to hang or display by Tuesday, May 28. Please include a brief note outlining the work's origin and description, as well as its title and artist's name if known.

For more information and details on how to participate in the 2013 Trout Parade or become a sponsor, please contact the Catskill Art Society at 845-436-4227 or info@catskillartsociety.org. You can also find the Trout Parade on Facebook at www.facebook.com/troutparade.

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Liberty Free Theatre on the Move with "Kind of Kin" Acclaimed Author, Rilla Askew, Inaugurates Ninth Season

The Liberty Free Theatre will inaugurate its ninth season with a reading and book signing of "Kind of Kin" by internationally acclaimed author, Rilla Askew, at the Liberty Museum & Arts Center, 46 South Main St. in Liberty on May 24 at 7:00 P.M. Admission for the performance is free. The audience is invited to gather after the performance for food, drink, and the book signing. Proceeds from the book sale will benefit the theatre. Call 798-1527 or email Libertyfree1@verizon.net for reservations and information.

The Liberty Free Theatre is collaborating with the Liberty Museum & Arts Center to create a new state of the art theatre in the museum building. The reading will be the first in a series of plays, fiction, poetry and music presented while awaiting the new theatre space, which is anticipated to be ready sometime next spring. Meanwhile, the theatre will be on the move, touring the many Sullivan County arts organizations that have invited the Liberty Free Theatre to play their venues.

Askew's new novel, "Kind of Kin", was published by Ecco Press in January to nationwide praise. It is a funny and poignant story about a family affected by a ruthless new immigration law, which features self-serving lawmakers and complicated lawbreakers. Christian principle and political scapegoating. The New York Times said Askew "explores with a deft hand and an unflinching moral vision the gray areas of an argument so often presented in black and white." Publishers Weekly called it "rich, rewarding, and humane," and the Huffington Post raved it is "rawboned, heartfelt and funny... (an) extraordinary novel."

Askew is the author of four novels and a book of stories. Her first novel, The Mercy Seat, was a finalist for the PEN/Faulkner Award and was nominated for the Dublin IMPAC Prize. Fire in Beulah, Askew's acclaimed novel about the Tulsa Race Riot, received the American Book Award and the Myers Book Award, and her novel Harpsong received seven literary awards including the Oklahoma Book Award and the Western Heritage Award. She received a 2009 Arts and Letters Award from the American Academy of Arts and Letters.



Shadowland Theatre announces 29th Season
Newly renovated Shadowland Theatre announces 29th season, featuring new play, *Love/Sick*, directed by its lauded playwright John Cariani

Season lineup also includes new drama *THE OUTGOING TIDE*, the hilarious comedy *BOEING BOEING*, the hit musical *MARVELOUS WONDERETTES: CAPS & GOWNS* and closes with the historical drama of *BILL W. AND DR. BOB*

Following a winter of major renovations, the Shadowland Theatre, Ellenville's popular Actors' Equity theatre, announced it summer season today. For its 2013 season, the Shadowland Theatre will produce an exciting summer of plays, highlighted by the new romantic comedy, *Love/Sick*, which will be directed by its playwright, John Cariani.



Cariani, known for his hugely popular play, *Almost Maine*, is a Tony Award-nominated actor also known for his recurring role of Julian Beck on TV's *'Law & Order.'* *Love/Sick* performs at the Shadowland Thursdays thru Sundays from June 21 - July 7.

Cariani is thrilled to return as part of Shadowland's 29th season. "I am super excited to come back to Shadowland to work on my new play, *Love/Sick*. It just premiered at Portland Stage Company and it's a dark, funny cousin to my first play, *Almost Maine*, which Shadowland produced in 2009," says the playwright/director. "It's also pretty cool to be a part of the first season in the newly renovated space."

According to Shadowland Artistic Director Brendan Burke, the Shadowland Theatre has just completed major upgrades to the theatre as part of their \$1 million "Light the Way" Capital Campaign. "We're excited to continue the improvements to our beautiful building. The 'new' Shadowland has an overhauled auditorium with a re-built stage, new and expanded audience seating, a new roof and facades, loading dock, upgraded and modernized equipment and utilities, and brand new dressing rooms for performers."

Known for its eclectic mix of plays, Shadowland opens their season May 31-June 16 with another new play, *The Outgoing Tide*, by Barrymore Award-winning playwright Bruce Graham, directed by James Glossman. This engaging drama chronicles a family finishing their summer on the Chesapeake Bay. Family patriarch, Gunner, must get the family agree to his plan of forgiveness and self-determination, before it's too late.

From July 12 - August 4, Shadowland will produce the hilarious farce, *Boeing Boeing*. Nominated for the Tony Award for best revival in 2008, *Boeing Boeing* is a comic treat about an American businessman who carefully coordinates the visits of his three (clueless) flight attendant fiancées in 1960's Paris. All runs like clockwork until the invention of the 'Super-Boeing' - a new, faster jet engine. Shadowland Artistic Director Brendan Burke will direct.

This year's musical offering will be *The Marvelous Wonderettes: Caps and Gowns*, the sequel to Shadowland's 2010 hit. The crazy girls from Springfield High are back, singing all the hits of the 50's and 60's, including "Rock Around the Clock," "Dancing in the Street," "What a Wonderful World," "Good Lovin'" and many more. *The Marvelous Wonderettes: Caps and Gowns* rocks the Shadowland from August 9 - September 8 with Joe Langworth directing.

Shadowland wraps up the season September 13-29 with the story of the birth of Alcoholics Anonymous, *Bill W. and Dr. Bob*, by Samuel Shem and Janet Surrey. This award-winning play is the remarkable and often humorous story about the unlikely relationship between the two men who pioneered Alcoholics Anonymous in 1935, and their wives, who founded Al Anon. Brendan Burke directs.

Regular ticket prices are \$35 Thursdays-Saturdays, \$30 on Sundays. There is a \$2 student or senior discount. Show times are 8pm on Thursdays - Saturdays and Sundays at 2pm. Season subscription pricing, group ticket sales and more information is available at the box office at 157 Canal Street, Ellenville, NY, by phone at 845-647-5511 and online at <http://www.shadowlandtheatre.org>.

About Shadowland Theatre
Shadowland Theatre is the leading professional nonprofit Actors' Equity company in the Lower Hudson Valley/Catskill Mountain region. Located 90 miles from New York City in Ellenville, NY Shadowland has been named "Best Theatre" multiple times in the "Best of the Valley" award program by Hudson Valley Magazine; "Cultural Business of the Year" by Ulster Development Corporation and Ulster County Chamber of Commerce; "Best Theatre" by the Times Herald Record, and will be honored this summer as the recipient of the inaugural Ulster County Executive's Arts Award for Best Arts Organization. Founded in 1984, Shadowland performs in a restored 1920's Art Deco vaudeville/movie house converted to a 186-seat theatre. For more information, visit: www.shadowlandtheatre.org.

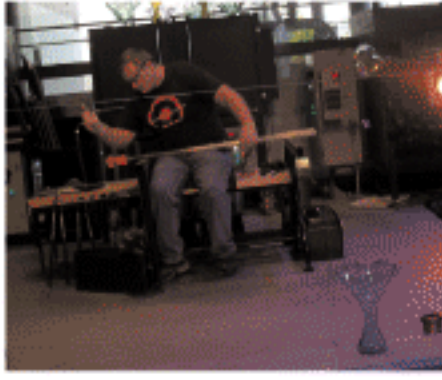
An FFA Trip to Remember - Shannon Smith

The Tri-Valley FFA left early in the morning on Wednesday, May 1st to make their seven hour trip to Batavia, New York. Of course we ran into a little bit of trouble when the bus broke down ten minutes away from the school. But we were not discouraged by our misfortune. Instead, everyone waited patiently for another bus.

When told we had to go back to the school and then leave, we were a little upset. But Ms. Berescik, our FFA advisor told all of us that we would still be able to make our stop at the Corning Museum of Glass.

We arrived just in time for our 2PM tour at the museum. Everyone was so excited and ready to finally begin our fun trip. We were separated into groups of eight and everyone had a tour guide to show us around. We first took a walk around the museum to look at different glass from all around the world at different time periods. Our favorite part was all of the glass demonstrations. We had front row seats for a hot glass show and a glass breaking demo. We learned that glassblowing techniques were discovered by the Romans around 50 B.C. and many of the techniques and tools used by glassmakers today have been used for thousands of years. The Corning Museum of Glass was fascinating and very educational.

