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- Week of Thanksgiving Nov. 22**
- Week of Christmas Dec. 27**
- Week of the New Year Jan. 3**

### Claryville Pottery Holiday Sale

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### Sinterklaas! Send off Celebration in Kingston



It's the most wonderful time of the year! Get into the spirit at one of these winter holiday events - Santa may even make a guest appearance!

On Saturday, November 24 the **Sinterklass! Send-off Celebration** will begin in Kingston, NY. The festivities will continue the next Saturday, December 1 in Rhinebeck, NY at the **Sinterklaas Festival Day**. (Contd. Pg. 8)

### The 5th Annual Anglers Symposium at Claryville Event Center

The 5th Annual Anglers Symposium was held on November 9 at the Blue Hill Lodge's Claryville Event Center located at 1471 Denning Road, Claryville.



Historian Diane Galusha covered the many occupations and accomplishments of 20th century author and "Renaissance Man" Edward R. Hewitt, whose Neversink acreage along the river provided a living laboratory for his endless scientific investigations, leading to a number of famous books such as Hewitt's Handbook of Stream Improvement and Secrets of the Salmon. (Contd. Pg. 3)

### Tri-Valley Teacher Wins Prestigious Award



Tri-Valley elementary art teacher Lisa Conger was recently named a Regional Art Educator of the Year by the New York State Art Teachers Association (NYSATA).

Ms. Conger has been a member of NYSATA since 1986. She has held many jobs in her region, Region 7 (representing the counties of Sullivan, Ulster, Dutchess, Rockland, Westchester, Orange, and Putnam). She has been the secretary, a regional representative for Sullivan County, and currently serves on the Annual Symposium planning team. She is also a teacher member of NYSATA's annual summer institute in Raquette Lake, NY.

Ms. Conger was nominated for the regional teacher of the year award by two of her colleagues from Region 7. (Contd. Pg. 4)

### No Shave November Update



One week is down and our No-Shavers have raised \$625! Take a look at their page at <https://no-shave.org/team/TVTA>. All donations are appreciated!

### Mid-Hudson School Study Council honors Ms. Kathleen Garlick for Excellence in Pupil Personnel Service

*New Windsor:* The Mid-Hudson School Study Council honored Ms. Kathleen Garlick at Anthony's Pier 9 in New Windsor on October 18, 2018. Ms. Garlick, Social Worker for the Alternative Education Program at Sullivan BOCES, received the Award for Excellence in Pupil Personnel Service



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**ON THE FRONT BURNER:** Keep thy foot when thou goest to the house of God, and be more ready to hear, than to give the sacrifice of fools: for they consider not that they do evil. Ecclesiastes 5:1

## OBITUARIES

**Kevin "Kip" Francis McKeon** of Woodbourne passed away peacefully on Friday, November 9, 2018 at Catskill Regional Medical Center with his family by his side. He was 78.

He was the son of the late James A. McKeon and Gertrude Braisted McKeon, born on February 4, 1940 in Astoria, NY.

Kevin proudly served our country from 1957-1960 in the US Marine Corps. where he was stationed in Hawaii. In 1992, he retired from the NY State Department of Correction after a 28 year career as a Correctional Officer. In his younger days he enjoyed golfing; but he was always an avid horseman. At one time he was involved in rodeos, roping and riding. He was a past member and youth advisor for NYS Quarter Horse Association and a life member of the American Quarter Horse Association. He was a member of the Liberty Elks Club, and truly loved his canine companion, Katie.

He leaves behind to cherish his memory his devoted wife Ruth McKeon, whom he married on June 30, 1963, his children Colleen (McKeon) Osterhout and her fiancé Aaron Tetlak of Woodbourne, Sean McKeon and his wife Lynn of Grahamsville, his grandchildren Brent McKeon, Zachary Connor, Logan McKeon, and Trevor Osterhout, one brother Michael McKeon and his wife Eloise. He was predeceased by his brothers James and Mark McKeon.

A Mass of Christian burial was held on Tuesday, November 13, 2018 at the Church of the Immaculate Conception Woodbourne, NY 12788.. Interment followed at Hillside Cemetery, Woodbourne, NY, with full military honors.

Arrangements were under the care of Colonial Memorial Funeral Home, for further information please call 845-434-7363 or visit [www.colonialbryant-funeralhome.com](http://www.colonialbryant-funeralhome.com).

## COLLEGE NEWS:

### Evan Madison of Parksville earns Presidential Scholarship at SUNY Oswego

Evan Madison of Parksville, who is majoring in music, was awarded a Presidential Scholarship from SUNY Oswego. The award recognizes past academic achievement and potential for success.

## Days of Yore... Today's History

### November 24, 1948

As the sewer project progress in Grahamsville interesting things continue to turn up. Most recent is part of an old corduroy roadbed which once traversed this area. As the large back-hoe dug deep across from Krum Brothers Store las week it encountered huge logs buried transversely from 3 to 5 feet below the present road bed. The extreme size and the remarkable state of their preservation are almost unbelievable. In view of the fact that they have lain buried for approximately 100 years it is amazing to find them still stout and resistant to the 20th century machines.

Mr. Laskin, the State Conservation Department Trapper who is working in this section, reports that he has trapped 116 foxes in the Grahamsville Section. With laboratory reports into November 1, examination has shown that of 29 of the animals were rabid.

George Smith of Grahamsville surveyed the lot given by Archie Dean to the Neversink Fire Co. on Monday. A number of men were present.

Word comes to us that the firm Frazier and Davis, contractors from St. Louis, Missouri, were successful bidders for the construction of the Neversink to Rondout tunnel and its appurtenances.

### November 26, 1958

Mrs. Raymond Muthig of Aden was hostess at a Stanley Party at her home one day last week. When her guests arrived she was pleasantly surprised because, along with being the hostess of the party, she was also the honored guest to a "Stork Shower" arranged by the guests.

Mr. Al Vissler, who is studying this year at the Manhattan School of Music, spent the weekend at his

home here.

Properties belonging to the Tri-Valley Central School were sold at public auction November 13th. The Hasbrouck School was sold to Archie Dean, Sr. of Neversink for \$3,200. The Divine Corners School was sold to Rachael Walter for the 4-H Club for \$25. The Thunder Hill School was sold to Theodore Luttinger of Grahamsville for \$325. Denning #4 at Denning was sold to Joseph D. Hill of Kingston for \$2,100. The school's interest in Denning #1 (Red Hill) and Denning #2 (Ladelton) was sold to Thomas Canty for \$35. Attorney A.W. was the auctioneer. About fifty person were present for the auction.

Pvt. Donald Ackerley of Fort Bragg, North Carolina was home on leave from Friday to Tuesday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roger Ackerley.

Mrs. Arthur TerBush was guest of honor at a "Stork Shower" given by Mrs. Donald TerBush and Mary Bevier at the Methodist Church Hall one evening last week.

The following is a list of those in service for anyone who would like to remember them for the holidays. Pvt. Donald Ackerley, A/2C Richard A. Barkley, Pvt. C.N. Dayton, PFC Admiral N. Donovan, F.F. Dubois S A, Pvt. Richard Dymond, Max Goldman, A/2c, Charley R. Graham, A/2c Phineas W. Graham, Pvt Herbert L. R. George, Lt. & Mrs. James H. Grey, A/3c Robert R. Grey, Pvt. Alton H. Hall, Hughs S. Hammond, Pvt. Alan Johnson, Arthur W. Merrit R.D.S.N., A/C Charles Nielsen, Carl H. Porter, I.C.F.N., Lt. Harry Raffa, M/Sgt. Arthur J. Sanderson, S.P. 5 Clarence L. Sheeley, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Sheeley, Pvt. William Shulte, A/2c Thomas A. Smith, S/Sgt. Walter H. Tatum and Pvt Robert L. Terwilliger.

### November 13, 1968

Due to the heavy snow storm, Mrs. Pauline Roses' news, "In and About Tri-Valley" will not be in the paper this week. They have had no mail in Sundown since Saturday, and phone lines have been down

The following is a list of those in service for anyone who would like to remember them for the holidays.

Gerald T. Mc Donald and Mr. Owen Davis, Guidance Counselors at Tri-Valley Central School attended the New York State Personnel and Guidance Association which was held at the Concord Hotel on November 11 - 14.

Over three hundred parents came to Tri-Valley on Thursday night to visit the school. The focus of interest was a panel consisting of Mr. Richard Strangeway, Moderator, Mrs. Lucille Doherty, Miss Audrey Kelly, Mr. Alton Hall, Mr. Thomas Manell and Mr. Miles Ellison, Jr. Each of the panelists highlighted a particular area of child development.

Silas Kelly, acting postmaster, is enjoying a four week vacation from his duties.

### November 23, 1978

Mrs. Peggy DeWire has had an article accepted for publication in the December issue of *The Instructor on Kindergarten Handicrafts*.

Mrs. Mabel Hill has had two article accepted for the *Good Reading Magazine*, "Tapping the Maple and Trees".

### November 30, 1978

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Berringer of Grahamsville have announced the engagement of their daughter, Susan Elizabeth to James Robert Sheeley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Horace Sheeley of Grahamsville. Miss Berringer graduated from the Tri-Valley Central School and is now employed at Letchworth Village Development Center Community Services Unit, South Fallsburg. Her fiance also graduated from Tri-Valley Central School and is employed at the Shrade Cutlery Co. in Ellenville, NY. A summer wedding is planned.

Troop 187 will add another Scout to the rank of Eagle. Bill Shulte, son of William and June Shulte will hold his Eagle Court of Honor on Saturday, November 25th at 7 P.M. at the Tri-Valley Elementary School.

Dan Smythe of South Hill Road was awarded a Best Sculpture Award at Newburgh on November 9th. The award was for his wood construction, "Imperfect Live" and was presented at a reception at the Newburgh Jewish Community Center. The juried show co-sponsored by Mount St. Mary's College, will be on through November 19th.

## A Round About Tri-Valley

Carol Furman

WOW! The Tri-Valley Varsity Football team gave the fans some exciting moments when they went on to beat Pine Plains 16 - 12 for the Section 9 Eight-Man Title on Saturday, November 3rd. The Bears were in the hole 12-8 until sophomore, Keegan Streimer, threw a perfect pass to Ethan Shaver. It was a 33 yard TD catch! The Bears will now play Notre Dame of Elmira for the intersectional game at 7:30 pm on Friday, November 9th at Binghamton Alumni Stadium.

*The Record* reported on November 6th, that Gary D. Carlsen, formerly of Grahamsville, passed away at the age of 55 on Saturday, May 5th, following a courageous battle with cancer. Gary graduated from Tri-Valley in 1980 and was a local Eagle Scout. He was the son of Frank and Beverly Allen Carlsen. Belated condolences to the Carlsen Family.

The SYDA Foundation has announced that Greg Goldstein, a resident of the Town of Neversink and president and owner of the Misner Insurance Agency, has been selected to receive this year's prestigious 2018 SYDA Community Service Award. The award will be presented to Greg on Thursday, November 15th at 10:00 am during the monthly meeting of the Sullivan County Legislature. This award, one of Sullivan County's highest distinctions, is presented to recognize and honor Greg's many years of service to the Sullivan County community. Congratulations, Greg!

Kudos to Kathleen "Kathy" Poppo who is employed at the Sullivan County BOCES Career and Technical Education Center. Kathy was recently honored by the Professional Women and Women in Business for her accomplishments. Kathy is the daughter of Paul and Donna Hans, the wife of Joe Poppo and the mother of Joey and Kaylee. She is also a Tri-Valley graduate.

Congratulations to Tom Van Sadlers who was selected to be on the Boys Section 9, Class C/D Democrat All-Star Varsity Soccer Team!

