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Town of Neversink Flag Exchange Ceremony Tuesday, November 11th, 2014

Veteran's Day, 2014 in the Tri-Valley Area will be observed by the Flag Exchange Ceremony, which has become a tradition in the Town of Neversink. The Program will take place at 11:00 am on Tuesday, November 11th, at the flag pole located in the Grahamsville Rural Cemetery on Route 55 in Grahamsville.

The event will feature the retiring of the flag, which has flown for the past six months, in honor of George W. Coombe. In exchange for the flag just retired, Scout Troop 97 will then accept a flag presented by the Muthig Family of Grahamsville, which will fly for six months, in honor of Harold Muthig, a veteran of the United States Army, who spent his entire tour of duty in Korea. Participating in the event will be Boy Scout Troops 97 and 87, an Honor Guard of local veterans and representatives of the Grahamsville Rural Cemetery Association, who sponsor the Flag Exchange Ceremony.

As always, the public is invited to attend and participate in this Veteran's Day Observance. We welcome the opportunity to honor any members of the armed forces who might be in the area. Please join us as we pay tribute to all those who have served and all those who currently serve our great nation.

Following the ceremony at the Cemetery, a brief wreath-laying ceremony and flag exchange will take place at the Neversink Town Hall in Grahamsville. Light refreshments will be served at Town Hall following the ceremony.

Local Composer /Playwright's Masque of the Red Death Makes World Premiere



(South Fallsburg, NY) In keeping with the spirit of the season, the Sullivan County Dramatic Workshop and the Delaware Valley Opera joined forces to present the world premiere of an original work of music-drama, *The Masque of the Red Death* based on Poe's famous short story. (Contd. Pg. 8)

Sheriff Paul J. Van Blarcum announces that Deputy Kyle Frano & K9 Dozer have Successfully Completed Courses



Sheriff Paul J. Van Blarcum announces that Deputy Kyle Frano & K9 Dozer have successfully completed Police K9 Narcotics Detection Course" and "Police K9 Patrol, Tracking, and Article Search" school and are now part of the Sheriff's Office K9 Unit.

Sportsman of the Year

(Story/Photo by Dennis Muthig)



Ray Muthig of Aden received the Federation of Sportsman's Clubs of Sullivan County's highest award- 2014 Sportsman of the year!

Voted on by past sportsman, this honor is only revealed at the club's Annual Banquet. The 41st dinner held at the Rockland House in Roscoe was packed with nearly 150 guests.

With family hoping to keep it a surprise, Ray suspected "something seemed fishy" as family and close friends started to fill the 20 seats reserved in his honor.

Ray has been involved with the Federation for nearly 60 years. He has also helped start up the Aden Hunting Club and the Aden Night Riders Snowmobile Club.

With his family and farm life around him, he is a very content man. Always giving of himself to the many organizations he

volunteers for.

From the time he was in the Army, right up to today as a delegate to the NYS Region 3 Fish and Wild Life Management Board.

Long-time member of the NRA and very active with NYS Maple Producers' Association. We could keep going with the list.

Federation President Jack Danchak delivered the award to Ray and the packed house stood and the roar of applause was impressive.

"We pulled it off," says wife Dorothy of 61 years. "He truly was surprised."

A great time was had by all as Ray received handshakes and congratulations all the way to the parking lot.

Ian Mullen: Photographer and Fisherman

(Story/Photo by Dennis Muthig)



Ian Mullen not only attended the opening of the Time and the Valleys Museum's new exhibit, *Celebrating Catskill Waters: Past and Present*; he also helped photographer Dennis Muthig with the photographs that was used to create the brochure for the Time and the Valleys Museum and will also become part of the museum's new web page that will soon be available.

Ian's first time fishing at the Neversink Reservoir yielded a limit of trout and bass as seen in the four-segment photograph on display now at the Time and the Valleys Museum in Grahamsville.

Ian is 9 years old and lives in Bradley.

How Does Your River Flow?

Livingston Manor, NY On Saturday, Nov. 8th, at 2:00 pm, the public is warmly invited to an exciting short program "How Does Your River Flow" with Jamie Myers, Biologist with the National Park Service UPDE in Milanville, PA, at Morgan Outdoors.

Ms. Myers will bring an EnviroScape, a plastic tabletop model of a watershed showing hills, valleys, fields and rivers. Small model houses, cars, trees, and animals are added. Then, using materials like candy sprinkles and food coloring to represent pollutants, the public can see how the watershed works. The program is perfect for curious people of all ages.

Ms. Myers will also bring maps and information about the Delaware River watershed. The streams, creeks and rivers in the Livingston Manor-Roscoe area are the headwaters of the Delaware River. In total, the Delaware River's watershed comprises 2,390 square miles of land area within New York State. (Contd. Pg 8)

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ON THE FRONT BURNER: And I will take you to me for a people, and I will be to you a God; and ye shall know that I am the Lord, your God, which bringeth you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians.
Exodus 6:7

COLLEGE NEWS:**Danielle Marie Borriello of Ellenville has enrolled in Clemson University**

Danielle Marie Borriello of Ellenville has enrolled in Clemson University.

Borriello is a graduate of Ellenville High School whose major is Health Science.

Ranked No. 20 among national public universities, Clemson University is a major, land-grant, science- and engineering-oriented research university that maintains a strong commitment to teaching and student success. Clemson is an inclusive, student-centered community characterized by high academic standards, a culture of collaboration, school spirit, and a competitive drive to excel.

Taylor Lamerand of Liberty, NY Performs in Wilkes University Theatre's Presentation of "Carrie: The Musical"

Taylor Lamerand of Liberty, N.Y., will perform in Wilkes University Theatre's presentation of "Carrie: The Musical" on Nov. 7-9 and 14-16 at the Darte Center for the Performing Arts. Lamerand, a sophomore musical theatre major, will play the role of Norma.

Based on the novel by Stephen King, this rock musical about Carrie White, a bullied telekinetic teen misfit who is pushed too far, will horrify and delight audiences. The musical is directed by Joseph C. Dawson, Wilkes associate professor of theatre, with musical direction by Ken McGraw, Wilkes adjunct faculty of theatre. All performances are at 8 p.m. with a Sunday matinee at 2 p.m. General admission is \$10, \$5 for students, seniors and children, and free with a Wilkes ID. For more information or to reserve tickets, please contact the box office at 570-408-4540.

DAYS OF YORE....**Today's History
November 17, 1954**

November 24, 1954 - Mr. and Mrs. Frank Smith came to their 25th wedding anniversary on Tuesday, November 16th. Mr. Smith had been deer hunting and had gone to bed. Mrs. Smith was about to go to bed when about 45 relatives, neighbors and friends came to surprise them with a celebration for their anniversary. They have three children: Franklin, 19, Wanda, 16 and Beverly, 10.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Fuller are the proud parents of a baby daughter, Eileen Susan, born at the Hamilton Avenue Hospital on Tuesday, November 16th. She weighed 7 lbs. 8 oz. She is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Fuller and Mr. and Mrs. Archie Ackerley, all of Grahamsville.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Stratton of South Hill are the proud parents of a daughter, Lyn, born at Veterans Memorial Hospital, Ellenville on November 17th.

November 4, 1964 - Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Greenrose of West Nyack and Sundown announce the engagement of their daughter, Linda Louise to Irving Buley of Grahamsville. Irving is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Buley. The wedding will take place on Thanksgiving at the Sundown Church. The Rev. Harry Myers will officiate.

It was announced last week that one of Liberty's oldest businesses, Clark Krum & Son, dealers of feeds, grains fertilizers etc. would suspend active operations on November 30th. Delivery route service ended on October 31st. The firm has been in operation in Liberty at Lake St. and Ontario Avenue for 45 years.

November 20, 1974 - Mrs. Hattie B. Moore, 69, of Grahamsville, died Saturday at the Mary Imogene Bassett Hospital in Cooperstown, N.Y. She is survived by her husband, Harry B., a brother, Harry Furman of Liberty, and a sister, Mrs. Ralph Griffin of Liberty.

Thomas Marshalek, District Commissioner and a Scout Leader of Grahamsville Troop 187, received the highest award this Hudson-Delaware Council can bestow on an adult scout leader. The coveted "Silver Beaver" was presented to him for "distinguished service to boyhood." Because of his efforts and time, hundreds of our young people have enjoyed scouting and enriched their lives with experiences

that will help them throughout their lifetime.

November 29, 1984 - Mary Ann Garr and Kenneth James Atkins Jr. were married November 24, 1984 at the United Methodist Church in Parksville. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roland Garr of Harris, N.Y. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Atkins of Grahamsville. The bride graduated from Monticello High School and is employed by Hillside Greenhouses in Liberty. The groom, a Tri-Valley High School graduate, is employed by Griff Petroleum in So. Fallsburg as a tractor trailer driver.

Elmer and Alta Diehl of Sholam Road, Napanoch, celebrated Thanksgiving and their 58th wedding anniversary together with family and friends.

Art in Sixes" at Alliance Gallery Tenth Annual Small Works Group Show

"Art in Sixes," an exhibition of small art works by local artists, opens at the Delaware Arts Center's Alliance Gallery on Saturday, November 15, with a reception from 2 - 4 p.m. The exhibit will be on view through December 23.

Celebrating its tenth year, "Art in Sixes" has become the Delaware Valley Arts Alliance's premier year-end art event. It features artwork in a wide range of studio mediums including painting, drawing, sculpture, fiber, ceramics, and photography from artists in Sullivan County and the Upper Delaware River region. Last year's show included 113 artists and 301 works of art. All works of art are for sale and priced reasonably for holiday gift giving.

"Because anyone can submit, the exhibition brings in a variety of creative people," said gallery director Rocky Pinciotti, who developed the idea for this show in 2005. "For many artists, working that small is a refreshing new challenge. From the shopper's point of view, the prices are typically affordable for the holidays."

What is it like to curate a show this big? "It is both overwhelming and exciting," said Pinciotti. "It is literally like Christmas morning when gallery assistant Phyllis Bilick and I start to unwrap all the small works that are dropped off. Organizing and hanging such a large exhibition is quite a task."

To help with the aesthetics of the show, Bilick and Pinciotti organize the work into an assortment of genres. Pinciotti also created a system of gridding gallery walls. "I painted the first gridded wall a stone grey and gridded it with white pencil, which is perfect for pieces that are exactly six-by-six inches," he said. "At some point I also started to use shelves instead of pedestals for the 3-D works. Then, in 2013, I dubbed one wall the 'small-er works' wall for very tiny pieces. All these tricks help us keep the show organized and looking beautiful."

Running simultaneously next door at Signature Gifts at the Delaware Arts Center is "Valley Artists Holiday Sale," where arts and crafts by over 60 artists, specializing in wood, photography, painting, jewelry, ceramics, textiles, and sculpture, are available for purchase. Also featured are books by local authors, holiday cards, gift wrap, as well as selected antiques. Gifts for children include a great assortment of wood toys, art- and nature-inspired stickers, books, games, and art supplies. Gifts for adults include clocks, books, bowls, wood boxes, vases, silk scarves, journals, and jewelry.

Alliance Gallery and Signature Gifts are located at the Delaware Arts Center at 37 Main Street, Narrowsburg, NY. The exhibit and the sale are both open through Tuesday, December 23, hours of Tuesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. The activities of the Delaware Valley Arts Alliance are made possible in part by a grant from the New York State Council on the Arts with the support of Governor Andrew Cuomo and the New York State Legislature.

The opening reception for "Art in Sixes," along with the "Valley Artists Holiday Sale," will take place at the Delaware Arts Center on Saturday, November 15 from 2 to 4 p.m. For more information call 845-252-7576 or visit delawarevalleyartsalliance.org.

A Round About Tri-Valley

-Carol Furman

Pete and I had lunch with Bob and Delcye Kelz last week. They both look wonderful - Delcye just celebrated her 80th birthday in October. Bob retired as Superintendent at Tri-Valley School many years ago and continues to be supportive of the Tri-Valley community.

Jennifer Mills, a former Tri-Valley student and daughter of Ross Mills and the late Maureen Mills, was married in Las Vegas, Nevada to William Pipkins on October 11th. The couple will make their home in Irmo, South Carolina.

