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# "Eat, Drink and Be Murdered," packs the house at Liberty Diner



Big Sky Productions' rendition of Eat, Drink and Be Murdered by Tony Schwartz and Marylou Ambrose was an evening of humor, laughs, suspense and audience participation as the guests celebrated along with the actors at Grandma Rose O'Riley McFadden's 80th birthday. Everyone had a great time at the Liberty Diner. Nearly 90 people packed the dining room, enjoying the show, and the great food and service from host, Liberty Diner. (Contd. Pg. 4)

# Silver Anniversary

On April 4th, 2019, Carol Eck-Yonker celebrated 25 years of service with Sprague & Killeen, Inc. The staff, along with Carol's family, surprised Carol with a luncheon at White Wolf Restaurant in Napanoch, NY, in recognition of this milestone.



Carol joined the Sprague & Killeen Team in 1994. As a Certified Customer Service Representative (CISR), Certified Professional Insurance Agent (CPIA), and a Licensed NY Broker, she is the manager of the agency's commercial lines department.

With Carol's experience and expertise, she provides customers with knowledge to determine the coverages that will best serve their needs.

Carol is a native to Ellenville and a graduate of Ellenville High School. She attended Mount Saint Mary College. She currently resides in Ellenville with her family.

"Carol brings many strong qualities to our office. She has the will and determi-nation that is important in getting any job done", said agency owner, Dwight Coombe. Carol is a dedicated, detail-oriented worker, with strong problem-solv-ing chills. The Spream & Killer the service of the birth of the service of the serv ing skills. The Sprague & Killeen team appreciates her kindness and willingness to help whenever needed.

Sprague & Killeen, Inc. would like to thank Carol for being a significant part of our team and for her many years of dedication and hard work! We look forward to 25 more years!

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#### **Over 180 BCES Students are Certified** 16 Warrior Kids 10 14

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After three months of challenging exercising and learning about the importance of keeping the body healthy with movement and good nutrition, more than 180 students at BCES re-ceived certification from the Catskill Regional Medical Center (CRMC) for completing the War-rior Kids Program on April 10 in the school cafeteria.

Amanda Langseder. (Contd. Akinyemi. Pg. 8)



cafeteria. This once a week after school event was led by CRMC Director of Community Health Amanda Langseder (Contell Cooperative Extension from Sullivan County), CRMC Director of Community Health Langseder and Physical Trainer Damola

# **Congratulations to Tri-Valley Teachers** The Tri-Valley Teachers' Association (TVTA) would like to rec-



Childhood Birth-2nd Grade at SUNY

When asked what she enjoys most about her job, Amanda referred directly to her students. She said, "I love to see my students' faces when they have an "aha!" moment after learning something new. I enjoy getting to know each student's personality and see how they learn and grow through play." (Contd. Pg. 3)



ognize and congratulate Mrs. Amanda Patterson and Ms. Christie Wright for recently receiving tenure at Tri-Valley

Amanda received her tenure as a Universal Pre-Kin-dergarten Teacher. She started her career at Tri-Valley and has now been with us for four

Amanda received her Bachelor's Degree in Childhood and Early Childhood Education Birth – 6th Grade at SUNY New Paltz. She also completed her Master's Degree focusing on Early

Central School.

years.

Christie Wright

# Human Rights Commission Welcomes New Executive Director

Monticello, NY - Local resident Dana Borowski has been named the Executive Director of the Sullivan County Human Rights



Commission (HRC). "On behalf of the commissioners, I am thrilled to welcome Dana Borowski to the Human Rights Commission," said HRC Board Co-Chair Judy Balaban. "Dana impressed us all with her deep commitment to Sullivan County. Her background in economics and political science brings a fresh perspective to our continuing work in protecting the rights of all of our residents.".(Contd. Pg. 4)

Amanda Patterson Education

Albany.



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THE TOWNSMAN

ON THE FRONT BURNER: Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the LORD your God will be with you wherever you go. Joshua 1:9

# **OBITUARIES**

Richard Kenneth Born of Kerhonkson, NY died Thursday, April 4, 2019. He was 75 years old. Rick was born on April 19, 1943 in Bronx, NY, the son of the late Walter and Eva (Doran) Born.

Rick served his country in the United States Army during the Vietnam War. On July 25, 1976 Rick married Linda Davis in Tillson, NY. Being a lifelong area resident, everyone knew him as the owner/operator of Rick Born Plumbing and Heating. Rick was still being called for work even after his illness wouldn't allow him to.

Rick is survived by his loving wife, Linda, of 42 years. His daughter Wendy Sedlak. His sons; Gary Huttman, Brett Huttman and his wife Linda, and Eric Zielke and his wife Christine. His grandchildren; Michael Huttman, Elizabeth Huttman, Cyndi Huttman, Lauren Zielke, Morgan Sedlak, Courtney Sedlak and Jessica Sedlak. His brothers; Lawrence (Carol) Born, Ronald (Wanda) Born and Gerald (Marie) Born. His sisters; Maureen Mackey and Helen (Paul) Jaffer. And many nieces and nephews. Besides his parents, he was predeceased by his brother Walter Daniel Born Jr.

A celebration of Rick's life is scheduled to be held at the Federated Church of Kerhonkson on June 1. 2019 at 2pm.

Contributions may be made in Rick's memory to the St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, P.O. Box 1000, Dept. 142, Memphis, TN 38148-0142 or stjude.org.

Arrangements entrusted to the Humiston Funeral Home, Kerhonkson. To send a personal condolence Rick's family please to visithumistonfuneralhome.com.

Franklin Guy Rider of Accord, NY died on Thursday, April 18, 2019 at Golden Hill after a long illness. Born on January 7, 1943 in Ellenville, NY; he was the son of Guy and Bernice (Quick) Rider. Franklin attended the Rondout Valley Schools.

He had a lifelong passion for John Deere Tractors that started as a child when he rode along with his father. He collected many tractors as years went by. Franklin met many friends - local and from other states at the many fairs and tractor events he and his wife attended. He won many ribbons and trophies at these events. Locally he attended the Dutchess and Ulster County Fairs as well as the Grahamsville Fair. He also traveled to Pennsylvania and Iowa, and was a member of the Two Cylinder Club.

Franklin was a machinist for Chuck Matthews at Peak Hi-Lo Services. He drove for Croswell Enterprises for many years. He also did custom farming for many local farms. Franklin enjoyed "tinkering" and restoring his tractors and was always happy to help others with their tractor problems. He loved animals especially cats and always enjoyed having them. Franklin loved to be outdoors and together with his wife enjoyed camping.

I n addition to his wife Mary Hansen Simmons, Franklin is survived by his son Donald K. Rider (Lisa) of Accord; step sons, Steven Simmons (Allison) of Hurley, NY and James Simmons of Boynton Beach, FL. Also surviving are several grandchildren, nieces, nephews and cousins; his Aunt Verna Barringer of Krumville who he shared many meals with and was a source of comfort to him throughout his life, and she made him the best chocolate cookies in the world. His sister-in-law Karen Brueck of Cobbleskill, NY and Elizabeth Hansen and husband Marty Stoddard of Spokane, WA

The family is very thankful for the care he received at Golden Hill Rehab and Nursing Center. Their kindness and constant support will never be forgotten.

As per his wishes Franklin was cremated. on Saturday, April 27th a celebration of his life was held at Humiston Funeral Home, 30 42nd St. Kerhonkson. 845-626-3331

In lieu of flowers to honor Frank's memory donations may be made to the Accord Fire Company or the Ulster County SPCA.

To send a personal condolence to Franklin's family please visit www.humistonfuneralhome.com

# MEMORIAL SERVICE John (Jack) Clark

August 27, 1931-November 15, 2018

To Friends and Family

We are going to have a **Celebration of his** life on May 11, 2019 at St Paul's Lutheran Church - Liberty, New York at 11 AM. A luncheon will follow downstairs after the Service.

- Carol, Sandy and Ed

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

#### May 4. 1949

At the last session of the Sullivan County Board of Supervisors it was recommended by County Superintendent Charles Geissler that \$8,460 be spent on preliminary work on the South Hill Road. This sum was included in the proposed program for the whole county. The South Hill Road joins a macadam-topped road in the Town of Wawarsing, which is a through road to Route 55. In spite of its bad condition, it has carried a heavy traffic load along with school bus and milk routes. This spring the Neversink Town Board voted to us its special improvement fund on the road. It is expected that the town will start its special improvement program for this road as soon as the County survey is completed.

Nial Everett has had extended the electric light line to his camps across the creek in Sundown. He and Herbert George are wiring the buildings.

Clifford Slater has been dozing a piece of land for Archie Dean and digging cellars for Harry Knox, Arthur Pomeroy and Ed Adsit the past week.

Report on a six month survey to determine the extent of water waste in New York City last week brought out - the City plans to complete the Rondout and Neversink water works projects in 1952 and the East Delaware section by 1956. The NY Dept. of Water Supply, Gas & Electricity stressed that the City must get along with its present system until the new sources are opened. The Rondout and Neversink sections it said, should add 205,000,000 gallons daily and the East Delaware section will add 335,000,000 gallons daily.

#### May 6, 1959

Twenty-one of the twenty-two seniors at Tri Valley Central School enjoyed the annual Washington trip from Wednesday through Saturday. Mr. Edward Condon and Miss Audrey Kelly were chaperones of the group. Those on the trip were: Sharon Hamilton, Patsy Banta, Darleen Decker, Carol Rosenthal, Beverley Allen, Theresa McGuire, Mary Carry, Myrna Altman, Brooke Anderson, Jean Goode, Mary Leonard, William Goldsmith, Dan Bologna, Jacob Frank, Philip West, John Busell, James Krum and Robert Ingram. Francis Distle was ill in the hospital and unable to attend.

Mr. Chandler Curry, President of the Tri Valley Stock Car Racing Association has advised that the opening date for the stock car racetrack will probably be Memorial Day, May 30th.

A/3 AI Einert is studying Electronics at Keesler Air Force base in Biloxi, Miss. A-B Kenneth Gavin is attending Aircraft and Maintenance School at Chanute Air Force Base in Ill. Thomas A. Smith who is serving in the Air Force in Anchorage, Alaska has been promoted to Airman First Class. Herbert George, Jr. stationed with the U.S. Army in Korea, has been on leave in Japan. He has been transferred to communications.

Tri-Valley Diner at Curry's Corners: Attention fisherman - Headquarters and weigh station for the Louis A Wehle Fishing Contest. Stop in for contest rules and

entry blanks. Next Sunday is Mothers Day. It was just 23 years ago that the Rev. and Mrs. Harris first came to Lows Corners.

Apprentice Seaman Fredrick DuBois, who is stationed at Norfolk, Va., has been promoted to Seaman. He loft on Sunday after enjoying a ten-day leave at his home here.