Our next stop after the museum was to our hotel in Batavia. After a good night's sleep and a morning of studying for all of our competitions, we left to head to the Albion High School where the 88th FFA State



Convention was being held. The three days were filled with sessions hearing the National Officers speak how the FFA has helped their lives and many lives around them. We all learned that the motto "it's all heart from here" really means that being a Future Farmer of America comes from the heart. Everything that we do and every person that we help is all from our heart. This trip has been an experience of a lifetime and many memories were made. There were many top team finishes and top individuals that won first place. See below to see all of the results. Good job to all of our Tri-Valley FFA members! (Contd. Pg. 14)



TV Recognizes Students

Each quarter the 7th and 8th grade teachers at Tri-Valley Central School are recognizing and rewarding students who go above and beyond expectations inside and outside of the classroom.



From left to right: Brittany Pennell, Nirvana Blake, Jack Eddings, Ryan Howey, Brett Bagley, and Kaylin Klein

Quarter awards include Academic Excellence, Leadership, Most Improved, and Excellent Work Ethic.

For Quarter 3, 7th grade award winners include Jack Eddings and Kaylin Klein for Academic Excellence, Brett Bagley for Leadership, Ryan Howey for Most Improved, and Nirvana Blake and Brittany Pennell for Excellent Work Ethic.

In the 8th grade, award winners include Kacie Allison and Marissa Genarro for Academic Excellence, Amanda Schwartz for Leadership, Kenny Hopkins and Jenn McKenna for Most Improved, and Tyler Brooks and Arykah Burdi for Excellent Work Ethic.



From left to right: Marissa Genarro, Kacie Allison, Amanda Schwartz, Jenn McKenna, Kenny Hopkins, Arykah Burdi, and Tyler Brooks.

Congratulations to these fantastic students-keep up the great work!

Jack Leshner-Fallsburg Hall of Famer

In the United States alone there are hundreds of halls of fame-found in the smallest of towns to the national stage. A hall of fame is a special place that honors the achievements of a member of a community or an organization. When you become a member, you are "enshrined." You have reached an almost sacred status to the community. Such is the case with the Fallsburg Central School District Hall of Fame.



First opened to the public for nominations in 2011-2012, the Hall of Fame is pleased to announce Mr. Jack Leshner as its first inductee. He will be officially installed at the Fallsburg High School Graduation on June 23, 2013. This year marks the 60th anniversary of when Mr. Leshner began his thirty-three year teaching career at FCHS in 1953.

Jack Leshner is a teaching legend in the Fallsburg community. In the high praise of current Town of Fallsburg Supervisor, Steve Vegliante, "Jack Leshner embodies class, grace and honor." In his nomination letter, Vegliante shared that no one outside of his own family had as great an influence on him as Mr. Leshner.

Jack's interest in teaching started as a young boy in Kiamesha Lake at a one room school house where Ms. Mabel Wood taught his older brother Misch and Jack. She admired the "Mischa Boys" so much that she skipped Jack over the fifth grade so the two of them would graduate together in her final year teaching at that school. She went on to teach in Sullivan County well into her seventies. (Contd Pg. 10)

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Fallsburg Honors its Scholars at 63rd Annual Event

The only thing that outshone the brilliance of the spring day on May 5 at Bernie's Holiday Restaurant was the bright faces of the Fallsburg High School graduating seniors receiving scholarships and awards at the 63rd Annual Samuel Beytin Scholarship Fund's "Blossom Cohen Luncheon." Luncheon Committee Chairperson Renee Kates welcomed the nine students, their families, friends, guests, Board of Education members, administration, and teachers. Ms. Kates acknowledged the Committee for putting the event together. She thanked the Board and school administration for their concerted efforts to prepare a school budget that cares for the health, safety and learning of the Fallsburg children.



After a delicious luncheon buffet, Vice President of the Fallsburg Teacher's Association Ms. Patricia Bertholf introduced one by one the students receiving special

recognition as voted by the Samuel Beytin Scholarship Committee and the families of the other scholarship funds. The Beytin Scholarship winners are Melissa Cavrell, Adam Dohrenwend, Jr., Arjun Malhotra, Ann Moore, and Sangini Raizada. Malhotra is Class Valedictorian; and Dohrenwend is Class Salutatorian. The recipient of the Esther Mintz Flanagan and the Blossom Cohen Memorial Scholarships is Brooke Rappaport. Christina Alonso earned the Candy Gold Memorial Scholarship; while Austin Halchak received the Milton Brizel Memorial Scholarship. Nolan Akerley won the Edward Bryan Memorial Scholarship. Each recipient expressed their thanks and shared their future educational plans. Samantha Ocasio won the Nancy Solomon Memorial Scholarship and was unable to attend the luncheon.

Among the many retired teachers that return year after year was Robert Longo, who began teaching art at Fallsburg Central School District in the early 1950's at about the same time as the first awards' presentation. It was always a highlight of the spring calendar and brought several hundred townspeople to many of the outstanding Fallsburg hotels. On this sunny May afternoon, the Fallsburg Central School District was aglow with young people about to embark on their journey into careers in medicine, science, nursing, fashion design, pharmacy, and political science.

Ms. Raizada was especially grateful for the education she received in Fallsburg schools. She envisioned becoming a cardio-vascular surgeon and opening a clinic that would serve the needs of everyone regardless of financial situation. It is with this kind of attitude and generous spirit of service that the students follow in the footsteps of the thousands of previous award recipients dating back to 1951-a great legacy of scholarship.

Jack Leshner (From Pg. 9)

Emulating Ms. Wood's longevity in the classroom, Jack began a very long career as an outstanding educator in the social studies department at Fallsburg Senior High School. He made the subject of history come alive to his students. He encouraged students to think critically and to see the relevance of the past to current events. Many of his students were so inspired by his methods, mentoring and manner in and outside the classroom that they pursued their own teaching careers. His love of teaching and of history did not end when he left Fallsburg High School in 1986. Leshner remained in the Fallsburg community and taught political science and history at Sullivan County Community College up until 2011, when he finally retired. He now spends his time with grandchildren and family in North Syosset, New York.

Members of the large Fallsburg Family have been extolling Jack Leshner's virtues as a wonderful human being for over sixty years. He has been honored as a teacher and a pillar of the Sullivan County community with many significant achievement awards and plaques. In addition to his teaching, he was active in B'nai Brith; he served admirably for 21 years on the Monticello School Board; he acted with and led the Sullivan County Dramatic Workshop; and he held leadership positions in Monticello's Temple Shalom. When the Fallsburg High School Alumni Association was formed in 2005, Jack Leshner was part of the steering committee and helped organize the first five annual reunions. Many former students and colleagues rearranged their summer schedules when they heard, "Mr. Leshner will be there."

Jack Leshner is an original. So it is perfect for him to be the first member of the Fallsburg Central School District Hall of Fame. When he receives his plaque on June 23, Jack may mention the names of his colleagues, his students, and many Fallsburg residents that he sees as more worthy of this special recognition by the school. That is because he is a man of deep humility and reverence for the great people that have served the Fallsburg Central School District. But when it is their time to be enshrined, they will be joining one of the finest men to grace the halls of Fallsburg Central High School.

Agreement to Extend D&H Canal/O&W Rail Trail Through Nevele Resort Property (From Pg. 1)

"The impressive commitment by Nevele Investors to extend the trail from Ellenville to the Sullivan County border is an exciting step forward in further developing Ulster County's network of rail trails into a world-class tourism destination," said County Executive Mike Hein. "The redevelopment of the Nevele Resort is important to economic development in our region, and today's agreement furthers Ulster County's efforts to reconnect Kingston to the Sullivan County border along the former D&H Canal and O&W Railroad corridors. The people of Ulster County deeply appreciate this generous commitment to our future."

Town of Wawarsing Supervisor Scott Carlsen noted, "The rail trail extension through the Nevele property will be an incredible benefit to local residents and economic development efforts in our Town. I look forward to working with Nevele Investors to dedicate this section for public use, and I know that it will complement and enhance the proposed revitalization of the Nevele Resort property. This will be a 'win-win' situation for the Town and the Nevele."