Four modified cross country team members from Tri-Valley went to the AAU-NY Metropolitan District cross country qualifier on Saturday, November 3rd at Cunningham Park in Queens, NY. Van Furman placed 1st in the 11 year old Boys 3K; Brynn Poley placed 5th in the 11 year old Girls 3K; Adam Furman placed 2nd in the 13/14 Boys 4K and Vmny Mingo placed 7th in the 13/14 Boys 4K. These young people are now eligible to participate in the Nationals to be held in Tennessee at the end of November. Also planning to compete at the AAU race in Tennessee are Joe and Missy Iatauro's grandchildren, Luke and Haley Iatauro. Luke will compete in the 6 and under 1000 m race and Haley will compete in the girl's 7/8 yr. old 2000 m race.

A group of our local Boy Scouts spent November 10th and 11th at Frost Valley participating in outdoor activities. Their Leader, Neil Terwilliger, accompanied them.

Several individuals from the area spent November 13-15 in Lancaster PA. The highlight of their trip was attending the performance of "Jesus" at the Sight and Sound Theatre. Of course, the trip wouldn't be complete without stopping at the many Amish/Mennonite shops and markets and enjoying the wonderful Amish/Mennonite cooking!

Dave and Phyllis Moore, long-time residents of Grahamsville have moved to Red Hook to be closer to their son and his family. The Tri-Valley Lions Club will be honoring Dave and Phyllis Moore for all they have done for the Tri-Valley community over the past decades. The Club will be having a buffet dinner on Monday, December 3rd at 6:30 pm at Frankie and Johnnie's Restaurant in Hurleyville. The cost is \$18.50. Reservations: call Maryann @ (707-5443).

### Words of Wisdom:

(Kindness of Ken Curry) "Be grateful for what you have and be thankful for what you did not receive." Thanks, Ken!

## Holiday Craft Fair and Luncheon

The Grahamsville United Methodist Church will be hosting a Holiday Craft Fair and Luncheon on Saturday, December 1, 2018 from 10:00 to 3:00 in their Fellowship Hall. Local artists and craftsmen will be selling their jewelry, original watercolors, pottery, handmade soaps and much more. There will also be a bake sale and a lunch of soup, sandwiches and desserts will be available.

The church is located on Route 55 in Grahamsville. For more information call 985-7427 or 985-7222.

## Future Directions for Neversink Renaissance and the Town of Neversink as a Community

Dear community members,

I am reaching out to you today to encourage your attendance at an important meeting to be held on Wednesday, December 5th at 7PM at the Daniel Pierce Library. As you all know, my wife and I have moved out of the area and I have asked Helen Budrock from Sullivan Renaissance to facilitate a discussion about future directions for both Neversink Renaissance as an organization and the Town of Neversink as a community.

The goal of the meeting will be to solicit some open honest feedback from you -- as pillars of the community -- on the issues and problems currently facing Neversink and to chart a course for the future. The only way for me to effectively transition leadership of Neversink Renaissance is to understand how the organization fits into the big picture of where we are going as a town and what projects may be on the horizon.

My only expectation is that you come to the meeting with an open mind and a positive outlook toward the future.

I hope you will join us!

Sincerely,  
Dave Moore

## Daniel Pierce Library Annual Holiday Tea

Daniel Pierce Library in Grahamsville we will be holding their Annual Holiday Tea on Saturday, December 8th 1:00 - 3:00 pm.

## The 5th Annual Anglers Symposium at Claryville Event Center

(From Pg. 1) Also speaking at Anglers 5 is Shaun McAdams, a national representative of Trout Unlimited who described his work in Pennsylvania and New York on native wild brook trout and what it will take to reconnect the favorable conditions for these historically important beauties to our rivers.

A representative from Cornell University gave a presentation on citizen science opportunities and how to get involved in saving the hemlock trees in New York.

After an introduction regarding the streambank restoration project in Claryville on the East Branch Neversink, Brendan Wagner, invited those who wished to take a physical tour of the project.

This event was sponsored by Rondout Neversink Stream Program, a project of Sullivan County Soil & Water Conservation District funded by NYC DEP.

## Tri-Valley Lions Club September & October News

The September member meeting was held on the 9th. We had to change the meeting from Tuesday to Monday due to Nardi's closing on Tuesdays.

Our speakers were Wanda Vionet Cruz and Jill Hubart Simson who spoke on Diabetes and Public Health Services.

The Soda Booth was open for the Antique Machinery Show on Sept 15 & 16. It was also open on September 22nd for the Youth Sportsman's Expo.

We made donations to the County Sight and Hearing Group for \$150 and the Lions International for disaster relief for \$500.

Our October member meeting was October 15th. The speaker was Past District Governor Illene Wizwer who spoke on several topics.

We donated \$500 each to the Claryville Reformed, Grahamsville Methodist and Reformed, Immaculate Conception and Ulster Heights Methodist Churches for their food pantries.

October 16th Lions Donna Schick, Claire Rennison and Frances Fuller represented Tri-Valley Lions at BCES Trail Walks work session at the Benjamin Coser School. We did whatever needed to be done. Lion Fran Fuller attended the Opening Ceremony on October 23rd to represent our Club.

The Pumpkin Party, October 6th was the last event for our Soda Booth and it has been winterized for the winter.

Happy Thanksgiving to all.

## 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.

Our Thanksgiving issue would not be the same without remembering Peggy and her American Wild Turkey story.

Keeping with tradition, as no one could describe the American Wild Turkey better..

## ... American Wild Turkey

By Peggy DeWire

"Gobble, gobble," said the wild tom turkey sitting on a limb in a maple tree almost hidden in the leaves. "You caught me resting after my lunch of grasshoppers and seeds. I'm called Tom Two Toes and I'll tell you how I got named."



He settled himself more comfortably on the limb fluffing out his beautiful brown plumage, tail hanging down neatly folded and beard tassel on his chest swinging to and fro.

Two years ago when I was a small chick, my Mom moved me and my twelve brothers and sisters away from our nest on the ground hidden in the woods to the edge on an open field.

There we watched how she pecked at ants, bugs and berries (strawberries are my favorite). She showed us things that are good to eat. She walked along very slowly to keep her brood together and stopped often, spreading her wings so we could rest under their shade.

We came to a pond on our way to the next open meadow and the whole family waded in with Mom cackling at us to stay together and paddle quickly across.

All the splashing caught a snapping turtle's attention and it investigated, managing to bite off two toes of the last chick to struggle up on land, safely across. I limped along at first but I kept right up with my family after that awful experience.

I also remember my first flight one summer day when I was about two weeks old. Mom and all of us were feeding together in a field pecking at ants and grass seeds. My keen eyesight helped me get the smallest bits of food as well as keep a sharp lookout for danger.

Suddenly Mom flew up into a tree and landed on a limb six feet off the ground. From there she called perk, perk encouraging us to join her.

One by one we flapped out little wings to get up there, the smaller chicks landing short on the ground and launching themselves again and again till they succeeded. I made it on my first try and snuggled beside Mom proudly. After that day we never slept on the ground but always in a tree.

By the end of my first summer I was nearly as big as Mom and looked like her in my new brown-bronze plumage. My head and wattle turned red, white and blue, my wing feathers brown with white edging. Half-inch long yellow spurs grew on my legs. A grand five-inch brown bristle beard drooped from my chest.

My brothers and I practiced loud gobbling, dragging wing tips on the ground and spreading our tail feathers into wide showy fans.

All this gobbling commotion was too much for Mom and she drove all her young toms out of the flock with loud yelping cries, and led our sisters off and away.

During the winter it was very hard to find enough food until we joined some deer that scraped snow aside uncovering moss and grass. While they foraged, we turkeys with sharp eyesight watched every alert for danger. And then we ate.

I'm now a full-grown gobbler who controls the clearing you're standing in looking up at me. This spring I fought another tom and beat him in a knock-down fight for this spot.

## Household Hints

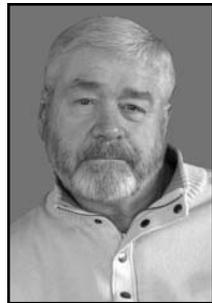
### Get those Old Cloudy Glasses Ready for the Holidays

To rid drinking glasses of cloudiness or spots caused by hard water, heat up a pot of equal parts white vinegar and water (use full-strength vinegar if your glasses are very cloudy), and let them soak in it for 15-30 minutes. Give them a good scrubbing with a bottle brush, then rinse clean.

## Some Die Nameless

Mysterious Book Report No. 351

by John Dwaine McKenna



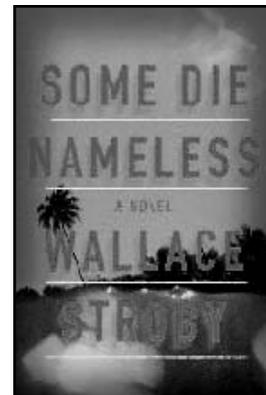
Every single human being on the planet has a past; the deeds, events and situations that have shaped us and made us into the persons we are today. Some of those experiences were happy and good . . . others, not so great . . . and a few of them we do our absolute best to put out of our minds forever. But sometimes, no matter how honest an effort, the past just won't stay in the rear-view mirror. Instead, it drives up, cruises on through, then cuts in front and runs you off of the big highway of life. (What a metaphor!) That's what happens to an ex-airborne army ranger named Ray Devlin in a propulsive new thriller that'll keep you nailed to the page long after you were supposed to be off somewhere, doing something else.

*Some Die Nameless*, (Mulholland Books/ Little Brown/ Hachette, \$26.00, 337 pages, ISBN 978-0-316-44020-2) by Wallace Stroby, begins in Florida, where fifty-four year old Ray Devlin is semi-retired, living on his boat and off the grid. He takes odd jobs in construction to make ends meet, keeps to himself and does his best to put his past as a mercenary soldier behind him. He's seen action all over the world as a sergeant in a tight-knit group of commandos, working for a governmental contracting company run by an elusive man named Kemper. But after Rays last job in South America left him severely wounded, he recuperated, then walked away from life as a soldier of fortune and hasn't seen, or been in touch with any of his old comrades-in-arms for twenty years. He's surprised then, when one of the handful of men who went with him on that last fateful mission, a trooper under Devlins command named Bell, turns up at the south Florida marina where Ray's docked, looking to reconnect. In less time than it takes to drink a bottle of beer however, the two men are locked in a fight to the death.

At the same time, up in Philadelphia, the discovery of a decomposing corpse in an abandoned house triggers a young, ambitious reporters instincts for a major story, even though the failing newspaper she's working for doesn't want her to pursue it. She and Devlin are forced to team up as the two cases unfold, becoming evermore intertwined, sinister and deadly, with hitman and killers lurking on every page. If thrillers are your thing, you don't want to miss *Some Die Nameless*, because Wallace Stroby is one of the hottest crime fiction writers working today. He's fast becoming a national treasure, as well as one of the MBRs personal favorites!

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### Interview With The Author: Wallace Stroby

by John Dwaine McKenna

We're fortunate this week that Wallace Stroby, one of crime fictions hottest young writers,



was able and willing to take a short time-out from his swamped schedule down in south New Jersey to speak with the *Mysterious Book Report* about how he does what he does in such a compelling, forceful and so damned interesting way. It's an honor to speak with one who will most certainly become a giant in the genre. So with all that said, here's the first question:

*Where do you write?*

In my office at home. I can't write anywhere else and reach the level of concentration I need. I have friends and colleagues who write in public - in coffee shops, libraries, trains, etc - but I don't know how they do it. I'm easily distracted by - and hyper-sensitive to - what's going on around me.

*Who's your favorite literary character?*

I have a bunch. Of the ones I wish I'd created, foremost would be Will Graham from Thomas Harris' *RED DRAGON*, and Ray Hicks from Robert Stone's *DOG SOLDIERS*. They're both multi-dimensional characters in incredibly stressful situations. The same is true of James Lee Burke's Dave Robicheaux - 22 books later, he's still one of the most compelling characters in American fiction. He's a guy with more than his share of demons, but who still strives to do the right thing and live an honorable life.