When you see Bob Drown riding around the area in his 1940 Plymouth Business Coupe, you may notice that he has someone else riding in Cooper's seat. Make "no bones" about it, she is very attractive in her fancy dress and scarf!

Brownie Troop 314 visited the Grahamsville Firehouse on October 23rd to learn about fire safety. Approximately 20 girls and some parents attended. The girls also had a Halloween party at the Daniel Pierce library on Tuesday the 28th.

Thoughts are with Gene Fuller who was in the hospital and with Loretta Ackerley who is home and feeling much better. Also, Dr. James Cone, the veterinarian from Napanoch, needs our prayers.

The Harlem Wizards will be coming to Tri-Valley on Sunday, December 7th at 5:00 pm. This talented basketball team will compete against the "Tri-Valley Bears All Stars". The "All Stars Team" is composed of community teachers, coaches and organization leaders. This event, sponsored by the Tri-Valley PTO, promises to be a very entertaining event!

Plan to attend the Veterans Day Ceremony at the Grahamsville Rural Cemetery Flagpole at 11:00 am on the 11th. After flying for 6 months, the flag of George Coombe will be lowered and the flag of Harold Muthig will be raised.

The Grahamsville Reformed Church will be serving a roast pork dinner on Saturday, November 8th from 4:00 - 7:00 pm.

I, for one, am glad that election day has passed. I was so tired of seeing the political ads on TV and having people call me to ask for my vote!

Words of Wisdom: Don't cry because it's over, smile because it happened.

Never ask old people how they are if you have anything else to do that day. (Joe Restivo)

When the devil brings up your past, bring up his future!

Tri-Valley Teachers' Association Cares Committee is getting in the Holiday Spirit!

The Tri-Valley Teachers' Association Cares Committee, along with other community groups, will again be assisting families during the holiday season. We are looking for anyone who may be interested in purchasing gifts for families in our school district. You could be an individual, a group of people, or an organization that is willing to help out to make a family's holiday even more special. There is a great need again in this upcoming holiday season to help the people in our community. If you are interested in doing this, please contact Deb Swett at:

debraswett@trivalleycsd.org or 985-2296 x 4229, or Kim Edwards at kimberlyedwards@trivalleycsd.org or 985-2296 X 7061 by Nov. 15. Thank you in advance for any support you can give!

SC Pregnancy Support Center to Host Ribs and Pulled Pork Barbeque

Join and support the Sullivan County Pregnancy Support Center on Saturday, November 8th, 3:00 pm to 6:00 pm at the Vine and Branch Church (formally the Liberty Free Methodist Church) 2535 St. Rt. 52, Liberty NY for their Ribs and Pulled Pork Barbeque catered by Mark McCarthy! Your choice of Ribs or Pulled Pork. Sides include Baked Beans, Cole Slaw, Roll and Dessert. Adults \$14.00 & \$12.00; Children 8 and under \$8.00 & \$6.00

Tickets can be purchased at the door or call Kathy Lounsbury at 985-2923

They are offering Eat In or Take Out Dining. Mark's food is always delicious! It will be a good time for all!

Support Local Holiday Food Distribution

The Grahamsville Community Food Pantry will provide approximately 30 holiday food baskets to neighbors in the Tri-Valley School District at both Thanksgiving and Christmas this year.

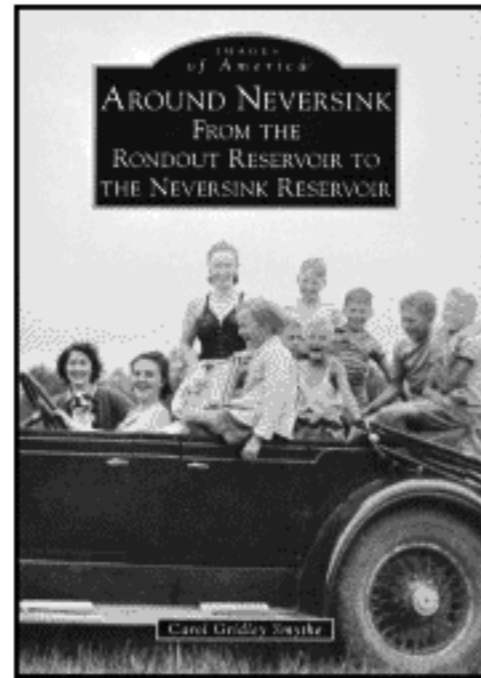
The Grahamsville Community Food Pantry welcomes donations from area residents to help us provide for this special outreach. The food pantry requests gifts of canned hams, chicken or turkey breasts, roasting chickens and frozen turkeys. Non-perishable food items such as gravy, stuffing, instant white potatoes, sweet potatoes, green beans, corn, and cranberry sauce, are also needed. The food pantry welcomes monetary donations to help with the purchase of perishable items for each basket.

The Grahamsville Community Food Pantry is located in the Grahamsville United Methodist Church, Route 55, Grahamsville, N.Y. Monetary donations can be sent to the Grahamsville United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 86, Grahamsville, NY 12740 (with "Food Pantry- holiday baskets" indicated on the memo line).

Non-perishable food items can be dropped off at the food pantry any time. To arrange for the delivery of perishable food items please call the church (845-985-2283).

These are difficult days for many in our community. The Grahamsville Community Food Pantry thanks our friends and neighbors for your continuing support throughout the year and we pray for your generosity as the holiday seasons approach.

Talk and Book Signing by Author and Historian Carol Smythe on her new book "Around Neversink: From the Rondout Reservoir to the Neversink Reservoir"



Author and Neversink Town Historian Carol Smythe will give an illustrated talk on her new book *Around Neversink: From the Rondout Reservoir to the Neversink Reservoir* at 2 p.m. on Sunday, November 16th at the Time and the Valleys Museum on St. Rt. 55 in Grahamsville, Sullivan County.

Published by Arcadia Publishing Company, this beautifully illustrated book is full of rare photos taken throughout both the Town of Denning and the Town of Neversink, many from private collections and never before published. Town of Neversink Historian Carol Smythe's enlightening and entertaining writing breathes life into these rare photos with amusing anecdotes and interesting historical information.

Carol Smythe's illustrated talk will give an overview of the Town's history, including early families, schools, churches, agriculture and more. This free program includes refreshments and Museum admission. Signed books will be available for sale during the program and afterwards through at Museum's shop and on our website: timeandthevalleymuseum.org. All proceeds benefit the Time and the Valleys Museum. For further information please contact Town of Neversink Historian Carol Smythe at 985-7700.

The Time and the Valleys Museum is a living and interactive resource that preserves the past, educates the present and ensures the uniqueness of the Rondout and Neversink watersheds for all generations. The Museum is located at 332 Main Street (St. Rt. 55) in Grahamsville and is open to the public Memorial Day to Labor Day from Thursday through Sunday, noon to 4 p.m and September to November weekends, noon to 4 p.m. The Museum has three floors of exhibitions, a local history research center (open Thursdays and Sundays 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.) and museum shop.

Current exhibitions are: A History of the Watershed Areas from Geological Times to the 1930's, Tunnels, Toil & Trouble: New York City's Quest for Water and the Rondout-Neversink Story, and the new exhibition Celebrating Catskill Waters: Past and Present. Admission to the Museum is by suggested donation \$5 adults, \$2 children, and children under 6 are free.

For additional information on the Museum or this event, please call us at 845 985-7700 or go online at www.timeandthevalleymuseum.org.

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 and Joyce Lockhart.

Fiery Foliage of the Staghorn Sumac

The wind on Sunday not only caused the top of the huge maple in the back yard to come crashing down, but pretty much blew most of the remaining brighter color leaves from the branches. This time last week, the backyard was very colorful and bright. Now the only leaves that remain and are still ablaze with fiery shades of red and orange are on the Staghorn sumac.

The Staghorn sumac (*Rhus typhina*) is native to eastern North America, Southeastern Canada, the Midwestern United States and in the Catskill Mountains. You will often see Staghorn sumac along highways as it tolerates pollution and smog. The



Staghorn sumac is not too fussy and is often found in dry, rocky soils. But it doesn't usually grow in heavy clay as it does not like its roots to stay wet for too long. They do like sun or partial sun.

The Staghorn sumac is a deciduous shrub or small tree that grows from 4 to 15 feet high and 20 feet wide. There are male and female trees.

During the summer a quick glance of its lush green foliage, might give the impression that it is a type of tropical plant. Its lengthy

branches are heavily lined with multitudes of long, odd-pinnately lobed, flame-shaped leaves that are compound, with up to 15 leaflets on each side.

Its common name, "staghorn", refers to the fuzzy appearance of the young shoots. They look like the branched antlers of a male deer in velvet.

In early summer, conical clusters of yellow flowers appear at the tip ends of branches. By mid-summer the flower cones evolve into fuzzy, tightly packed, red berries that grow in an upright cluster of red drupes (little fruits with a single seed in each). They are easy to spot, even from a distance.

The berries are edible but very tart and most birds will eat them later, in the winter, when other food sources have diminished.

Native Americans used the berries in cough syrup. Beekeepers use the wood from the sumac as fuel for their smokers. The ground-up clusters are valued as a spice in some parts of the world. A natural dye can be made from the leaves, stems and fruit. And the berries can be made into a lemony-tasting drink that needs lots of sugar!

The wood of the Staghorn sumac is soft. They are often considered as junk trees as they are weedy little trees. However, like any other weed, it becomes that because it is growing where it shouldn't. There are however, many people who grow the Staghorn as ornamental and hedges.

The crowning glory of the Staghorn sumac is its fall foliage. Just the sight of them with their bright flaming color and clusters of red fruit keep you warm on these crispy, cool fall days.

And when the snow begins to fall on the clusters of berries, the Staghorn Sumac will present us with a new red and white scene just in time for winter and the holidays!



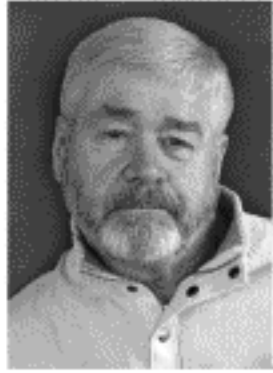
Household Hints

Soothe a Scratchy Throat with Vinegar

If your throat is left raw by a bad cough, or even a speaking or singing engagement, you'll find fast relief by gargling with 1 tablespoon apple cider vinegar and 1 teaspoon salt dissolved in a glass of warm water; use several times a day if needed.

The Cairo Affair

Mysterious Book Report No 170 by John Dwaine McKenna



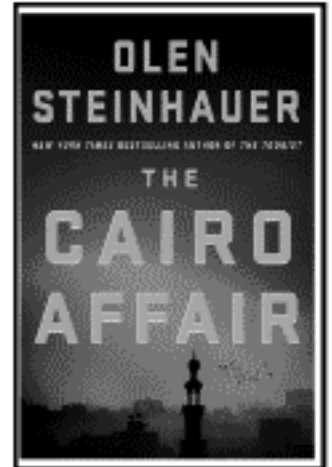
The Middle East and North Africa has been the focus of the world's attention since the beginning of the Arab Spring in 2010, and now, the Syrian War has bled over into neighboring countries and spawned one of the most savage, retrograde and degenerate groups of terrorists to ever come along. Its name is ISIS and most foreign policy experts believe that it, and other groups like it, will pose a long term threat to the United States, Britain, Europe and Australia. But in addition to the wars in the Middle East, another hotbed of strife has been Libya, where our U.S. Embassy in Benghazi was attacked, looted and burned, abandoned and closed. And because the embassy is closed . . . the US has little or no knowledge of what's happening on the ground there . . . so the government of our country, as well as various other Libyan neighbor states are dependent on 'humint,' or human intelligence, to stay abreast of the social, military, and economic conditions there. In a word . . . spies.

The Cairo Affair, (Minotaur Books, \$26.99, 408 pages, ISBN 978-1-250-03613-1) by Olen Steinhauer, is the best spy thriller I've read and reviewed since last year's Red Sparrow.

