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### USPS Transition; Townsman Late delivery

We have had several calls from our subscribers who are not receiving their Townsman as usual each week as it is being delivered in their mailboxes several days late.

We urge anyone who has an upcoming event to make sure that press releases or calendar submissions be sent a week earlier. If we receive information 2 weeks before an event, our readers will get the information on time. (Contd. Pg. 3)

### Long-Distance Catskill Trails



LIVINGSTON MANOR, NY They say 10 miles hiking the Devil's Path, a well-known Catskill trail, is like 20 miles hiking anywhere else. Come find out why on Friday, October 11th at 6:00pm, at Morgan Outdoors in Livingston Manor. Jeff Senterman will bring stories, details and great photographs of several challenging long-distance trails in the Catskill Mountains - the Long Path, the Devil's Path and the Escarpment Trail. Jeff is the New York-New Jersey Trail Conference's Senior Program Coordinator and editor of a forthcoming guide to Catskills trails. (Contd. Pg. 14)

### SC Long Beards Annual JAKES Event



The Sullivan County Long Beards held their annual JAKES event on Saturday 9/21/13. The event once again was a huge success despite the host of other events in the county held on the same day, in attendance were 310 youth up to the age 17 and 267 members re-signed their membership or became new members. A free lunch of hot dogs, chips and a drink was given to

each child and a wonderful time was had by all.

The event had a JAKES trailer which was a donation to the NWTF from the Potterfields at Midway USA the NYS NWTF Chapter for the use of younger shooters, where they can go in get a little briefing on shooting and shoot at target with adult supervision. All of these young shooters got to take their targets home with them to show off. There was plenty of shooting for the older JAKES as well, each shooting booth was manned by a certified NRA Range Officer and there was a .410 shoot, a bow shoot for young and old kids, a pellet shoot and plenty of interesting booths to be visited. There was also the "Boot Camp" blow up and the Rock Wall Climb to keep the kids busy, while waiting for their turns at some of the other stations. (Contd. Pg. 10)

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### Pack 87 Visits West Point



Fifteen cub scouts and their families from Pack 87 in the Tri-Valley School District visited West Point on September 28th. They were fortunate to have a beautiful day for the tour and all participants thoroughly enjoyed themselves. They started out by meeting at the Visitor's Center in full uniform. Then, they boarded a school bus and took a one and a half hour guided tour of the grounds. The picture that you see is taken at the million dollar view. (Contd. Pg. 3)

### Congressman Gibson Joins with Bipartisan Group of Members to Unveil Solution to Reopen Government-Bill funds government, repeals medical device tax, and has track record of bipartisan support in House and Senate



Congressman Gibson and a bipartisan group of Members unveil their legislation to fund the government and repeal the medical device tax.

Washington, DC - Congressman Gibson joined with a bipartisan group of Members today to express support for a solution that would reopen the federal government. The legislation would fund the government and repeal the medical device tax, a proposal that has significant support in the House and Senate. A medical device tax repeal passed the House 270-146 last year and a symbolic vote in the Senate passed 79-20 earlier this year. His statement on the proposal is as follows:

"Today I joined with a group of Republicans and Democrats on a solution to end the government shutdown. This proposal is a temporary spending measure (CR) that would fund the government through March 31. This CR also repeals the medical device tax included in the Affordable Care Act/Obamacare, a provision that has attracted wide, bipartisan support in both the House and Senate. To ensure that we do not increase the deficit as a result, this proposal includes an offset in pension reform. (Contd. Pg. 12)

### Pulled Pork BBQ to Benefit SC Pregnancy Support Center

Enjoy a tasty Pulled Pork BBQ on Saturday, November 2nd from 4:00 - 7:00 P.M. to be held at the Liberty Free Methodist Church.

The BBQ will be for the benefit of the Sullivan County Pregnancy Support Center. Choose to eat in or take out. Beside the Pulled Pork the menu includes Baked Beans; Cole Slaw; Roll; Dessert. Adults \$12; Children 8 and under \$6.00. The Pulled Pork Barbeque will be catered by Mark McCarthy.

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**ON THE FRONT BURNER:** Have mercy upon me, O God, according to thy loving kindness; according unto the multitude of thy tender mercies blot out my transgressions. Psalm 51:1

**OBITUARY**

**Emmett W. Bassett**, the first African American to obtain a doctoral degree in dairy technology, died at home on Sunday, September 29. He was 92. He was a member of the medical school faculty of first Columbia University and then the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey, from which he retired as an Associate Professor in the Department of Microbiology in 1987. He was one of the last living students trained by George Washington Carver. Like others of his generation, Dr. Bassett combined his professional life with enduring activism in civil rights, from his boyhood defense of the Scottsboro boys, to the March on Washington. His preference was for neighborhood activism, which he pursued in education, health and community affairs in the Washington Heights/Inwood section of New York City and Sullivan County, where he made his home in later years. He served on his local New York City Community Board and the Manhattan Advisory Council of the New York State Commission for Human Rights. He later helped found the Human Rights Commission of Sullivan County. In his book *Barack Obama*, David Maraniss recounted an encounter of Dr. Bassett with a youthful Barack Obama.