And though she's not strictly a literary character, I'd include Jane Tennison from TV's *PRIME SUSPECT*, created by Lynda LaPlante and unforgettably played by Helen Mirren. A brilliant detective and usually the smartest person in the room, but not always right and not always likeable.

*I've read, and re-read all of the Robicheaux novels, and I absolutely agree.*

*Do you plot-outline or wing it?*

Once I have the set-up - the characters, situation, etc. - then I wing it. It feels like a more natural process that way. For me, too much advance planning saps the energy of the story, so that it becomes less a journey and more of a task. Sometimes, of course, you end up in blind alleys you hadn't anticipated, and then have to backtrack to find where you went wrong. So either approach is a trade-off.

*Do you read your reviews*

I dip into them occasionally to get the gist, but I don't read them all, and I try not to take them too much to heart. The exact same book can get a pan from one reviewer, and a rave from another. Of course, the bad ones hurt and the good ones are nice, but the only thing that's ever under your control is the actual writing.

As for dealing with negative reviews, I always quote Hyman Roth from *GODFATHER II*: "This is the business we've chosen."

*What's your advice for aspiring writers?*

There's only one piece of advice that means anything: Read a lot and write a lot. Read everything. Find a book

you love and reverse-engineer it. Strip it down and take it apart until you see how it works, where the seams are, how the parts fit. Then forget all that and write. Hopefully everything you've processed will emerge organically.

*How did your book first get published?*

As always, there was a lot of luck involved. I'd finished a draft of my first book, *THE BARBED-WIRE KISS*, in 1999 or thereabouts and was lucky enough to attract the attention of the legendary agent Knox Burger, who represented Donald Westlake, Lawrence Sanders, Martin Cruz Smith and many others. He led me through a top-to-bottom rewrite of the mss. with some excellent advice and suggestions. Unfortunately, by the time that redraft was done, Knox, who was in his late 70s, had fallen ill and was selling his agency. In the meantime, through my newspaper job at the Newark Star-Ledger, I'd met a writer named Mark McGarrity, who was writing a series of mystery novels set in Ireland, under the pen name Bartholomew Gill. Mark read the mss. and thought his agent, Robin Rue at Writer's House, might like it. When Knox bowed out, I did another rewrite, then sent it to Robin in Feb. 2001. She sold it to St. Martin's Press shortly afterward. Unfortunately, Mark died in an accidental fall in 2002, a few months before the book came out.

*Does your style make use of adjectives and adverbs?*

I'd write a book totally free of adverbs if I could, but that's not possible (some adverbs, such as "slowly," are too specific to be eliminated). In general, I adhere to Elmore Leonard's Rules of Writing (though each of them has exceptions, as I'm sure Leonard himself would have admitted). Rule #4 is "Never use an adverb to modify the verb 'said'." "I'd add my own rule: If you're relying too much on adjectives and adverbs, then your sentences aren't clear enough to start with.

*Elmore "Dutch" Leonard is one of my personal heroes. Many thanks-I enjoyed our time together and look forward to your next one. Stay in touch!*

*Where could you be reached on the World Wide Web?*

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*Bio:*

Wallace Stroby is an award-winning journalist and the author of eight novels, four of which feature professional thief Crissa Stone, whom Kirkus Reviews named "Crime fiction's best bad girl ever."

A Long Branch, N.J., native, he's a lifelong resident of the Jersey Shore. His debut novel *THE BARBED-WIRE KISS*, which The Washington Post called "a scorching first novel ...full of attention to character and memory and, even more, to the neighborhoods of New Jersey," was a finalist for the 2004 Barry Award for Best First Novel. His 2010 novel *GONE 'TIL NOVEMBER* was picked as a Kirkus Best Book of the Year, as was the second Crissa Stone novel *KINGS OF MIDNIGHT*. In 2012, the Crissa Stone novels were optioned by Showtime Networks for development.

A graduate of Rutgers University, Stroby was an editor at the *Star-Ledger* of Newark, Tony Soprano's hometown newspaper, for 13 years.

### Tri-Valley Teacher Wins Prestigious Award

(From Pg. 1) The award was then voted on by the Region 7 board.

At NYSATA's annual conference held in Buffalo this year from November 15-17, Ms. Conger will officially be presented with the award. Participants and awardees from the conference will be in attendance.

Ms. Conger is truly an asset to our school and community. This award is very much deserved, and we are extremely proud of her for her accomplishment. Way to go, Ms. Conger--you make a difference!

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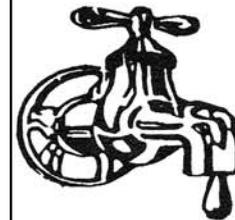
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## The Olive Jar - By Carol LaMonda

I used to think that happiness could be measured by stuff. Now, when I have too much stuff, I realize that stuff is just stuff. It can be lost in a heartbeat by fire, flood, theft, and rot. Stuff is what you accumulate, now what makes you content or happy. In fact, stuff is hard work to maintain; it needs to be dusted, washed, updated, and cared for. My goal now is to get rid of the stuff I have. My plan is to have one thing leave my house everyday. I have kept to this plan for almost a year, but, unfortunately, I think I will be the age of Methuselah when I have things under control.

I do not usually throw things away. I did, however, part with the extensive collection of empty plastic flower pots that reached from floor to ceiling in my garage. My plan is to relocate or return things to where they can do the most good. For instance, my friend Pat mentioned she needed new potholders. Eureka! I can now deplete my stash of two dozen potholders, bought at craft fairs from other sewing friends, that are tucked away in some plastic container because they were too nice to use.

When my cousins lost a lot of their belongings, along with most of their homes, when Super Hurricane Michael devastated Mexico Beach and the lovely, sugar-sanded Gulf beaches along the panhandle, I started rethinking my own stuff.

I realized that most of my "treasured" belongings will be future yard sale bargains. I can picture my kids selling Westmoreland and Fenton milk glass collections for a quarter a piece. My clothes will be stuffed into some roadside collection bin.

My real treasures are my friends and family. They have no sale price (well, maybe just one!) Friends are the ones that stick by you whether you have stuff or not. They let you retell the stories they've heard many times before: they laugh when you repeat corny jokes, and they will cry with you when they share your sadness or disappointment. They have your back no matter which way you turn. Friends cannot be taken from you, even the ones that have passed on because they left you the good memories that have become part of you.

I will continue to repurpose my stuff, but I shall hold fast to the friendships I have shared over the years. I will always remember what my mom wrote to me in a yearbook, "Make new friends, but keep the old; for one is silver, and the other is gold."

### DEC Announces Appointment of Bernard "Bernie" Rivers as Director of the Division of Law Enforcement

New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) Commissioner Basil Seggos announced the appointment of Captain Bernard "Bernie" Rivers to the position of Director of the Division of Law Enforcement (DLE).

A Hudson Valley native with 27 years of experience with DEC, Rivers has served as Acting Director since March following the retirement of former Director Joseph Schneider. As DLE Director, Rivers will lead 289 Environmental Conservation Police Officers (ECOs) across the state in the enforcement arm of DEC, tasked with safeguarding the state's natural resources and enforcing the Environmental Conservation Law (ECL) that protects fish and wildlife, environmental quality and the citizens of New York State.

"In the time Bernie Rivers served as Acting Director he impressed me with both his leadership skills and his dedication and commitment to DEC and our Division of Law Enforcement," Commissioner Seggos said. "Director Rivers is an experienced Conservation Officer, and like the men and women he leads, he demonstrates tremendous resolve to uphold our mission to protect New York's environment, natural resources and wildlife, and the public. I wish Director Rivers congratulations as he assumes his new responsibilities."

Rivers, 55, a 1981 graduate of Minisink Valley High School, has more than 37 years of law enforcement experience, having spent the last 27 years as an ECO. A graduate of Empire State College and the FBI National Academy, Rivers began his career in law enforcement as a NYS Corrections Officer. He also served as a part-time police officer in Mount Hope, Wallkill, Chester, and Montgomery police departments. He graduated from DLE's 9th Basic School in 1992, and has served in several positions as an ECO in Long Island, New York City, and the Hudson Valley, including as a Uniformed Officer, Investigator, and as both a Regional Lieutenant and Supervising Captain.

"I am honored to have been selected by the Commissioner to oversee DEC's Division of Law Enforcement," Rivers said. "This has been the job and career I've always wanted since my senior year of high school when I first met an Environmental Conservation Police Officer who spoke to our law enforcement class at Orange/Ulster County BOCES."

Rivers most recently served in DEC's Central Office in Albany as the head of DLE's Office of Professional Standards. A father of two adult sons, Rivers lives in the Hudson Valley with his girlfriend of two years and her two children.

The oldest law enforcement organization in New York State, ECOs were first appointed as Fish & Game Protectors in 1880. In addition to enforcing all laws of the state, ECOs focus on fish and wildlife poaching, the illegal sale of endangered species, water pollution, policing the commercial fishing industry and the timber industry, emissions enforcement, illegal mining and any issue that affects air, land or water quality violations.

### UC Executive Mike Hein Dedicates Lecture Hall at SUNY Ulster in Honor of Captain Jack Rose



County Executive Mike Hein with the Family of Captain Jack Rose

Stone Ridge, N.Y. - Ulster County Executive Mike Hein was joined by the family of the late Mount Marion Firefighter Captain Jack Rose, Steve Peterson the Director of Ulster County Emergency Management, Everett Erichsen the Deputy Director of Ulster County Emergency Services and Fire Coordinator, SUNY Ulster President Dr. Alan Roberts, Chief Dave Ayers of the Mount Marion Fire Department and Chief James Mullen of the Centerville Fire District, to dedicate the Captain Jack Rose Memorial Lecture Hall in honor of the 19-year-old Mount Marion firefighter who died in the line of duty in 2015. Captain Rose's passion and commitment to pursuing a career as a firefighter led him to realize his life-long dream by joining the Mount Marion Fire Department at the age of 16.

The County worked together with SUNY Ulster to renovate the Burroughs 120 lecture hall, creating a modern state-of-the-art lecture hall that will host critically important programs and courses as part of the new county-wide comprehensive Ulster County Fire Training Center program. The Fire Training Center is part of the County Executive's Firefighter Investment Recruitment Service and Training (F.I.R.S.T.) Program, and includes a shared services network plan at multiple locations with significant classroom instruction provided at SUNY Ulster and two satellite sites providing live burn and extrication training. The plan ensures that all 50 fire departments in Ulster County will have convenient access to a training facility.

#### Michael P. Hein, Ulster County Executive

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#### The Rose Family

"We are humbled that the Memorial Lecture Hall at Ulster County Community College is dedicated to the memory and honor of our son, brother, and uncle, Jack Rose. We want to thank County Executive Mike Hein and Dr. Alan P Roberts President of Ulster County Community College and everyone involved in making this honor happen. We believe that this is so fitting as Jack was very dedicated to training and furthering, not only his own knowledge and skills, but those of his fellow firefighters as well. We know that Jack would be so proud that you saw fit to honor this memory this way. For all firefighters and first responders who attend lectures and conferences in this new hall, please know that the Rose Family thanks all of you for



Mike Hein with the family of Captain Jack Rose and members of the Mt. Marion Fire Department and Centerville Fire District.

your service and dedication. Get home safely after each and every call."