The Cairo Affair is focused on a secret program, code named Stumbler. It was postulated by a CIA analyst and former field agent named Jabril Aziz, and it has something to do with the overthrow of the Qaddafi government in Libya. Stan Bertolli, a Cairo-based CIA agent, wants to know if Stumbler is in play, as does Omar Halawi. He's an Egyptian secret service operative from the Mubarak era who's trying to hang on to his job in the new regime that replaced the regime that overthrew the Mubarak government as the Arab Spring gained momentum. The Americans think that the Egyptians have a double agent who's passing information about Stumbler . . . and lastly . . . there's Sophie Kohl. Sophie is married to Emmett, a mid-level diplomat at the American Embassy in Hungary. Moments after she confesses that she had an affair while they were stationed in Cairo, he's shot in the head by an assassin who escapes in the melee after the gunfire and murder in the popular, and crowded, restaurant where they were having lunch . . . where Emmett was about to confess that he's suspected of being the source of the leaks coming from Cairo Station. At the same time, chaos and terror is breaking out in Libya as the Qaddafi regime is fractured and torn apart. This timely and exciting novel by the new master of the spy thriller will keep you reading long after the lights are out in the rest of the house. It has all the intrigue, treachery, double and triple crosses, ruthlessness and moral dilemmas that any spy novel and thriller enthusiast could want. I couldn't put it down!

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Navigating Health Care Reform for Farmers with Bilingual Presenter

LIBERTY, NY - Farmers and the general public are invited to attend a free workshop about Navigating Health Care Reform offered by Cornell Cooperative Extension Sullivan County (CCEC) on Friday, November 14, 2014. Nicole Tapia, a bilingual Health Care Navigator will present this educational opportunity for anyone confused about health care and the Affordable Care Act. The class will be held from 1:00 to 3:00 pm at the Gerald J. Skoda Extension Education Center on 64 Ferndale-Loomis Road in Liberty.

This free workshop will help farmers and other independent workers to understand the Affordable Care Act and provide clear guidance on what options are available to them. Participants have an excellent opportunity to learn about the different options from a bilingual health navigator and although the class is designed for those who work in the farming industry, it is open to the public. The session includes a presentation, Q&A session and the chance to discuss personal options with the health navigator.

Questions to be covered include:

- What are the new options?
- How much will it cost me?
- Am I eligible for a subsidy?
- Who is eligible for the different types of insurance?
- How do I apply?
- Where do I get care if I can't afford insurance?

Space is limited for this free workshop and pre-registration is required in advance. Registration and more information can be obtained by contacting the CCEC office at 845-292-6180 or emailing Melinda Meddaugh at mm2592@cornell.edu.

Schumer, Gillibrand Announce Nearly \$4 million in Federal Funding for Water and Waste Upgrades in Wawarsing - Funding Will Be Used to Restore Water and Waste Disposal Facilities

Washington, D.C. - U.S. Senators Charles Schumer and Kirsten Gillibrand today announced a grant of \$1,973,000 and a loan of \$1,873,000 for the Town of Wawarsing in Ulster County. The federal funding was allocated through the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Rural Development Water and Waste Disposal Loan and Grant program and will be used to restore water storage tanks, replace the treatment facility at the 400,000 gallon tank, and replace other aged and undersized water mains that are not up to New York State's sanitary code standards.

"Having a state-of-the-art waste-water system is critical to public health and the environment," said Senator Schumer. "This federal investment will have a positive impact on the lives of many residents and businesses in the Town of Wawarsing. Having an improved sewer system will help Wawarsing attract more residents, businesses, and economic development opportunities

to the area."

"This is a much needed investment for the Town of Wawarsing," Senator Gillibrand said. "Upgrading water infrastructure is an effective way to support local businesses and attract new jobs. This critical funding will help protect the health and quality of life of residents by delivering clean water to more local families."

USDA Rural Development's Water and Environmental Program provides loans and grants to ensure that the necessary investments are made in water and wastewater infrastructure to deliver safe drinking water and protect the environment in rural areas.

Governor Cuomo Announces Two Additional Hospitals Designated to Treat Ebola Patients - Erie County Medical Center and Women and Children's Hospital of Buffalo Now Designated to Care for Potential Ebola Patients

Governor Andrew M. Cuomo announced today that two additional hospitals - Erie County Medical Center (ECMC) and Women and Children's Hospital of Buffalo (WCHOB) in Western New York - have agreed to be designated to treat potential patients with Ebola, bringing the total number of hospitals statewide with this designation to ten.

"Today we are continuing to err on the side of caution in order to protect the public's health and safety," Governor Cuomo said. "In joining the eight other designated Ebola treatment centers across the State, these two hospitals are further bolstering our level of preparedness here in New York. As we continue to expand the list of designated treatment centers to ensure geographic diversity, New Yorkers should rest assured that we are doing everything necessary to safeguard against the risks of Ebola."

"Today's announcement is another step toward ensuring that New York is prepared to contain Ebola and protect the health and safety of New Yorkers," said acting New York State Health Commissioner Dr. Howard Zucker. "In addition to the designated centers, we continue to work with all hospitals so that they are prepared and have appropriate protocols in place to identify and isolate a suspected case of Ebola."

As part the New York's Ebola Preparedness Plan, the State has taken steps to protect the public health and safety of its citizens, and contain this disease. New York State's Ebola plan calls for designated hospitals statewide - which are equipped for the isolation, identification, and treatment of Ebola patients - to handle all Ebola cases.

With today's announcement, the following ten hospitals have now agreed to be designated to treat potential Ebola patients. Additional hospitals are expected to be designated in the near future.

- o Bellevue in Manhattan
- o Erie County Medical Center
- o Montefiore in the Bronx
- o Mt. Sinai in Manhattan

- o New York Presbyterian in Manhattan
- o North Shore Health System in Nassau County
- o Upstate University Hospital in Syracuse
- o University of Rochester Medical Center in Rochester
- o Stony Brook University Hospital on Long Island
- o Women and Children's Hospital of Buffalo

The designated Ebola hospitals are regional trauma centers affiliated with medical schools that provide specialized critical care to patients. The designation of Ebola treatment centers does not lessen the need for all hospitals to be able to appropriately and rapidly identify, isolate, diagnose and stabilize suspect Ebola patients.

Earlier this month, Governor Cuomo and New Jersey Governor Chris Christie announced additional screening protocols for Ebola at JFK and Newark International Airports. Among other measures, these additional screening protocols included the mandatory quarantine for any individual who had direct contact with an individual infected with the Ebola virus while in one of three West African nations (Liberia, Sierra Leone, or Guinea), including any medical personnel having performed medical services to individuals infected with the Ebola virus.

The Governor also announced with Mayor de Blasio that the State of New York and the City of New York will create a program of financial incentives and other employment protections to encourage health care professionals to travel to West Africa and provide assistance treating Ebola patients to help contain this disease.

Katie's Cafe

"Katie's Cafe," hosted by St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Narrowsburg, NY, will be open on Saturday, November 1st, from 12 noon to 1pm.

This monthly free luncheon takes place at 31 Erie Avenue in Narrowsburg, and is open to the community. Homemade soups, salads, sandwiches, and desserts will be served buffet-style. For more information, contact St. Paul's at 845-252-3919 or on Facebook (facebook.com/st.pauls.narrowsburg).

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The Olive Jar - By Carol LaMonda

Don Earl DuBois (January 15, 1914 to October 25, 2014) A life well-lived.

I met Don at the Reservoir Methodist Church, then the Ashokan Methodist Church, years ago and interviewed him for an article I wrote for The Olive Press. It was the beginning of a dear friendship and mutual admiration society. He will be missed but remembered as a man who filled those one hundred, nine months and ten days to the fullest. Here is that article I wrote long ago.

When I was twelve I met Albert Einstein. Well, I didn't quite meet him. I saw him in his Bermuda shorts, rumpled denim shirt and sneakers without socks as he was at the counter of the drug store across from Princeton University. A hush of too obvious whispers confirmed, "There he is. That's Einstein." At twelve I probably would have preferred to spot a movie or rock star. It wasn't until I was much older that I realized that I shared a common space with a genius. I now realize that I have once again shared common space with a true genius right here in Ashokan. If you have not met Don DuBois, you have missed an opportunity to know a humble Renaissance man who fits my definition of genius.

What is a genius? I'm not sure that I can define one. I do know that it is not measured in IQ or the number of advanced degrees. It is not the accumulation of education nor is it the financial tally of wealth. A genius can see the same things we can, yet discover something unseen. A genius can use the same materials and create something new. A genius can experience life as we do and make sense of it. Words like inventor, creator, philosopher, and artist come to mind when I think about genius. Don adds a new dimension to genius. He said we all have talents, and that each of us has to discover those abilities and share them with others. In one of his books of poetry entitled Hickory Chips, Don muses, "The school of life has no entrance fees and no restrictions for those willing to enter its doors, open its books, and profit there from."

Although he retired at 55 from De Laval as a machinist and research designer, Don DuBois at age 93 is still inventing, creating, and writing. Right now a group of men, Bill Gray, Frank Carle, Cary Wood and Don, meet in Don's shop on Route 28 to work on the PET project. PET stands for "Personal Energy Transportation." They are building, one by one, a vehicle that looks like a grown-up version of a scooter-cart that can be operated with the hands. It is designed to allow mobility to victims of land mines in sixty countries around the world. Don, who adds social conscience to his mechanical genius, wishes our country didn't take a part in producing these mines that cause such human destruction elsewhere.

Don was born in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, but has lived eighty-nine of his years here in Shokan. His father was a mechanical engineer and surveyor who came here to work on the Ashokan Reservoir. Don went through his schooling at the two-room schoolhouse that is now Legion Hall in Shokan. He wrote a tribute to his schoolmaster, Harrison Gridley, in an essay entitled "Teacher Par Excellence" in Wheat and Chaff, his collection of the best of thirty-years' worth of columns he wrote for a church newsletter. Don remembers a tattered volume of illustrations of Leonardo Da Vinci's aircraft and inventions. Perhaps it was the inspiration for his mechanical engineering. Don invented and patented a rotary separator for the De Laval Company and later designed some of the machinery that Gary Kvistad used in the manufacture of Woodstock Chimes.

His talent in woodworking and machining is well known. He and his brother-in-law, Frank Carle, subcontracted for Rotron until 1971. Then Don built "his shop" where he can be found tinkering, writing, building and inventing most of his days. He uses his hands to create. In an essay entitled "Hands" Don writes: "Hands are often the voice of the soul because the tongue will not, or dare not, speak."

However, it is not his master craftsmanship that defines Don's genius. It is in his wisdom, in his philosophy, and in his humble humanism that we see a man who is a student of life, summa cum laude. In his four books of essays, poetry, homilies, and limericks, Don collects his observations of life. His writing is akin to Robert Frost, a poet he much admires, mixed with the wisdom of Confucius, the justice of Solomon, the political savvy of Andy Rooney and the perceptive humor of Will Rogers.

He is the most humble, gentleman I know. I asked him to define genius after I told him I was going to write about him as an example of genius. "Then genius is," he chuckled, "an exaggeration! Don't make me out to be anything special." His wife, Bessie, and children, Lana, Laurie, and John, lived so closely to this special man that they could have mistaken their respect for familial love. However, those who know Don know they have had the unique experience of meeting a very special person.

Don's advice is "to keep your head in the clouds but your feet on the ground." Life, he writes, "is a great fertile field of opportunity for service that lies before us, fresh each day."

TOWN OF OLIVE:

Veterans Day Ceremony.

Tuesday, November 11, 2014 at 11:00 A.M. - Olive Memorial Post 1627 of the American Legion will conduct a Veterans Day Ceremony. The Ceremony will be held at the American Legion Hall on Mountain Road in Ashokan, New York. The Ceremony commemorates the service of all veterans of all wars.

The Ceremony will take place in front of the flag pole and kiosk at the edge of the parking lot. Chairs will be set up in the parking lot for those who come. After the ceremony, light refreshments will be available in the Legion Hall.

In the event of rain, the ceremony will be held in the Legion Hall.

DEP Joins Public Officials, Construction Workers and Upstate Residents to Celebrate Completed Rehabilitation of Gilboa Dam - \$138 million public safety and water supply project completed two years ahead of schedule

New York City Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) Commissioner Emily Lloyd today joined local, state and federal officials, dozens of construction personnel, and upstate residents to celebrate the completed full-scale rehabilitation of Gilboa Dam. The \$138 million dam reconstruction - believed to be the largest public works project in the Catskills - was completed two years ahead of schedule. The project included the addition of approximately 234 million pounds of concrete, molded and dyed to resemble the original blue-stone face of the dam, more than 500 massive spillway slabs, and upgrades to the abutment walls that support the dam. Dignitaries who attended Friday's ceremony poured Schoharie Reservoir water onto the finished dam for the first time to celebrate its recommissioning.