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## **A Round About Tri-Vallev** - Carol Furman

Congratulations to Debra Swett, a teacher at Tri-Valley, who was chosen to receive the

Sullivan County School Board Association's "Outstanding Educator Award". Deb always has a great attitude and always looks for ways to celebrate students and to improve the school community.

Congratulations to Emily Carey, a student at Tri-Valley, who has been chosen to represent the New York State FFA as the 2019 - 2020 Reporter. Emily is the daughter of Peter and Amy Barkley Carey, and has previously served as the District 2 FFA President.

As I write this article, four Tri-Valley High School track and field athletes are preparing tocompete in the prestigious Penn Relays in the  $4 \times 4$  relay to be held on April 27th. Qualifying for this meet is a once in a life time experience! Tom VanSaders, Matt Tierney, Antoine Perpignand and Andrew Coddington will represent Tri-Valley at this 125 year old event. They have been working hard to prepare and hope to perform well. I'll keep you posted.

Heather latauro Mowels, a former Tri-Valley graduate, will be inducted into the Section 9 Track and Field Hall of Fame on May 5th. Heather, daughter of Joe and Missy latauro, was a outstanding runner at Tri-Valley, winning many cross country and track championships.

Musicians from all over Sullivan County will be traveling to Tri-Valley School on May 10th and 11th for the New York State School Music Association's (NYSSMA) Solo Festival. Selected students will be singing solos or playing solos on their musical instruments. The students will receive a performance rating from judges, and these scores will help to determine which students are accepted to participate in the All-County Festival and Area All-State next year. The scores also give the students and their teachers feedback on how to improve student musical skills.

The New York State FFA will be holding their annual state convention in Syracuse from May 2nd - May 4th. Many Tri-Valley FFA students will be attending to participate in classes, competitions and tours.

The Tri-Valley 8th grade class went to Ellis Island and the Statue of Liberty on Friday, April 26th. This was a firsttime experience for many of these students. Sunday, April 2 8th-Neversink Parks and Rec sponsored

a Greenwich Village food and culture walking tour. What a nice way to spend a day!

I hope everyone enjoyed their Easter Day. There were many worshipers in the pews at both the Grahamsville Methodist Church and the Grahamsville Reformed Church. I didn't attend the sunrise service on South Hill, but I heard that about 25 attended the service.

Don't forget the Tri-Valley Lions Journey For Sight, which will be held at the T/O Neversink ball fields on Saturday, May 4th beginning at 9:00 am. Come a little early to register. Also, Supervisor, Chris Matthews and other Town officials will be present to kick-off the Walking Club, which will meet every Saturday morning, for one hour. Come join the group and walk and enjoy the fresh air. All are welcome!

Words of Wisdom: When your husband asks what's on TV, dust is not the answer. Remember stressed spelled backwards is desserts.

**NEVERSINK NEWS** - Hulda Vernooy A big "THANK YOU" to all the 'town' men who keep our town roads safe. Everyone really appreciates it.

# **DAYS OF YORE...**

**...Today's History** (From Pg. 2)

April 30, 1959

Airman Donald W. Kortright, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Kortright of Neversink, NY and Airman Arden F. Dean, son of Mrs. Elizabeth H. Dean of Neversink, NY have completed basic training at Lackland AFB, Texas. Airman Kortright has been assigned to a unit of the Strategic Air Command at Little Rock AFT, Ark for training and duty in the civil engineering structural and pavements field. Airman Dean has been assigned to Keesler AFT, Miss. for training in communication electronic systems. Both Airmen

are 1968 graduates of Tri Valley Central School. Nancy DeWire, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Norman DeWire, South Hill, Grahamsville, has been awarded a Regents Scholarship. Nancy was on an alternate status and was notified that she has been movd up to a full award winner. This scholarship is the sixth Regents Scholarship awarded to Tri-Valley this year.

Who has forgotten the years of faithful contribution Rev. Harris hade to "The Townsman"? One good citizen of Grahamsville said it was Rev. Harris's new column-his interesting and unique style of reporting that made readers hurry to scan the paper each week.

April 26, 1979

Nancie Seaman will celebrate her 108th birthday on May 13, 1079. She has been a resident of the Town of Neversink for as long as anyone can remember.

The Tri-Valley Lions Club will hold a free clinic to test hearing, blood pressure and eyesight (for glaucoma) on May 5th from 1 - 5 pm at the Tri-Valley Elementary School. This clinic is open to everyone in the Tri-Valley area which includes the Towns of Neversink, Denning, Fallsburg and Wawarsing

Mrs. Sheila Benton, Science Department Chairman at Tri-Valley Central School, has received notification that she is one of three finalists selected for "Outstanding Science Teacher Award" presented annually by the Science Teachers' Association of New York.

A surprise baby show was given on Friday, April 13th for Rena Berholf of Loring Air Force Base, Maine. Rena was home with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Marshall for about three weeks and she was joined by her husband Daniel Bertholf who was on leave for a week. They have now returned to the base, which is near Caribou, Maine.

Members of the AARP are on a shopping spree at the Willow Brook Mall in NJ on Tuesday. These folks really know how to enjoy!!!

The Sundown Crazy Quilters, as the girls call themselves, have just finished a beautiful patchwork quilt and this will be on exhibit and for sale on April 28th at the Sundown Church Hall annual chicken dinner.

#### **Congratulations to Tri-Valley Teachers**

(From Pg. 1) In addition to teaching, Amanda is also a part of the TVTA SnackPack program and Holiday Drive.

Christie received her tenure as an Elementary Physical Education Teacher. She has been teaching at Tri-Valley for four years. Over these years she has taught physical education classes in several elementary grades. Before coming to Tri-Valley, she taught middle school physical education at Cornwall Central School in New York.

Christie received her Bachelor's Degree in Physical Education from SUNY Cortland. She also received her Graduate Certificate in Adaptive Physical Education from West Chester University in Pennsylvania. Finally, Christie is currently finishing her Master's Degree in Curriculum Development and Instructional Technology at SUNY Albany

When asked what she enjoys most about her job. Christie referenced her students right away. She said she loves the fact that, "Every day is different and exciting, and I never know what to expect. I really enjoy seeing my students having fun while being active."

In addition to teaching, Christie is very engaged outside of the classroom. Christie coaches Cross Country, Indoor Track and Field, and Outdoor Track and Field. She is also a part of the TVTA SnackPack program.

Congratulations again to Amanda and Christie for their wonderful accomplishments!

#### **First Friday Book Discussion Club**

The first Friday of the month book discussion group meets in the Upper-Level Conference Room of the Daniel Pierce Library in Grahamsville, N.Y. from 1 to 3 p.m.

Please join us. Refreshments are provided by the members. This month's book discussion: "Carnegie"s Maid", a novel by Marie Benedict.

# Update on The Neversink **Farmer's Market**

The Neversink Farmer's Market regrets to announce that the market will not open for 2019. The market has not been able to establish an adequate supplier of fresh produce nor sufficient shoppers. The vendors would like to thank our customers for their support, Market Managers Mary Magnetico and John Story for keeping us organized, Linda Comando for her excellent Townsman coverage, and Mark McLewin for so generously hosting the market.

All of our regular vendors remain in business and welcome your continued support. A map of local businessesand craftspeople is under consideration as is establishing a local artisan market that would be open monthly. Thank you again from.

Kate's Herbals- www.katesherbals.com Harnett Woodwork - harnettdesigns.com Story's Neversink Plant Co - (845)985-5071 Standing Impressions - standingimpressions.com Muthig Farms Maple Syrup - (845)292-7838 Claryville Pottery - (845) 985-2016 ThunderView Farms - thunderviewfarms.com Ann's Booty - (845) 741-5467 Balloons by Art -(845) 701-2931 Neversink General Store -(845) 985-2076

Nature Column - Linda Comando

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

#### **Cherry BlossomTime**

Trees are often at the center of many of our celebrations. A few weeks ago Kwanzans, the most popular flowering cherry blossom trees were stars at the 2019 Annual Cherry Plossom Easting in Washington held from March 2001 Blossom Festival in Washington held from March 20th through April 14th.

you drive along Route 55 from Sundown to Grahamsville you will see many of these beautiful cherry trees gracing the hillsides,

especially near Rocky Hill and Eureka Road. How did these beauti-

ful trees get here? In 1910 a shipment of 2,000 Japanese flowering cherring was sent to cherries was sent to Washingting, D.C. as a gesture of friendship, hoping to smooth over ongoing immigration tensions.

Unfortunately, inspec-

tors with the Department of Agriculture under the Taft administration found the trees full of insects and diseases and recommended they be burned. This nearly created a diplomatic crisis! The decision to burn

This nearly created a diplomatic crisis! The decision to burn the trees required approval from the secretaries of state and war-as well as President Taft himself. By 1912, Tokyo mayor Yuko Ozaki remedied the situa-tion and sent 3,020 more cherry trees, which the Department of Agriculture accepted. First Lady Helen Taft and Viscountess Chinda, wife of the Japanese ambassador, cere-monially planted the first two trees that still remain standing on the north bank of the Tidal Basin just west of Independence and 17th streets in Washington, D.C. But Washington was not the only city to receive flower-

But Washington was not the only city to receive flowering cherry trees. Flowering cherry trees were also presented as a gift from the Committee of Japanese Residents of New York as part of the Hudson-Fulton Celebration in 1909, a year earlier than those first sent to Washington, D.C., com-memorating the 100th anniversary of Robert Fulton's innovative demonstration of the steam-powered boat on the Hudson River and the 300th anniversary of Henry Hudson's discovery and exploration of the river. However, the steam-er that carried the original delivery of cherry trees from Japan was lost at sea. The new shipment of trees arrived in New York City also in 1912. They were planted in Clairmont Park, now known as Sakura Park, on April 28th, of that year.

The Brooklyn Botanical Garden founded in 1910 eventually included The Japanese Hill-and-Pond Garden, designed by landscape architect Takeo Shiota. It was com-pleted in 1915 and was the first public Japanese garden in the United States.

A great feature of the Empire State landscape is that flowering trees like the Kwanzan flowering cherry tree grows well in NY. If you take a ride to Ellenville this time of the year, you will also see a splendid display of these beautiful trees that made their way up to the mountains - and that was where the trees that are dispersed over Rocky Hill came from.

Elise and Raymond Hornbeck planted a few flowering cherry trees that I believe came from near the old Yama Farms in Napanoch. They planted them around their new home. Looking back, that was well over fifty years ago! Now those spectacular little trees are full-size filled with clusters of cherry pink blossoms. With the help of little crea-tures and Mother Nature, the small black fruit of the original trees and their offspring have spread over the billside and in trees and their offspring have spread over the hillside and in the valley heading toward Sundown. You can see, the flow-ering cherry trees adapted quite well in their new location and created their very own natural garden.