#### Steve Peterson, Director of Ulster County Emergency Management and Services

"Captain Rose was devoted to his family, profession and community; he ran toward danger to protect others from it, and rendered aid to many during their time of greatest need," said Steve Peterson, Director of Ulster County Emergency Management and Services. "The Captain Jack Rose Memorial Hall will help provide Ulster County's firefighters with the training and education they need to stay safe while helping others. I would like to thank County Executive Hein for helping to ensure that future generations will continue to learn about Captain Rose's legacy." (Contd. Pg. 7)

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**Lecture Hall at SUNY Ulster in Honor of Captain Jack Rose**

(From Pg. 6)  
**Everett Erichsen, Deputy Director of Emergency Services/Fire Coordinator**

"Captain Jack Rose was an exemplary member of the fire service demonstrating professionalism, integrity, and commitment beyond his years," said Everett Erichsen, Deputy Director of Emergency Services and Fire Coordinator. "There is no better way I can find for us to remember him than by dedicating this lecture hall to him for those from the fire service who will train here through the years to come. We must respect the memory of every firefighter who has made the supreme sacrifice and learn from it. I thank County Executive Hein for this important tribute which will help in carrying on Captain Rose's memory."

**Dr. Alan Roberts, SUNY Ulster President**

"SUNY Ulster was pleased to collaborate with Ulster County and Ulster County Executive Mike Hein on the renovation of the College's Burroughs 120 Lecture Hall into a state-of-the-art lecture facility," said Dr. Alan Roberts, SUNY Ulster President. "SUNY Ulster students engaged in academic coursework (primarily STEM courses ranging from chemistry to Veterinary Technology are held in the room) and firefighters in Ulster County (participating in training programs and certifications) will benefit from the use of this newly renovated space on the College's Stone Ridge Campus as well as the SUNY Ulster community at large. The significantly upgraded technology, the improved sight-lines in a relatively large lecture hall, and the enriched acoustics and seating all contribute to an enhanced learning experience for our students and ensures they are learning in facilities that are contemporary and designed to meet the needs of a generation of digital natives. We were deeply honored to memorialize Captain Jack Rose's service to his community as a courageous volunteer firefighter in the naming of, Captain Jack Rose Memorial Hall."

**Utilitarian Art Exhibit and Opening Reception at the Catskill Center's Erpf Gallery**

ARKVILLE, NY - The 3rd annual exhibit, Function or Form: Utilitarian Art, will be on display in the Erpf Gallery in Arkville, November 19, 2017 through January 4, 2019. It will feature beautiful functional items created by local artists.

An Artist's Reception will be held on Friday, November 16, from 6-8 PM.

Many handmade items we use daily are not only useful, but are also beautiful, ie. homemade furniture, clothing, pottery, quilts... In 2016, the Catskill Center's Erpf Gallery hosted the first Utilitarian show to celebrate local people that create art with both function and beautiful form. The show was such a success that the Utilitarian Art show has become an annual event. This year's show will feature some returning artists and several new artists.

Artists exhibiting in 2018 include: Rosalind Dickinson - pottery; Howard Harrison - lights; Annie Hayes - hooked rugs; Linda Heller - ceramic plates; Susan Kukle - jewelry and floor coverings; Lisa Marie Layman - soaps; Judy Mensch - hand decorated napkins; Betsy Gude - shoulder bags; Michael Tweed - guitars.

Function or Form: Utilitarian Art, is on display November 19, 2017 through January 4, 2019 with an opening reception Friday, November 16 from 6-8pm. The Erpf Gallery, located at 43355 Route 28 in Arkville, NY is open Mon - Fri 9:30 am to 4:30 pm.

For more information, contact the Catskill Center at 845-586-2611, or visit [www.catskillcenter.org](http://www.catskillcenter.org).

**Minnewaska State Park Preserve in Ulster County has Parks and Trails for Non-hunters to Explore During Hunting Season**

A vast portion of this favorite hiking destination--basically, the area south of Fly Brook and Sanders Kill--is off-limits to hunters. A hunting map provided by the park shows the zones. Minnewaska State Park Preserve was once the site of two mountaintop hotels. Many of the scenic trails and historic carriageways wind their way around two "sky lakes." Lake Minnewaska and Lake Awosting are the centerpieces of the park preserve, from which most other scenic attractions can be reached. These lakes are well known for the exceptional clarity of their water and their aquamarine color. Go to <https://www.nyn-jtc.org/park/minnewaska-state-park> for Minnewaska, where you can download a pdf of the map.

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The southernmost promontory of the Shawangunks is a massive cliff called Sam's Point, which affords broad views extending from the Hudson Highlands in the southeast to High Point State Park and the Kittatinnies in the southwest. The name "Sam's Point" has also been used to designate the plateau-like mountain-scape north of the promontory formed of thick slabs of Shawangunk conglomerate. A miniature forest of evergreen heaths, blueberries, and pitch pines finds a tenuous foothold in this harsh, rocky environment. According to The Nature Conservancy, "the majestic views and unique landscapes of Sam's Point represent one of the best examples of a ridgetop dwarf pine barrens in the world."

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## FRIDAY



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## SATURDAY



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### Sinterklaas! Send off Celebration in Kingston



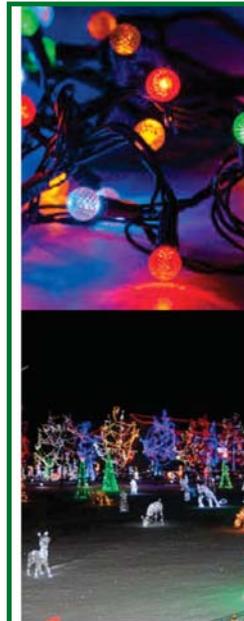
(From Pg. 1) The Sinterklaas Festivities draw on the Hudson Valley's Dutch heritage, but with some modern day twists. Children are the focus - becoming kings and queens for the day, turning the switches of the original story into royal scepters. Children make scepters and crowns for themselves at the Crowns and Branches workshops. (Contd. Pg. 11)

### National Technical Honor Society Honors Ms. Debra Heidt-Dunwell

*Liberty:* The National Technical Honor Society (NTHS) recently honored Ms. Debra Heidt-Dunwell for twenty years of dedication, service, and the desire to recognize high-achieving students at the Career & Technical Education Center of Sullivan BOCES.



Ms. Heidt-Dunwell, has served as the NTHS Advisor at Sullivan BOCES for over 26 years. During that timeframe, she has inducted 539 Career & Technical Education students into the NTHS.



### HOUSE DECORATING CONTEST

- Requirements:
- Any residence in the Town of Neversink is eligible for entry
  - Use as many lights and decorations as you would like on the exterior of your home and lawn
  - Judging will take place Friday, November 30 at 5 pm
  - Winning residence will be announced at tree lighting on Sunday, Dec 2 at 5 pm
  - Winner will receive a stocking full of goodies including: voucher for a pepperoni pizza & bottle of soda from the Grahamsville Deli, Oil Change from Zanetti's Service Station & Maple Syrup from Catskill Mountain Sugar House. Please submit form to Parks & Rec Dept. no later than Tuesday, Nov 27 to participate

Address of entry \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Family Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_



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### Sunday, December 2 GINGERBREAD HOUSE DECORATING CONTEST



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## Frost Valley YMCA's Announces the Date for Holiday Community Dinner

Claryville -Frost Valley will be hosting a free Holiday Community Dinner on December 7, 2018 from 5:30 - 8 p.m. for local families and friends. Guests will enjoy a delicious buffet-style dinner accompanied by festive activities and crafts for the whole family. While this event is free, reservations are required since limited space is available. Local busing will be available from the Neversink Bus Garage, Neversink Town Hall, and Big Indian Park. Visit [frostvalley.org/community](http://frostvalley.org/community) days for more information. Call 845-985-2291 ext. 450 to make a reservation.



"The Community Dinner has become a time-honored tradition at Frost Valley," says Jessie Emmons, Director of Community Programs for Frost Valley. "It's a great way to spend time with friends and family and get in the holiday spirit!"

Frost Valley YMCA is also pleased to announce its Winter Break Day Camp for children between the ages of 4-16 on December 26-28 and December 31st from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Children will enjoy activities like snow tubing, cross-country skiing, broomball, arts and crafts, games, and more. Local busing is available.

A limited number of spots are available for Winter Break Day Camp so interested parents are urged to register their child right away to ensure their spot. Please call 845-985-2291 ext. 306 for more information or to register your child.

## UC Executive Mike Hein Hosts Interfaith Security Forum Following Pittsburgh Tragedy

*Religious Leaders Joined Local Law Enforcement Agencies to Discuss Common-Sense Practices To Increase Safety At Houses of Worship*



Kingston, N.Y. - On Thursday, November 8 Ulster County Executive Mike Hein hosted a forum for leaders from Ulster County religious communities to discuss security issues and concerns with members of the New York State Police and local law enforcement agencies. The event was organized as part of the local response to the mass shooting at the Tree of Life Synagogue in Pittsburgh on Saturday, October 27 that took the lives of eleven worshippers.

Over forty people attended the workshop, which was facilitated by Captain Michael Drake of the New York State Police. The event drew participation from a broad cross-section of Ulster County's faith-based community, including leaders from Muslim, Jewish, and Christian houses of worship. (Contd. Pg. 12)

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## Blossom Rozman at ERH Foundation Annual Gala and Silent Auction

On Saturday, October 20, 2018, the Ellenville Regional Hospital Foundation honored Blossom Rozman at its annual Gala and Silent Auction. The event was held at The White Wolf Restaurant and Lounge in Napanoch, NY. Presenting the award to Ms. Rozman was William Brown, Chairman of the Ellenville Regional Hospital Foundation Board, and Steven L. Kelley, President and CEO of Ellenville Regional Hospital.



*Blossom Rozman*

Ms. Rozman has been a member of the Ellenville community since 1956, having moved here with her husband Joe Among her numerous community activities, Blossom has been an ERH Auxiliary Board member for many years. In that capacity, she has served as co-chair of the Auxiliary's Annual Luncheon Committee. In addition, in the early 1960's, Blossom envisioned and developed the Auxiliary's annual NYS Theater trip fundraiser, which still continues today!

The Foundation would like to recognize the generous sponsors of the Gala: Athenahealth, Coombe, Bender and Co., Constable Custodial Services, Inc., Emergency Medical Associates, Gillette Creamery, Health Quest, Mobile Life Support Services, Nevele Resort & ProSport Campus, Orange Regional Medical Center, Sterling National Bank, The Institute for Family Health, Travers O'keefe, Villa Veritas Foundation, White Wolf Restaurant and Lounge, and the Westchester Medical Center Health Network.



Centerpieces for the Gala were once again generously created and donated by the members of the Shawangunk Garden Club.

Ellenville Regional Hospital is a leader in healthcare innovation, collaboration and quality care. It is our mission to bring advanced services to our community and beyond. Some of our current top initiatives include our Opioid Abuse Reduction Program, implementing a Hologic Genius™ 3D Mammography™ unit and our innovative Swing Bed Care with our Barthel Index Project. Both our Opioid Abuse Reduction Project and the Swing Bed Project have gained statewide and national attention. Both initiatives are being replicated in sizable hospitals and healthcare systems statewide based on our effective results. Proceeds from the Gala, which raised over \$70,000, supports the development of such programs and technological advancements to keep the mission of the hospital thriving. For example, funding has supported the recent purchase of the Hologic Genius™ 3D Mammography™ Unit, which has the fastest compression time and provides better, earlier breast cancer detection.

## The Scene Too

By Jane Harrison

So much to tell you about! Thursday, Nov 8, I was part of the audience for Historian John Conway's talk "Sleeping With The Fishes" about the relationship of Murder Inc in the 1930s to the 1940s with Sullivan County at the Fallsburg Library. Now this is something I heard about from natives, particularly around Hurleyville and Loch Sheldrake, from almost my first day here. Now according to Mr Conway, 8 bodies - 6 found, 2 unaccounted for - were attributed to this area directly connected to Murder Inc. I believe this to be true. But, according to the natives again, that was then. There was still the 40s, 50s and 60s. One notable State Patrolman said to me once "I hope they never drain 'that' lake".