"The completion of Gilboa Dam is an important milestone for DEP and the residents of Schoharie Valley," said DEP Commissioner Emily Lloyd. "We promised downstream communities that the City would move quickly with emergency repairs and a complete rehabilitation of the dam and, through the skill of our engineers and construction laborers, we have been able to deliver on that promise two years ahead of schedule. DEP hopes that the quick and professional work at Gilboa Dam assures downstream residents that we take their safety as seriously as our mission to deliver high-quality water to 9.4 million New Yorkers every day."

"Today is an important day for the residents of the Schoharie and Mohawk Valleys," U.S. Sen. Charles E. Schumer said. "The rehabilitation of the Gilboa Dam should alleviate the fears that were commonplace a decade ago when the dam was found to be deficient. I

applaud the City of New York and specifically the DEP for giving the dam the earnest attention the situation demanded, and hope that folks downstream can sleep a little easier now, knowing that this most essential structure is secure."

"The completed renovation of the Gilboa Dam will critically improve New York State's water supply system and improve public safety," U.S. Sen. Kirsten Gillibrand said. "This broad rehabilitative effort will ensure that the dam remains functioning and secure for generations to come."

"Rebuilding for the long-term, and with full engineered resiliency, is critical when we are addressing dam safety and assuring that high quality drinking water continues to flow to 9.4 million residents in New York City and Westchester," said New York State Department of Environmental Conservation Commissioner Joe Martens. "I congratulate New York City on its successful multi-year reconstruction of the massive Gilboa Dam - this achievement will benefit New York City and the Schoharie Valley for many decades to come."

"Congratulations to Commissioner Lloyd, DEP staff, and the men and women who labored to carry out this impressive project through often difficult weather conditions and the wreckage caused by Hurricane Irene," U.S. Rep. Congressman Chris Gibson said. "These upgrades will help protect thousands of downstream residents and properties, strengthening the dam and improving our flood control capabilities. I want to thank the many stakeholders of this project, from Schoharie County to Albany to New York City, for their good stewardship and willingness to work together."

"It is a great day for the town of Gilboa and Schoharie County," Schoharie County Board of Supervisors Chairman Anthony Van Glad said. "Our residents can sleep better knowing the Gilboa Dam has a high factor of safety with the completion of this project. The NYCDEP has lived up to being a good neighbor. My thanks and gratitude go to all involved in this undertaking."

"The Gilboa Dam rehabilitation project answers the public's essential need for safety and peace of mind," New York State Sen. James L. Seward said. "This project was not an option but a necessity, and I congratulate the DEP for moving ahead at a swift pace commensurate with the job's considerable significance."

"I'm very pleased with the progress the City has made to strengthen and improve the Gilboa Dam," New York State Assemblyman Peter Lopez said. "For those of us living downstream, insuring the safety of the dam remains a high priority. All of us look forward to the completion of the release works and the development of an agreement with the City that would allow the dam to help control flooding in

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Gilboa Dam is 2,024 feet long, 155 feet high, and more than 150 feet wide at its base. Several new features were added to the dam during its rehabilitation, including an inspection gallery inside the dam that runs its entire length. The gallery - which also includes instruments to constantly measure stress on the dam - will allow engineers to visually inspect the inside and outside of the dam on a regular basis. The dam was also designed with 3-, 6- and 12-foot steps that dissipate the energy of water as it spills from the reservoir. The east and west abutment walls that support Gilboa Dam were also strengthened through the installation of 40 post-tensioned anchors, or steel cables that pull them tight to the bedrock. The project employed as many as 180 tradesmen from in and around the watershed through an agreement with local unions.

The rehabilitation was completed ahead of schedule despite a nine-month setback in the wake of Hurricane Irene, which inflicted historic damage upon the Catskills and the City's water supply. The powerful storm sent roughly 8 feet of water over the dam's spillway, destroyed much of the staging area for construction, along with access roads and work platforms. The project also adapted to limitations on some construction work after a pair of bald eagles built two nests near the dam's west support wall. DEP was required to curtail some construction work during the eagles' breeding season, along with monitoring the eagles and their hatchlings, which are protected by federal law.

DEP began a thorough investigation of the integrity of Gilboa Dam after the flood of 1996, which overtopped the spillway by 6.7 feet, a record at the time. An initial investigation, completed in 2003, found that Gilboa Dam would require a comprehensive rehabilitation and upgrade because it likely did not meet modern standards for dam safety. Additional engineering work in 2005 found that Gilboa Dam had a marginal factor of safety for flood conditions similar to 1996, and that the dam could potentially fail under the pressure of a larger flood.

Following that report, DEP moved immediately to make emergency repairs to the dam and protect the 8,000 residents who lived downstream. In 2006, a 220-foot-long by 5.5-foot-deep notch was cut from the top of the westernmost portion of the dam to control water spilling from Schoharie Reservoir and allow for the installation of 80 anchoring cables into the top and outer face of the dam. These post-tensioned anchors significantly improved the safety of the dam by pulling it tighter to the bedrock below. Temporary siphons were also installed to remove water from Schoharie Reservoir, over the dam's spillway and into the creek below, providing DEP with more control over the level of water storage in the reservoir. (Contd. Pg. 7)

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DEP Joins Public Officials, Construction Workers and Upstate Residents to Celebrate Completed Rehabilitation of Gilboa Dam (From Pg. 6)

While work on Gilboa Dam is complete, construction at the site will continue until approximately 2020. The rehabilitation of Gilboa Dam is part of a \$400 million program to build and improve other facilities near the dam. This includes a permanent release tunnel that will replace the temporary siphons, giving DEP the ability to release water from Schoharie Reservoir around the Dam and into Schoharie Creek below. The remaining projects also include site restoration, rehabilitation work on the Shandaken Tunnel Intake Chamber, and the construction of a public information kiosk off Route 990V.

Gilboa Dam was built from 1919 to 1927 and impounds Schoharie Reservoir, the northernmost reservoir in the City's water supply system. Schoharie Reservoir can store up to 19.6 billion gallons of water, and it accounts for roughly 15 percent of the drinking water delivered to New York City each day. Schoharie Reservoir collects water from a 314-square-mile watershed. It diverts that water through the 18-mile Shandaken Tunnel, which discharges into the Esopus Creek where it travels another 5 miles before entering Ashokan Reservoir. From Ashokan Reservoir, the water flows south through the Catskill Aqueduct to New York City. The original Gilboa Dam cost \$7.8 million to build by the time it was put into service in 1927.

DEP manages New York City's water supply, providing more than one billion gallons of high quality water each day to more than 9 million New Yorkers. This includes more than 70 upstate communities and institutions in Ulster, Orange, Putnam and Westchester counties who consume an average of 110 million total gallons of drinking water daily from New York City's water supply system. This water comes from the Catskill, Delaware, and Croton watersheds that extend more than 125 miles from the City, and the system comprises 19 reservoirs, three controlled lakes, and numerous tunnels and aqueducts. DEP has nearly 6,000 employees, including almost 1,000 scientists, engineers, surveyors,

watershed maintainers and others professionals in the upstate watershed. In addition to its \$70 million payroll and \$157 million in annual taxes paid in upstate counties, DEP has invested more than \$1.7 billion in watershed protection programs-including partnership organizations such as the Catskill Watershed Corporation and the Watershed Agricultural Council-that support sustainable farming practices, environmentally sensitive economic development, and local economic opportunity. In addition, DEP has a robust capital program with nearly \$14 billion in investments planned over the next 10 years that will create up to 3,000 construction-related jobs per year. For more information, visit nyc.gov/dep, like us on Facebook at facebook.com/nycwater, or follow us on Twitter at twitter.com/nycwater.

SUNY Ulster Theater Performs Six One-Act Plays by Christopher Durang

SUNY Ulster's Theater Department will present Six One-Act Plays, an evening of comedy written by Christopher Durang.

The performances will be presented at Quimby Theater Nov. 13, 14, 15, 20, 21, 22 at 7:30 p.m. and Nov. 16 and 23, at 2 p.m.

Student performers in each of the one-acts are:

- Mrs. Sorken - Nicole Tarcaza, in the role of Mrs. Sorken
- For Whom the Southern Belle Tolls - Abbey Ressa as Amanda; Anthony Bangert as Lawrence; Elijah Dilorio, Tom; and Jayme Strype, Ginny
- Medea - Quay Smith in the role of Medea. Chorus members played by Jeanne Milner, Zanneya Pomaes and Jaisa London. Zach Gibson playing Jason; Ron Turner as Messenger and Bill Russell, Angel
- Nina in the Morning - Abbey Ressa as Nina; George Allen, Narrator; Elijah Dilorio as James/Robert/La La; and Morgan Marinia as Foote

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- The Actors Nightmare - Matt Santiago as George; Colleen Smith, Meg; Rebecca Rich, Sarah Suddons; Nicole Tarcaza, Ellen; Dan DelPriore, Henry; and Maicol Ostrowski, Executioner
- Funeral Parlor - Tessa Albert as Susan and Zach Gibson as Marcus. Playing the roles of mourners are: Jaisa London, Ron Turner, Zach Demorest and Zanneya Pomaes

For more information contact (845) 687-5262.



NOVEMBER WEEKLY SPECIALS

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Fish Friday: Battered atlantic cod filet with rosemary roasted potato chips served with our own tartar sauce & fresh lemon

Italian Supper Saturday: Risotto forestiere: creamy arborio rice folded with tender beef chips, mushrooms, spinach, parmesan, butter, and fresh tomato and fried parsley

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Carpenter, Harold Tigue of Kauneonga Lake. Performances of Masque of the Red Death will be held on Friday and Saturday, November 7 and 8 at 8:00 pm and Sunday, November 9 at 2:00 pm at the Tusten Theatre, 210 Bridge Street in Narrowsburg. Tickets for all performances are \$18 for Adults, \$14 for Senior Citizens (60+), Students (with valid ID) and Veterans/Military. For additional information, you can phone (845) 436-5336 or (845) 252-3136 or log on to www.scdw.net or www.delawarevalleyopera.org. Tickets will be available one hour prior to curtain for all performances at the respective Theatre Box Office or can be purchased in advance, online at www.ShowTix4U.com. The production was made possible by a generous grant from the Delaware Valley Arts Alliance.

How Does Your River Flow (From Pg. 1)



The Delaware River

Photo: Ginny Fiero

This network of flowing fresh water eventually flows into Delaware Bay and the Atlantic Ocean. Do you know your watershed address?

Jamie Myers has been educating area school children on the importance of being environmental stewards of their watershed through the Water Snapshot Program since 2000. Jamie and her husband Brad are raising two environmental stewards of their own. Son Silas, 6, and daughter Eliza, 3, have both been kayaking the Upper Delaware River with their parents since they were infants.

Also in Livingston Manor, is the exhibition "River and Biota" at CAS Arts Center, next door at 48 Main Street. The exhibition is a wonderful complement to Ms. Myers' science-based watershed program. Learn more about the exhibition at catskillartsociety.org.

Morgan Outdoors is located at 46 Main Street, Livingston Manor, NY. To register for this free program, call 845 439 5507. Their website is www.morgan-outdoors.com.

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Local Composer /Playwright's Masque of the Red Death Makes World Premiere (From Pg. 1)

Adapted for the stage, written and composed by Gladys Smuckler Moskowitz, of Woodbourne, the show made its debut performance at the Rivoli Theatre in South Fallsburg on Halloween - with another performance this weekend at the Tusten Theatre in Narrowsburg. Come dressed in costume on Halloween and take part in the costume contest - with prizes awarded for the two Best Costumes!