Kwanzan cherry trees (Prunus serrulata) are members of the rose family. They are flowering trees classified as decid-uous that grow to about 25 feet in height in soil with very good drainage The alternating leaves are ovate to lanceolate shape with serrated margins. They are often reddishcopper as they emerge, turning dark green by summer and yellow, orange or bronze in the fall. With their delicate pink flowers blossoming before their leaves fully emerge, there can be no mistaking them when they are seen

These becautiful trees with their gorgeous flowers, have not only become a symbol for our whole nation - but a treas-

ured gift for generations to come. And right here in Grahamsville, they were in full bloom just in time for Arbor Day last Friday and are still at their peak!

# **Household Hints**

**Restore a sponge** 

Hand sponges and mop sponges usually get grungy beyond use long before they are really worn out. To restore sponges to a pristine state, soak them overnight in a solution of about 1/4 cup salt per quart (liter) of water

# THE TOWNSMAN



# Ambush

Mysterious Book Report No. 371 by John Dwaine McKenna

Ambush, (Thomas & Mercer, PB, \$15.95, 350 pages, ISBN 978-1503901513), the third - and latest - in the Sydney Rose Parnell thriller series by Barbara Nickless, takes off on page one like a Marine FA-18 Super Hornet under full military power from the flight deck of the U.S.S. George H.W. Bush, and never lets the reader down.



The novel opens in Denver, where a Regional Transportation District, or RTD, cop named Jeremiah Kane receives an eerie warning phone call from a former US Marine fire-team buddy in Iraq. The caller is a man named Crowe; a man who's got demons in his head from the war; a man whose sanity is in question. He tells Kane that he thinks someone is following him. And he also says that, "It's like we're the heros in a effed-up movie. And Iraq is the monster that won't die." Within hours, Kane is dead. At the same time, Railroad Detective, and a former Marine comrade of Kane and Crowe . . . as well as a fellow PTSD suf-

ferer . . . named Sydney Rose Parnell, is on a personal mission in Mexico City. She's the protagonist in Ms. Nickless' first two novels *Blood on the Tracks*, and *Dead Stop*, and she's there trying to find an Iraqi orphan named Malik. He's an eleven year-old boy whose parents were both murdered by the insurgents, and he holds a key piece of evidence that proves an act of treason. It's a crime so vile that forces with what seem like an unlimited resources, and run by an unknown enemy Sydney Parnell has dubbed the Alpha, is killing everyone who has any connection with the removal and burial of Malik's mother, a translator for the Americans, and his father, a US Marine. Mailk is at the top of the Alpha's

hit list, with Sydney not too far behind. But how does one find a single hidden child in a city of twenty million souls? How does the hunter keep from being turned into the hunted and killed? And how, above all else, can Sydney Rose Parnell keep "the ghosts of her guilt" at bay long enough for her to do her job: find Mailik, stay alive and keep her personal life from shattering on the alter of Duty, Honor and Country? The only way to get the answers and meet two of the most charming characters in crime fiction – Sydney Rose Parnell and her K9 companion, a Belgian Malinois war dog named Clyde – is to get your own copy of *Ambush*, and read it. You'll be captured by the char-acters, riveted by the plot and sorry... to come to the last page. Barbara Nickless is well on her way to A-list stardom. She's the Queen of Literary Bad-Assery and one helluva wordsmith. The MPBR wordsmith. The MBR is honored to call her friend!

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# "Eat, Drink and Be Murdered," packs the house at Liberty Diner

(From Pg. 1)

Directed by Carol Montana of Grahamsville, the show featured Lori Schneider of Hurleyville, Ellen Pavloff of Kerhonkson, Paul Ciliberto of Monticello, Laure and Michael Valentine of Livingston Manor, and Carol and Bob Bliefernich of Highland Lake.

The Greater Liberty Chamber of Commerce thanks all the guests who attended. Thank you also goes out to Carol Montana, Big Sky Productions and the Liberty Diner for a great job, The Rose Cottage Bed & Breakfast Inn, The Left Bank Art Gallery, Carmine Mattia, Charlies Pizza Restaurant & Bar, Liberty Fitness Center and Ron Fracasse, Liberty Diner, Antique Palace Emporium, Barbanti Group Real Estate and Spina Chiropractic, Russ LaSpina & First Class Formalwear, Father Ed Bader & St. Peter's Catholic Church for their help and prizes, and Thunder 102 &104.5, and all the media for their help with publicity

## About Greater Liberty Chamber of Commerce

The Greater Liberty Chamber of Commerce is a 100% Volunteer Organization and is funded entirely through its own fundraising efforts. Please call for our upcoming Greater Liberty Chamber of Commerce events, to join, to volunteer or for more 845-292-9797 information; by phone email or info@LibertyNYChamber.com. Info can also be found on the Greater Liberty Chamber of Commerce Facebook page or at www.LibertyNYChamber.com.

# **Town of Neversink**

# **SPRING CLEANUP 2019**

Spring Cleanup will be held on May, 4 & 8, 2019. The Transfer Station will be open during normal business hours. Residents with Purple 2019 permits will be allowed 2 loads which must be brought during the Spring Cleanup dates. Permit cards will be punched for each load.

TVs and other electronic items can be disposed of with payment being made by SW coupons. Refrigerators, freezers, dehumidifiers and air conditioners require a Freon removal fee of \$15.00 per item. Each permit holder is entitled to four free car tires. Scrap metal can be taken anytime throughout the year without charge. Due to the high volume of traffic during spring cleanup, residents are asked NOT TO bring any of these items during Spring Cleanup. Please bring these items at a later date.

The Town of Neversink Transfer Station is open only to those persons who have their household and generate their waste material in the Town of Neversink. Ownership of vacant land does not qualify for use of the facility. The Municipal Cleanup Initiative Program is made possible by the Sullivan County Legislature.

Borowski will maintain office hours at the Government Center in Monticello Mondays through Thursdays from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. She is also available by appointment.

The Sullivan County Human Rights Commission is dedicated to fostering mutual respect and understanding for the rights of all persons in Sullivan County. Meetings of the Commission, open to the public, are held at 5:30 p.m. on the second Thursday of each month in the Legislative Meeting Room of the Sullivan County Government Center, 100 North Street, Monticello.

For more information, call 845-807-0189 or visit www.facebook.com/SCNYHRC.

# **Congratulations Marcia!**

Marcia Fink will be a recipient of the Sullivan Renaissance Award for her commitment to the Alzheimer's Association and the Time and the Valleys Museum in Grahamsville. They couldn't have picked a more well deserving person.

The event will take place at the Michael Ritchie Big Barn at the Center for Discovery on Miteer Road in Hurleyville on Saturday, May 18th.

**Congratulations Marcia!** 

# Letter to the Editor:

Next week, students in grades three through eight will take state standardized math tests. If this year's English Language Arts (ELA) tests are any indication, the state is doing nothing more than setting them up for more stress in May

The state's inaction when it comes to fixing the broken testing system harmed our students yet again this month. In my 8th grade ELA class, I had some students test for four, five, and even six and six-and-a-half hours - more than double the time it takes high schoolers to complete college entrance exams. And that was just on Day 2 of the test and doesn't include the over two hours of testing on Day 1. The state may say that making these tests untimed is a positive change. But they've done nothing to adequately reduce the number of questions and design tests that accurately measure what my students have learned.

And that is to say nothing of the computer-based testing fiasco.

Making students sit for tests that just reduce them to a number when the results finally come back this summer (more than three months after the tests have been graded) is wrong. Instead of having constructive time for real learning, hours upon hours are wasted on these flawed tests.

My students, and every student across this state, deserve better.

Matt Havnes 8th Grade ELA Teacher Secondary School Vice President, Tri-Valley Teachers' Association

# **SC Human Rights Commission WelcomesNew Executive Director** (From Pg. 1)

The position became vacant when the previous director, Ari Mir-Pontier, accepted a job with Senator Jen Metzger. Borowski applied shortly after finishing dual degrees from SUNY Binghamton in political science and economics.

'My focus in my research was on authoritarian regimes," Borowski explained. "I realized, however, that discrimination exists across any type of regime. I also realized that no matter where you are, human rights remain human rights.<sup>2</sup>

She plans to reach out to the community in the weeks ahead, with a particular focus on those who are suffer-

ing. "I want to make sure they have a voice and a place to go," she related. "All men and women are created equal, and it is no one's right to strip you of that equality.

Raised in Hortonville and a graduate of Sullivan West Central School, Borowski currently lives in Callicoon Center with her two rescued Persian cats, Zelda and Isadora.

"I am delighted that one of our young professionals has chosen to stay and share their talents and skills in Sullivan County," noted Legislature Chairman Luis Alvarez. "Dana's education, combined with her local experience, should prove incredibly valuable to the Commission and the citizens it serves





Now on sale at the Neversink General Store



# The Olive Jar- By Carol Olsen LaMonda

Sweeney Todd Play at OCS Sweeney Todd - Music and Lyrics by Stephen Sondheim

Book by Hugh Wheeler

ATTENTION: THIS EVENT IS PG-13 (subject matter is mature)

Place: The Harry Simon Auditorium at Onteora High School • Dates: May 3 and 4 @ 7 PM AND May 5 @ 2 PM • Tickets: \$15 for adults and \$10 for students and seniors!

Tickets may be purchased only at the door, no assigned seating. The auditorium holds 600 but we do tend to sell very well. Please be aware so you can pick good seats!

'An infamous tale, Sweeney Todd, an unjustly exiled barber, returns to nineteenth century London, seeking vengeance against the lecherous judge who framed him and ravaged his young wife. The road to revenge leads Todd to Mrs. Lovett, a resourceful proprietress of a

#### failing pie shop, above which, he opens a new barber practice. Mrs. Lovett's luck sharply shifts when Todd's thirst for blood inspires the integration of an ingredient into her meat pies that has the people of London lining up... and the carnage has only just begun!'

CAST: Sweeney Todd: Justin Blydenburgh Mrs. Lovett: Emily Peck Judge Turpin: Gabe Solis Beggar Woman: Ginger McMahon Pirelli: Jules Schauffler Beadle Bamford: Alex Lojacano Johanna: Adrianne Cox Anthony Hope: Shane Stackpole Tobias: Clara Mead

Company: Jude Foster, Sean Foster, Caleb McMenemy, Mikayla Hartwell, Klara Buton, Thea Millenson-Wilens, Olivia Weiss, Madelynn Taylor, Cameron Grant, Megan Sorbellini, Iris Espinoza, Sam Haaland, Julia Flamenhaft, Clare Voekler, Madison



Wilson, Sophie Frank, Amira Mazzawy, Izzy Helm, Ada Helm, Ava Calinda, Kaylin Martin Directed by Victoria McCarthy Music Directed by Brittany Rondeau Stage Managed by Anjelica Puglisi Costume Design: Linda Burkhardt and Marcia Panza Light Design: John Stobaeus Sound Design: James Panza

Lake Superior Season Passes on Sale Monticello, NY - Summer is just about here, and Sullivan County has 2019 Lake Superior State Park Season Passes ready for sale!