"The generous contribution of this rail trail right-of-way to the Town of Wawarsing by Nevele Investors is a big step in helping to achieve the vision of County Executive Hein of developing a world class trail system throughout Ulster County and the Hudson Valley region," stated Steven Rice, President of the D&H/O&W Heritage Corridor Alliance. "Prior to the Nevele property being acquired by Nevele Investors, no plans could be made to complete the D&H/O&W Heritage Corridor beyond Ellenville. This critical link will reconnect the historic trade route between Kingston and Port Jervis in Sullivan County and adds a beautiful natural iconic feature that was previously closed to the public-- the Nevele Waterfall. Nevele Investors and Mr. Treanor have set a new standard for property stewardship by planning to integrate the rail trail into their property and make it a feature of their planned resort with the goal of revitalizing Ellenville. The trails community of Ulster County is most grateful for this substantial gift of right of way."

The rail trail section is expected to extend from the Nevele to the Sullivan County line in Spring Glen and will effectively complete the southern portion of the Ulster County rail trail system. The proposed agreement also includes a plan to have the rail trail extend through the redeveloped Nevele property with two branches, one for pedestrians and non-motorized bicycles and a second for equestrian traffic, both meeting up near the famous Nevele waterfall.

The Slutsky family, former owners of the Nevele property, purchased the southern Ulster County rail

trail section extending from the Ellenville village line to the Ulster/Sullivan County border in Spring Glen, in the 1980s. The rail bed, which is between 60 and 120 feet wide at different sections and nearly five miles long, will be improved at the same time as the redevelopment of the Nevele and is expected to provide direct scenic recreational access into the Village of Ellenville for Nevele guests, providing enhanced economic impact for the Village.

Tri-Valley FFA (From Pg. 9) The results of the convention:

State Officers

Brady Rogers - State Treasurer; Ryan Sanok - District 2 President

National Chapter Award

State First Place - Chapter of the Year - will represent New York in a minimum of National Chapter at National Convention and are now eligible to apply for model of innovation and model of excellence on the national level. Also, are now responsible for the New York FFA Booth/Display at the National FFA Convention.

Agricultural Communications

Team Neversink Agricultural Society and the Promotion of the Grahamsville Fair - First Place and will represent New York at the National FFA Convention - Emily Rogerson - first place individual, Kyle Rogers - third place individual, and Taylor Quick - eighth place individual

Agricultural Issues Forum

Team Hunting - First Place and will represent New York at the National FFA Convention: Brady Rogers, Sierra Hennessey, Grace Kelly, Brianna TerBush, Dan Short, Courtney Kelly, and Ashley Exner

Team Agricultural Education - Third Place

Hauk Boyes, Bronte Hough, Cheyenne Hennessey, Max Lindquist, Bridget Kackos, Christina Kackos, and Bryanna Rivas

Agricultural Mechanics

Non-top 3 placing team - Aric Boyes, Logan McKeon, Brendan Tierney and Kyle Burkey

Chapter Meeting - Junior

Non-top 3 placing team - Maura Kelly, Kim Doyle, Bryan Boyes, Robert Mercado, Brent VanAken, Liz Hannold, and Ariana Videll

Creed Speaking - Senior

Fourth Place - Emily Rogerson

Discussion Meet

Fifth Place - Shannon Smith

Empire Degree Recipients

Nicole Bradley, Brady Rogers, Hauk Boyes, Sierra Hennessey, Anne Avery, Ashley Exner, Max Lindquist, Kyle Burkey, Sowoo Chon; District 2 Star - Agricultural Placement - Hauk Boyes

Extemporaneous Speaking - Junior

Fourth Place - Kim Doyle;

Fifth Place - Bryan Boyes

Extemporaneous Speaking - Senior

First Place - Christina Kackos (able to represent New York at National FFA Convention)

Floriculture

First Place Team and will represent New York at the National FFA Convention: Claire Tierney - third place individual, Shannon Smith - fourth place individual, Ashley Exner - eighth place individual and Nicole Bradley - fifteenth place individual

Food Science

None top 3 placing teams - Team 1 - Nathan Bender, Max Lindquist, Bronte Hough, and Dan Short; Team 2 - Bryan Boyes, Ryan Sanok, Andrew Exner, and Kim Doyle

Maple Production

First Place Team - None National Contest; Bryan Boyes - first place individual, Aric Boyes - second place individual, Logan McKeon - third place individual, Brendan Tierney - eighth place individual

Marketing Plan

Second Place - Hauk Boyes, Dorothy Monforte, and Nat Tompkins

Parliamentary Procedure

Second Place Team - Brady Roger, Nathan Bender, Sierra Hennessey, Cheyenne Hennessey, Emily Rogerson, and Anne Avery

People in Agriculture - Senior

First Place - Anne Avery

Proficiency Awards - Gold Recipients (top 3 in each area) - All first place gold recipients will be submitted to National FFA to represent New York - if selected as the top 4 in their areas, they will compete in an interview process to be the winner in the proficiency area! - Christina Kackos - Diversified Horticulture - First Place; -Christina Kackos - Small Animal Care - Second Place; -Courtney Kelly - Equine Science - First Place; -Courtney Kelly - Agricultural Sales - Second Place - Nat Tompkins - Food Science and Technology - First Place; -Nat Tompkins - Agricultural Education - Second Place;

-Dan Short - Home and Community Development - Third Place; -Bronte Hough - Home and Community Development - First Place; -Hauk Boyes - Agricultural Processing - First Place

-Andrew Exner - Turf Grass Management - First Place; -Nathan Bender - Fruit Production - First Place; -Aric Boyes - Agricultural Sales - First Place

Proficiency Awards - Silver (places 4-6)

-Cheyenne Hennessey - Home and Community Development

Proficiency Awards - Bronze (places lower than 6)

-Ashley Exner - Home and Community Development

Quiz Bowl - Junior and Senior

Senior - non-top 3 placing teams (Team 1 - Liz Hannond, Dorothy Monforte, and Bridget Kackos and Team 2 - Nathan Bender, Dan Short, and Logan McKeon); Junior - Third Place Team (Bryan Boyes, Brent VanAken, and Robert Mercado) and non-top 3 place team (Kim Doyle, Ariana Videll, and Maura Kelly)

Scholarships - National FFA

Aric Boyes - \$5,000; Kyle Rogers - \$5,000; Courtney Kelly - \$4,000; Nat Tompkins - \$1,000; Liz Bracken - \$1,000; Christina Kackos - \$1,000; Bradley VanAken - \$1,000

Scrapbook

Second Place - Nicole Bradley, Grace Kelly, and Ashley Exner

Sportsmen Set to Educate Area Youth on Traditional Outdoor Activities

This event is highlighted with a fishing derby by Historic Catskill Point Park

Youngsters between the ages of 5-15 are invited to attend the Fourth Annual Greene County Youth Activity and Fishing Derby Day on Saturday, May 18, 2013, at Historic Catskill Point Park, 1 Main Street, Catskill, from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Open to all youngsters regardless of county of residency, the event kicks off with a fishing derby from 9 a.m. - noon (Registration begins at 8 a.m.). Admission to all the activities is free. Supported by area sportsmen organizations the event includes an array of activities, displays and demonstrations that focus on wildlife, conservation efforts and traditional outdoor recreational opportunities, featuring hands-on opportunities in archery, casting, fly-tying, trapping and more. Trophies will be awarded to youngsters who catch the biggest, smallest, and most fish in each of two categories -- 5-10 and 11-15 year olds. There will also be a special trophy awarded for the largest striped bass.

Free hot dogs, soda and ice cream will be served.

There is still time for individuals or organization who would like to get involved in this event to do so, and should you need a table for your display, one will be available free of charge. To reserve a table call Dick Brooks at 518-756-9282, or e-mail whitlingaway@yahoo.com.

For more information on the event itself, contact Ray Brooks at 518-945-2912.



Pictured left to right are Fallsburg JSHS Principal Michael Williams, parents Cesar and Elizabeth Loarca, Fallsburg Female Scholar Athlete Elizabeth Loarca, Male Athlete Austin Halchak, parents Mary Ann and Jack Halchak, Director of Physical Education and Athletics Tim Bult, and Superintendent of Fallsburg Schools Dr. Ivan Katz.

Fallsburg HS Top Senior Scholar Athletes Honored

Elizabeth Loarca and Austin Hal-chak, graduating seniors at Fallsburg High School, with their parents and staff at the High School as they celebrated their selection as Fallsburg's top senior scholar athletes for 2012-2013 by the O.C.I.A.A. The Association presented the awards to area high school scholar athletes at Kuhl's Highland House in Middletown on April 24, 2013.