A Masque is a dramatic 16th -17th Century popular spectacle, usually on a mythological or allegorical theme and embodying pageantry, music and dancing. Poe's short story was originally published as "The Mask of the Red Death" in 1842. The Red Death could refer to the Black Plague that swept Europe in 1343-53 resulting in the deaths of 75-200 million. Or, it could refer to several of Poe's relatives who died of Tuberculosis. The story follows Prince Prospero's attempts to avoid a dangerous plague, known as the Red Death by hiding in his abbey. He, along with many other wealthy nobles, has a masquerade ball within seven rooms of his abbey, each decorated with a different color. In the midst of their revelry, a mysterious figure disguised as Red Death enters. Prospero dies after confronting this stranger; the guests also die in turn. Smuckler-Moskowitz has turned the Mask into a Masque with her exquisite attention to detail in adapting this classic Poe short story for the stage and composing the score with dialogue by Sally Gladden.

Under the able direction of Sally Gladden of Woodridge, who brings a wealth of theatre experience, the work comes to life with the keyboard magic of Accompanist/Conductor, Leon Hilfstein of Hurleyville who has created an amazing array of musical effects for the production and additional musical accompaniment of flautist, Dan Desmond of Jeffersonville. The talented cast of actors, singers and dancers include Dan Desmond (Jeffersonville), Naomi Frumess (Liberty), Kathy Geary (Callicoon), Serena Gildersleeve (Liberty), Kevin Hanek (Callicoon), Valeria Henry (Liberty), Oliver King (Kauneonga Lake), Melissa MacTague (Liberty), Donovan Nicht (Liberty), Paul Puerschner (Kenoza Lake), Lynne Porter (Woodbourne), and Michael Steup (Washingtonville). Behind the scenes are Technical Director, Jim Schmidt of Hurleyville, Stage Manager, Serena Gildersleeve, Vocal Coach, David Teimoidis of Washingtonville, Properties Master, Paul Puerschner, Choreographers, Valeria Henry and Naomi Frumess, Artistic Designer, Fran Schiff of Woodbourne, Costume Designer, Ed Berens of Smallwood, along with the DVO, and Master

Boys and Ghouls Enjoy Pre-Halloween in Fallsburg



Many harvest moons have passed since Fallsburg's Benjamin Cosor Elementary School (BCES) held its first Safe Trick or Treat Night just before Halloween. The October 30 event was sponsored by Fallsburg High School's Students against Destructive Decisions (SADD) and the Parent Teacher's Association (PTA) of BCES. Over thirty town and county agencies and service clubs supported the event with candy and snacks for the five hundred children and family members that paraded through the gymnasium where tables of goodies surrounded the entire perimeter. In the cafeteria the kindergarten and younger children had a "devil" of a time dancing and jumping to DJ Corey Gip's music provided by Party Master. The PTA donated and served colorful cupcakes, cookies, fruit, punch and water.

The event encourages parents to bring their children and enjoy safe trick or treating in a friendly and joyous setting. Many parents joined their young ones with their own costumes. Chief organizer and SADD Faculty Advisor Kiffanie Rogers-Sanchez had lots of helpers from the School District Staff, the Town of Fallsburg Board and PBA, local service organizations and fire departments, and several other groups. There even was a jolly man roaming the building dressed up as a Superintendent of Schools and bearing a great resemblance to Dr. Ivan Katz. Principal Mary Kate Stinehour welcomed everybody at the front door dressed most definitely as a very good witch. She set the tone for a night of smiles and sheer delight.

Halloween Ain't Just for Kids!



Melinda Wallach, the artist whose art show just ended at the Old Stone House in Hasbrouck, being "attacked" by her vampire-husband Gary.



A peak into the emerald past is shared by this peace-loving party guest "disguised" as a '60s Janis Joplin hippie-type

The recent "End of Show" costume event at the Old Stone House in Hasbrouck was a great success. Costumed guests weren't always sure of who was who celebrated the Halloween season, and the final weekend of an ongoing exhibition of works by mixed-media artist Melinda Wallach. Wallach's unique works frequently include "found" objects such as old packaging, broken machinery or discarded plastic shards.

For more information about upcoming events visit: www.TheOldStoneHouseOfHasbrouck.org.

Bird Photographs on Exhibit at Catskill Watershed Corp.

MARGARETVILLE, N.Y. October 30, 2014 - "On the Wing," an exhibition of avian photographs by Stephen J. Davis, is on view at the Catskill Watershed Corporation (CWC) offices, 905 Main St., Margaretville.



The exhibit can be seen weekdays between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. through December 29 (closed holidays). The public is most welcome. All of the framed photographs are available for purchase.

Most of the photographs show the majestic Bald Eagle in flight or at rest. Explains Davis, who lives in Eldred with wife Nancie and three daughters, "We are very fortunate to live in a beautiful part of Sullivan County where my favorite subjects, Bald Eagles, live along with other birds of prey and song birds. I also enjoy capturing landscapes large and small."

The self-taught artist says photography has been "a life-long passion. I am always researching and learning about new techniques and equipment." He currently shoots with a Canon 1DX equipped with long lenses for zooming in on the lives of his feathered subjects without intruding upon them.

"Nature photography is what drives me," Davis says. "I strive to capture and preserve the beauty of the outdoors and all it has to offer."

The CWC is a non-profit, Local Development Corporation responsible for several environmental protection, economic development and education programs in the New York City Watershed West of the Hudson River. Visit www.cwconline.org for more information.

CAS presents "Arts and the Landscape"

The Catskill Art Society will present a panel of local artists and public figures for "Arts and the Landscape," a discussion of how art forms interact with and respond to our natural environment. The panel discussion will take place at the CAS Arts Center at 48 Main Street, Livingston Manor, NY on Saturday, November 8 from 3pm to 4pm. This event is free and open to the public, and donations will be accepted at the door.

Throughout history, artists and writers turned to the natural world for inspiration. Why do we feel compelled to illustrate nature in seemingly infinite styles and forms? How do artists interact with and depict our environment—and how has that changed? This panel reveals how art and culture brings new dimensions of our landscape to the forefront through various viewpoints and mediums. In a mode very different from education or conservation, artists nonetheless explore deeply important themes with the freedom of creativity.

Featuring: Andrew Waggoner, Artistic Director of Weekend of Chamber Music; Mermer Blakeslee, author of the novel "When You Live By a River"; Robin Dintiman, sculptor; Carol Roig, Sullivan Alliance for Sustainable Development (SASD); Barbara Arrindell, Damascus Citizens for Sustainability (DCS); and Jennifer Edwards, Catskill Mountainkeeper.

The talk will be preceded by "How Does Your River Flow," a program at nearby Morgan Outdoors with Jamie Myers, Biologist with the National Park Service UPDE. Using models and everyday materials, visitors of all ages will investigate the science of the watershed. Visitors are encouraged to make a day out of the experience by stopping by both events.

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Frost Valley YMCA's Haunted Bus Enjoyed By All At Tri-Valley Trunk or Treat

On the evening of Halloween, Oct. 31, hundreds of local families



braved the cold for an annual favorite - the Tri-Valley Trunk or Treat. Each year, this exciting event, sponsored by the Tri-Valley School PTO, allows children from our area to enjoy safe and fun trick-or-treating. Set up in the Tri-Valley School parking lot, community members and local businesses decorate their open car trunks or set up spooky tents to give goodies to children in costume.

For the past several years, the Frost Valley YMCA haunted bus has been a crowd favorite, and this year the attraction was yet again a big hit. Children enter the back of the bus and tell the attendant what "level of scary" they prefer and then hop into the bus for a ghostly adventure. The dark bus is staged with creepy décor and volunteer ghouls to give all who dare to enter an experience they'll never forget!

Your next chance to enjoy a festive evening with your Frost Valley YMCA friends is during the camp's second annual Holiday Community Dinner, this year on December 12, 2014 from 5:30 to 8pm. All who

register can enjoy a buffet dinner from 6-7:30pm as well as holiday games, crafts, face painting and more. Transportation is available (guests must request this service when making reservations) from the Neversink Bus Garage, Neversink Town Hall, the Claryville Church, and the Big Indian Park at specific times. Call (845)985-2291 x450 or email: reservations@frostvalley.org to book your family's spot today!



UC Legislator Kevin Roberts Calls for Half Priced Public Transportation for Veterans

If you are one of the estimated 12,728 veterans living in Ulster County, there just may be a half-priced bus ride in your future. Should legislation sponsored by Ulster County Legislator Kevin Roberts be successful this November, any honorably discharged member of the armed forces of the United States will pay a 50% discounted fare between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. when an official Veterans identification card is presented.

"Transportation choices should never be a barrier for the patriots who have bravely gave of themselves to defend the United States of America," stated Legislator Roberts in submitting Resolution No. 392.

With this County sponsored discount, the UCAT discounted bus fare joins two hundred fifty-six (256) other discount opportunities provided by local businesses to veterans in Ulster County. The F.A.V.O.R. Discount Program (Find & Assist Veterans Of Record) is coordinated by the Ulster County Veterans Service Agency and local veterans can apply for their Ulster County Veterans identification card by stopping in at 5 Development Court in Kingston or calling (845) 340-3190.

According to the United States Census Bureau's 2008-2012 American Community Survey, 72.5% of veterans living in Ulster County are over the age of 55. According to AARP's Public Policy Institute's 2009 National Household Travel Survey, more than 20 percent of Americans age 65 and older don't drive and more than 50 percent of non-drivers over age 65 normally do not leave home most days, partly because of a lack of transportation options. While UCAT offers seniors over the age of 60 one free bus ride for shopping and two medical appointment rides per week, veterans of all ages are seeking transportation for employment, returning to college, accessing local veteran organizations, and other community connections.

"Ulster County joins the business community in recognizing and thanking our veterans for their service and dedication," stated Legislator Roberts. "It is a small sacrifice from the County to recognize the tremendous sacrifices made by our veterans."

DEP Announces Results from 2014 Reservoir Cleanup - Volunteers from across the Hudson Valley and Catskills collected more than 2,000 pounds of debris from the shores of six upstate reservoirs

The New York City Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) today announced that 171 volunteers from across the Hudson Valley and Catskills collected an estimated 2,500 pounds of debris during this year's Reservoir Cleanup Day. The effort to remove debris, litter and recyclables across dozens of miles of shoreline was led by school groups, business leaders, local nonprofits and watershed citizens. The Oct. 5 event was also co-sponsored by the Catskill Watershed Corporation (CWC), which provided gloves and bags for the volunteers.

The event comprised cleanup efforts at six water supply reservoirs, including Cannonsville, Kensico, Lake Gleneida, Neversink, Pepacton and Rondout. In total, the volunteers collected 114 bags of debris and recyclables with a combined weight of more than a ton. In many cases, the debris had blown onto the reservoir property from nearby roadsides, or had washed up along the shores after recent storms. Some was also left behind at access areas used by the public for fishing and boating.

"We hope that Reservoir Cleanup Day underscores the environmental impact of littering along the shores of all New

York's water bodies, including our upstate reservoirs," DEP Commissioner Emily Lloyd said. "This debris can threaten wildlife, pollute soils and degrade the scenic beauty of our region. New York City is proud to have some of the cleanest drinking water in the world, and I would like to personally thank our DEP staff and watershed neighbors who volunteered to ensure our shorelines remain just as pristine."

"The Catskill Watershed Corporation thanks the volunteers who come forward every year to pick up debris along Catskill streams and NYC reservoirs," CWC Executive Director Alan Rosa said. "Their efforts keep the streams and reservoirs pristine and support the region's economy by encouraging people to visit and enjoy all the beauty of the Catskills."

Debris collected during the cleanup included 2,225 glass, plastic and metal beverage containers, 235 grocery bags, 315 food wrappers, 387 takeout food containers, 162 pieces of fishing line, 32 tires, and 906 broken pieces of glass, plastic and foam. Recyclable materials were separated from trash as the volunteers collected the debris from the cleanup areas. Reservoir Cleanup Day was among dozens of similar events happening across the state as part of the American Littoral Society's annual New York State Beach Cleanup, which organizes volunteers to remove debris from beaches, lakes and other popular bodies of water. Data from the reservoir cleanups was reported back to the American Littoral Society to generate a statewide tally that will soon be available. DEP is among the government agencies, businesses and foundations that sponsor the statewide effort. In 2013, the New York State Beach Cleanup included more than 6,000 volunteers who removed some 80 tons of debris from 174 miles of shorelines across the state.