"Sullivan County residents and property owners can visit the Parks, Recreation and Beautification Office at the Government Center in Monticello to get their passes," said District 4 Legislator Catherine Owens, chair of the Legislature's Parks, Agriculture & Sustainability Policy Committee. "Each pass is \$15 per person, which provides you free entry into the park for the season. If you're a first-time applicant you need to bring proof residency or proptime applicant, you need to bring proof of residency or prop-erty ownership to the Office (second floor of the Government Center) Monday through Friday between 8:30 a.m. and 4 p.m.

Holders of 2018 season passes do not have to provide proof of residency and can simply apply by mail (or in per-son). The application form is available at the Office or on the Parks page at:

www.sullivanny.us/sites/default/files/departments/Parks/LS

SPResidentSeasonPassRenewalForm2018.pdf. Season passes will also be available for purchase at Lake Superior during operating hours. The beach will open to the public on Saturday, May 25, 2019 and continue to operate every weekend through the end of June, when it will com-mence daily operations through Labor Day. Hours are 9

a.m.-7 p.m., subject to weather conditions. Daily admission to enter the park is \$5 per person. Children under 3 years old and veterans who present a valid ID issued through the Sullivan County Return the F.A.V.O.R. program can enter for free. Lake Superior also participates in the Golden Park Program, which grants New York State senior citizens free admission to the park on weekdays only (but not weekends or holidays).

Boat rentals, vending machines, the playground, and the bathhouse will all be in operation during regular beach hours. Several picnic pavilions are available for rent; please contact the Parks, Recreation & Beautification office at 845-807-0287 for more information.

Lake Superior State Park is operated and maintained by the Sullivan County Parks, Recreation and Beautification Department and the Sullivan County Division of Public Works through a license agreement with the Palisades Interstate Park Commission. For more information, visit www.sullivanny.us/Departments/ParksRecreation.

# **DEC Announces Arbor Day Tree Planting Celebration in Capital Region -**

# More than 600,000 Trees to be Planted across New York in 2019

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) today announced the state's annual Arbor Day tree planting celebration event in Albany. The tree planting, hosted by DEC and the Office of General Services (OGS), included members of the State Arbor Day Committee and state and local officials. A London planetree was planted on the State Street side of East Capitol Park, near the corner of the Capitol Building to replace one that was lost during a storm.

Trees are one of New York's most valuable resources, significantly impacting our environment, economy, and quality of life," said Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) Commissioner Basil Seggos. "Trees help improve air quality, provide habitat for wildlife, reduce energy con-sumption, and beautify the landscape. With the continued sumption, and beautify the fandscape. With the continued support from Governor Cuomo's renewed record funding for the Environmental Protection Fund, New York will keep investing in planting trees and preserving our land-scapes. Today's celebration of Arbor Day reminds us all to recognize the importance of trees and their impact on our everyday lives.

Office of General Services (OGS) Commissioner RoAnn Destito said, "Whether it is re-imagining Frontier Town as a place for families to connect with nature or encouraging people to participate in I Love My Park Day, Governor Cuomo has made a commitment to preserving nature and the trees that help improve the quality of our air. Each year, to celebrate Arbor Day, the grounds crew at OGS welcomes a new tree to our landscape in the parks that surround the Capitol as a symbol of all the benefits trees provide across New York State. Arbor Day is a nationally celebrated observance that

promotes tree planting and tree care. Established by J. Sterling Morton in Nebraska in 1872, National Arbor Day is celebrated each year on the last Friday in April. Arbor Day was originally established to encourage farmers and homesteaders to plant trees to provide shade, shelter, food, fuel, and beauty to open areas. In New York State, the event is coordinated by the Arbor Day Committee made up of representatives from Environmental Conservation, New York State Arborists, International Paper, and the Empire State Forest Products Association.

During the ceremony, Paul Bergwall of Honeoye Falls, Monroe County, was recognized for his donation of artwork to create the official statewide Arbor Day poster and presented with a framed copy. The Arbor Day celebration also rec-ognized the artwork of the DEC children's poster contest winner, Julia Hou from Minnesauke Elementary School in Suffolk County. The forest health theme of this year's chil-dren's artwork is Habitats for Bats. Students from across the

State participated in this year's poster contest. For the fourth year in a row, this year's state budget provides a record \$300 million for the Environmental Protection Fund (EPF), including more than \$153 million for open space pro-(EPF), including more than \$153 million for open space pro-grams and \$21 million for the climate change mitigation and adaptation program. In addition, the EPF includes \$500,000 for Resiliency Planting, which will support stream buffer plantings of New York native trees and shrubs from the state's Saratoga Tree Nursery and private nurseries across the state. This year's record funding will support urban forestry projects, storm water management, and municipal infra-structure to ensure clean drinking water for all New Yorkers structure to ensure clean drinking water for all New Yorkers. The nursery program in New York State has been an integral part of forest stewardship on public and private lands since its inception in 1902. DEC's State Tree Nursery in Saratoga Springs was created in 1911 and still exists today. More than 1.6 billion seedlings have been produced by the state to enhance and protect the forest resource. Programs under DEC's Saratoga Tree Nursery will distribute a combined total of more than 600,000 plantings in 2019. This includes more than 160,000 seedlings provided for regional DEC plantings on state land, giveaways at the State Fair and other events, the public seedling sale, DEC's Trees for Tribs Program and School Seedlings.

# SEEDLINGS AVAILABLE

SEEDLINGS AVAILABLE One of the many ways DEC is encouraging the planting of trees around the state is by providing free seedlings to schools and school sponsored organizations for hands-on education programs. This program is managed under the DEC State Tree Nursery. When students plant tree seedlings, they can see for themselves the structure of trees and learn what trees mead and how trees grow trees and learn what trees need and how trees grow. Teachers can incorporate what trees need to survive and the benefits trees provide into science, math and other subjects of study. Students also become aware that they can play a role in protecting the environment through per-sonal involvement in establishing a grove of trees. The seedlings are two to three years old, about 4"-12" tall, and here root, and are light enough for young children to

and bare root, and are light enough for young children to carry and plant. Shipment is by UPS, beginning after April 14 and running through the third week in May. Teachers should select a shipping date at least three days prior to the planting date. Shipping takes place on Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday only. For more informa-tion on the seedling program and how to order trees, visit DEC's website.

The State Tree Nursery also has seedlings for sale to the general public. The spring seeding sale is currently underway through mid-May. Visit DEC's website to learn information about the trees and shrubs for sale. TREES FOR TRIBUTARIES

Since 2007, DEC's Trees for Tribs program has been working to reforest New York's tributaries, or small creeks and streams, which flow into and feed larger rivers and lakes. The goal of the program is to plant young trees and shrubs along stream corridors, also known as riparian areas, in order to prevent erosion, increase flood water retention, improve wildlife and stream habitat, and protect water quality. More than 8,700 volunteers have planted more than 101,400 trees and shrubs at 614 sites across New York State since the program was started.

For more information about celebrating Arbor Day, con-tact a local DEC office, visit DEC's website or call 518-402-9428.

# **Attorney General James Announces Investigation Into Facebook**

Company Harvested 1.5 Million Users' Contact Databases Without Authorization V YORK - Attorney General Letitia James today announced an investigation into Facebook's unautho-rized collection of 1.5 million Facebook users' email contact databases. While Facebook claims that 1.5 million contact databases were directly harvested by its email password verification process for new users, the total number of people whose information was improp-erly obtained may be hundreds of millions.

"It is time Facebook is held accountable for how it handles consumers' personal information," said Attorney General Letitia James. "Facebook has repeat-edly demonstrated a lack of respect for consumers' information while at the same time profiting from min-ing that data. Facebook's announcement that it harvest-ed 15 million ware' amail address books potentially. ed 1.5 million users' email address books, potentially gaining access to contact information for hundreds of millions of individual consumers without their knowledge, is the latest demonstration that Facebook does not take seriously its role in protecting our personal information.

Email verification is a standard practice for online services such as Facebook. Typically, when a consumer signs up to a new service, they are asked to provide an email address, where they then receive an email with a Ink to verify that the email account belongs to them. Facebook's procedure requested certain users to hand over their password to their personal email account. Additionally, reports indicate that Facebook proceeded to access those user's contacts and upload all of those contacts to Facebook to be used for torrated advertise contacts to Facebook to be used for targeted advertising. While Facebook has admitted that 1.5 million peo-ple's contact books were directly harvested, the total number of people whose contact information was improperly obtained by Facebook may be hundreds of millions, as people can have hundreds of contacts stored on their contact databases.

The office has previously enforced New York's consumer protection laws against social networking web-sites that misappropriated user's contact lists. In January 2019, Attorney General James announced an investigation into Apple over their failure to warn con-sumers about the FaceTime bug that jeopardized the privacy of consumers in New York by allowing users to receive audio and video from the device of the person they are calling even before the person has accepted or rejected the call. In March 2018, the Attorney General's Office opened an investigation into Facebook over the reported misuse of user data with Cambridge Analytica.



### **Volunteer Firefighters**

This past weekend, April 27-28, firehouses across the State opened their doors to the public in an effort to increase membership in the volunteer fire service. This was the eighth straight year of this recruitment initiative, a cornerstone of FASNY's ongoing recruitment campaign.

During the weekend, members of the public were able to get a taste of what it means to be a volunteer firefighter. Here in Sullivan County, volunteer firefighters conducted firehouse tours, demonstrated firefighting techniques, and more, all to generate interest and appreciation for what members of the fire service do on a regular basis.

"The volunteer fire service has a long, proud heritage in



New York, and is deeply integrated into the social fabric of Sullivan County, but we need many more volunteers," said District 5 Legislator Terri Ward, chair of the Sullivan County Legislature's Public Safety Committee. "Volunteer fire departments not only answer emergency calls, but they serve as the backbones of our communities, hosting events we all love such as parades and pancake breakfasts, and providing common space for people to gather. The volunteer fire service's economic impact is also substantial."

Volunteer firefighters save New Yorkers money. In 2016, FASNY released an economic impact report, which concluded that the annual cost of a replacement, all-paid fire service would be \$3.87 billion. Furthermore, property taxes in New York State would rise by an estimated average of 26.5%. These figures do not factor in the costs of acquiring the necessary facilities and equipment needed to accommodate a paid fire service. The volunteer fire service, and efforts like RecruitNY, make the State not only safer, but also more affordable

Established in 2011, RecruitNY is a joint undertaking by the Firemen's Association of the State of New York (FASNY), the New

# **Cut Greenhouse Gas Emissions** and Protect the Environment for **Future Generations** Last week Governor Andrew M. Cuomo

signed legislation in Kingston that bans the sale of single-use plastic bags in New York starting in March 2020, a significant step to reduce pollution and protect fish and wildlife. "Single-use" plastic bags do not degrade and often wind up as litter on lands and in waters, harming birds or

wildlife that ingest the plastic. It is estimated that New Yorkers use 23 billion plastic bags annually, and nationwide studies show that approximately 50 percent of singleuse plastic bags end up as litter.