A Message from Congressman Chris Gibson

Dear Friend,

This week, the House considered legislation that would give employees who work for private companies the same flexibility that public sector employees have already. H.R. 1406, the Working Families Flexibility Act, allows private sector employees to choose "comp time" instead of overtime pay, if they would prefer to have the extra time off. Just like cash overtime pay, comp time would accrue at a "time and a half" rate: one hour of overtime worked equals one hour and a half of comp time.

Importantly, this program would be completely voluntary for both employees and employers - if a working mom or dad needed some more time off for family responsibilities, they could choose comp time. If they preferred overtime pay, they could choose the cash payment. No worker could ever be forced to take the paid time off when they didn't want it. This is a program that Congress authorized in 1985 for public sector employees - local or state governments, or even federal agencies - and I don't believe it's fair for government employees to have more freedom in the workplace than everyone else.

As a parent myself, I know how challenging it can be for my wife and I to balance work and the needs of our three children. Even as they have gotten older, school conferences, sickness, and other activities keep us busy and always juggling schedules. My priority as your representative is to do everything I can to make balancing all this a little easier, which I believe this bill does. It passed the House by a bipartisan vote of 223-204, and I was proud to support it.

Next week, the House Agriculture Committee is scheduled to write our five-year farm bill. As I've written to you before, this bill is critical for the viability of our family farms and rural communities. I have a number of important initiatives I am advocating to have included in the bill. These include dairy and crop insurance reform, young farmer support, expanded access to rural broadband, and Lyme Disease research. I am hopeful I'll have some good results to report to you after our Committee finalizes its work.

I'll be home in New York for the next four days. Tonight, I'm attending my son Connor's concert at Ichabod Crane, and then I'll be at events in Otsego, Ulster, Dutchess and Columbia Counties Friday and Saturday. Monday, I'll be chairing one more in our series of Hurricanes Irene and Lee disaster recovery meetings in Prattville in Greene County. I will then head to Delaware County for the new facilities groundbreaking at Amphenol - a project we worked hard to get funding for after the floods. It's been a long process since August 2011 for all of those affected by the storms, but this will be a good news day in Sidney.

As always, please let me know how my office can assist you, and I'll write again with an update soon.

Sincerely,
Congressman Chris Gibson

Cahill: PCS Recommendation Against Evidentiary Hearing Unwise and Irrational

(Kingston, New York) Assemblymember Kevin Cahill (D - Ulster, Dutchess) released the following statement today regarding the Public Service Commission (PSC) announcement that an Evidentiary Hearing on the proposed merger of Central Hudson and Fortis Inc. is not recommended to take place.

"It is ill advised that staff at the PSC did not recommend an Evidentiary Hearing take place just days after Administrative Law Judges thoroughly reviewed the case and released a Recommended Decision which counsels that this merger not occur under the current set of terms. An Evidentiary Hearing would be an opportunity for statements and promises made to the ratepayers of Central Hudson to be put on record and either verified or disputed. I urge the PSC to go forward with an evidentiary hearing before accepting as fact the statements and promises of Fortis and Central Hudson. It is never too late for the truth or for transparency, accountability, and the public good.

"While it is clear that Central Hudson and Fortis have failed to meet the minimum statutory standard to allow approval, the veracity of their "promises" raise other questions. The meager community benefits package pales in comparison to that which was required in similar circumstances. Its flaws are evident in the utter failure to provide for indigent ratepayers, along with the hollow promise of rate relief and the complete absence of a labor continuity plan. Unless it is the intention of the Commission to outright reject the transaction, it is becoming clearer by the day that an Evidentiary Hearing, at a minimum, is required before the PSC can responsibly render a determination.

"I applaud Administrative Law Judges Rafael Epstein and David Prestemon for arriving at the determination that this merger is not currently in the best interest of ratepayers. They correctly concluded that it is clearly it is a sweet deal for Fortis Inc and a few corporate officers, but leaves the ratepayers out in the cold. I urge the PSC to heed the advice of their ALJs or, at the very least, conduct Evidentiary Hearings."

Fortis Inc. is the largest investor-owned distribution utility in Canada, serving more than 2,000,000 gas and electricity customers. Its regulated holdings include electric utilities in five Canadian provinces and two Caribbean countries & a natural gas utility in British Columbia. It owns non-regulated hydroelectric generation assets in Canada, Belize and Upstate New York. It also owns hotels & commercial real estate in Canada.

Senator Bonacic's Statement Regarding the Governor's Casino Proposal

This week the Governor asked me to hold off on introducing legislation because he wanted to lay out his plan first. Accordingly, I waited. I appreciate the fact that he has now done so. I am pleased he is actively engaged on the issue of gaming.

The Governor has invited the Legislature to work with him on casino legislation. As Chairman of the Judiciary and Racing Committees, I accept the invitation. I will be advocating for three casinos in the Catskills region, not just the one the Governor wants. The Catskills had three casinos authorized by a 2001 law. Western New York likewise had three proposed. Western NY received their three casinos - the Catskills have not received any. Three casinos in the Catskills would bring a greater return to the State and substantially reduce unemployment.

This is an evolving process. If the Governor gets this done, he will correctly be able to claim he created thousands - perhaps tens of thousands of jobs in upstate New York. If however, the referendum is so poorly defined that voters are left with more questions than answers, I am concerned they will vote no. In blackjack, you want as many cards as possible without "busting" - going over 21. Here though, it is too little of something - too little information - that could make the plan a bust.

I am hopeful the Governor will consider authorizing three casinos in the Catskills. I believe voters will want to know the facts before they vote on gaming. I believe as much information as possible should be out there. I believe an informed voter is a voter more likely to vote yes on the referendum. I look forward to finally seeing gaming come to the Catskills, and creating jobs desperately needed there and elsewhere, to help the upstate economy.

Assemblywoman Gunther statement on Governor Cuomo's Casino Gaming Proposal

"The Governor has put forward a thoughtful plan with the potential to dramatically change the economic landscape of Upstate New York. I was pleased to hear that many of the criteria Governor Cuomo put forward as a requirement for licensure are, at first blush, already met by the EPR/Empire Resorts project at the Concord. The project already has preliminary site plan approval with final approval expected in the coming weeks, has already made a nearly \$200 million investment, and has a project labor agreement already in place for construction as well as an agreement with labor unions representing future employees.

It is crucial for one of these licenses to come to Sullivan County. The economic benefit to our struggling county would be tremendous for families, as well as small businesses and local farmers. This project will bring thousands of new tourists who will quickly realize all that Sullivan County has to offer - whether it's hiking through our beautiful area, taking in a concert at Bethel Woods or visiting one of our local distilleries or wineries."

POLITICAL SLANT

By Frank Comando - press release and comment

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THE CASINO PUSH IS ON AGAIN

And finally, Sullivan County residents will be able
to vote pro or con by Ruby Pixman

Since Sullivan County is among the areas being considered for casinos, our residents stand to be most affected by any decision regarding the construction of new houses of gambling.

Once again, there's a new push for casinos in Sullivan County.

Recently, Governor Andrew Cuomo presented his latest plan that would open New York's first three casinos in upstate locations and prohibit them being built in New York City, its northern suburbs and Long

Island for five years.

We've been waiting for casino gaming here in Sullivan County for several generations. But this time a new approach is being considered, and it really may happen once and for all.

After approving a change later this year to the New York State Constitution, which right now prohibits casino gambling establishments, Governor Cuomo and the State Legislature are going to ask voters across the state to approve a casino gaming amendment.

In the past that didn't stop pro-gambling legislators from trying to get around the ban. The primary tool was to grant licenses to recognized American Indian tribes, some of which have no geographical or historical connection to this area. Since the Indian tribes' lands have been considered quasi-independent jurisdictions, they are immune from many federal, state, and local laws. In exchange for such gaming licensing, the Indian-run casinos kick-in a certain percentage of their takings to the various governments that are in on the deal.

There are a number of such casinos already in existence across New York State and the rest of the country. As anyone living in the Catskills knows, there were more planned for our region, but they never came to fruition.

Many impediments prevented such Indian casino establishments in the Catskills during the last decade, such as opposition by the Bush administration, anti-casino politicians, religious groups and even segments of our local populations. Local residents expressed concern about possible increased traffic and noise, detrimental environmental conditions, and even issues involving gambling addictions and the morality of government-sanctioned gambling.

There's another issue that was rarely discussed back then, but now may be coming to the forefront: The possibly unethical reliance on supposed Indian tribal sovereignty to circumvent the NY Constitution.