Reservoir Cleanup Day could not have been a success without considerable help from captains who were selected to lead the volunteer recruitment and cleanup at each of the reservoirs. These cleanup captains included:

Neversink Reservoir: Keith Mentnech of Boy Scout Troop 97 in Neversink.
Pepacton Reservoir: Ann Roberti of the Catskill Mountain Club and Diane Galusha of the Catskill Watershed Corporation.

Rondout Reservoir: Franny Hertz and Cora Kircher from the Rondout Valley High School Community Service Club.

In recent years, DEP has continued to expand recreational access and programs on many of its water supply lands and reservoir. Approximately 120,000 acres of city-owned land and water are currently open for recreation, including fishing, hiking and boating. Roughly 60,000 of those acres, known as public access areas, can be used by outdoor enthusiasts without a DEP access permit. DEP has also enhanced recreation programs in the watershed to include recreational boating on four reservoirs in the Catskills, at least eight hiking trails that have been developed with nonprofit partners, and a program that allows state-certified outdoor guides to offer fishing, hiking and hunting tours on city-owned properties. More information on these and other recreation programs can be found by visiting the DEP webpage and clicking on the "Watershed Recreation" link.

Governor Cuomo Signs Bills Expanding Access to Emergency Medical Treatment in Schools

Governor Andrew Cuomo has signed legislation that will expand access to potentially lifesaving medication for students and school personnel in the event of an emergency. The new laws include provisions that will allow schools to administer epi-pens to students without prescriptions in emergency

situations and that will allow students diagnosed with asthma, allergies and/or diabetes to self-administer prescribed medical treatments.

"These commonsense laws eliminate barriers that prevented students from having quick access to medication - even in the event of an emergency," Governor Cuomo said. "I thank the sponsors of this legislation, which will help save lives and prevent avoidable tragedies."

One new law, (S.7262-A/A.7791-A), authorizes schools to possess and administer auto-injectable epinephrine, commonly known as epi-pens, in an emergency situation, even if the recipient of such treatment does not have a prescription.

Epinephrine is a vital medication in treating life-threatening allergic reactions. This law ensures that school districts will be authorized to maintain epi-pens on-site, and that officials other than nurses will be authorized to possess and administer doses of the medication in emergency situations, whether or not the student has a prescription on file. Emergency use of auto-injectable epinephrine will be permitted only if the school employee administering the epinephrine has completed appropriate training approved by the Department of Health on how to use to on-site epinephrine auto-injectors.

Senator Kemp Hannon said, "The timely administration of epinephrine to a child in anaphylactic shock could mean the difference between life and death. By authorizing schools to maintain and their employees to possess and administer auto-injectable epinephrine without a prescription, in the event of an emergency, this long overdue law will equip schools with the ability to assist a child suffering from a life-threatening allergic response."

Assemblyman Thomas Abinanti said, "More and more kids need special medications and devices which are of no use if they're not readily available at all times. It makes sense to train more school personnel to help kids with their prescribed devices in an

emergency. This common sense measure ensures that students with allergies, asthma and diabetes can carry and use epi-pens, inhalers and other prescribed medications and devices when they need them in school. It rightfully authorizes non-medical but trained school personnel to administer the prescribed medications in an emergency."

The Governor also signed legislation, (A.9334-B/ S.7758), that permits students who suffer from asthma or other respiratory disease, allergies, and/or diabetes to carry and self-administer essential medications while in school or at school functions. Under this law, students who have authorization from a physician and written parental consent will be allowed to utilize critical medications such as inhalers, epi-pens and insulin without intervention or delay.

Senator John Flanagan said, "This new law is a common-sense approach to an important and growing issue in schools across our state. It will allow children who are afflicted by allergies and other serious medical issues to make decisions regarding their own health conditions in a timely and appropriate manner. That will provide them with a greater ability to fully concentrate on their education while providing their family with some much-needed peace of mind."

Assemblywoman Catherine Nolan said, "As a parent I know that there is nothing more terrifying than the thought of your child having a medical emergency and not being able to get to them right away, and for parents of children with asthma, severe allergies or any other serious health condition, that fear can be amplified significantly. This legislation will help alleviate some of that worry by allowing students with potentially life-threatening conditions to have their medication with them while at school, so that, in the event of an emergency, the student or a trained school staff member can act as quickly as possible. I want to thank Governor Cuomo for signing this critical measure into law."

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Governor Cuomo Announces \$39.5 million for Water Quality Improvement Projects Across the State- Grants Will Help Fund Projects to Reduce Pollution Runoff, Improve Resiliency and Restore Natural Habitats

Governor Andrew M. Cuomo announced \$39.5 million in grants that provide funding for 134 local and regional projects across New York State. The projects are aimed to improve water quality, reduce polluted runoff and restore water bodies and aquatic habitats in each region of the state.

"Improving and protecting the state's abundant water resources is vital to the quality of life for all New Yorkers," Governor Cuomo said. "As we approach the two-year anniversary of Superstorm Sandy, we are reminded of far too many recent natural disasters that have caused tragedy and loss in communities across New York. This funding will provide the assistance communities need to increase resiliency against storms, implement effective pollution control projects and better protect critical natural resources for years to come."

A total of 134 grants are being awarded through the State's Water Quality Improvement Program, a competitive grant program funded primarily by the Environmental Protection Fund and NY Works. The full list of projects receiving funding can be found at: <http://www.dec.ny.gov/pubs/4774.html>

"Pollution can have devastating effects on our environment, including damaging critical habitats that provide natural defenses against storm surges and sea level rise," Department of Environmental Conservation Commissioner Joe Martens said. "This latest round of Water Quality Improvement Program grants is another example of Governor Cuomo's commitment to building productive partnerships with local communities to better protect and restore our environment."

Regional grant totals are: Western New York: \$4.94 million; Finger Lakes: \$3.85 million; Central New York: \$7.26 million; North Country: \$10.37 million; Capital Region: \$2.10 million; Hudson Valley: \$4.16 million; New York City: \$500,000; and Long Island: \$6.34 million

The grants awarded today provide assistance for a variety of projects, including:

- \$23 million for projects to control polluted runoff from non-farm sources. Nonpoint source pollution comes from many sources and can occur when rainfall or snowmelt travels over and through the ground and picks up natural and human-made pollutants. Funding will support projects such as stream stabilization and flood control, and includes \$4 million for projects that utilize natural infrastructure, such as wetland construction and removal of floodplain berms, to help minimize damage from storms, a key goal of the Governor's efforts to build and strengthen resiliency statewide.

- \$7.7 million in NY Works II funding for municipal wastewater treatment facilities to install equipment to disinfect effluent, or treated sewage. This funding will help to protect the quality of waters used for fishing, swimming and boating, as well as waters that have sensitive receptors nearby, such as bathing beaches or the Great Lakes.
- \$2.2 million for wastewater treatment facilities in the Chesapeake Bay and Chautauqua Lake watersheds to install equipment to remove or reduce nutrients in the facility's effluent, which can impair water quality.

Projects eligible under the Water Quality Improvement Program

include: municipal wastewater treatment; municipal separate storm sewer systems; polluted runoff abatement and control from non-farm sources; and aquatic habitat restoration. Award recipients may be reimbursed for up to 85 percent of the total project costs cost.

Attorney General's "Grandkids Against The Grandparent Scam" Teaches High School Students How To Warn Their Parents And Grandparents About Insidious Scam -Schneiderman: This Intergenerational Program Will Help Protect New York Families From Scams

State Attorney General Eric T. Schneiderman today announced that his office is launching a program, titled "Grandkids Against The Grandparent Scam," to help prevent unsuspecting seniors from being victimized by this all-too-common scam. The initiative, which includes a new and easy-to-read brochure, aims at empowering students to talk to their grandparents about the swindle. The program and brochure are being introduced at Ossining High School today.

"My office will use every tool at our disposal to protect senior citizens from this scam - which is used by con artists and criminals to steal cash from unsuspecting seniors and which leaves them frightened about the welfare of their grandchildren," Attorney General Schneiderman said. "This intergenerational program represents a new and innovative approach to giving our older adults the information they need to avoid becoming victims."

The program provides high school students with specifics about how the so-called "grandparent scam" works and an informational brochure to share with their parents and grandparents. It will be introduced at Ossining High School by Attorney General Schneiderman's statewide elder abuse coordinator, Gary Brown, who is speaking to four classes of seniors about this scam and will distribute the pamphlet and a script for students to better understand the scam. The Attorney General's Office will make the brochure and script available to schools that request the materials, which are also available online.

Among other tips, the brochure offers students a script to warn their grandparents about this dangerous scam: "When I go off to college, someone may call you and pretend to be me. The caller will say he's in trouble and needs you to wire money fast. He'll ask you to keep it a secret, and to not say anything to my parents. This is a scam. Don't fall for it."

The swindle works like this: A senior receives an unexpected call from someone who claims to be their grandchild. The caller says there is an emergency and asks the grandparent to wire money immediately. For example, the caller might say, "I'm in Canada and I'm trying to get home but my car broke down and I need money right away to get it fixed." Or they may claim to have been mugged, or to have been in a car accident, or to have been arrested and need money for bail. The caller may also pose as an attorney or a law enforcement official contacting the grandparent on behalf of a grandchild.

Typically, the caller says he is embarrassed about what has happened to him, and asks the grandparent not to tell anyone else in the family. If the grandparent questions why the caller doesn't sound like their grandchild, the scammer will make up a reason such as "I've been sick with a cold" or "I broke my nose in the car accident."

The scammers gather information about potential victims - including the names of their grandchildren - from a variety of sources including the Internet and lists that are sold on the black market. If the scammer doesn't know the name of the grandchild he is impersonating, he may say "Hi grandma, it's your favorite grandson," hoping that she will reply, "David, is that you?" The scammer will

then say "Yes!" Often these crooks call in the middle of the night to take advantage of the fact that the victim may not be alert enough to ask more questions, and that the victim may not want to disturb other family members by calling them to confirm the information.

The grandparent scam tends to increase in frequency during school holiday breaks and during the summer, when it is especially believable that a grandchild would be travelling. Tips to protect against the grandparent scam:

- o Be suspicious of anyone who calls unexpectedly asking you to wire money.
- o Verify any supposed emergency, by calling friends and family, before wiring money.
- o Develop a secret code or "password" with family members that can be used to verify a true emergency.
- o Limit personal information, such as vacation plans, shared on social media sites.

The Federal Trade Commission recorded more than 40,000 incidents of grandparent scams from 2010 to 2013. The scam is widely considered to be underreported.

The initiative is being directed by Gary S. Brown, who is the Attorney General's Statewide Elder Abuse Coordinator and also the Assistant Attorney General-in-Charge of the Westchester Regional Office. Martin

Governor Cuomo Announces Workers' Compensation Costs for Employers will Drop by \$45 Million - Marks Second Consecutive Year of Savings for Private and Public Employers Including Municipalities and School Districts • 2013 Business Relief Act Cuts System Cost to Employers Total of 30% Over Last Two Years

Governor Andrew M. Cuomo today announced the rate that employers pay to State's workers' compensation system is dropping yet again, in 2015, resulting in savings to all employers totaling \$45 million. The savings are a direct result of the 2013 Business Relief Act, which Governor Cuomo signed into law last year and has cut the assessment rate for employers by a total of 30 percent over the last two years.

"Reducing the cost of doing business in New York has been a top priority for this administration and I'm proud to announce that our reforms to the Workers' Compensation System have lowered rates for the second straight year," Governor Cuomo said. "This is one more way we're improving the economic climate in New York and making this state a place where businesses can grow, thrive and create jobs."

The new assessment methodology and other efficiencies implemented in 2014 resulted in \$170 million in administrative savings, of which \$18 million directly benefits New York's public employers, like municipalities and school districts. The savings has been applied to 2015, resulting in the assessment rate falling to 13.2 percent from 13.8 percent, the second consecutive annual decline.

Signed by the Governor as part of the 2013-14 Budget, the Business Relief Act standardized and corrected the previously disjointed and antiquated assessment process. Now, all employers are charged with the same methodology, leading to a lower assessment rate for all New York's employers.

The Workers' Compensation Board is continuing to enforce of the legal requirement for employers to carry workers' compensation insurance expands the pool of insureds. Moreover, New York is open for business: both the number of people working in New York State and the

amount of employees' total wages earned increased over the last year, contributing to the lower rate.