In addition to preventing plastic bag litter in our environment, this ban will also help reduce the greenhouse gas emissions associated with plastic bag production and disposal, from petroleum used to produce the bags to emissions from the transportation of bags to landfills.



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exciting routines is thrilling.

Warrior Kids fulfilled its purpose to inspire children to develop lifelong healthy habits through education, fitness and fun! Each week, participants of the program benefited from a 30-minute educational session followed by a 30-minute high-energy workout, led by Damola, a thoroughly accomplished fitness instructor.

The program emphasized the 5-2-1-Almost None formula for being a healthy kid:eat 5 or more servings of fruits and vegetables per day; no more than 2 hours of screen time per day; get 1 hour of physical activity per day; almost None of your drinks are sugary beverages. Each child who completed the program received a certificate and a free Warrior Kids gift bag on April 10.

Ms. Langseder complimented the BCES Coordinator Christine Decker for creating a seamless flow every week. Also, she acknowledged the after-school staff for literally jumping in and for bravely working out with the kids. "They were true healthy role models," said Langseder.

# **Delgado Focuses on Helping Small Businesses During In-District Work Week**

Kingston, NY - U.S. Representative Antonio Delgado is using the April in-district work period to help local small business owners in New York's 19th Congressional district.

On Monday, Delgado met with small business owners from Greene County, including President of the Greene County Chamber of Commerce Jeff Friedman, to talk about the challenges they are facing and ways the federal government can better assist their growth and development.

On Tuesday, Delgado convened an Access to Capital Workshop at the Kingston Center of SUNY Ulster. The workshop featured two panels with representatives from the Small





Business Administration, Women's Enterprise Development Center, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Small Business Development Center, Greene County Chamber of Commerce, Ulster County Office of Economic Development, Rondout Bank, Community Capital, and Ulster Savings Bank. Delgado spoke about the integral role of small busi-

nesses in the Upstate economy. "Small businesses are the backbone of the Upstate economy. I think it's critically impor-tant to have an ongoing dialogue with local small business owners and self-employed entrepreneurs about ways the government can better help them build their operations and strengthen the economy," Delgado said. "I plan to continue using my position on the Small Business Committee to help our small businesses by shining a spotlight on issues like unnecessary onerous regulations, unfair tax practices, access to loans and funding while also sponsoring legislation that would be helpful to small business growth and development

Additionally, Rep. Delgado recently joined with Congressman John Joyce (PA-13) to introduce H.R. 2142, a bipartisan bill that would make it easier for small businesses to comply with federal regulations.



Woodstock Passes "Rethinking Disposables" Resolution Phasing Out Single-Use Cups, Cutlery, Straws, Stirrers,

**Clamshells**, Chopsticks First Hudson Valley Legislation to

Address Multiple Items Woodstock, NY: The Woodstock Town Board unanimously passed "Rethinking Disposables' the Resolution Tuesday, April 16th 2019, becoming the Hudson Valley's first town to reduce multiple single-use plastic items along with single-use chopsticks and paper coffee cups. Going beyond Ulster County and New York State's plastic bag bans and the "Plastic Straw Free" Resolutions in Marbletownand New Paltz, Woodstock aims to phase out single-use disposables in favor of reusable items which the customer brings or the business provides.

The bill cites the climate crisis, the crisis of plastics overproduction with resultant harms to human health, including lower sperm count in men; deaths of marine mammals and seabirds; fracking; and economic costs of manufacturing, transporting, packaging and taking to landfill a "tsunami" of waste. Woodstock businesses Garden Café, Silvia's, Bread Alone, Sweet Dreams Organic Ice Cream, and Woodstock Bring Your Own supported the Resolution.

**Over 180 BCES Students are Certified Warrior Kids** 



BCES students and staff following the trainer's workout program at the April 10 graduation ceremony.

(From Pg. 1) Bee Moser from Cornell Cooperative Extension and advocate for Eat Smart NY was part of the leadership group. The Warrior Kids is a program in conjunction with Eat Smart NY and SNAP-Ed and Ayo Fitness. The lead trainer and embodiment of a true 'warrior" is the amazing Damola Akinyemi, who makes the Energizer Bunny look like a sloth. Damola is clearly descended from African Warriors himself and instantly enlivens students and teachers alike into jumping and moving their bodies to his dynamic cadence. To witness all the graduates in the BCES Cafeteria leaping joyously through the

# Frost Valley YMCA Preserves the Beauty of the Catskills with its 14th Annual Staff Roadside Cleanup

CLARYVILLE - As a leader in environmental education and stewardship, Frost Valley YMCA is honored with the incredible responsibility of maintaining the picturesque beauty of the Catskill Mountains. Now in it's 14th year, Frost Valley's annual staff litter cleanup demonstrates its commitment to the environment and the local community.



On April 23, 2019, 50 Frost Valley staff members rolled up their sleeves to collect 35 bags of trash along 14 miles of Frost Valley Road in addition to the fields, forests, and waterfronts on its main camp. The annual clean up effort was initiated by Frost Valley CEO, Jerry Huncosky, in 2006 as a way of giving back to the community and preserving the pristine wilderness that makes the Catskills a natural attraction for visitors and locals alike.

The annual staff roadside cleanup is just one of Frost Valley's numerous sustainability practices, many of which have earned it a Silver tier Green Concierge Certification through Hospitality Green. The Green Concierge Project works with tourism and lodging facilities throughout the U.S. to help improve their economic vitality and their sustainable business practices without compromising service delivery or customer satisfaction. In addition to using only locally produced and responsibly sourced food from the farm on

In addition to using only locally produced and responsibly sourced food from the farm on its East Valley camp and milk and ice cream from Ronnybrook Farm Dairy, Frost Valley has been composting all of its food waste on site since 1990. Over 400 recycling bins were recently added, along with 100 educational signs, promoting recycling throughout the camp at both its main and East Valley sites.

Frost Valley is a values-driven organization that fosters youth development, healthy living, and social responsibility through outdoor educational and recreational programs for all. Read more about Frost Valley's sustainability practices at frostvalley.org/sustainability.

# Woodstock Passes "Rethinking Disposables" Resolution Phasing Out

# Single-Use Cups, Cutlery, Straws, Stirrers, Clamshells, Chopsticks

(From Pg. 8) The Resolution targets single-use plastics particularly, but not exclusively. David Gross, Woodstock's Environmental Commission Chair, introduced the Resolution to the Town Board after the WEC voted unanimously to approve it. Gross explained, "The 'Ask First' phase urges Woodstock businesses to rethink the way they use plastic and other disposables. The second phase, with single-use items being phased out and reusables being phased in, genuinely addresses the way we generate garbage at the root."

"I am very excited about the model Woodstock is providing," said Kathy Nolan, Ulster County Legislator and Research Director for Catskill Mountainkeeper. "I hope Ulster County will follow Woodstock's lead and phase out non-recyclable single use plastics such as straws, stirrers and utensils. Providing these only when asked is a great first step, along with moving rapidly to sustainable alternatives such as paper and bamboo, as we shift towards reusables."

Jeremy Cherson, Legislative Advocacy Manager for Riverkeeper, said, "Riverkeeper strongly supports Woodstock's Rethink Disposables resolution. Plastic pollution is a threat to the Hudson River estuary. We encourage this type of visionary leadership and hope it will inspire counties, municipalities and New York State to follow Woodstock's lead."

The Resolution is implemented in two phases. During Phase One, beginning on Earth Day, April 22nd 2019, all businesses must avoid providing or inserting straws or stirrers unless the customer asks, and also must"Ask First" regarding single-use plastic cups, paper coffee cups, single-use plastic clamshells, plastic cutlery, and single-use chopsticks. These single-use items are to be phased out in favor of reusables over the course of the next six months, while single-use plastic cups and single-use paper coffee cups may take a year.

Iris Marie Bloom, Director of Protecting Our Waters and a member of Marbletown's Environmental Conservation Commission, wrote the Resolution with input from Riverkeeper. "We are thrilled that it passed unanimously, with strong support from businesses," Bloom commented. "Our society has broadly failed to grapple with the triple threat of the climate crisis, the plastics crisis, and the chemical water pollution crisis. Woodstock is willing to interrupt the normalization of single-use plastics and single-use coffee cups lined with endocrine-disrupting polyethylene - ubiquitous items which contribute to all three crises simultaneously. By addressing multiple single-use disposables, and by emphasizing reusables instead of disposables as the solution, Woodstock is making history. Who's next?"

# Russian Mule

# Grand Opening

of the Russian Mule Tasting Room at the Claryville Art Center

# Saturday, May II • 1:00 p.m.

Please join us for the unveiling of the new masterpiece "The Russian Mule"

by the renowned artist Alexander Kaletski

# Music by "Hillbilly Parade"

Serving local and popular craft beer and beer made especially for the Russian Mule 1465 Denning Road Claryville, NY 12725

We will be closing at 4:00 pm on Saturday, May 4th for a private event

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# The 47th Annual Grahamsville Gallop

will be held at the Iatauro sports complex on Sunday May 19 at 1pm. Age group races for boys and girls from 1-12, as well as Moms & Dads race and the estimated time race! Sign up will begin at 12:45 There is no entry fee and awards are given to all participants

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# **Neversink Renaissance Annual Clean-up** and Beautification Efforts

It's that time of year when Neversink Renaissance does the annual clean-up and beautification efforts for our Town. We are calling out to all of volunteers for help. Here are the dates/times/places for our clean-up and planting:

Saturday, May 4th - Library/Time and the Valleys Museum. Meet at Library @ 8 am.
May 7-14 EVENINGS - State Rt 42 Park/Ballfields. Meet at ballpark at 6:30 pm. NOTE: THIS CLEANUP WILL

HAPPEN OVER THE COURSE OF THE WEEK. If you have shovels, wheelbarrows, hoes, buckets, any gar-

den tools that will help with this effort please bring them but make sure to label them so they do not get misplaced. Ben Knight will be the "man in charge" leading these

cleanup efforts. Any questions you can contact me via email or phone.

As the Town moves forward with its revitalizing of BiCentennial Park we will be reaching out to you for any help that Brenda Devore & Chris Mathews let us know they need

Thanks all.. and we hope to see ya there. Remember it takes all of us to inspire our community pride by beautifying our Town.