Instead of taking this issue head on, and allowing Indian gaming to continue, Cuomo has sought to address this problem by recommending that a state-wide referendum be held, that if passed, would nullify the constitutional ban. Regardless if one favors or disagrees with establishing casinos in Sullivan County and New York State, the public referendum would at least allow voters to have the final say as to whether they want gambling establishments in their midst.

The latest proposal has raised many questions: How many casinos should be constructed in the Catskills, and where should they be located? Would these questions be subjected to other local approvals, zoning issues, and referendums and at what governmental level(s)? Since Sullivan County is among the areas being considered for casinos, our residents stand to be most affected by any decision regarding the construction of new houses of gambling.

No doubt most Sullivan County voters have heard all the arguments, pro and con on casino construction, and many would like to see the issue resolved.

Will we soon get to vote on our preferences, or will Sullivan County continue to remain in limbo for another half century? Join Our Mailing List!

The Writer's Forum was created to be a forum of free discussion of events and politics in Sullivan County. If you are interested writing in this forum, contact them at:

sullivancountywritersworkshop@gmail.com.
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COMMENT;

Gaming for the Catskills and the Hudson Valleys; great news finally. For the entertainment industry, club dates, money, jobs including jobs in the service industry- Jobs and Money for our area. Let us not forget The Nevele Resort Casino & Spa or the Route 28 Corridor hotels Emerson and new development areas in Delaware County.

We also need all the rail service we can find. **THE CATSKILL MOUNTAIN RAILROAD COMPANY**, a New York Corporation has leased the tracts from Ulster County for the past 30 years. Their dedicated group of volunteers have worked to overcome the obstacles of rebuilding the railroad **SUPPORT THIS MUCH NEEDED PUBLIC, HISTORICAL AND SCENIC TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM.**

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

Governor Cuomo Proclaimed May 8 as Health Care Auxilian Day

Governor Andrew Cuomo proclaimed May 8, 2013 as Health Care Auxilian Day in New York State to recognize the dedicated auxiliary members who donate more than five million hours of service each year to their health care facilities and to their communities.

During the past year, the Ellenville Regional Hospital Auxiliary has held several fundraising events, including a Broadway Theater trip, Annual Luncheon, Tag Day, Bake Sale, and Bake-less Bake Sale! In addition, they manage the newly renovated Gift Shop in the Hospital. Funds raised last year were earmarked for the upgraded website being rolled out by the Hospital in a few weeks.

New York State has more than 75,000 health care auxiliaries who initiate, fund, and volunteer for a wide variety of patient and family care services-from outpatient clinics to intensive care units. They sponsor community health fairs, health screenings, blood banks, and wellness lectures; raise funds for hospital and nursing home equipment; and organize and underwrite outreach programs in their communities.

NYSAC Statement on the Governor's Tourism Summit

- Executive Director Stephen J. Acquario

Last week Governor Andrew M. Cuomo hosted an important tourism summit to connect over 50 million visitors that come to New York City to the tremendous resources we have in the rest of this great State. New York State is also home many of the best colleges and universities in the world, picturesque landscapes and natural assets that are second to none.

We commend the Governor for recognizing the need to promote the benefits and products of New York. His investment of \$60 million in tourism funding

demonstrates his commitment to reinvigorate an industry that benefits every New Yorker.

The Governor has challenged us today to continue working together with our business community to promote a regional approach to tourism. Counties are committed to this important state-county partnership and we look forward to improving the tourism benefits in the State of New York.

The New York State Association of Counties is a bipartisan municipal association serving the counties of New York State including the City of New York. Organized in 1925, NYSAC's mission is to represent, educate and advocate for Member Counties and the thousands of elected and appointed county officials who serve the public.

First Annual "Eileen Haworth Weil" Scholarship Brunch

The Sullivan County Human Rights Commission is sponsoring the First Annual "Eileen Haworth Weil" Scholarship Brunch to be held in memory of Eileen's tire-

less work as a community activist. Ellenville NAACP President, Maude Bruce, will be the keynote speaker. The gathering will honor Emmett Bassett, Dick Riseling, and Sandy Shaddock for their dedication to Human Rights. The Brunch will be held on SUNDAY, MAY 19th from 11 AM to 2 PM at The Eagle's Nest in Bloomingburg, NY. Tickets are \$40 per person. Scholarship Funds raised will aid Sullivan County Community College students going on to a four-year degree.

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

**POT ROAST
+ DINNER**
Christ Lutheran Church
105 Center Street, Ellenville
Saturday, May 18, 2013
From 4:30 pm to 7:00 pm
Adults \$12.00
Children 6-12 \$6.00
5 and under free!!
Assorted desserts and beverage will be served.
Takeout available!!!!
647-9054

Grahamsville Reformed Church
Ladies Aid Bake Sale

Saturday, May 25, 2013
9 am till sold out!
Homemade pies, cakes, cookies, brownies and assorted goodies!
Grahamsville Reformed Church Hall
845-985-7480
God Bless you and thank you for your continued support!

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TIME & THE VALLEYS MUSEUM
GRAHAMSVILLE, NY

2013 Hours - Memorial Day to Labor Day
Thursday to Sunday, noon to 4 p.m.
September and October-Saturday and Sunday, noon to 4 p.m.
Other days and times by appointment.

2013 Admission Fees
Adults suggested donation: \$5
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Children under 6: FREE
Town of Neversink Residents: FREE every Thursday
Town of Denning Residents: FREE first Saturday of the month
Call: 985-7700

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

The Hurleyville and Woodridge United Methodist Churches
invite you to weekly worship:
9 am in Hurlyeville,
10:30 am in Woodridge.
For more information, call
Pastor Susan Woodworth 985-2283

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Friday Youth Night 7 pm

Ismael Berrios
Lead Pastor
P. O. Box 480
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Woodbourne, NY 12788
845-434-8263
Email: crosswayaog@aol.com
www.crosswayaog.com

Claryville Reformed Church

Claryville Road
Claryville, NY 12725
845-985-2041

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

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

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

Covered Dish Supper
June 1, 2013-5:30 pm

June 8, 2013
Breakfast
7:30 am - 9:30 am
Free Will Offering
Information call: 985-2455

Sundown United Methodist Church
at the
Sundown Church Hall

Grahamsville United Methodist Church
May 21, 2013
Thrift Sale 9am-1 pm
Luncheon 11am-1 pm

Thrift Sale Only
May 18, 2013
9 am-1 pm

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

Holy days of obligation: as announced in church bulletin.

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

Saturday afternoon confessions: 4 to 4:45.

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

St. Augustine's Chapel
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Penance 9:00 am, 2nd Sunday of the month
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Grahamsville Reformed Church
Sunday School 9:30 A.M.
Worship Service 9:30 A.M.
Rev. Paul Z. Ruter, Pastor
845-985-7480

PUBLIC NOTICES/LEGALS:**Daniel Pierce Library Budget Hearing**

Tuesday, June 4, 2013, at 7:00 p.m.
Daniel Pierce Library Community Room
5/16-30

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:

The Town of Denning is seeking sealed bids for 1- 4,000-psi concrete 3-side culvert as follows:

35 LF 7' tall x 14' span inside dimensions. 12" thick walls and roof.
Furnished with 18"x36" footings.
2- wing walls 8'long and 8" thick with footings for inlet. Delivered to Jobsite near the Claryville Fire Department, 1512 Denning Road, Claryville, N.Y. Questions may be directed to Superintendent Dan Van Sadlers at the Highway Department, 845-985-2554.
Sealed bids must be in an envelope marked Denning Road culvert. Bids will be accepted until the opening of the Denning Town Board Meeting to be held at the Sundown Church Hall, 3 Greenville Road, Sundown, N.Y. 12740, scheduled to begin at 7pm. on Tuesday, June 4th, 2013. Bids may be mailed to the Town of Denning, PO Box 277, Claryville, N.Y. 12725.

THE DENNING TOWN BOARD RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT ANY AND ALL BIDS WITHOUT REASON.

By the Order of the Denning Town Board
Joy Ann Monforte, Town Clerk 5/16; 5/23

LEGAL NOTICE

Pursuant to section 103 of General Municipal Law, Sealed bids are being requested for the following items:

GASOLINE

Specifications and bid forms may be obtained at the Town Clerk's Office, 273 Main Street, PO Box 307, Grahamsville, NY 12740, Monday - Friday, 8:30 am to 4:30 pm, excluding holidays.