He was born in 1921 in Henry County, Virginia near the town of Martinsville. His primary education was in a one room schoolhouse where classes frequently were suspended either because there was no teacher or because children were needed for farm labor. At 16, he enrolled at the Tuskegee Institute in Alabama. When he won a National Youth Administration scholarship, he was able to give up his job milking cows each morning. This sponsorship supported a research assistantship and he worked for George Washington Carver, who encouraged him to pursue a higher degree in the sciences.

But the Second World War interrupted any possibility of further education. His service in the US Army quartermaster corps brought him in touch with blacks from the North, often considerably older than he. At one point, his roommate was Robert Ming, a black lawyer already credentialed to argue before the U.S. Supreme Court. Such encounters with well-educated blacks showed the inadequacy of his southern segregated education. He resolved to continue his education after the war, thus joining the great migration out of the south. In 1950, he entered the University of Massachusetts at Amherst and in 1955 he was awarded a doctoral degree in dairy technology from Ohio State University.

In Sullivan County, where the family bought land in 1964, he built a log cabin with his son and created a welcoming homestead on the side of Denman Mountain to which he and his wife retired fulltime in the mid-1990s. As elsewhere, they found time to engage in many community issues that concerned the second poorest county in New York State. In his later years, as Alzheimer's disease overtook him, he focused on gardening at which he remained active into his 90s. He also told more stories about his Virginia childhood. His gardening prowess had been noted since childhood. When he was about 8 years old, a neighbor remarked on his ability, noting that if it were still slave times he would have fetched \$1000. Young Emmett replied, "No I wouldn't because they would have had to kill me before they could sell me!"

He leaves his wife, Priscilla Tietjen Bassett, three children, Mary Bassett, Jonathan Bassett and Lydia Tyner, all of New York City, as well as three grandchildren.

**Helen Whipple**, a longtime resident of Neversink, NY, passed away on Tuesday, October 1, 2013 at her residence. She was 75. The daughter of the late William and Anna Monahan Burke, she was born April 26, 1938 in New York City.

Helen was the head housekeeper at New Age Health Spa in Neversink, NY. She was predeceased by her husband, Preston Whipple.

Survivors include her sons: Michael Whipple and wife, Tialisa and Lawrence Whipple and wife, Patricia, all of Neversink; daughters: Ann Marie Hicks, Theresa Whipple and Laura Pomerantz, all of Neversink; 12 grandchildren: Loni, Charlie, Bryan, Sam, Mike, Matt, Amanda, Lisa, Jennie, Sean, Chris and Elise; five great-grandchildren: Mya, Christopher, Anthony, Vinny and Nolan.

Funeral Services were held Saturday, October 5th at Ramsay's Funeral Home, Liberty, NY. Burial followed at Rural Cemetery, Grahamsville, NY.

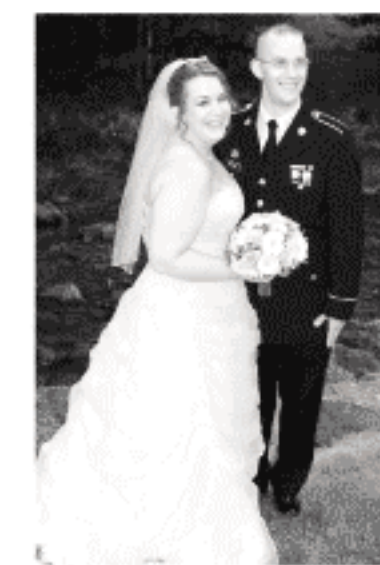
**ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCEMENT**



Rebecca Sykes, an associate of the United States Postal Service in Grahamsville, New York, is to be married to Christopher Hubert, an Assistant Principal and Director of Technology of the Livingston Manor Central School in Livingston Manor, New York.

Ms. Sykes is the daughter of Brenda and Philip Long of Callicoon, New York and Robert and Bonnie Sykes of North Branch, New York. Mr. Hubert is the son of John and Romona Hubert of Fremont Center, New York. A May wedding is planned.

**Gildersleeve-Muthig Wedding**



On August 17th 2013, Carrie Alice Gildersleeve wed Raymond George Muthig. The wedding took place at the Grahamsville Fire House at 5pm. Honorable Judge Harold Bauman of Liberty officiated the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Howard and Karen Gildersleeve of Neversink. The bride's grandparents include Robert and Mary Terwilliger of Grahamsville and Anne and Maynard Davis of Neversink and the late Howard Gildersleeve of Mountaintale. The groom is the son of Gary and Sandra Muthig of Parksville and of Kim Neer of Monticello. The groom's grandparents include Raymond and Dorothy Muthig of Parksville and Bowman and Jeanette Owens of Livingston Manor.