If you have never been one of John Conway's talks, you really need too. He will be leading a talk/walk on Saturday, Dec. 1 down the Rails to Trails in Hurleyville at 2pm, that will include information on the 1907 train engine explosion that left three crew member dead. He will be joined by Eve Minson, Healing Gardens Coordinator for the Center for Discovery who will speak about the ecosystem of the wetlands along the trail.

All this is part of the December 1st Holiday in Hurleyville. Mark it on your calendar. See alpacas, stop in at Fiber on Main, pop into the Hurleyville Market or check out the dance troupes at the Hurleyville Arts Center. Last year they had two groups, Debbie Fisher and Company and Lion Zen, performing outside in weather that was not conducive to humans. I sincerely hope they have more respect this year. Aside from that, I had a most enjoyable day and look forward to another this year.

Within the next few weeks, I will be visiting Sullivan County's newest animal rescue sanctuary. This sanctuary will be one of the few to be a sanctuary for neglected farm animals. ARTHUR'S ACRES ANIMAL SANCTUARY near Parksville was featured recently in the *Democrat* and Todd Friedman and I have been in contact for a while. I look forward to covering this good work. This week:

Saturday Nov 17, THE AQUAINTANCES will be at the Pickled Owl in Hurleyville; 6:30. This is an excellent group of guys and well worth going to see

If Italian is more your thing, go see my other friends Friday Nov 16 and Saturday Nov 17; AL DEFINO and LARRY RAVDIN will be at SORELLA'S in Kauneonga Lake

And Sunday brunch at the Catskill Distillery, BARRY SCHIENFELD AND FRIENDS

Get out and enjoy, before winter really sets in!

## Sinterklaas! Send off Celebration in Kingston

(From Pg. 8)

"But it can't be about the wanting and having, either," says creator Jeanne Flemming, "They each have to tie wishes into their branch - one for the community, one for the family, one for the world. They understand their responsibility to be a good king or queen."

Kingston's Sinterklaas is an interfaith and intercultural holiday tradition that unifies the neighborhoods of the city through creativity - mixing history, fable and fantasy to inspire imaginations and participation of all ages. They will be showcasing a variety of artists and makers from the community to celebrate the wonderfully rich maritime and immigrant history of the Rondout.

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Sinterklaas departs from the historic Kingston Waterfront (aka "Spain") after a full day of open houses, musical performances, workshops creating beautiful crowns and branches, and a Children's Maritime Parade down Broadway, with stars and puppets galore. Kingston sends off Sinterklaas and his white horse on a tugboat across the river to his destination there. The send off will culminate with a shadow puppet show celebrating Kingston's folklore maritime history and plenty of specials at all of the local restaurants.

Free activities for the whole family will begin at noon and the parade will take place at dusk along Broadway in the Rondout.

Stay tuned and in the know for all things Sinterklaas. Follow us on Instagram and Facebook for more!

**Arm of the Sea at The Maritime Museum Boat Barn** 12pm, 1pm, & 2pm - Don't Miss! Incredible handmade puppet shows throughout the day.

**Crowns & Branches Workshop at The Maritime Museum Barn** Noon-3:00pm - Children are the heart of Sinterklaas: they are Kings and Queens for the day. Make sure they get a chance to make their crown and adorn their branches for the parade.

**Sinterklaas Welcome Center and Silent Auction**, 37 Broadway Noon- 4:00pm - Information. Buy your stars. Shop the silent auction benefiting Kingston Sinterklaas.

**Trolley Rides at the T.R. Gallo Park** Noon, 1:00pm, 2:00pm - Enjoy a scenic trolley ride out to Kingston Point Park, leaves on the hour, 45 minute trip. 1pm & 2pm Rides will feature a public reading of Charles Dickens' *A Christmas Carol*

**Hudson River Maritime Museum**, 50 Rondout Landing Noon-3:00pm - Exhibits and gift shop open to the public

**Trolley Museum of New York**, 89 E Strand Noon-3:00pm - Exhibits and gift shop open to the public

**Storytime at the Reher Center**, 99 Broadway 3pm- 4:00pm - Karen Pillsworth shares Hanukkah and Reher Bakery stories, cider & cookies

**Kingston Waterfront Businesses** Noon -5:00pm - Enjoy discounts, open houses and free refreshments in businesses up and down Broadway - and get a good start on your holiday shopping!

**Storefront Gallery Show** Noon-5:00pm - View work celebrating this year's honored animal, The Butterfly

**Fruition Hot Chocolate Bar in the Hops Petunia Courtyard** Noon - 4:00pm - Tastings and hot chocolate for sale!

**Belgium Waffle Cart** at Kingston Wine Co Noon -5:00pm - Step on up and enjoy a delicious hot Belgium waffle and wine tasting with Kingston Wine Co.

**Facets of Earth, Whole Clarity and Local Artisan Bakery Pop-Up**, 22 Broadway Noon - 4:00pm - Enjoy fresh baked goods!

**Enchanted Cakes**, 23 W Strand Noon - 4:00pm - Cookie Decorating!

**Hetta Glogg & Egnog**, 85 Broadway Noon-5:00pm - Enjoy warm glogg, spiked egnog and Dala Horse Ornaments.

**Milne Antiques**, 81 Broadway Noon-5:00pm - Open house and free refreshments.

**Zephyr Open House**, 35 Broadway Noon-5:00pm - Open house and free refreshments.

**Children's Maritime Parade** - Beginning at Broadway & Garraghan Dr 4:00pm - Accompany Sinterklaas amid fluttering butterflies, a flotilla of boats, star lanterns, outrageous otters and more. Follow along with your Crowns & Branches to water's edge.

**Sinterklaas Send-Off & Shadow Puppet Spectacle** - at T.R. Gallo Park 4:45pm - NEW this year - Don't Miss! Stick around for the spectacle immediately following the end of the parade featuring Liz Howlz famous shadow puppets. A show that will depict various stages of Kingston's development.

When the early Dutch settlers came to America, they brought with them their venerated old bishop. St. Nicholas and their favorite holiday, Sinterklaas. Indeed, the Dutch explorers dedicated their first church on the island of Manhattan, in 1642, to Sinterklaas. When the British took control of New Amsterdam in 1664, they merged Sinterklaas with their Father Christmas - the merry, roly-poly, Falstaffian figure in high boots.

Over the next few generations, Sinterklaas found his way into American literature. In 1809, writer Washington Irving (a man who lived not far from Rhinebeck) created a jolly Sinterklaas for his popular *Knickerbocker Tales*. Then in 1822, an Episcopal priest named Clement Moore (who also lived near to Rhinebeck) wrote "A Visit from St. Nicholas" which featured a jolly old elf, his descent down a chimney on Christmas Eve, and a sleigh drawn by eight tiny reindeer. The Father Christmas image stuck, but he acquired a new name - Santa Claus - a direct derivation from Sinterklaas.

Today, in the Hudson Valley, we celebrate Sinterklaas in both traditional and new ways. We move away from the commercial Santa and back to the wonders that began the legend - The Good King, the Noble Soul, the one who brings light out of darkness, befriends children and animals, and inspires our souls.

What is the meaning of the Crowns and Branches that are made by and carried by the Children in the Parade? Since St. Nicholas loved children so much, it makes sense on his name day, that children - who at all other times of the year are the least powerful people in the society - are turned into the most powerful for just one day. Children are crowned kings and queens!

The birch rod - the threatening instrument of the Grumpus -

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in our Sinterklaas story is transformed by the power imagination and art into a symbol of empowerment and love to become the Branch - the Royal Scepter - a symbol of creative power in the hands of today's children.

The rods are turned to Royal Scepters and the Children are crowned royalty for the day!

There will be workshops in both Kingston and Rhinebeck for children to create their Crowns and Branches at the Crowns & Branches Workshop at The Maritime Museum Barn Noon-3:00pm.

Hundreds of beautiful branches will be laid out alongside lots of beautiful, glittery, and fanciful materials-jewels, ribbons, glitter, lace, streamers-with which the children can create their royal garb! At the end of the day each child has a scepter to carry in the Parades and to take home. Each child will be asked to tie 3 WISHES onto their branch - one for family, for community and for the World.

And in the same location, is the Wish Ladies, who help children make their wishes.

The STARS are a unique addition we've made to the Sinterklaas celebrations. These STARS make families, friends, and relations the active myth makers of our community and its future!

From the moment you take possession of your star, you assume a key role in a community ritual. On the last Saturday in November, carry your stars in the Maritime Children's Parade in Kingston as you see Sinterklaas off for his trip to Holland.

On the first Saturday of December, carry your stars in the Children's Starlight Parade in Rhinebeck. Hundreds of your neighbors, friends, and family join in an illuminated pageant through the heart of town.

A gathering constellation lights the path for the many children who, bedecked with their crowns and branches, are the honored Kings and Queens of the Day. At the end of the procession, everyone gathers for the final ritual of the pageant. The Master of Ceremonies calls upon all those present to honor our children, our hope for the future, our joy of today.

He asks you to bow down on one knee to the children and hold your STAR at the children's waist level, elevating the children on a sea of stars above everyone in the community. Then you are asked to stand again and raise your star above your heads - thus placing you, the children and the entire community in its proper place in the firmament - all of us as one and at peace under the stars. And you can bring your star back next year, adding to an ever-expanding universe of stars, helping to nurture a Rhinebeck tradition.

This year the STARS are available online and at select stores in Rhinebeck and Kingston, including on the festival days.

### THE HAVDALAH

Just before the Children's Starlight Parade begins in Rhinebeck, a special ceremony, havdalah, takes place at the foot of the hill on West Market Street. Led by the children and folks from the Rhinebeck Hebrew School and Temple Emmanuel, this beautiful Jewish Ceremony marks the end of the Jewish Sabbath and opens up the secular time of The Sinterklaas Parade. The Havdalah Ceremony weaves together all of our community in a web of interdependence, symbolized by intertwined candles.

After the Parade the beginning of the Christian Sabbath starts with the Living Nativity at the Reformed Church.

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### Governor Cuomo Announces Cashless Tolling at Yonkers Toll Barrier to Go Live

Governor Andrew M. Cuomo announced cashless tolling will go live at the Yonkers Toll Barrier (I-87 North and South) early Friday morning, November 16, with switchover operations beginning at approximately 6 p.m. the night before, weather permitting. The official switchover to cashless tolling is expected to take place shortly after midnight following a brief traffic stoppage for northbound and southbound motorists. When fully operational, cashless tolling is expected to improve traffic flow on the Thruway corridor that serves more than 17.5 million vehicles per year, which accounts for more than 6.5 percent of the Thruway's overall toll traffic volume.

"New York is leading the nation by making historic investments in infrastructure, ensuring our transportation network is fit for the 21st century," Governor Cuomo said. "The implementation of cashless tolling in Yonkers is a critical step in our efforts to minimize traffic disruptions, ease congestion and decrease carbon emissions, creating a smarter, greener New York for generations to come."

When cashless tolling goes live, motorists traveling through the Yonkers Toll Barrier will drive under a gantry with state-of-the-art sensors and cameras that read E-ZPass tags and take license plate images so vehicles no longer have to stop to pay the toll. Vehicles with E-ZPass tags are automatically charged and Vehicles without E-ZPass tags will have their license plate image captured and a toll bill will be mailed to the registered owner of each vehicle. Customers who pay using Tolls By Mail will pay the same toll rate as previously paid by cash customers, and E-ZPass customers with New York accounts will continue to receive a five percent discount.

Once the new tolling system is fully operational, the existing Yonkers Toll Plaza will be removed in several phases, which will result in altered traffic patterns. For a short period of time, drivers will continue to travel through existing toll lanes at reduced speeds without stopping until the booths are removed and the road reconfiguration is completed. Drivers are strongly urged to use caution around the toll plaza during this time, as it is an active construction zone. The posted speed limit when traveling through the toll lanes will be 20 MPH.