All bids must be in the hands of the Town Clerk at the Town Hall no later than **2:00 pm on Monday, June 10, 2013** at which time or as reasonably soon thereafter, all bids will be publicly opened and read.

The Town Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids without reason.

**BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD
TOWN OF NEVERSINK
LISA GARIGLIANO, TOWN CLERK**

5/13

2013 Lake Superior State Park Season Passes Are Now Available

Monticello, NY - Kathleen LaBuda, Chair of Public Works Committee, announced today that 2013 Lake Superior State Park Season Passes are available for sale to Sullivan County residents and property owners at the Division of Public Works office, 100 North St., Monticello, NY. Each pass is \$15.00. To purchase a pass bring proof of residency or property ownership to the DPW office Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:30am and 4:00pm. 2012 Season pass holders may download the renewal form from the County Website (www.co.sullivan.ny.us) and apply for their 2013 season pass by mail.

The Beach at Lake Superior State Park will open to the public on Saturday, May 25, 2013 and continue to operate on weekends through the end of June, when it will commence its daily operations through Labor Day. The hours of operation are 9am - 7pm, subject to weather conditions. Admission fees are \$5 per person; children under 3 years old are free. Lake Superior does participate in the Golden Park Program, which grants New York State senior citizens free admission to the park on weekdays only. (No weekends or holidays.) Boat rentals, Vending Machines and the Bathhouse will all be available during regular beach operating hours. Several picnic pavilions are available for rent; please contact the DPW office at (845) 807-0261 for more information. Lake Superior State Park is operated and maintained by the Sullivan County Division of Public Works through a 20 year license agreement with the Palisades Interstate Park Commission.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR:

In reply to last week's letter, "Is There a Lack of Communication Between Tri-Valley Central School and Taxpayers"; is Tri-Valley playing the public? There are many buses every day passing by city lands and state lands, but there are no bus stops at the city or state lands. As I pass through Grahamsville and Neversink and many other Tri-Valley towns, all I see are for sale signs. How many children are being picked up?

Much of the property where there are for sale signs is being bought by folks from out of town, as second homes. They have no children attending Tri-Valley. Their children will attend school in the towns where they reside so we loose their vote here. For every home sold to a 'seasonal resident' there is at least one less vote to count on.

Will we soon have a campus in local Grahamsville and a track that we do not need? On most afternoons, you will see students running on the road toward Sundown and back to Tri-Valley. They are unsupervised and there is no adult present and they allow students to run on these roads without a signed permission slips from the taxpayers.

We already pay taxes for the roads we drive on, the same roads the students run on. Why should the taxpayers pay for a track that no one uses, or is this just a show?

What Tri-Valley has been doing has worked, why try to fix it? I have been told the reason the students don't run on the track is because it is boring to run around in circles. Is this true?

I know as a landowner and a taxpayer I don't appreciate silence or the unknown. This in my estimation this is the same as bullying.

There are many of us who feel we are being taken advantage of and feel that if it isn't for the benefit of all of the children/students, don't fix it; especially if it is working!

I suggest we sell the track. Perhaps we will loose our prestige, but we will save tax dollars. Paying extra taxes for the track is a double tax.

Brian Van Aken
Sundown Road
Grahamsville, NY

Columbine shooting anniversary April 20, 1999.

A brief history of the 2 boys (Eric and Dylan) who committed the Littleton Colorado school massacre shows that they were both violent with mental problems and had juvenile criminal records. They had been seen giving Hail Hitler salutes to each other in school, made strange and prejudice comments using Darwinian Evolution theory terminology and even made a video for a high school class that portrayed themselves as being hit men; shooting students in the halls and using profane language.

Eric and Dylan were both underage therefore they asked an older female student to make a straw purchase of two .12 gauge shotguns and a Hi-Point carbine. After illegally obtaining them they sawed off the shotguns which was and still is a felony under the National Firearms Act. They also purchased a TEC-DC9 semi-automatic handgun from a firearms dealer who in violation of federal law did not check ID or keep records of the sale. The firearms dealers were later convicted of supplying weapons to them. The boys also made bombs that miraculously did not go off!

The boys violated eighteen different gun control laws then and more have been put in place since then however we are not any safer!

How can our children be safer in school? Mental health issues must be dealt with at every level Federal, State, Local. These people can't be allowed to come and go as they please; they need help. Bring back or start firearms and sportsman conservation education for the students and stamp out the ignorance and media-hype surrounding guns. Hire an armed well-trained officer for our schools because the only way to stop a gunman in our school is by armed officer. Also educate the staff on what signs and behaviors to watch for in the students and on what to do (God forbid) if it ever happened at our school. Encourage faith-based organizations, especially people from the local churches, to come into the school; because life can be difficult but life is very precious and each of us is eternally responsible for his or her own actions.

God bless America; One nation under God.
John (JP) Pasquale
226 Old Rt 17

Livingston Manor, NY 12758

Chairman Samuelson Pleased with Governor's Intention to Move Forward with Casino Proposal

Sullivan County Legislature Chairman Scott B. Samuelson expressed his optimism after an announcement from Governor Cuomo's office that the Governor intends to push forward with a proposal for full gaming in New York State.

"I am pleased with Governor Cuomo's announcement that the casino issue is being addressed and moving forward," said Samuelson. "While I am still evaluating the details of the Governor's proposal, clearly this presents an opportunity for a real discussion and debate to occur. There seems to be an increasing amount of optimism that Class III gaming facilities could become a reality in New York State, and I remain hopeful that Sullivan County will benefit greatly from this endeavor."

Ira Steingart, Legislator for District 8 and Chairman of both the Sullivan County Industrial Development Agency and Community and Economic Development Legislative Committee, was also pleased with the announcement.

"This is an exciting time for Sullivan County, as we have been working for years to bring a Class III gaming facility to the County. Our developers have done their due diligence with regard to their respective projects and are ready to proceed if approved. We feel that we are well positioned to serve as a host community and it is imperative that Sullivan County be selected in this process. It is time for casinos to become a reality in Sullivan County and hopefully a referendum to settle the issue will appear on the ballot this November."

On Thursday May 9, Governor Cuomo unveiled a comprehensive resort gaming destination plan to create jobs and boost tourism in Upstate New York. The plan details a competitive, non-political, independent process for the siting of three resort gaming destinations. Legislation amending the New York State Constitution to allow Class III gaming in the State must be passed by the New York State Legislature prior to being placed on the November ballot to be voted on by New York State voters.

Breathing Some Life Back Into New Age Health Spa

Debbie Birch is breathing some life back into New Age Health Spa, in Neversink, NY. She, along with a small staff, will be offering a variety of fitness and yoga classes open to the entire community beginning May 13th and running until August 30th. Debbie is starting with a limited schedule, but is willing to expand and adapt the schedule, if there is community interest.

Three classes will be held on Mondays, Wednesday and Fridays: 8:00am Sunrise Yoga & Stretch; 9:00am Cardio & Strength Combo; 10:00am Core Conditioning (Schedule is subject to change)

Prices for attending these classes are \$15.00 for a single class, or buy a 10 class card for \$100.00 and save \$50.00! Class cards are good for any class at New Age and can be shared with family members.

There are also special Spa/Wellness Weekend Events being planned.

Our first Health and Wellness Day is Free and open to everyone to attend on Sunday June 2nd from 10:00am to 2:00pm. We will be offering free activities which include Fitness, Yoga, & Qi Gong Classes, Hiking in the Woods, and Lectures on Nutrition and Healthy Living.

Meet others in the community that will support you in achieving your personal healthy goals. Tell your neighbors - Bring a friend! Studies show that exercising with a buddy keeps you on the right track. Please contact Debbie at NewAgeSpaClass@gmail.com or 845-335-5609 for more information.

Memorial Weekend in Liberty Events

Come join the Greater Liberty Chamber of Commerce for a weekend of fun at the following events: Saturday, May 25th: **Yard Sale-O-Rama** 9 AM - 5 PM / Main Street; Sunday, May 26th: **Yard Sale-O-Rama** 9 AM - 5 PM; **2nd Annual Sullivan County Soap Box Derby**; Opening ceremonies at 8 AM / North Main Street; Monday, May 27th: **Memorial Day Parade** 10:30 AM / Main Street (Line-up 10am - West Liberty Street & Sprague Ave.) Memorial Day Observances immediately following parade at the Veteran's Cemetery on Cold Spring Road

For more info, please call the Liberty Chamber of Commerce at: 845-292-9797 or e-mail: info@LibertyNYChamber.com. Visit us at LibertyNYChamber.com

Memorial Day Service SC Veterans Cemetery

Sullivan County Veterans Service Agency is having their annual Memorial Day service on Monday, May 27, 2013 at 1:00 p.m. at the Sullivan County Veterans Cemetery, Sunset Lake Road, Liberty.