# **SCDW One Act Play Festival** Kicks off 2019 Season

(South Fallsburg, NY) Like the theatre masks symbolize, there's comedy and drama on tap to open the Sullivan County Dramatic Workshop's 70th Season as the 2019 One Act Play Festival hits the boards at the Rivoli Theatre in South Fallsburg. Founded in 1950, the Workshop is our area's longest standing Community Theatre organization. Six short plays, including three original works will comprise the Festival with performances for two weekends, May 10-12 and 17-19.

Backed Up is Peter Nastasi's original work, directed by Andrea Eddings. A humorous look at constipation and various interventions to solve the problem, the show features Alyssa Ashley, Ethan King and Josh Rosengrant. Bill Duncan's original work. *Betcha* is a drama that centers on the family dynamics of a young man doing community service at a soup kitchen and his estranged father. The show is directed by Duncan who also appears in it, along with Cole Phillips, Ellen Pavloff, Kim Schneeberger and Jennie Silverman. Bad Auditions for Bad Actors by Ian Mcwethy tells the story of a casting director who has one day to find the leads for a community theatre production of Romeo and Juliet. But what seems like a simple task proves impossible and hilarious with a pool of off-the-wall actors. Directed by Allison Weiner, the cast includes Alyssa Ashley, Cole Phillips, Joe Guidone, Jayden Ramsay, Aiden Dusenbury-Dalto, Seriya Jorge, Nicole Lavere, Kailan Odell Schrier and Becky Salerno. Sally Gladden directs and appears in her original work, Linger Awhile - an irreverent look at the way we treat "oldsters" which also features John Neails, Heather Strauss, Ellen Pavloff, Ed Berens and Jennie Silverman. Mrs. Claus Gets Menopause by Daniel Guyton finds Santa getting ready for the busiest night of the year and having to deal with the Mrs.' mood swings and hot flashes as she goes through the change of life. This adorable comedy is directed by Josh Rosengrant and he also makes up half the cast, along with Andrea Eddings. The Most Important Thing in the World by Shoshannah Boray is the story of teenage siblings, alone in the world, taking on adult responsibilities they shouldn't have to at that age. They're there for each other until a conflict arises that could change everything. Directed by Harold Tighe, the show features Nicole Lavere and Jaydan Ramsay.

Performances are Friday and Saturday, May 10, 11, 17, 18 at 8:00 p.m. and Sunday, May 12, 19 at 2:00 p.m. at the Rivoli Theatre, 5243 Route 42 (Main Street), South Fallsburg. Admission is \$15 for Adults, \$12 for Students (with valid ID), Seniors (60+), Military and Veterans. Tickets will be available at the door for all performances one hour prior to curtain or can be purchased in advance online at www.ShowTix4U.com

The 2019 One Act Play Festival is produced by Jim Schmidt and is made possible with funds from the Decentralization Program, a regrant program of the New York State Council on the Arts with the support of Governor Andrew Cuomo and the New York State Legislature and administered by Delaware Valley Arts Alliance. For more information, phone (845) 436-5336 or log onto www.SCDW.net

# **Groove Back to the Sixties and Seventies** With Slam Allen and Van Manakas

Hurleyville, NY - As Sullivan County prepares for the 50th Anniversary of the Woodstock Festival, the First Sunday program at the Sullivan County Museum in May will feature two extraordinary guitarists - Slam Allen and Van Manakas - performing music of the sixties and seventies. The concert and talk will explore different aspects of the guitar's history, as well as its impact on the music of the Woodstock generation. Little Sparrow will host the program.

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Both Slam Allen and Van Manakas are masters of the guitar, and have toured and performed all over the world. Both have recorded multiple CDs and worked with some of the industry's most notable players. You can visit their websites at www.vanmanakas.com and www.slamallen.com.

Join them on Sunday, May 5, at 2 p.m. at the Sullivan County Museum, which is located at 265 Main Street in Hurleyville.

The program is made possible with funding from a Sullivan County Arts and Heritage Grant, funded by the Sullivan County Legislature and administered by the Delaware Valley Arts Alliance.

The event is free. Donations will be gratefully accepted. Call 845-434-8044 for more info, or visit the Sullivan Historical Society website County at www.scnyhistory.com.

# Vera's Story Garden alongside the Ethelbert B. Crawford **Public Library** to be Designated a Literary Landmark on Saturday May 4, 2019

An honor will be bestowed upon the story garden that sits beside the public library in Monticello on Saturday, May 4th. This garden is known as 'Vera's Story Garden and is named after children's book author and illustrator Vera B. Williams. Williams lived in Sullivan County along the Delaware River in Narrowsburg, N.Y. for the last fifteen years of her life (1927-2015).

When plans for the new library in Monticello were getting underway there was a desire to have a 'big, fat, comfortable, wonderful chair' - like the one in Ms. Williams Caldecott Honor book, 'A Chair for My Mother' - in the new children's room for people to cozy up together in and read but there wasn't room for a chair of such grandeur there. Instead one was built - outside - in what became Vera's Story Garden. The picture book that inspired the chair in the Story Garden tells the story of a family: a young girl named Rosa, her mother and her grandmother. While it's a struggle to make ends meet, the three live a happy and loving life together. They were able to rise above the hardships they endured given the closeness of their family and their deep connection to their community. The creation of this Story Garden as a Literary Landmark will serve as a lasting legacy to Vera B. Willims, her stories and illustrations, and to the inspiration she gave to the children she wrote them for.

United for Libraries is a division of the American Library Association with a mission to support those who govern, promote, advocate, and fundraise for all types of libraries. United for Libraries accepted the application of the library for its story garden to be designated as a Literary Landmark in honor of the contributions to children's literature made by Vera B. Williams during her lifetime and in this County. Williams last book 'Home at Last' was one she worked on collaboratively with Chris Raschka from her home in Narrowsburg until her death in October, 2015.

In 2009 she visited the 6th grade students of Jo Anne Barrish and Jaime Rush at the Robert J. Kaiser Middle School in Monticello. She also donated a chair she painted for a fundraising auction held in celebration of the Ethelbert B. Crawford Public Library's 75thAnniversary in 2011.

Please join us for the unveiling of the Literary Landmark plaque on Saturday, May 4th at 11am. All are welcome to stay for refreshment and to StoryWalk 'A Chair for My Mother' along Broadway. It includes a scavenger hunt! Please call the library for details: (845)794-4660 x7.

# Acting UC Exec Adele B. Reiter Kicks Off 9th Annual Healthy UC Week at **Highland Public Library**

2019 Health Ulster County Week Runs from May 3 - May 12, Features Over 30 Activities, Events and Special Promotions Aimed to Encourage Healthy

*Living* HIGHLAND, N.Y. - Acting Ulster County Executive Adele B. Reiter was joined on Thursday by Dr. Carol Smith, Commissioner of Health and Mental Health and several Ulster County businesses and community organizations to announce the official schedule of events and

promotions that will comprise the 9th Annual Healthy Ulster County Week, May 3, 2019 - May 12, 2019. The event was held at the Highland Public Library to emphasize the wide range of partners who have joined with the Acting County Executive and the Ulster County Department of Health to provide special events, services and promotions that contribute to a healthier Ulster County. The calendar of events for the 2019 Healthy Ulster County Week is available the Ulster County website on (www.UlsterCountyNY.gov), the Ulster County Tourism website (www.UlsterCountyAlive.com) and the Healthy Ulster County website (www.HealthyUlsterCounty.net). "Healthy Ulster County Week has grown into a County-

wide celebration of healthy living, and it is truly helping to create a culture of

Ulster said Acting County Executive Adele B. Reiter. "We are fortunate to have such outstanding partners, whom have stepped up to offer special events or discounts that I urge all of our residents to enjoy. I am especially grateful to the Highland Acting County Executive Reiter Public Library for (right), Deputy County and Dr. Carol Smith,

hosting our kick-off event and for showing how community organizations like libraries, schools and municipalities can join us to help

people live more healthy lives. Dr. Smith and her amazing team of professionals also deserve praise for their daily efforts to promote health here in Ulster County and for helping to organize and promote Healthy Ulster County Week. Thanks to their work, this year's calendar is filled with great opportunities to learn about health, to eat healthy food, or to enjoy a fun and healthy activity. So I encourage all of Ulster County's residents to take part in this year's week of healthy offerings, and in doing so, to help us make Ulster County the healthiest county in New York State."

'Healthy Ulster County Week showcases our community's rich diversity of resources dedicated to improving the well-being and quality of life of residents and visitors alike," said Dr. Carol Smith, Commissioner of Health and Mental Health. "Here in Ulster County we have an abundance of options for staying fit, eating healthy, and having fun. Our County is rich in resources such as beautiful trails, walkways, bicycle paths, and waterways. Farm markets, featuring an abundance of fresh fruits and vegetables, are accessible and conveniently located throughout the County. Our tobacco free cafes and restaurants offer healthy and affordable dining experiences. We very much appreciate the ongoing support from the County Executive's office, our business community and all of our community partners as we acknowledge and celebrate all that Ulster County has to offer.

'Highland Public Library has been a proud participant in Healthy Ulster County Week since Ulster County Executive Mike Hein initiated it," said Julie Kelsall-Dempsey, the Library Director at the Highland Public Library. "We are thrilled to provide Healthy programs and resources to all our community members, encouraging them to bike, walk, run and explore the Rail Trail and Walkway over the Hudson.

"I have participated in Healthy Ulster County Week since the beginning, and I really believe in this program to the fullest," said Austin Benjamin, Owner and Trainer at Essential Fitness in Port Ewen, NY. "At last year's event, County Executive Hein shared his distress about the rising opioid epidemic in our County, and since then I have opened my door to young adults in recovery to offer free classes and training to help them get on the right path. The number of people who responded was overwhelming, and I'm proud to report that 18 of the 22 people who walked through my doors last year are still here or are actively participating at another gym. This initiative is a wonderful contribution to the health of our community, and I'm grateful for the opportunity to participate.

Additional information about Healthy Ulster County Week activities can be found at:

https://ulstercountyny.gov/hucw or by calling at 845-340-3800.

Executive Ken Crannell (center) Commissioner of Health and Mental Health (left) at the Highland Public Library for the kickoff of the 9th Annual Healthy Ulster County Week

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# **LEGALS/PUBLIC NOTICES**

The Catskill Watershed Corporation is soliciting bids for paving of approximately 900 square feet at an entrance to a State owned parking area in the Town of Shandaken. Funding is provided from NYS Department of Environmental Conservation. Bids must be received by 4 pm on May 3rd. For bid documents, please contact Barbara Puglisi or Timothy Cox at 845-586-1400. EOE

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#### NOTICE

The Town of Neversink will be accepting applications for Lifeguard positions at the Grahamsville Fairgrounds Pool for the 2019 season.