The Yonkers Toll Barrier will become the Thruway's fifth cashless tolling location, in addition to the Gov. Mario M. Cuomo Bridge, Grand Island Bridges and Harriman Toll Barrier. As Governor Cuomo announced in June 2018, all remaining fixed toll barriers in the lower Hudson Valley will be converted to cashless tolling by the end of 2018. The remaining barriers include New Rochelle (I-95) and Spring Valley (commercial traffic only). The Thruway's ticketed system (I-87/I-90 from exit 16 - exit 50 and exit 55 - exit 60) is scheduled to be converted to cashless tolling by the end of 2020.

As part of the Thruway's transition to cashless tolling, the Thruway Authority is encouraging all motorists to sign up for E-ZPass NY and save on tolls across the state, including a five percent discount along the entire 570-mile New York State Thruway. E-ZPass offers a variety of discount plans and payment options to fit the needs of every motorist, including Pay Per Trip, which is linked to a bank account, not a credit card, and pays tolls incurred once per day and a prepaid E-ZPass account balance is not required.

E-ZPass On-the-Go tags can be purchased at 26 Thruway Service Areas system-wide, more than 800 locations across the state including select grocery and convenience stores, and government offices, state-operated DMV offices, and select cash toll lanes across the Thruway's 570-mile system.

### Average County Tax Bill Will Decrease Under Proposed 2019 Sullivan County Budget Solid Waste Access Fee to Go Down by a Third

Monticello, NY - Building upon the vastly improved economy and bright future of the region, Sullivan County Manager Joshua Potosek today presented a 2019 Tentative Sullivan County Budget to the Legislature that promises to reduce property owners' County tax bills.

"As proposed by my office, the 2019 Tentative Sullivan County Budget invests in what's important to our residents: transportation, access to government, economic development, community beautification, and broadband connectivity," Potosek says. "At the same time, however, it does not burden taxpayers with further costs. In fact, it reduces them."

The \$235,196,663 budget, as currently proposed, stays under the state-mandated property tax increase cap, and thanks to a 4.5% increase in the County's total taxable assessed value, the average property taxpayer will see the County portion of their tax bill decrease by 1.6%, or approximately \$19 per \$100,000 of assessed value.



Sullivan County Manager  
Joshua Potosek

It additionally proposes a \$1.9 million decrease in the Solid

Waste Access Fee, dropping the commercial rate from \$300 to \$200 per year and the residential rate from \$120 to \$80 per year.

Full details of the budget are available at [www.sullivanny.us](http://www.sullivanny.us) (click on "County Manager's Office" in the dropdown "Find a Department" menu, then click on "Budget" in the left margin).

#### Highlights include:

- \$8.8 million for road and bridgework throughout the County, in addition to an already-approved \$10 million bond that's replacing five aging bridges
- An additional \$900,000 to maintain the Sullivan County Land Bank's incredibly successful pace in acquiring and rehabbing/demolishing eyesore structures
- \$200,000 for local towns and villages to demolish unsafe structures via our RUST Program
- \$200,000 to undertake an environmental analysis of potential shovel-ready sites along Old Route 17 in the towns of Liberty and Thompson
- \$200,000 for a broadband pilot project that will bring high-speed Internet access to underserved areas of the Village of Monticello and Town of Thompson - if successful, this venture can be replicated Countywide, utilizing existing County communications towers
- \$150,000 for new Public Transportation routes, set to debut this April
- \$50,000 additional for the Legislature's Discretionary Funds Program, expanding the County's assistance to deserving nonprofits and community groups
- \$40,000 to update historical signage Countywide
- Adding a clerk in the Department of Motor Vehicles Office to reduce wait times
- \$15,000 more for the Sullivan County Youth Bureau to expand its reach and assistance to youth programs Countywide
- Funding to increase the minimum wage for all County employees to \$15 an hour, beyond the state mandate, in order to attract and retain qualified personnel in a competitive market

The budget also provides the necessary funds to operate two jails for 6-9 months while personnel, inmates and equipment are gradually transferred from the old jail to the new facility.

This proposal takes into account costs that are out of the County's control, including a projected 7.5% hike in health insurance premiums and a \$2 million increase in foster care expenses.

Legislators now have until December 13 to review, discuss and adopt the budget. Public hearings on the budget proposal will be held on December 11 at 5:30 p.m. and December 13 at 9:30 a.m. in the Hearing Room of the Sullivan County Government Center in Monticello.

### Ulster County Maintains "AA" Bond Rating as County Executive Hein Continues to Expand and Improve County Services S&P Global Rankings Cites Strength of County's Financial Management and Budgetary Performance as Factors Leading to Positive Rating

Kingston, N.Y. - Ulster County Executive Mike Hein is pleased to announce that the County has maintained its strong 'AA' overall credit rating in the latest S&P Global Ratings report. In recognition of the County Executive's commitment to excellence in fis-

cal management, the report notes that Ulster County's management is "strong, with good financial policies and practices." The report also credits the County for its budgetary flexibility, noting that the available fund balance is sufficient to allow for future capital spending and tax relief purposes.

"Especially as we move through the 2019 budget process, we are proud that bond rating agencies continue to acknowledge our financial strength under County Executive Hein's leadership," said Commissioner of Finance Burt Gulnick. "Our strong financial footing is the bedrock that allows us to pursue the County Executive's ambitious agenda for new and expanded County services, such as our \$70 million investment in roads, bridges and trails and the Brighter Futures Initiative to positively impact generational poverty."

With the County's continued strength in the eyes of bond rating agencies comes a benefit to taxpayers in the form of lower borrowing costs. Particularly as interest rates continue to climb, a strong bond rating makes it possible for the County to continue to invest in long-term projects that require bond financing.

In its RatingsDirect® report, S&P Global Ratings has assigned a bond rating of 'AA' to Ulster County's previously issued bonds, which is consistent with last year's rating. The agency also noted that it sees Ulster County's financial condition as "stable," which indicates no anticipated change in the bond rating over the next two years. Credit ratings range from a top rating of 'AAA' to 'D' for cases where the debt is in default, or for debt issuers who have not met their financial obligations.

### UC Executive Mike Hein Hosts Interfaith Security Forum Following Pittsburgh Tragedy - Religious Leaders Joined Local Law Enforcement Agencies to Discuss Common-Sense Practices To Increase Safety At Houses of Worship (From Pg. 9)

#### Ulster County Executive Mike Hein

"Houses of worship are, by definition, open and welcoming places rather than secure fortresses," said Ulster County Executive Mike Hein. "As such, they are inherently vulnerable to acts of random violence. But we can and must take common-sense steps to protect those who practice their faith peacefully, and to do our best to avoid the kind of tragedy that has befallen other communities across the nation. In the wake of the recent events in Pittsburgh, I felt compelled to convene this meeting to help provide the information and resources that our faith communities need in order to better protect both themselves and their congregations."

The forum, which was held at the Kingston Center of SUNY Ulster on Mary's Avenue in Kingston, provided an opportunity for participants to learn about best practices and an opportunity to ask frank and honest questions to law enforcement professionals. Following the forum, religious leaders are encouraged to work with the New York State Police and other local law enforcement agencies to conduct security evaluations of their houses of worship.

"I am grateful to Captain Drake, the New York State Police and our local law enforcement agencies for their willingness to work with local houses of worship to address the issues and needs that are specific to their particular locations," said County Executive Hein.

#### Captain Michael Drake, New York State Police

"Within hours of the shooting in Pittsburgh, County Executive Hein called me to discuss his concerns about security at local houses of worship," said Captain Michael Drake of the New York State Police, who facilitated Thursday's forum. "We immediately launched into a planning process together to ensure that our community is as well-prepared and protected as possible, and with the hope that we can avoid future acts of violence. I thank the County Executive for his leadership, my colleagues in local law enforcement for their participation and their dedication to their communities, and the participants for their thoughtful and insightful questions. I look forward to continuing to work with our faith-based organizations to help them achieve a careful balance of safety and openness."

Any religious organization or house of worship that was unable to attend Thursday's forum is encouraged to reach out to Captain Drake at the New York State Police with any questions or to request assistance with security measures. Captain Drake can be reached via the main phone for the New York State Division of State Police - Troop F at 845-338-1702. Questions or concerns may also be directed to the Office of the Ulster County Executive at (845) 340-3800.

**Claryville Fire Dept.  
All You Can Eat  
Welcome Hunters  
Spaghetti Supper  
Saturday, November 24**



Serving 4:00 until 8:00 PM  
Adults: \$10  
Children Ages 5-11: \$6  
Under 5 Yrs. Free  
\$50 from the Supper  
Is Donated to the  
Claryville Reformed Church  
Food Pantry

The Ulster Heights  
United Methodist Church  
1264 Ulster Heights Road, Ellenville, NY,  
**Church Fair, Bake Sale and Luncheon  
Saturday, November 17th**  
from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
Featured items are baked goods, jams and jellies, holiday  
items and holiday gift baskets. Lunch will be served from 11  
a.m. to 2 p.m. Homemade soups, chili, hotdogs, apple crisp  
and beverage will be on the menu  
For info call 647-7680, 434-4220 or 647-5389.

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68 Church St., Napanoch  
**YARD and CLOTHING SALE**  
Every Friday: 10 am - 3:00 pm  
Comics, Vintage items, books, clothing, yard sale  
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something for everyone!

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**Claryville Fire Dept.  
All You Can Eat  
Welcome Hunters  
Pancake Breakfast**



Sunday, November 18  
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

The Grahamsville United Methodist Church  
Fellowship Hall · Route 55, Grahamsville, NY 12740  
**Holiday Craft Fair and Luncheon  
Saturday, December 1, 2018 · 10:00 to 3:00**  
Local artists and craftsmen will be selling their jewelry,  
original watercolors, pottery, handmade soaps and much  
more. There will also be a bake sale and a lunch of soup,  
sandwiches and desserts will be available  
For more information call 985-7427 or 985-7222.

**GRAHAMSVILLE REFORMED  
CHURCH  
Roast Pork Dinner**  
November 17, 2018 Saturday  
4PM-7PM  
Roast Pork, Stuffing, Mashed Potatoes, Carrots,  
Sauerkraut, Homemade Applesauce, Salad, Bread,  
Drinks and Assorted Desserts  
**ADULTS: \$13; CHILD 5-12 \$ 8 UNDER 5 FREE**  
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**Dec. 1, 2018  
5:30 pm  
Covered  
Dish Supper**  
  
*Sundown  
United Methodist  
Church Hall*

**Grahamsville  
United  
Methodist  
Church**  
  
Nov. 17, 2018  
Third Saturday  
Thrift Sale  
9:00 a.m. - 12 noon  
  
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Christmas Craft  
Fair  
10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

  
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at 5:30 pm); Tuesday morning: 8:50 am; Wednesday morning: No  
Mass; Thursday afternoon: 5:45 pm; Friday morning: 8:50 am;  
Saturday morning: 8:50 am.  
  
Saturday afternoon confessions: 3:45 to 4:15 pm  
(845) 434-7643.

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

  
**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.  
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For information contact Rev. Seung Jin Hong. 845-985-2283  
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## LEGALS/PUBLIC NOTICES: ANNUAL ELECTION OF GRAHAMSVILLE FIRE DISTRICT DECEMBER 11, 2018

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that the Annual Election of the Grahamsville Fire District will take place on December 11, 2018 between the hours of 6:00 pm and 9:00 pm at the Grahamsville Firehouse located at 205 Main Street, Grahamsville, New York for the purpose of:

1) Electing one Commissioner for a 5-year term commencing on January 1, 2019, and ending on December 31, 2023.

Candidates for the District Office of Commissioner must submit their request in writing to the District Secretary at PO Box 343, Grahamsville, NY 12740 to be placed on the ballot no later than November 21, 2018.