Our speaker will be Jeffrey W. French, a Vietnam Veteran from 1968-1971. Currently he is serving as Vice Commander of The American Legion Department of New York.

Town of Neversink Parks & Recreation Department

www.townofneversink.org
(845) 985-2262 extension 312

FLEA MARKET- Saturday, July 13. DETAILS: With both new and used items something for everyone.

Scranton-Wilkes-Barre Yankees Baseball Game- Thursday, July 25, \$12 residents/\$30 non-residents must be paid no later than Tuesday, May 28.

Trolley Tour -Luncheon-Entertainment-Shopping Wednesday, Oct. 2, 2013. \$40 pp residents; \$59 pp non-residents.

Zoom Flume - Saturday, Aug 3 -Leave Town Hall at 8 am return 6 pm. \$12 residents/\$36 non-residents. Must be paid by June 25.

Mad Science Show - Aug 22 Grahamsville Fairgrounds 5 pm- \$3 residents; \$10 non residents. Must be paid by Aug 6

Grease-Forestburg Playhouse - Aug 4 Lunch @ 1:30 pm Show & Lunch; residents \$36/ \$49 non residents. Must be paid by June 25

Shopping Cabelas Sept 14 Leave Town Hall 8 am \$21 residents/\$31 non-residents. Must be paid by July 9.

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

Walking Club Tuesdays 6:30-7:30 Grahamsville Fairgrounds



Daniel Pierce Library hours of operation beginning September 1, 2011.
Tuesday: 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Wednesday: 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Thursday: 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Friday: 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Saturday: 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Sunday and Monday: Closed
If you have any questions, please call the library at 985-7233.

The Library Board of Trustees meets at 7:30 p.m. on the third Wednesday of each month. On occasion, a meeting date is changed. Please call ahead to confirm.

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

AL-ANON MEETINGS -

http://www.al-anon.alateen.org

Mon- 7:00 p.m. United Methodist Church, 170 N. Main Street, Liberty

Thurs- 7:00 p.m. Immaculate Conception Church Annex, 6317 Rt 42, Woodbourne

Sat- 8:00 p.m. United Methodist Church, 170 N. Main Street, Liberty

SC RSVP Celebrates 40 years of Service to Sullivan County

The 40th Annual Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) Recognition Day Luncheon was held on Monday, May 13th at the Villa Roma Resort & Conference Club House in Callicoon.

Deborah Allen, Director of the Office for the Aging, welcomed the 225+ crowd that gathered to honor the seniors. With John Crotty and our RSVP Veterans leading the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Caryn Mathews, Director, RSVP gave opening remarks, Pastor Bob Paquet, gave the invocation.

Marcia Heller, Attorney at Law, sang "God Bless America". Scott Samuelson, Chairperson, Sullivan County Legislature, Cindy Kurpil-Gieger, Sullivan County Health Chairperson Health & Family Services spoke to the 40 year success of RSVP in Sullivan County.

A total of 283 RSVP volunteers performed over 55,000+ hours during 2012. The RSVP volunteers are making a difference in our communi-

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- 5/16/13 Dept. of Motor Vehicles Neversink Town Hall 10:00 am - 2:30 p.m.
- 5/18/13 Grahamsville United Methodist Church - Thrift Sale Only - 9 am - 1 pm
- 5/18/13 Liberty Museum & Arts Center- Jazz Performance 7pm - (845) 292-2394
- 5/18/13 Pot Roast Dinner - Christ Lutheran Church 105 Center St. Ellenville 4:30 - 7:00 pm 647-9054
- 5/20/13 Grahamsville Fire Dist. Board of Fire Commissioners - 7:00 pm
- 5/21/13 Grahamsville United Methodist Church Thrift Sale (9am-1pm) & Luncheon (11am-1pm)
- 5/21/13 Town of Neversink Zoning Board of Appeals - 7:30 pm
- 5/22/13 Time and the Valleys Museum - Exhibition Opening - 4 pm
- 5/22/13 TV Little League Bake Sale - Grahamsville Fairgrounds 4 pm
- 5/22/13 Neversink Fire District Meeting at 7:30 p.m.; Public Meeting at 8:00 p.m.
- 5/27/13 TOWN OF NEVERSINK MEMORIAL DAY HOLIDAY
- 5/28/13 Town of Neversink Parks & Rec - 7:00 pm
- 6/1/13 Sundown Methodist Church Covered Dish Supper - 5:30 pm Sundown Church Hall
- 6/4/13 Town of Denning Board Meeting 7:00pm Sundown Church Hall
- 6/5/13 Tri-Valley Lions Rabies Clinic - 6-8 pm Grahamsville Fairgrounds
- 6/5/13 Town of Neversink Planning Board Meeting- 7:00 pm
- 6/5/13 Claryville Fire District Meeting - Regular meeting
- 6/8/13 Breakfast - Sundown Church Hall - 7:30 am - 9:30 am
- 6/12/13 Town of Neversink Board Meeting - 7:30 pm
- 6/16/13 Claryville Fire Dept. Pancake Breakfast 7 am - Noon
- 6/19/13 Neversink Rondout Antique Machinery Assoc. Meeting - 7:30 PM

Save the Dates!

May 22nd, 2013 - Time and the Valleys Museum - Exhibition Opening - 4 pm - Time and the Valleys Museum Opening Memorial Day - Labor Day, Thursday to Sunday noon

June 5 - Tri-Valley Lions Rabies Clinic 6-8 pm on the Fairgrounds in Grahamsville

July 14- The second annual Matthew R Bertholf Horseshoe Tournament Neversink Firehouse

July 27, 2013 Time and the Valleys Museum Old Time Fair & Chicken BBQ (2-5 pm) - Grahamsville Fairgrounds 11 am - 5 pm

Annual Shawangunk Mountain Wild Blueberry & Huckleberry Festival sponsored by the EWCOC -Saturday August 10th-Vendor applications are available now. Coordinator is Dianne E Turner ("aka "Mother Blueberry")

2nd Annual Holiday Craft Fair - Sundown Methodist Church Hall - Date to be announced.

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

- SUNDOWN CAMP & BAIT SHOP
- GRAHAMSVILLE DELI
- EUREKA MARKET & CAFE
- CANNIE D'S
- BLUE HILL LODGE
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- DR. LONSTEIN'S OFFICE
- MATTHEW'S PHARMACY
- ELLENVILLE CITGO
- ELLENVILLE REG HOSPITAL
- NAPANOCH APPLIANCE
- PETER'S MARKET

TOWN OF OLIVE MEETINGS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

Town of Olive Board Auditing Meeting every second Monday of each month. This meeting is open to the public and all bills being reviewed are available for the general public to see.

Town Board meets every second Tuesday of each month. Both meetings begin at 7:30 PM at the Town Hall on Bostock Road, Shokan, NY.

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.

ty. 9 volunteers served over 1,000 volunteer hours during 2012 received a special award certificate Members of the "1,000 Hour Club" The awards were presented by Elaine Finkle, RSVP Specialist to: Barbara Burns - 1,072, William Burns - 1,105, Patricia Curtis - 4,800, Margaret Ippolito - 1,016, Helen "Pat" Muniz - 1006, Sharon Rider - 1,072, Sonny Smith - 1,536, Barbara Viele - 1,071, Marcelle Wagner - 2,420

Special Honor Awards were presented to: Mae Kratz our longest active term volunteer since 1973, Marie Zalesky for being the eldest RSVP Volunteer at 105 years young serving at Grover Hermann Division of the Catskill Regional Medical Center since 1975. Marcelle Wagner for most number of hours served: 41,000 hours since 1988.