The Workers' Compensation Board is in the midst of a comprehensive "business process re-engineering" to re-imagine the workers' compensation system. This sweeping examination has identified initial projects that will re-create a system that more effectively serves the needs of injured workers and employers, resulting in further savings for public and private employers in the time to come.

POLITICAL SLANT

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ENDING ISIS IRAQIS PREPARE ISIS OFFENSIVE, WITH U.S. HELP

New York Times
By Michael R. Gordon And Eric Schmitt Nov. 2, 2014

WASHINGTON - Iraqi security forces, backed by American-led air power and hundreds of advisers, are planning to mount a major spring offensive against Islamic State fighters who have poured into the country from Syria, a campaign that is likely to face an array of logistical and political challenges.

The goal is to break the Islamic State's occupation in northern and western Iraq, and establish the Iraqi government's control over Mosul and other population centers, as well as the country's major roads and its border with Syria by the end of 2015, according to American officials.

Iraqi and Kurdish forces have made inroads in recent weeks in securing territory threatened or captured by the Islamic State, including the Rabia border crossing with Syria, the oil refinery in Baiji north of Baghdad, the northern town of Zumar, and Jurf al-Sakhar southwest of Baghdad.

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But the major push, which is being devised with the help of American military planners, will require training three new Iraqi Army divisions, more than 20,000 troops over the coming months.

This space is also for you. What are your thoughts? To have your comments and/or questions published space allowing and following Townsman guidelines as listed in the masthead send an Email: politicalslant@yahoo.com

Liberty Free Theatre to Encore Tony Award 'Red'

Parkville - The Liberty Free Theatre continues bringing its work around the county with an encore reading performance of the Tony award play, "RED" by John Logan. There will be two performances on Thursday and Friday, November 13, 14 at 8:00 P.M. in the Seelig Theatre at Sullivan county Community College in Loch Sheldrake. "RED" chronicles the story of the painter, Mark Rothko, and his aspiring assistant, as Rothko tries to fulfill the commission for the Seagram's Murals, which became masterpieces of 20th century art. The New York Times called the play, "Intense and exciting..." The New Yorker said it was, "Smart, eloquent entertainment...behind its wallop is a lot of learning..." Paul Austin performs Mark Rothko and Bradley Duiguid performs his assistant. For reservations and more information call or email Liberty Free Theatre at 845 798-1527, libertyfree1@verizon.net.

John Logan is a prolific writer producer. In addition to "RED," which received six Tony Awards He received an Academy Award nomination for co-writing the Best Picture-winner, "Gladiator" and his screenplay of the musical, "Sweeney Todd: The Demon Barber of Fleet Street" received a Golden Globe Award. Two new plays premiered in 2013, "Peter and Alice" opened in London at the Noël Coward Theatre and "I'll Eat You Last: A Chat With Sue Mengers" opened on Broadway at the Booth Theatre. He also created the 2014 television series "Penny Dreadful."

Paul Austin is the Founder and Director of the Liberty Free Theatre. He has worked extensively all across the country as actor, director, writer and teacher. Local audiences recently saw him as the title character in Krapp's Last Tape and as the Chief of Police in "The Police."

Bradley Duiguid grew up in Sullivan County and is currently the Executive Director of the Catskill Art Society, as well as a playwright and author. He formerly served as the Manager of Education Programs for Waterwell, a collaborative theater company based in New York City, where he oversaw their intensive Drama training program in partnership with the Professional Performing Arts School. He also worked in arts administration and advancement at The Juilliard School, the American Repertory Theater, Roundabout Theatre Company, and the Puppet Showplace Theatre. As an educator, he taught classes, directed and devised shows with companies like the Kentucky Shakespeare Festival, Long Wharf Theatre, Premiere Stages, and the ETC School, among others. Bradley is a graduate of Harvard University and SUNY New Paltz. He most recently appeared in "The Agony and the Ecstasy of Steve Jobs" and as the Sergeant in "The Police."

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Luncheon 11 - 1
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PUBLIC NOTICES/LEGALS:

NOTICE-PURSUANT TO TOWN LAW, SECTION 108; §5-11 PLEASE TAKE NOTICE OF THE PRELIMINARY BUDGET;

NOTICE is hereby given that the Preliminary Budget of the Town of Denning for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2015 has been completed and filed in the office of the Town Clerk,

Where it is available for inspection by any interested person during normal Town Hall hours, at the Town of Denning Town Hall, 1567 Denning Road, Claryville, N.Y. 12725.

FURTHER TAKE NOTICE of a Public Hearing to be held at 7 PM prior to the Town Board meeting on Wednesday, November 12th, 2014, at the Denning Town Hall. At such time any person or persons will be heard, in favor or against any item or items therein contained.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE of the proposed salaries for the following Town Officers, specified as follows:

Supervisor	\$ 12,000.00
Councilman	1,500.00
Supt. of Highways	47,634.00
Town Justice	6,426.00
Town Clerk/Tax Collector	\$ 24,775.00

BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD
TOWN OF DENNING
Joy Monforte, Town Clerk
October 15th, 2014 11/6/14

**TOWN OF NEVERSINK
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that in accordance with Section 41.34 of the New York Mental Hygiene Law, the Town of Neversink has received notification by The Center for Discovery, Inc. ("The Center") of their intention to establish an Individual Residential Alternative ("IRA") on property currently owned by The Center located at 133 Merritt Road, Grahamsville, New York, SBL 32.-1-2.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the Town Board of the Town of Neversink will conduct a public hearing on the aforesaid IRA at the Town of Neversink Town Hall, 273 Main Street, Grahamsville, New York, at 7:00 p.m. on November 12, 2014, at which time all interested persons will be heard.

DATED: October 31, 2014

BY ORDER OF THE TOWN OF NEVERSINK TOWN BOARD
LISA GARIGLIANO, TOWN CLERK
11/6/14

Liberty Rotary Club and ARCHANGEL AIRBORNE partner to deliver 100 Water Filtration Systems in Haiti

Liberty Rotary Club and ARCHANGEL AIRBORNE partner to deliver 100 Water Filtration Systems to Provide 100 Families in Haiti with Clean Water while providing direct medical care and training to upwards of 2,000 people in the Northern and Southern Departments of Haiti

Beginning on 8 November 2014, ARCHANGEL AIRBORNE will depart with its mission aircraft and team from Cherry Ridge Airport in Honesdale, PA followed by the launch of its second aircraft and team from Washington, DC on its 14th Mission Team Deployment to Haiti to provide medical clinic operations, training and logistical support to those in extreme need. On this mission,

ARCHANGEL AIRBORNE will also be providing training and distribution of 100 water filtration systems to 100 families in the Fort Saint Michel region of Cap Haitien, so those families will, for the first time, have access to clean, potable water.

The Liberty Rotary Club of Liberty, NY, is raising money (with a partial matching grant from Rotary District 7210) to assist in the cost of this mission and the purchase of the water filtration systems.

Two Liberty Rotary Club members, Gary Siegel and Gary Silver, will be voluntarily joining ARCHANGEL AIRBORNE in Haiti from November 13, 2014 through November 17, 2014 to assist with the demonstration of the water filtration systems and the training of the families in the use and maintenance of those systems. This is Liberty Rotary Club's first international project in which its members are traveling abroad. While in Haiti, the Liberty Rotarians will also be meeting with local Rotary Clubs to introduce themselves and arrange for future coordination of efforts and projects between ARCHANGEL AIRBORNE, the Liberty Rotary Club and Haitian Rotarians to assist the local population. "The Liberty Rotary Club is proud and humbled to partner with ARCHANGEL AIRBORNE in this humanitarian mission" says Liberty Rotarian Gary Silver, "and one of our goals is to establish a long term relationship not only with ARCHANGEL AIRBORNE but also with the Haitian Rotary Clubs so that we can continue to participate and help provide clean water for more Haitian families during future mission. After all, Rotary's motto is 'Service above self!'"

ARCHANGEL AIRBORNE 1st Humanitarian Special Operations Group/AIR LAND SEA-Expeditionary Mission Team is a 501(c)(3) non profit organization whose mission is to serve intensively in areas of extreme need, disparity and disaster domestically and globally through their four pillared model of Rescue, Sustain, Train and Liberate. The team is composed of highly skilled professionals in multiple disciplines and actively remissions military veterans. Their motto is "In Servitium Ad Omnes" - In Service To All.

"This Mission Team Deployment will demonstrate how the synergy of two regional organizations can profoundly impact the situation for men, women and children who suffer from the oppression of impoverishment abroad," states Stuart D. Hirsch, President, CEO and Chief Mission Officer in Command of ARCHANGEL AIRBORNE, "As Americans, we dedicate ourselves to the betterment of those we serve, in the spirit of freedom and reverence for human life and dignity".

For details on ARCHANGEL AIRBORNE, please contact Stuart Hirsch, President & CEO, Chief Mission Officer in Command -Phone: 914 799-5273 Email: shirsch@archangelairborne.org; Website: www.archangelairborne.org Facebook site: <https://www.facebook.com/ArchangelAirborne>

For more information about the Liberty Rotary Club, please contact Gary Silver Phone: 845 794-4300 Email: garyd.silver@verizon.net - Website: www.libertyrotary.org OR Facebook site: <https://www.facebook.com/libertyrotary>

UC Executive Mike Hein and Commissioner of Health Dr. Carol Smith Announce UC's Healthy School Lunch Contest Winners- WDST And Chef/Judges Joined County Executive Hein and Dr. Smith To Congratulate Winners

Ulster County Executive Mike Hein and Commissioner of Health Dr. Carol Smith were joined by representatives from Radio Woodstock/WDST 100.1 and local chefs at Mother Earth's Storehouse in Kingston this week to present certificates to the six winners of the Ulster County Healthy School Lunch Contest. The chefs/judges awarded gift certificates to local restaurants and merchants to the winners for their healthy school lunch recipe. The six winners are:

- o Cathy Kreibich for her Seaweed Sandwich recipe, winning a gift certificate to Yum Yum Noodle Bar in Kingston/Woodstock from Chef Pierre-Luc Moeys;
- o Cindy Andreassen for her Zucchini Kale Salad recipe, winning a gift certificate to Oriole 9 in Woodstock from Chef Pierre-Luc Moeys;
- o Sean Griffin for his Granola Bar Alternative recipe, winning a gift certificate to Duo Bistro in Kingston from Chef Juan Romero;
- o Donna Ebanks for her Turkey Rice Wrap recipe, winning a gift certificate to Mother Earth's Storehouse from Health and Wellness Educator Jahnvi Foster;
- o Jen Myer for her Tuna Avocado Wrap recipe, winning a gift certificate of New World Home Cooking in Saugerties from Chef Ric Orlando; and
- o Kerri Lenihan for her Gluten Free Lunch Dip recipe, winning a gift certificate to Tuthill House in Gardiner from Audra Norris.

In addition to the gift certificates, County Executive Hein provided each participant with a Certificate of Appreciation and all participants received a Yumbox lunchbox.

"I want to thank WDST, the chefs and restaurants, as well as everyone who submitted an entry for helping us make this a fun way to share healthy choices," said County Executive Hein. "This contest allowed parents the opportunity to share their great recipes, giving others new ideas for nutritious school lunches. Physical activity and good food choices promote healthy living, helping to move our community closer to the goal of making Ulster County the healthiest County in New York State."

"We know the United States Department of Agriculture is working closely with schools to improve the nutritional standards for foods and snacks served in the cafeteria and on premises, however, a significant number of parents send their children to school with a lunch prepared at home. This promotion helped to educate parents on the importance of a nutritious lunch and it also provided them with an opportunity to share tasty and healthy lunch ideas," said Dr. Carol Smith.