All residents of the Fire District duly registered with the Sullivan County Board of Elections as of November 19, 2018 shall be eligible to vote.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS OF THE GRAHAMSVILLE FIRE DISTRICT.

Scott L. Raymond, District Secretary 11/15

**District Opening  
Tri-Valley Central School**

**Elementary Teacher**  
Leave Replacement (Jan 1 – Mar 4, 2019)  
*NYS Elem. 1-6 Cert. Required*

Please forward resumes by Dec. 7<sup>th</sup>  
To: [recruitment@scbooces.org](mailto:recruitment@scbooces.org) or  
Sullivan BOCES Recruitment Service,  
6 Wierk Avenue, Liberty, NY 12754 or  
Attn: Tri-Valley Search EOE

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**Immediate Openings  
Tri-Valley Central School**

**Teacher Aides**  
(10-mth positions)  
*HS Diploma Required*

Please forward resumes by Nov. 15<sup>th</sup>  
To: [recruitment@scbooces.org](mailto:recruitment@scbooces.org) or  
Sullivan BOCES Recruitment Service,  
6 Wierk Avenue, Liberty, NY 12754 or  
Attn: Tri-Valley Search EOE

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## Driver Safety Program

Community Driver Safety Program at the following location:

### Defensive Driving Class

Callicoon Town Hall

19 Legion Street, Jeffersonville, New York

Saturday, December 15, 2018 from 9:00AM-4:00PM

To register for the class contact Community Driver Safety Program, some additions to our services to the community have been added: Our telephone service is toll free and is answered by a live person Monday thru Friday from 9am to 6pm. After these hours and on week-ends and holidays you can leave a voice message with your name and phone number for a call back. This new voice mail service will also transcribe your message to our computer. The toll free number is (877) 910-7843. Pre-payment is requested in order to confirm your spot in the class.

The course is instructed by a RSVP Volunteer and will give this course in a one day sessions, which will

consist of lecture, discussion and video presentations. Participants will receive a certificate which entitles them to apply for a discount on their automobile insurance. This program will help reduce your auto insurance by 10% and may reduce up to four points on your license. The fee is \$25 per person over 50 years of age and \$35 per person under 50 years of age.

This course is instructed by a Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) volunteer and sponsored by Community Driver Safety Programs, Inc., Callicoon Town Hall, Sullivan County RSVP and Office for the Aging.

### AARP Driver Safety Program at the following location: AARP Driver Safety Program

South Fallsburg Senior Center

Laurel Avenue, South Fallsburg, New York

Saturday, December 15, 2018 from 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

PLEASE ARRIVE AT 8:45 AM

NO WALK-INS

To Register - Call Sonny Smith at 434-8922 (Leave Message). PLEASE CALL AFTER 9:00 AM IN THE MORNING.

Sonny Smith, an AARP- Certified Instructor, will give this course in one full day session, which will consist of a lecture, discussion and video presentations. Participants will receive a certificate which entitles them to apply for a discount on their automobile insurance.

For information, phone Sonny Smith at 434-8922 (Leave Message). PLEASE CALL AFTER 9:00 AM IN THE MORNING.

The fee is \$20 for AARP members and \$25 for non-members as of 1/1/2014. Classes are limited to 35, so apply early.

This course is instructed by a Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) volunteer and is sponsored by the Sullivan County Office for the Aging & RSVP.

## Catskill Art Society, will present Summerland

LIVINGSTON MANOR, NY, The Laundry King, a Project of the Catskill Art Society, will present Summerland, an audio work for 24 computer-controlled telegraph sounders by Matthew Ostrowski. The Laundry King, 65 Main Street, Livingston Manor, NY. Gallery Hours: Saturday, December 8, Sunday, December 9, 11:00am - 6:00pm. Opening Reception: Saturday, December 8, 4:00-6:00pm

### About the exhibition:

Samuel F. B. Morse's electromagnetic telegraph, commercially available in 1844, was history's first readily available system of instantaneous communication over great distances. Morse himself, although anxious to bring the world together through his invention, did not want to bring it closer. He often railed against vague foreign conspiracies and was a fierce opponent of immigration. For him, this new technology was as much a way of keeping people apart as bringing them together.

The achievement of mastery over the invisible force of electricity stirred great interest in the potential existence of other forces which might offer means of communicating with points even farther removed: the realms inhabited by departed spirits. This movement was born four years after the introduction of the telegraph: Adolescent sisters Kate and Maggie Fox reported mysterious tapping sounds in their house near Rochester, New York, which they attributed to the ghost of a murdered man buried in the basement. The news rapidly spread, and within a few years both of the Fox sisters achieved fame as professional mediums, their bodies acting as transmitters between the two worlds. Mediums and séances sprang up everywhere, marking the beginning of Modern Spiritualism, a religion oriented around communication with the Summer Land, or spirit-world.

The electromechanical technology of the telegraph and the spiritual technology of mediumistic communication remained closely linked throughout the infancy of the communications era. While 'electricians' such as Samuel Morse and Benjamin Franklin often appeared at the other end of the spiritual telegraph, as it was often called, respected engineers such as Cromwell Varley, who laid the first transatlantic cable, and Sir Oliver Lodge, the inventor of wireless telegraphy, were confirmed Spiritualists.

In the context of contemporary magical thinking about media, Summerland looks back at the archaeology of communications, seizing from the ether the dead voices of two individuals at the tangled nexus of 19th-century information technology: Samuel Morse and Kate Fox. Attempting to reproduce their words through taps and clicks, texts from Morse's articles on immigration and Fox's automatic writing encounters with the inhabitants of the Summer Land are materialized in an electromagnetic séance of digitized speech.

Summerland, sponsored by Harvestworks, is made possible by the New York State Council on the Arts with the support of Governor Andrew M. Cuomo and the New York State Legislature.

### About the Catskill Art Society

The Catskill Art Society is a non-profit cultivating public interest, participation, and enjoyment of the arts. Through its multi-arts center, CAS explores contemporary art practices and facilitates creative and professional development for established and emerging artists. Located in Livingston Manor, the renovated 4,500+ square foot facility includes a designated fine arts gallery, a large multi-purpose space, a pottery studio, a painting studio, and a digital arts lab. For more information, please visit [www.catskillartsociety.org](http://www.catskillartsociety.org).

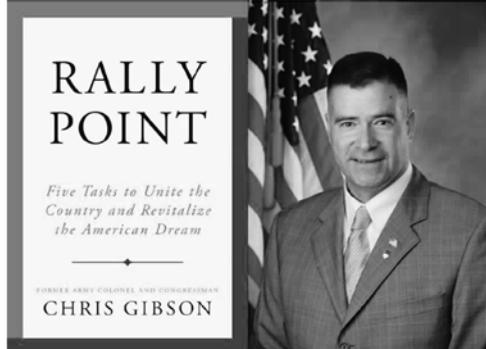
Funding for CAS is provided in part by the New York State Council on the Arts with the support of Governor Andrew M. Cuomo and the New York State Legislation.

## SCDW's 'Rabbit Hole' to go to Statewide Competition

(Hurleyville, NY) The Sullivan County Dramatic Workshop production of David Lindsay-Abaire's Rabbit Hole staged at the Rivoli Theatre in July has been chosen to go on to Statewide competition at the Theatre Association of New York State (TANYS) Festival in Auburn, New York. In preparation for Festival and in order to offset the costs associated with taking the show to statewide competition, a dress rehearsal is being opened to the public for one night only - Wednesday, November 14th at the Sullivan County Museum in Hurleyville. If you missed this powerful production in July, you have one more opportunity to catch it now - if you've seen it already, come see it again - and help the Cast and Crew on their way to Festival.

Winner of the 2007 Pulitzer Prize for Drama, Rabbit Hole is an intensely emotional examination of grief, laced with wit, insightfulness, compassion and searing honesty. Becca and Howie Corbett had a picture-perfect family life in the suburbs of New York until a random, tragic accident took the life of their four-year old son. Rabbit Hole delves into the complexity of a family navigating deep grief and learning what it means to try and regain a meaningful life with a re-defined sense of "normal."

The production staged in July earned TANYS awards for Excellence in Direction (Lori Schneider), Excellence in Technical Direction (Jim Schmidt) and Excellence in Ensemble Acting to the Cast (Terri Mateer, John Neails, Taylor Lamerand, Carol Macadam, Cole Phillips). In preparation for their Festival performance, the Workshop is opening its final dress rehearsal of this award-winning production. In addition to seeing the performance, audience members will experience a taste of the Festival requirements as everyone in the cast and crew and every item (set pieces, props, costumes) have to start in a 10 x 10 square "backstage," be set in 10 minutes, and then after the final curtain call, the set must be struck and return to the 10 x 10 square in 10 minutes. The Cast and Crew will be rehearsing this as well as the show itself in order to prepare for their Festival performance the weekend of November 16th. For a unique theatre experience and the opportunity to help defray the cost of Rabbit Hole going to the TANYS Festival, don't miss this one night only show, Wednesday, November 14th at 7:00 pm. All tickets are \$10 and will be available at the door at the Sullivan County Museum, 265 Main Street, Hurleyville. For additional information, log onto [www.SCDW.net](http://www.SCDW.net) or phone (845) 436-5336.



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**2018 Upcoming Events**

- 11/30 **Middletown Cinema**
- 12/1 **Transportation to NYC**
- 12/2 **Elf Workshop & Tree Lighting**
- 12/15 **Disney on Ice**

**Christmas Festivities here in Grahamsville!**  
 (See Pg. 8 for details)

- Pull out the lights and decorations and enter the House Decorating Contest
- Create a one of a kind gingerbread masterpiece to enter into the Gingerbread House Raffle
- Get the kids signed up to make crafts at the Town Hall at the Elf Workshop Sunday, Dec 2 before the Tree Lighting



**Daniel Pierce Library**

hours of operation

- Tuesday: 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
- Wednesday: 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- Thursday: 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
- Friday: 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- Saturday: 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
- Sunday and Monday: Closed

If you have any questions, please call the library at 985-7233.

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

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

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

**2018 Dept. of Motor Vehicles Schedule - Neversink Town Hall**

10:00 am - 2:30 pm

- July 12th    October 11th
- August 16th    November 15th
- September 13th    December 13th

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- 11/15/18 Neversink Fire District Board of Fire Commissioners 7:00 pm Budget Hearing, Regular meeting 7:30pm
- 11/17/18 **Third Saturday Thrift Sale** - Grahamsville UMC - 9 - 12 noon
- 11/17/18 Grahamsville Reformed Church **Roast Pork Dinner** 4- 7 pm
- 11/18/18 Claryville Fire Department **All You Can Eat Pancake Breakfast** - 7 am to Noon
- 11/19/18 Tri-Valley Booster Club- C.A.S.T meeting 6:30 pm TVCS Secondary School Library
- 11/20/18 Town of Neversink Zoning Board of Appeals 7:30 pm
- 11/20/18 Grahamsville Fire District Meeting 7 pm Grahamsville Firehouse
- 11/21/18 Neversink-Rondout Antique Machinery Association Meeting - 7:30 pm
- 11/24/18 Claryville Fire Department **Spaghetti Dinner** - 4 pm to 8 pm
- 11/26/18 Neversink Chamber of Commerce Meeting - 7 pm Community Room (lower level) Daniel Pierce Library
- 12/1/18 **Covered Dish Supper** - Sundown Methodist Church Hall 5:30 pm
- 12/1/18 Grahamsville UMC **Christmas Craft Fair** 10 am - 3 pm
- 12/5/18 Town of Neversink Planning Board Meeting -7 pm
- 12/11/18 Town of Denning Board Business Meeting 6 pm Denning Town Hall
- 12/2/18 Town of Neversink Board Meeting
- 12/13/18 Claryville Fire District Meeting 6:30 pm
- 12/13/18 Town of Denning Planning Board Meeting 6 pm

**SAVE THE DATE!**

Sat., Dec. 1 - **Grahamsville UMC Christmas Craft Fair** 10 am - 3 pm  
 Daniel Pierce Library Holiday Tea Sat., Dec. 8 - 1:00 - 3:00 pm

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

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

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

**Tri-Valley Elementary School WANTED:**  
 Local establishments to display student **KINDNESS** artwork

Contact Penny Hennessey in the Main Office at 985-2296 ext. 5306 or [pennyhennessey@trivalleycsd.org](mailto:pennyhennessey@trivalleycsd.org).