Special Service awards were presented by Caryn Mathews RSVP Program Director to: 50 RSVP Medical Transporters: Leonard Bauer, Marcia Bauer, Richard W. Beach, Sylvia Ann Bogusz, Virginia Bossley, Bruce Buckman, RoseMarie Carr, Yoriko Cherry, Marjorie "Jean" Cocot, Edward Coney Donald Downs, Edith "Edie" Downs, Carmen "Letty" Figueroa, Barbara Fogarty, Robert Grab, Sr., Burton Greenberg, Lorraine Greenberg, Richard "Dick" Harding, Anita Hartmann, Star Hesse, Agi Hyman, Norton Hyman, Mary Inghrim, Denise Jakaitis, Bernard "Bob" Kassman, Zinnia Konviser, Ralph Liff, Barbara MacGhee, Joann MacKinnon, Paul Mader, Stanley "Stan" Martin, Yvonne Martin, Letha McCausland, Eva Molnar, Noreen Mudge, Arleen Nieke, George Nieke, James "Jim" O'Rourke, Gail Owen, Gloria Paquet, Robert "Bob" Paquet, Peter Rogers, Thomas "Tom" Rudzinskas, Vincent Santoro, Joseph Stifano, Helena Terpis, Peter Toscano, Hulda Vernooy, Arthur Viele, Barbara Viele. Thank you for your willingness to serve and the difference you make in the lives of others. Medical volunteers served 3,587 hours and travelled over 66,000 miles providing; 1, 690 trips to needed medical appointments to the elderly of Sullivan County.

A Certificate of Appreciation was presented by Caryn Mathews RSVP Program Director to Michelle Semerano and Mike Sakell; WDNB Thunder 102.1/Bold Gold Media Group for announcing the RSVP volunteers birthdays each morning on the radio and their continued on-air support of the RSVP program. During 2012 there were 330 RSVP volunteers' birthdays announced.

We appreciate all the businesses and individuals for their door prize gifts, raffle prizes and donations.

The RSVP Program staff: Caryn Mathews, RSVP Project Director & Elaine Finkle, RSVP Specialist, would like to extend our sincere thanks and gratitude to the Sullivan County Legislature for their continued and resolute support. We also want to thank all of the members of the RSVP Advisory Committee members for all their assistance with our gala event, the many hours fundraising and tireless support.

Each Legislative District chose a "RSVP Senior of the Year". From these 9 nominations, one senior was chosen as the Sullivan County RSVP Senior of the Year. Sullivan County Legislature & Health Chairperson/Health & Family Services Cindy Kurpil-Gieger, & Kathleen LaBuda (District # 2 Legislator), Announced... Sophia Martynec, Town of Lumberland /Legislative District # 2, as the Sullivan County "RSVP" Senior of the Year for 2012.

Special thank you to the Villa Roma for their continued support of the Sullivan County RSVP Program.

Give the gift of volunteerism to your community. You really can make a difference! Spend part of your retirement doing what you do best and achieve results that make a real difference. Join us... We're RSVP of Sullivan County. If you are interested, please call Caryn Mathews, RSVP Project Director at 807-0251 for more information.

WOMEN'S SOFTBALL TWO PITCH TOURNAMENT TO BENEFIT THE ALLIANCE FOR LUPUS RESEARCH



Featuring teams and players from the Sullivan County Women's Softball League

Saturday, May 18, 2013
Grahamsville Fairgrounds
Starting Time: 9:00 AM
--All Day Event--



CONCESSION STAND
50/50 DRAWINGS
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For more info about the tournament or the Alliance for Lupus Research Call 292-2683 or 292-2949

SPRING CLEANING?

Sullivan County Prenancy Support Center is looking for donations for a yard sale Fundraiser event.

- Baby Clothes
- Hats
- Outdoor furniture
- Lawn Ornaments
- Kitchen items
- Framed art
- Toys
- Jackets
- Indoor Furniture
- Christmas items
- Tools
- Exercise equipment

Basically anything that is in fairly good condition and still has value to someone else.

The yard sale will be Memorial Weekend
Please contact Karen Gorr to arrange for pick up or drop off at 292-3749 or 985-7735.

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845-292-2224



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2 BR Duplex, Rt 55, Grahamsville. Nice Apt in small community. Great Layout. \$750 +utilities. Sec & References. 985-2941 bdt rene

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HELP WANTED

Frost Valley YMCA, Claryville, NY
Seeking a part-time, non exempt Front Desk Associate for Friday nights, weekends, and as needed. Must be 18 years or older. Possess strong customer service, communication, and organizational skills. This position will greet and check in guests, operate phone switchboard, and handle cash as needed. The Front Desk Associate will support daily functions of the Frost Valley Front Desk and Reservations Department. Send application and resume to Linda Campbell, HR, hr@frostvalley.org 845-985-2291 EOE 5/9:16

Frost Valley YMCA, Claryville, NY
Seeking a full-time, non exempt Reservations Assistant for year round employment. Must be 21 years or older with minimum 2 years experience in Customer Service. Possess strong customer service, communication, and organizational skills. This position will book reservations, process billings and various communications with guests, and manage an interdepartmental calendar. The Reservations Assistant will support daily functions of the Frost Valley Front Desk and Reservations Department. Salary commensurate with experience + Great Benefits! Send application and resume to Linda Campbell, HR, hr@frostvalley.org 845-985-2291 EOE 5/9:16

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- 2.3 ac level lot with septic designs & drilled well. \$43k
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- Spacious 4-5 BR/2BA turnkey colonial on 5+ level acres w/lg sep garage, porch in quiet Grahamsville n'hood. \$269,000
- Tasteful 4 BR home with sunroom, bar, fpl, formal DR, lg deck, 2 car garage, on 1.58 acres. \$219,000
- 3BR/2 BA architect-owned/renovated farmhouse with modern addition on 1.7 acres. \$349,000.
- 4BR/2.5 BA eyebrow colonial w/fpl, screened porch, sep dining rm on 15+ acs nr State Land. \$354,000.
- Dramatic views from 108 acre property with huge meadows, woods, 1900s farmhse, barns & apple orchard. \$499k
- **HANDYMAN** 3 bed/1 ba on 4.5 acres adj State land. \$50k
- 2BR/1BA authentic log cabin on 20+ acs with fpl, skylights, woods that end at the Neversink River. \$275k
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Quiz: 1. Who played Anne of Cleves? 2. Who played Thomas Culpepper?

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

- WOODBOURNE -
DON'T MISS THIS SPRING EVENT ON MAY 22, 2013
Woodbourne Fire Department's Fund Raising Committee presents its 100th Anniversary Event with Prizes and Great Foods.
BBQ-Raffle.....

1st Prize--Broil-Mate Gas Grill, Tools, and quick Party Meat Pkg; (Which Consists Of 16-Sirloin Burger Patties, 2-Pkgs Hot Dogs, 2-Pkgs Burger Buns, 2-Pkgs Hot Dog Buns, and 4-Side Salads)

2nd Prize-Char-Broil Table-Top Gas Grill And The Small Family"C" Meat Pkg; (Which Consists Of 3 Lbs Of Each....Sirloin Steaks,Chicken Cutlets, Drumsticks, Ground Round, and End Cut Pork Chops)

3rd Prize--The Mix Grill Meat Pkg; (Which Consists Of 4 Lbs Of Each..Italian Sausage, Chicken Cutlets, Sirloin Burgers,.Boneless Chuck Steaks, and Boneless Pork Chops)

Meat Packages Are From Carmine's Meat Market
Tickets Are \$5 Each Or Five For \$20
Drawing, At The Woodbourne Fire House 5/22/2013
• Please return tickets by May 20, 2013

TRI-VALLEY THEATRE ARTS CLUB PRESENTS:
DINNER THEATRE! BY BILLY ST. JOHN
SATURDAY, JUNE 1ST

TRI-VALLEY SECONDARY SCHOOL UPSTAIRS GYM, DINNER BEGINS AT 6:00 P.M. ~ CURTAIN AT 7:00 P.M. ADULT: \$22 SENIOR CITIZEN: \$18; CHILD 12 OR YOUNGER: (\$12 CHILD MEAL CONSISTS OF SMALLER PORTIONS). TICKETS MUST BE PURCHASED PRIOR TO THE EVENT. TICKET INCLUDES DINNER , SHOW AND 1 FREE 'WHO-DONE-IT ENTRY'. FOR TICKETS: CALL REGINA HARTMAN AT 985-2296 EXT. 4154

- THE ROUTE 28 CORRIDOR -
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- PINE HILL -
Some of the best food along the 28 Corridor is at the Saturday Grand Buffett at the Colonial Inn in Pine hill; ask for Steve or Heather, for great service in the dining room, or a room with character, for those who need an over night stay.

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