Application forms are available at the Town Hall, Grahamsville, NY Monday thru Friday from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm. <u>Applicants must include copies of all current</u> <u>certifications, length of time available to work and any</u> <u>needed time off when submitting their applications.</u> (Photocopies of certifications can be made at the Town Hall when the application is brought in.)

#### PLEASE NOTE: THE CUT-OFF DATE FOR RECEIV-ING APPLICATIONS WILL BE 4:30 PM ON FRIDAY, MAY 17, 2019.

Town of Neversink Summer Swim Program is also requesting applicants for WSI Instructors. For further information on either please call Town Hall at 985-2262, ext. 305. 4/25; 5/2

# NOTICE OF COMPLETION OF TENTATIVE ASSESMENT ROLL

NOTICE OF COMPLETION SHALL BE PUBLISHED ONCE IN THE OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER OF THE TOWN AND A COPY OF THE PUB-LISHED NOTICE POSTED ON THE SIGNBOARD AT THE ENTRANCE OF THE TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE STATING THAT THE ASSESSOR HAVE COMPLETED THE TENTA-TIVE ROLL, WHERE THE ROLL MAY BE EXAMINED AND WHEN AND WHERE GRIEVANCE DAY WILL BE HELD (RPTL § 506,526(1), 1526).

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE ASSESSOR OF THE TOWN OF DENNING, COUNTY OF ULSTER HAS COMPLETED THE TENTATIVE ROLL FOR THE CURRENT YEAR AND THAT A COPY HAS BEEN LEFT WITH THE TOWN CLERK AT THE DENNING TOWN HALL, 1567 DENNING ROAD, CLARYVILLE, NY.12725. WHERE IT MAY BE SEEN AND EXAMINED BY ANY INTER-ESTED PERSON UNTIL THE FOURTH TUESDAY IN MAY DUR-ING REGULAR BUSINESS HOURS OR BY APPOINTMENT.

THE BOARD OF ASSESMENT REVIEW WILL MEET ON MAY 29th, 2019 BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 4 -8 PM AT THE DENNING TOWN HALL, TO HEAR AND EXAMINE ALL COMPLAINTS IN RELATION TO ASSESSMENTS, ON THE WRITTEN APPLICATION OF ANY PERSON BELIEVING HIMSELF TO BE AGGREIVED.

DATED THE 17th OF APRIL, 2019 MICHEAL B. SOMMER, IAO SOLE ASSESSOR jam

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# NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Notice is hereby given that sealed proposals are being requested for rehabilitation of the existing Town of Neversink municipal swimming pool located at the Grahamsville Fairgrounds on NYS Route 55. The work shall include the provision of all labor, materials and equipment necessary to perform the work.

The scope of work according to a plan and specifications to be let by the Town of Neversink includes cleaning all floor and wall surfaces, removing areas of damaged plaster and tiles, replacing tiles, re-plastering the entire pool interior and cleanup.

Sealed bids will be received by the Town Clerk at the Neversink Town Hall up until 2:00 PM on Tuesday, May 21, 2019 at which time they will be opened and read aloud. Completion of the work is requested by June 28, 2019.

The work will be subject to the prevailing wage rates established by the New York State Department of Labor.

Plans, specifications and proposal forms may be obtained at the office of the Neversink Town Clerk, NYS Route 55, Grahamsville, NY.

Non-Discrimination in Employment - Bidders on the work will be required to comply with the President's Executive Order No. 11246. The requirements for bidders and contractors under this order, which concerns non-discrimination in employment, are explained in the contract documents. Bidders are also required to comply with the provisions of Section 290-299 of the Executive Law of the State of New York.

Owners Rights Reserved - The Town of Neversink, hereinafter called the Owner, reserves the right to reject any or all proposals and to waive any formality or any technicality in any proposal in the interest of the Owner.

Statement of Non-Collusion - Bidders on this contract are required to execute the non-collusive bidding certification required by Section 103-d of the General Municipal Law of the State of New York.

Lisa Garigliano, own Clerk April 19, 2019 5/2

**New York State Education Law Section 409-H** requires all public and non-public elementary and secondary schools to provide written notification regarding the use of pesticides periodically throughout the school year.

To comply with the end of spring recess notification requirement, Tri-Valley Central School is providing the following information. No reportable pesticides have been used.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Jesse Bell, Maintenance Supervisor of Buildings & Grounds, 985-2296, ext. 5317. Jesse Bell

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Maintenance Supervisor Buildings & Grounds



If you are a Sundown resident and wish to add the location of your yard sale to the "Sundown Community Memorial Day Weekend Miles & Miles of Yard Sales" map that will be published in the May 16th and 23rd issues of *The Townsman* -send us the location of your yard sale. Spot it on the map and fill out this form and return it to: *The Townsman*, PO Box 232, Grahamsville, NY 12740 or drop it in *The Townsman* 'Drop Box" on the porch of the Grahamsville First Aid Building by Friday, May 10, 2019 - 3:00 pm NAME

Only the location of your yard sale and date(s) will be indicated on the map unless otherwise noted.

(e.g. Johnson Family Yard Sale; Antiques & More; etc.). If you have any suggestions - send them along, too.

If you choose to have your yard sale only on certain days during the Memorial Day Weekend please indicate date(s) of your sale:

# MAY 2, 2019

# Sullivan County Philatelic Society

The next meeting of the Sullivan County Philatelic Society will be held on May 4th at 1:00 pm in the Ted Stroebele Recreation Center, 2 Jefferson Street, Monticello, NY. Featured will be Charles Breiner, club member and Confederate War Stamp Historian. We will also have our regular trading session, door prizes and give-always.

Last Month's ten lot was very successful as mot everything was sold. This meeting is open to the general public, stamp collectors as well as our members. Refreshments served by club members.

For information please contact Art Rosenzweig at 794-2586 or write to PO Box 649, Monticello, New York 12701.

# Grahamsville Reformed Church RoastTurkey Dinner

May 18, 2019 4:00 - 7:00 pm

Roast Turkey, Stuffing, Mashed Potatoes, Corn, Cranberry Sauce, Salad, Bread, Ice Cream Sundae, Drinks ADULTS: \$13.00 CHILD 5-12: \$8.00 UNDER 5: FREE Grahamsville Reformed Church Hall THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR SUPPORT

AND GOD BLESS YOU ALL!

Claryville Fire Dept. 1500 Denning Road Claryville, NY 12725

All You Can Eat Mother's Day Pancake Breakfast Sunday, May 12 Serving 7:00 until 12 Noon Adults: \$9 Children Ages 5-11: \$5 Under 5 Yrs. Free \$50 from the Breakfast is donated to the Claryville **Reformed Church Food Pantry** 

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# ST. ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL MISSION

The Little Church with the Big Heart Sunday, 8 am Service of Holy Communion, except: Second Saturday of each month, 12:00 noon Music by Fred VanWagner Coffee hour follows service All are welcome! 5277 State Rt. 42 • South Fallsburg 845-436-7539 www.standrewsepiscopalmission.org

> Sundown United Methodist Church Peekamoose Rd., Sundown Sunday Worship Service - 8:30 a.m. Wednesday Bible Study - 6:45 p.m. Pastor: Rev. Seung Jin Hong 845-985-2283 e-mail: Sundownumc@gmail.com

**Grahamsville United Methodist Church** Rte. 55. Grahamsville Sunday Worship Service - 10:30 a.m. Sunday School for grades k-7 - 10:30a.m. Mid-week Bible Study opportunities available! For information contact Rev. Seung Jin Hong. 845-985-2283 e-mail: Grahamsvilleumc@gmail.com

# Loucks Funeral Home

Geoff and Heather Hazzard "Celebrating Life, One Family at a Time" 79 North Main Street Ellenville, New York

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Worship Services @ 10:00 am

Church Hall available for rent Call - 845-985-2041 for information

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

6317 Rte. 42, Woodbourne, NY Weekend Mass schedule:

Saturday afternoon: 4:30 pm Sunday morning: 9:00 am and 11:30 am

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

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



#### St. Mark's UM Church 68 Church St., Napanoch YARD and CLOTHING SALE Every Friday: 10 am - 3:00 pm Comics, Vintage items, books, clothing, yard sale items, children's clothing, toys .... something for everyone! 字は単数に限る 9 5 3 2 3 7 4 5 9 2 4 8 7 5 6 3 2 6 7 4 2 6 1 3 2 8 5 1 7 Grahamsville





Thrift Sales & Luncheon May 7, 2019

Saturday Thrift Sale May 25, 2019

# St . Augustine's Chapel Watson Hollow Rd .• West Shokan, NY Sunday Mass - 9:30 am Holý Days 5:30 pm Penance 9:00 am, 2nd Sunday of the month **Rev. George W. Hommel, Pastor**

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



THE TOWNSMAN

# LEGALS/PUBLIC NOTICES:

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

MARCH 21, 2019

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Annual Budget Hearing of the residents of the Tri-Valley Central School District at Grahamsville, Sullivan County, New York will be held at the Tri-Valley Secondary School Library Lower Level in said District at Grahamsville, New York on:

# Tuesday, May 7, 2019 At 7:00 P.M. (EDT)

for the purpose of presenting the school budget for the 2019-2020 school year.

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

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Annual Meeting, including the <u>VOTE</u> upon the appropriation of the necessary funds to meet the estimated expenditures for school purposes for the 2019-2020 school year budget and the <u>VOTING</u> for members of the Board of Education, and <u>VOTING</u> on the below propositions and any other proposition to be acted upon, will take place on Tuesday, May 21, 2019 between the hours of 1:00 and 8:00 P.M. daylight savings time at the Main Gymnasium of the Tri-Valley Central Secondary School Building, in Grahamsville, New York.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that at said Annual Meeting, the following proposition will be submitted to the voters:

### **CAPITAL PROJECT PROPOSITION**

Shall the following resolution be adopted, towit:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Tri-Valley Central School District at Grahamsville, Sullivan and Ulster Counties, New York, is hereby authorized to pay the cost of the reconstruction of various School District buildings and facilities, including athletic facilities, as well as original furnishings, machinery, equipment, apparatus, appurtenances and other incidental improvements and expenses in connection therewith, at a maximum estimated cost of \$11,000,000, and that \$6,500,000 "Capital Reserve Fund 2016" monies shall be used to pay a portion thereof, and that the remaining \$4,500,000 of said amount, or so much thereof as may be necessary, shall be raised by the levy of a tax upon the taxable property of said School District and collected in annual installments as provided by Section 416 of the Education Law; and, in anticipation of such tax, obligations of said School District shall be issued.