All artwork and frames will be provided by the District and refreshed bi-annually.

**November Pre-Chanukah Tiny Tot Program**  
 Tuesday November 20th

**Tiny Tot 'Stuff -A-Menorah' Workshop**  
 For Tots ages 0-6 and their parents/caregivers  
 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM  
 \$10 suggested donation  
 Chanukah story time, songs, and Stuff-A-Menorah craft!

Tots will get to choose a Menorah and stuff it, as well as fill it with love and wishes for more goodness and light in the world.

For More information call 845 876 7666, Email: [RSVP@RhinebeckJewishCenter.com](mailto:RSVP@RhinebeckJewishCenter.com) to reserve a spot!  
 Website - [RhinebeckJewishCenter.com](http://RhinebeckJewishCenter.com)  
 Facebook [Facebook.com/RhinebeckJewishCenter](https://www.facebook.com/RhinebeckJewishCenter)

**A Christmas Carol**

Tune in to RADIO KINGSTON / WKNY (1490 AM) radio to hear the artistic directors and select performers of the Ulster Ballet Company promote their upcoming holiday performance on *Speak Out* on Saturday, November 24, 2018 at 9:30 a.m. and don't miss the Warren in the Morning show with Warren Lawrence on Tuesday, November 27, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. Be sure to tune in to hear all the exciting details about Ulster Ballet Company's 24th annual production of "A Christmas Carol."

Then on Friday, November 30th through Sunday, December 2nd, 2018, the Ulster Ballet Company will present a unique rendition of Charles Dickens' holiday classic, "A Christmas Carol," at the Ulster Performing Arts Center (UPAC) in Kingston, NY.

Performances and Ticket Information: The dates for the upcoming production of "A Christmas Carol" are Friday, November 30th at 7:30 p.m.; Saturday,

December 1st at 4:00 p.m., (new time) and Sunday, December 2nd at 2 p.m. at UPAC, 601 Broadway, Kingston, New York. Tickets are \$25 for adults; and \$22 for senior citizens, and Bardavon members; and for groups of ten or more, and children 12 and under, tickets are \$18. To purchase tickets, call the UPAC box office at 845-339-6088; visit Ticketmaster at [ticketmaster.com](http://ticketmaster.com), or call 800-745-3000. The UPAC box office is open Tuesday - Friday from 11:00 am - 5:00 pm.

In an effort to reach out to the community, the Ulster Ballet Company is offering a discounted ticket price of \$18 to employees of HealthQuest; Health Alliance; Mid-Hudson Regional Hospital of Westchester Medical Center; Marist, Bard and Vassar Colleges; Ulster County Community College; City of Kingston and County of Ulster employees, and members of the YMCA. Present your employee/student ID, or membership card to the UPAC box office when purchasing tickets.

The Ulster Ballet Company is a non-profit organization that has been bringing area residents innovative and creative dance entertainment since 1977. now in our 40th year! For additional information, visit our website at [ulsterballet.org](http://ulsterballet.org), or contact [ulsterballet@gmail.com](mailto:ulsterballet@gmail.com). **ULSTER BALLETT COMPANY 10** First St, Saugerties, NY 12477 [www.ulsterballet.org](http://www.ulsterballet.org) - Contact: Scarlett Fiero Phone: (845) 246-4316

**Music on Market Concert Series**

Only 2 concerts left in the 2018 Music on Market series! The twelfth concert in the series will be: **Oldies but Goodies**, featuring the Breezy Hill Wind Quintet! This concert will feature the greatest hits from five centuries! November 15th 2018 at Saint John's Church at 40 Market Street, Ellenville, NY at 7:30 P.M. Tickets: Adults \$15, Seniors/Students \$10, and Children under 12 are free!

**Neversink Chamber of Commerce Annual Toy Drive and Wrapping Event**

**Monday, November 26, 2018 at The Pit Stop Gallery** (adjacent to Neversink General Store)

Please join us for this annual holiday event. We will need many hands to help wrap the toys and items that we will collect and get them ready for delivery in time for those who need a little holiday cheer.

**It is the season of giving**  
 Members are asked to bring an unwrapped toy to this meeting **We welcome any donations of either gifts or time to help us make this a successful and happy holiday venture again this year**

**Town of Esopus Library Duck Pond Gallery**

**Holiday Show Fine Art & Crafts**  
 Dec. 7-28, 2018  
**Opening Reception**  
 Friday December 7, 5:30-7  
**Free Admission**  
 128 Canal St, Port Ewen, 845-338-5580  
 Hours: M, Tu 10-5:30, Wed 10-8, Thur 11-5, Fri 10-7, Sat 10-4  
 Sunday Closed

**A Creel Full of Memories**  
 Remembering Roger Menard



Saturday, November 17, 2018 • 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm  
 at the Phoenicia Library  
 Community Meeting Room  
 (Donor Access available)

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**Three bedrome 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.

307 Main Street Grahamsville - **Large two family home or rental property** 3 BD/ 1B and 4 BD/ 1.5 B, LR/DR/Kit/Laud RM each \$150,000.00 Call 985-7326 for a appointment. b 11/1

**HOUSE FOR SALE 108 HALL RD GRAHAMSVILLE** on 2 acres. 3Br/2Ba, hardwood floors, fireplace, new windows and patio door leads to large 2 tier deck with mountain views. Some rooms freshly painted. Finished basement with pool table. Woodstove and generator. 2 car garage with new door openers. Tri-Valley school with low taxes. Asking \$264,500. Must see. Call 985-7304 pd10/25

**RENTALS**

**4BR, 2BTH on 1 level.** Tri Valley Schools. \$1200 per mo + security + 1st and last month. Clean credit report required. 845 292 7870. 11/15

**WANTED**

**WANTED: OLD & VINTAGE CB RADIO EQUIPMENT:**  
 Microphones; linear Amps; Power Supplies, Mobile or Base CB's.  
 Call: Charlie @ 845-418-8793  
 Interested in talking about CB Radio?  
 Give Charlie a call. rtfn

**Shop Locally!**

The holidays will be here before you know. Check out our local businesses for unique gift and holiday ideas:

- Chestnut Creek Baked Goods -845-985-5070 or 845-798-1724/Facebook
- 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

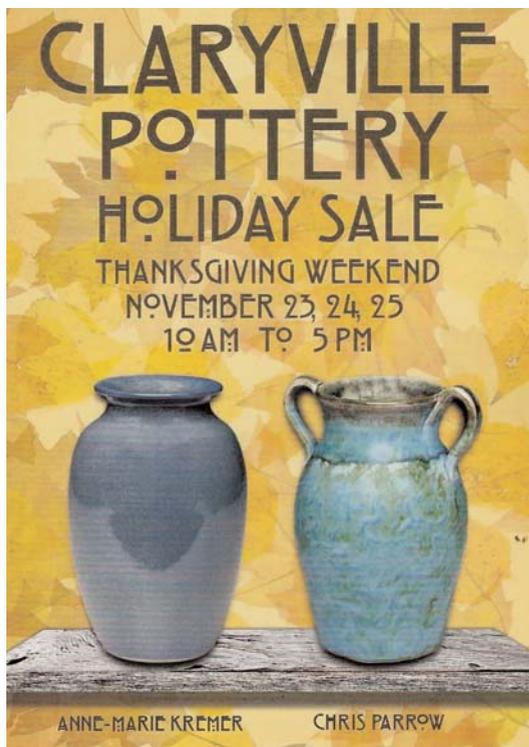
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**HELP WANTED**

**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.

**Pizza Chef** at Blue Hill Lodge & Cafe. For interview call 845-985-0247 and leave a message. We will get back to you.

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



**CLARYVILLE POTTERY HOLIDAY SALE**  
 THANKSGIVING WEEKEND  
 NOVEMBER 23, 24, 25  
 10 AM TO 5 PM

ANNE-MARIE KREMER CHRIS PARROW

If you have a craft item you wish to sell, send a picture of your finished craft along with a description, price, etc and your contact information to:

**Gnome Home**  
 131 Peekamoose Road  
 Sundown, NY 12740  
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**ANSWER TO KNARF'S MOVIE TRIVIA**  
 Ans to last week's quiz:  
 1. John Garfield  
 2. Cary Grant  
 1. Dooley Wilson  
 2. S. Z. Sakall

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**"Knarf's Classic Movie Trivia"**  
**Starting Thursday 9:00 AM November 22, 2018**  
**Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade**  
 The annual Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade in New York City, the world's largest parade, is presented by the U.S.-based department store chain Macy's. The tradition started in 1924, tying it for the second-oldest Thanksgiving parade in the United States with America's Thanksgiving Parade in Detroit (both parades being four years younger than Philadelphia's Thanksgiving Day Parade). The three-hour Macy's event is held in Manhattan starting at 9:00 a.m. Eastern Standard Time on Thanksgiving Day November 22, 2018, and has been televised nationally on NBC since 1952. Employees at Macy's department stores have the option of marching in the parade or not. **Don't want to watch the Parade, watch our choice of a masterful film, starting at 10:00 AM with wonderful actors:**

**National Velvet (1944)**  
 Enchantingly beautiful Elizabeth Taylor at age 12 became a movie star by starring in this classic about a British farm girl fights to train a difficult horse for the Grand National Steeplechase. She, and her jockey pal (Mickey Rooney) overcome many hurdles to transform an unruly horse to win the Grand National Steeplechase. **Directed by Clarence Brown. Starring Mickey Rooney, Elizabeth Taylor, Donald Crisp, Anne Revere, Angela Lansbury, Reginald Owen, Norma Varden, Jackie "Butch" Jenkins, Terry Kilburn.** Five star family film Taylor is irresistible, Rooney was never better, and they're surrounded by a perfect supporting cast. Revere won a Best Supporting Actress Oscar as Taylor's mother. Screenplay by Theodore Reeves and Helen Deutsch, from Enid Bagnold's novel. Followed years later by INTERNATIONAL VELVET a TV series.  
**Quiz: In "National Velvet"**  
 1. Who played Edwina Brown?  
 2. Who played Mr. [Herbert] Brown?

- What's Going on in The Gnome Neighborhood™**
- GRAHAMSVILLE**
- Nov. 17 **Third Saturday Thrift Sale** Grahamsville UMC 9 am - 12 noon
  - Nov 17 **Roast Pork Dinner** Grahamsville Reformed Church 4 - 7 pm

- Christmas Festivities here in Grahamsville!**
- Dec. 1 **Grahamsville UMC Holiday Craft Fair and Luncheon**
  - Dec. 2 **Gingerbread House Decorating Contest** (See Pg. 8 for details)
  - Dec. 2 **Elf Workshop- 3 pm** (See Pg. 8 for details)
  - Dec. 2 **Tree Lighting - 5 pm**
  - Dec. 8 **Daniel Pierce Library Holiday Tea - 1 - 3 pm**

- SUNDOWN**
- Dec. 1 **Covered Dish Supper - 5:30** Sundown Methodist Church Hall

- OLIVE BRIDGE**
- Sat., Nov. 17 - 3:00pm -Chamber-music 5:00pm **Alarm Might Sounds Concert Series --The Anello String Quartet** - Olive Fire Department, Company No.1 Firehouse, 9 Mill Rd, Olivebridge, NY 12461
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