The Healthy School Lunch Contest was an initiative of the County Executive and the Ulster County Department of Health (UCDOH), in association with Radio Woodstock/WDST, designed to raise awareness of the important role that a healthy and nutritious school lunch plays in helping to prevent chronic disease and in maximizing a child's academic performance. During the contest, WDST listeners, throughout Ulster County, were invited to submit and share healthy school lunch recipes, based on nutritional guidelines provided by UCDOH. To view all of the recipes submitted please go to the Ulster County Department of Health website: [http://ulster-countyny.gov/health/health-mental-health/news-and-cur-](http://ulster-countyny.gov/health/health-mental-health/news-and-cur-rent-issues)

rent-issues. Those restaurants/merchants that participated in the contest were:

- o Oriole 9, 17 Tinker St., Woodstock, NY
- o Yum Yum Noodle Bar, 4 Rock City Rd., Woodstock, NY
- o Duo Bistro, 50 John St., Kingston, NY
- o Mother Earth's Storehouse, 300 Kings Mall Ct, Kingston, NY
- o New World Home Cooking 1411 Rt. 212, Saugerties, NY
- o Tuthill House, 20 Gristmill Lane, Gardiner, NY

Movies in Monticello: "Up" on Friday, November 7

[MONTICELLO] - The Youth Committee of the Monticello Interfaith Council, in partnership with the Village of Monticello, is holding an ongoing series of free movies for the community. The group will be holding showings on the first and third Friday of each month at the Ted Stroebele Recreation Center at 10 Jefferson Street in Monticello. Snacks and refreshments will be available.

The committee will be showing "Up" on Friday, November 7 at 6:00 PM. The movie is rated G and, according to IMDb.com, "tells the story of Carl, who sets out to fulfill his lifelong dream to see the wilds of South America by tying thousands of balloons to his home. Russell, a wilderness explorer 70 years younger, inadvertently becomes a stowaway."

The Monticello Interfaith Council has been active since 2010. Its purpose is to increase understanding, respect and cooperation among the various religious faiths and to help address social needs of the Monticello community. For more information, call (845) 295-2445 or email monticellointerfaith@gmail.com.

Veteran Arts Showcase November 21-23, 2014

Veteran Arts Showcase, a celebration of multiple arts and how they heal and create community.

The artists are veterans, family members of veterans, or military connected. It will be held at the FDR Presidential Library/Wallace Center on Route 9, Hyde Park, NY. Opening night reception Friday evening Nov 21, 5:30 pm - 8:30pm:

meet the artists, hear selections by the cast of the musical "Deployed," enjoy original poetry and join in a community rhythm circle. Refreshments will be served. Saturday and Sunday Nov 22 and 23, 10:00am - 5:00pm: art exhibit, readings, demonstrations, open discussions by veteran authors. Sunday closes with "Lucid Body," a veteran and civilian theatrical troop performing an interactive play with the audience. Free and open to the public. For program times and updates contact: www.VETFAMSA.org Dr. Lori Arella (845) 226-4218.

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Dec 6 - **Transportation to NYC** Leave Town Hall 8:00 am return approx. 8:00 pm. \$22 Neversink Residents/Tri-Valley Students/ non-residents. **Must be paid by Nov 5.**

Thank you **Jamie Brooks** and the **Town of Neversink** and all the **volunteers** for all the fun and opportunities you have offered us this past year. Looking forward to next year!

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



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AL-ANON MEETINGS- <http://www.al-anon.alateen.org>
Mon- 7:00 p.m. United Methodist Church, 170 N. Main Street, Liberty
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Sat- 8:00 p.m. United Methodist Church, 170 N. Main Street, Liberty

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Play Mexican Train
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Veteran Arts Showcase
 Veteran Arts Showcase, a celebration of multiple arts and how they heal and create community. The artists are veterans, family members of veterans, or military connected. It will be held at the FDR Presidential Library/Wallace Center on Route 9, Hyde Park, NY. Opening night reception Friday evening Nov 21, 5:30 pm - 8:30pm: meet the artists, hear selections by the cast of the musical

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- 11/8/14 Grahamsville Reformed Church **Pork Roast Dinner** 4-7 pm (See ad pg 13)
- 11/8/13 **Ribs & Pulled Pork BBQ** 3-6 pm sponsored by SC Pregnancy Support Center (See ad on Pg. 13)
- 11/9/13 Neversink Ladies Auxiliary **Holiday Craft and Gift Sale** • 10 am-3 pm Neversink Fire House
- 11/11/14 **Town of Neversink Holiday - VETERAN'S DAY**
- 11/11/14 Grahamsville Rural Cemetery **Annual Veteran's Day Celebration Flag Raising Ceremony** 11:00 am
- 11/11/14 Town of Denning Town Board Business Meeting 7:00 pm Town of Denning Town Hall
- 11/12/14 Town of Neversink Town Board Meeting
- 11/13/14 Dept of Motor Vehicles - Neversink Town Hall 10:00 am - 2:30 pm
- 11/13/14 Claryville Fire District Meetings 6:30 pm -Regular Meeting
- 11/15/14 Grahamsville United Methodist Church **Saturday Thrift Sale** 9am-1pm
- 11/16/14 Claryville Fire Dept. All You Can Eat Pancake Breakfast - 7 am - Noon Claryville Fire House
- 11/17/14 Grahamsville Fire Dist. Board of Fire Commissioners - 7:00 pm
- 11/18/14 Town of Neversink Zoning Board of Appeals - 7:30 pm
- 11/19/14 Neversink Rondout Antique Machinery Association Monthly Meeting 7:30 pm
- 11/20/14 Neversink Fire District Meeting at 7 p.m.; Public Meeting at 7:30 p.m.
- 11/22/14 **Holiday Craft Fair** at the Sundown Church Hall 9 am - 3 pm and Luncheon
- 12/3/14 Town of Denning Board Meeting - 7:00 pm - Town of Denning Town Hall
- 12/3/14 Town of Neversink Planning Board - 7:00 pm
- 12/6/14 Sundown Methodist Church **Covered Dish Supper** - 5:30 pm Church Hall
- 12/13/14 7:30 - 9:30 am **Breakfast & Cookie Walk** 9:00 am at Sundown UMC Church Hall

Save the Date!

Neversink Ladies Auxiliary **Holiday Craft and Gift Sale** • Nov 9 10 am-3 pm Neversink Fire House
 November 22 - **Holiday Craft Fair** at the Sundown Church Hall 9 am - 3 pm and Luncheon
 December 13 - 7:30 - 9:30 am **Breakfast & Cookie Walk** 9:00 am at Sundown UMC Church Hall

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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.

"Deployed," enjoy original poetry and join in a community rhythm circle. Refreshments will be served. Saturday and Sunday Nov 22 and 23, 10:00am - 5:00pm: art exhibit, readings, demonstrations, open discussions by veteran authors. Sunday closes with "Lucid Body," a veteran and civilian theatrical troop performing an interactive play with the audience. Free and open to the public. For program times and updates contact: www.VETFAMSA.org Dr. Lori Arella (845) 226-4218.

Coalition Cites Federal Nuclear Regulators' Continued Failure To Fully Assess Environmental, Public Health And Safety Risks Of Long-Term Waste Storage At Nuclear Power Plants, Including Indian Point
Schneiderman: I Will Fight To Ensure Communities Receive The Full, Detailed Accounting Of Risks Of Long-Term, On-Site Nuclear Waste Storage That They Deserve
 NEW YORK-Attorney General Eric T. Schneiderman, and the Attorneys General of Connecticut and Vermont, announced today that they will challenge recently issued rules of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) that govern the long-term storage of highly radioactive nuclear wastes on-site at the more than 100 reactors around the country, including the three Indian Point reactors in Westchester County, for 60 or more years after the reactors close.

The coalition of attorneys general initiated a challenge to the rule, entitled "Continued Storage of Spent Nuclear Fuel," in the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit. In its filing, Attorney General Schneiderman's coalition argues that those rules, and the underlying environmental impact statement, do not comply with the National Environmental Policy Act ("NEPA") and other requirements, and are inconsistent with earlier decisions by various federal courts concerning waste and accident issues.

"In 2012, we won a landmark federal court ruling requiring NRC to perform a full and detailed assessment of the risks involved in the long-term, on-site storage of highly radioactive nuclear wastes at nuclear power plants," Attorney General Schneiderman said. "However, in responding to that ruling, the NRC has turned its responsibilities on their head -- focusing on issues that are unrelated to the risks posed to the environment, public health, and safety. The NRC's approach is wrong and illegal, and I will continue to fight to ensure that our communities receive the full and detailed accounting of the risks of long-term, on-site nuclear waste storage that they deserve."

The NRC's Continued Storage of Spent Nuclear Fuel rule, and an environmental impact statement (EIS) for the rule, were finalized on September 19. The rule and EIS are the NRC's response to a June 2012 landmark victory by Attorney General Schneiderman in which the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit ruled that federal law requires the NRC to complete review of the public health, safety, and environmental hazards that such storage would pose before allowing the long-term storage of nuclear waste in communities. The appeals court found that the spent nuclear fuel stored on-site "poses a dangerous, long-

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term health and environmental risk." The Court invalidated an earlier regulation and remanded the matter back to NRC with a directive that the Commission fully comply with federal law.

In its current challenge, the coalition asks the court to review the new rule and EIS, invalidate the NRC's actions as inconsistent with federal regulations, and order the Commission to develop a remedy that fully complies with federal law. Today's filing initiates the coalition's challenge; the date by which the coalition will fully brief its challenge will be set by the court.

This matter was handled by Assistant Attorneys General Kathryn Deluca, Andrew Frank, Laura Heslin, John Sipos, and Monica Wagner of the Environmental Protection Bureau, with support from Bureau Chief Lemuel M. Srolovic, Executive Deputy Attorney General for Social Justice Alvin Bragg, and First Deputy for Affirmative Litigation Janet Sabel.



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ANSWER TO KNARF'S MOVIE TRIVIA

1. Madeleine Sherwood
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Knarf's "Classic Movie Trivia"



They say silence is golden from the golden era of silent films three land mark films starting at 8:00 PM

THE SHEIK, (1921), Rudolph Valentino
THE THIEF OF BAGDAD (1924)

Douglas Fairbanks,
THE BIG PARADE, (1925) John Gilbert
THE SHEIK, (1921) 8:00 PM 86 min
silent An Arabian sheik kidnaps a beautiful Englishwoman to win her heart.

Directed by George Melford. -Starring Rudolph Valentino, Agnes Ayres, Adolphe Menjou, Walter Long, Lucien Littlefield, George Waggner. Ayres, a "civilized" woman, falls completely under the spell of desert chieftain Valentino. The silent film that helped create the Valentino legend is hokey and campy, but still entertaining. It's easy to see why women went crazy for the Latin star. Racist/imperialist angle of the story is equally fascinating. Followed by **SON OF THE SHEIK, THE THIEF OF BAGDAD (1924)** 9:30 PM silent 149 min An Arabian thief sets out on a magical adventure to win the heart of a beautiful princess. Fairbanks plays a street thief who falls in love with a princess who is about to marry. He impersonates another prince to gain access to the princess and becomes involved. Directed by Raoul Walsh. Douglas Fairbanks, Julianne Johnston, Anna May Wong, Sojin, Snitz Edwards, Charles Belcher, Brandon Hurst. Fairbanks is unusually wonderful in this elaborate Arabian Nights pantomime, designed to instill a true sense of wonder. Quite long, but never dull; one of the most imaginative of all silent films, with awesome sets by William Cameron Menzies. Remade three times (so far).

THE BIG PARADE, (1925) -12:15 AM silent 151 min. One of the best WWI films ever; clean-shaven Gilbert a wonderful hero, Adoree an unforgettable heroine. Filled with memorable vignettes, and some of the most harrowingly realistic battle scenes ever filmed. A gem. In this silent film, a young innocent enlists for World War I service but soon learns the horrors of war. Directed by King Vidor, starring John Gilbert, Renee Adoree, Hobart Bosworth, Claire McDowell, Claire Adams, Karl Dane, Tom O'Brien. **See these films on TCM, starting at 8:00 PM Monday November 10, 2014, BW.**

No Quiz this week just enjoy

What's Going On In The Gnome Neighborhood This Week?

NOVEMBER 11 - DON'T FORGET OUR VETS THEY MADE THE ULTIMATE SACRIFICE - THEY STOOD UP FOR OUR NATION LET'S STAND UP FOR THEM

The Annual Flag Exchange Ceremony will take place at 11:00 am on Tuesday, November 11th, at the flag pole located in the Grahamsville Rural Cemetery on Route 55 in Grahamsville.

GRAHAMSVILLE REFORMED CHURCH ROAST PORK DINNER

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