If necessary, due to space constraints on the voting machines, said proposition may be presented in substantially the following abbreviated form:

# **CAPITAL PROJECT PROPOSITION**

RESOLVED, the Tri-Valley Central School District at Grahamsville, New York, is authorized to reconstruct various School District buildings and facilities, at a maximum estimated cost of \$11,000,000, and \$6,500,000 "Capital Reserve Fund 2016" monies shall be used to pay a portion thereof, and the remaining \$4,500,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, shall be raised by the levy of a tax upon the taxable property of said District and collected in annual installments as provided by Section 416 of the Education Law; and, in anticipation of such tax, obligations of said District shall be issued.

SEQRA STATUS OF THE PROJECT - The School District has determined that the capital project is a "Type II Action" pursuant to the regulations of the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation promulgated pursuant to the State Environmental Quality Review Act, the implementation of which as proposed, the regulations provide, will not result in any significant adverse environmental impacts, pursuant to 6 NYCRR Part 617.5(c)(2) and (10).

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that petitions nominating candidates for the office of member of the Board of Education shall be filed with the Clerk of said School District at her office in the Administration Building, on or before 5:00 P.M. on Monday, April 22, 2019. Nominating petitions shall be directed to the Clerk of the District; must be signed by at least 25 qualified voters of the District; must state the name and residence address of each signer, and, must state the name and residence address.

Vacancies on the Board of Education are not considered separate, specific offices; candidates run at-large. For 2019, there are three Board seats available which are three year terms, commencing July 1, 2019 and ending June 30, 2022, for seats currently held by the following Board of Education members:

Keri-Ann Poley Erin Mentnech Joseph Colon

Candidates whose names will appear on the ballot will have the opportunity to introduce themselves to the public at the Annual Budget Hearing on Tuesday, May 7, 2019 at 7:00 p.m., in the Secondary School Library Lower Level.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that pursuant to a prior resolution of the District, personal voter registration is in effect. The dates for personal voter registration have been set for Tuesday, May 14th, 2019 and Wednesday, May 15th, 2019 in the Administration Building, between the hours of 4:00 P.M. and 8:00 P.M. Voters may also register at the Office of the District Clerk on any business day through Thursday, May 16th, 2019 between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M. Residents are reminded that their registration is valid if they have voted at any school or general election held within the 4 calendar year period prior to May 21, 2019. If a voter is eligible to vote under Article 5 of the Election Law and is registered with the Sullivan or Ulster County Board of Elections, he/she is also eligible to vote at this election. The register of voters prepared pursuant to Section 2014 of the Education Law shall be available in the office of the Clerk, to any qualified voter, on each of the five (5) days prior to the annual meeting, except Sunday, and at the polling place on the day of the vote.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that in accordance with Section 2018-a of the Education Law, applications for ABSENTEE BALLOTS may be applied for at the office of the District Clerk. Absentee ballots must be applied for unless the voter's registration is marked "permanently disabled" by the County Board of Elections. Such applications must be received by the District Clerk at least seven (7) days before the election if the absentee ballot is to be mailed to the voter (Tuesday, May 14th, 2019) OR the day before the election (Monday, May 20th, 2019), if the ballot is to be picked up personally by the voter. Absentee ballots must be received in the Office of the District Clerk not later than 5:00 P.M. on the day of the annual meeting. A list of all persons to whom absentee ballots have been issued shall be available for public inspection during regular office hours (9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.) until the day of the election. Any qualified voter may file a written challenge of the qualifications of a voter, whose name appears on such list, stating the reasons for the challenge.

By order of the Board of Education Norma Peña, District Clerk Dated: March 21, 2019

# MAY 2, 2019

# THE TOWNSMAN

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 All attendees should arrive 15 min-



# **REAL ESTATE FOR SALE**

Three bedroom home on 1 acre in quiet residential neighborhood needs TLC. 1 mile out of the village of Grahamsville. Tri-Valley School Dist. Low Taxes. \$169,000 Call 845-985-0501.

# RENTALS

2 Bedroom; 1 Bath; Large Kitchen; Large Living Room - Right in Grahamsville -Call 845-985-0107

3 Bedroom, 1 1/2 baths, Big Kitchen, Big Living Room. Located in Grahamsville. Call 845-985-0107

2 Bedroom Duplex Rt. 55; Fresh paing, clean \$750 + utilities. Security & references 985-2731. Dave. tfn

### FOR SALE

Old Fashioned Wood Burning/Coal Cooking Stove. Copper Water Tank attached. Best offer Call 845-985-0138 ptfn

2010 Dodge Challenger r/t V8 Tor Red. Two new tires, battery. 69,000 miles. Needs nothing. \$16,500, Make offer. (845) 985-7131. pd5/16

# **HELP WANTED**

Meaningful summer job helping kids stay healthy at Frost Valley YMCA. Camp Nurse (RN/LPN), Developmental Disabilities Nurse and EMT positions available. Distribute medication, process health forms, provide care for patients. 3 Beautiful sites, all shifts available, camp runs June 30 to Aug 23. Mission-driven organization, strong team environment. \$1600-\$2200 per 2 week session. Apply HR@frostvalley.org or online today! FrostValley.org. 4/18:4/25/19

Part-time Help needed for Special Events at the beautiful Claryville Event Center. Experience in restaurant service helpful. Ideal for teachers or college students. Call 845-985-0247.

Grahamsville Deli - Help Wanted -Full time/Part time. Please call 845-985-0107 for an appointment to come for a personal interview.

# **TREE MAINTENANCE**

Practical solutions to addressing Tree Issues Tree Cutting • Limbing • Take Downs Expert Climbing Call: Charlie @ 845-418-8793



On Monday, April 29 through Friday, May 3, all Tri Valley School Students in Pre-K to 6th grade are invited to participate in Screen Free Week. Each day from dismissal at 2:45 pm to 5 pm there will be another schedule of fun to be had rain or shine!

This is a nationwide event sponsored by Campaign for a Commercial-Free Childhood and celebrated each night by taking a break from TV, laptops, tablets, smart phones and video games. Join us and rediscover the joys of life beyond the screen. Commit to UNPLUG from digital entertainment!

This year we will focus on getting to know our community better. What are the buildings and who are the people inside? Each child will be given a healthy snack, engage in exercise, create one of a kind crafts & participate in activities to go with each night's theme

Wednesday, May 1- We have barn quilts throughout our community. Learn where these guilts are located and details about how they make us unique. Make two barn quilt projects to take home. Read the Quilt Makers Gift by Jeff Brumbea. Decorate a special block to be added to a quilt to be displayed at the Neversink Town Hall.

Thursday, May 2 - Join us in reading two spiritually inspired books with Pastor Ronk from the Grahamsville Reformed Church & Pastor Seung Jin from the Grahamsville United Methodist Church. We will walk to the Grahamsville Reformed Church Hall for snacks and to create a Special Handprint ornament and poster.

Friday, May 3 - The Children will be bused to the Daniel Pierce Library to enjoy a private tour of the library -one of the best gems in our community. We will then visit the 1930s Lost Catskill Farm and go back in time to experience what farm life was like. You can lift a hay bale, play guessing games, see a 1880's barn, visit a farm house, listen to 1930's music and explore a milk house, outhouse and more. Have you ever seen a working waterwheel? You will on this farm! Spend a fun afternoon immersing yourself in your area's history! An Ice Cream Social to acknowledge the fact that you unplugged will round out the week! Thank you for making new memories with us!



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# **3rd Annual Sundown** Miles and Miles of Yard Sales!

When you start your Spring Cleaning and want to get rid of all those things you haven't used in the past five years, maybe you want to keep them just a few more weeks. Think ahead! **The 3rd Annual** Sundown Memorial Day Weekend Miles and Miles of Yard Sales is just <u>3 weeks</u> away!

Whether you have your own yard sale, or donate items to the Sundown Methodist Church Ladies for their SALE- either way, you won't have to cart that 'stuff' very far and you can join the fun! Mark your calendar now so you won't forget- Watch *The Townsman* for more details! May 25-27 3rd Annual Sundown Memorial Day Weekend Miles and Miles of Yard Sales!



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Knarf's Classic Movie POLITICS & PASSION, STARTING AT 10:30 AM WEDNESDAY, MAY 8, 2019

DO WE NEED A WALL? SEE - BORDER INCIDENT (1949). It will help you decide. A crime-drama B/W -95m TV-PG. Closed captions; police try to crack down on the ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION RACKET. Dir: Anthony

Mann. Starring Ricardo Montalban, George Murphy, Howard da Silva, Teresa Celli, andCharles McGraw. Tension-packed story of U.S. agents cracking down on smuggling of immi-grants across Texas-Mexico border. Well-directed and uncompromisingly violent. U.S. Agent Jack Bearnes lies in an open field, shot and beaten as a giant, harrowing machine suddenly roars to life, it's blades biting into the earth. • 10:30 PM THE LONG HOT SUMMER (Drama, 1958) A drifter with a past brings a wealthy family's problems to a head. *Dir: Martin Ritt Cast: Paul Newman, Joanne Woodward, Tony Franciosa.* • 12:45 AM CAT ON A HOT TIN ROOF (Drama, 1958) C - 108 m TV-PG Closed Captions. A dying plantation owner tries to help his alcoholic son solve his problems. Dir: Richard Brooks. Starring Elizabeth Taylor, Paul Newman, Burl Ives, Jack Carson, Judith Anderson, Madeleine Sherwood and Larry Gates. A southern patriarch Ives learns he is dying; his greedy family, except for son Newman, falls all over itself sucking up to him. *Tennessee Williams' classic study of ``mendacity''*. This blistering adaptation of Tennessee Williams' hard-hitting play features fiery performances from Paul Newman, Burl Ives and Elizabeth Taylor that have become cin-ematic icons... • 2:45 AM SWEET BIRD OF YOUTH (Drama, 1962)

Quiz: In the film "THE LONG HOT SUMMER" 1. Who played **Clara Varner**? 2.Who played **Eula Varner**?

# What's Going on in The Gnome Gneighborhood<sup>tm</sup> **SUNDOWN**

May 4 - Covered Dish Supper - Sundown Methodist Church Hall 5:30

May 24-27 - 3rd Annual Sundown Miles and Miles of Yard Sales! May 25 - Sundown Methodist Church Giant Yard Sale!

# **GRAHAMSVILLE**

May 4 - Tri-Valley Lions Journey for Sight Walk • 8:30 -9:00 am Sign In • 9:00 am Walk & the kickoff of the Town of **Neversink Sound** Walking Club at 9 am - both at the Neversink Town Park on Rt. 42

– Grahamsville UMC Thrift Sale (9am-12noon) & Luncheon May 7 -11 am-12:30 pm

June 5 - 5- 6:30 pm Tri-Valley Lions Club Rabies Clinic

# **CLARYVILLE**

May 11 – 1:00 pm Grand Opening of the Russian Mule at the Claryville Art Center

May 12 – Claryville Fire Dept. All You Can Eat Mother's Day Pancake Breakfast 7 - 12 Noon

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