The bride was escorted down the aisle by her father. The wedding party included: Maid of Honor, Jennille Carpenter, sister-in-law to the groom, of Parksville; Best Man, Stephen Carpenter, brother of the groom, of Parksville. The Bridesmaids included Lauren Liberta, friend of the bride, of Athens; Michelle Magie, sister-in-law to the groom, of Monticello; Robyn Dymond, cousin of the bride, of Grahamsville. The Groomsmen included Elton Gildersleeve, brother of the bride, of Neversink; Gary Magie, brother of the groom, of Monticello; Timothy Smith, cousin of the groom, of Swan Lake; Kyle Smith, cousin of the groom, of Swan Lake.

The bride is a graduate of the class of 2007 from Tri-Valley Central School, graduate of the class of 2009 from SCCC and graduate of the class of 2012 from SUNY Albany. The bride is currently employed as a CSR/Teller at Catskill Hudson Bank. The groom is a graduate of the class of 2005 from Tri-Valley Central School. The groom is a Petroleum Supply Specialist currently employed as a PVT in the United States Army and is stationed in Illeshim, Germany. The bride currently resides in Neversink. They will honeymoon in Ireland once they are reunited in Germany sometime after October.

**NOTE OF THANKS**

The Sundown Ladies Aid would like to take the opportunity to thank the many helpers, people who donated items, supplies, guests and friends who made our Harvest Fair such a success again this year. Our thanks to those who either purchased items from some of our many tables that we had set up or just enjoyed lunch, which included soup and pies made by some of our great cooks! We appreciate everyone who came and supported us.

**DAYS OF YORE....**

**Today's History**  
October 14, 1953 - Mr. and Mrs. Otis Donaldson celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary as their home on Sunday with an "Open House" to over fifty relatives and friends. (Contd. Pg. 3)

**A Round About Tri-Valley**

-Carol Furman

Jane Brown, wife of the late D. Halbe Brown, former Director of Frost Valley, passed away on September 17. Jane was 81 and is survived by her five children. Jane was a truly good and generous person. I knew Jane for over 40 years and I never met a soul who didn't think that she was a gracious and dedicated lady, always putting others before herself. I prefer to remember Jane when she was living at Frost Valley and involved in the Y's activities. A memorial service for Jane will be held on October 20 at Frost Valley.

Emmett Bassett of Glade Hill, Grahamsville has passed away. He is survived by his wife, Priscilla, and his children. Emmett was a kind, gentle man. Condolences to Emmett's family and friends. A memorial service will be held at a later date.

Louise Graham, daughter of Warren and Arlene Graham of Grahamsville, became the bride of Brian Miller on September 14. The happy couple is now living in Allentown, PA.

Karyn Sheeley, daughter of Jim and Sue Sheeley, will be marrying Michael Diescher on Saturday, October 12, at the Grahamsville Methodist Church. Karyn and Mike will make their home in Livingston Manor. Congratulations and may you have a wonderful life together!

Ballet classes for young girls will be starting up again at the Old Stone House in Hasbrouck.. There will be ten classes beginning on Saturday, October 12 and ending on Saturday, December 21. The classes are \$10. per session or \$80. for all ten classes, (second child \$70.) Classes meet from 10:30 - 11:30 am. Classes are not competitive and do follow traditional ballet discipline in format. For further info contact Alana Sherman at 436-0070 or sherman.alana@yahoo.com.

Paul and Kathy Lounsbury recently spent a few days in Texas visiting with Paul's daughter, Allison, and their new granddaughter.

Tom and Jan Yager of Grahamsville spent a few weeks vacationing in New England. Tom claimed the fishing was not as good as usual.

Thank you to the Tri-Valley PTO for sponsoring the games "under the lights" at the end of September.

The John Barney Family from upstate NY spent a few days at their place on Glade Hill. The Barney Family has owned their property in Grahamsville for over 40 years and it's nice to see that they still enjoy coming to visit every so often.

The Grahamsville Reformed Church will be having a turkey dinner with all the "fixins" on Saturday, October 12 from 4:00 - 7:00 pm. Everyone who likes to eat is invited to attend!

Enjoy your Columbus Day weekend. Clean up your gardens, rake your leaves, winterize your pool while the weather is still nice. It won't be long before it gets colder. The end of September and the beginning of October have been beautiful so far, but I'm sure the warm weather won't last too much longer!

**Words of Wisdom.** Generally speaking, you aren't learning much while your lips are moving, (anon.) No one is ever old enough to know better. (Holbrook Jackson)

**DAYS OF YORE....** (From Pg. 2)

The couple received from the neighbors on the street a basket of 50 large yellow chrysanthemums. Mr. and Mrs. Donaldson were married on October 7, 1903 at Unionville by the Rev. Mr. Heroy. They have two children, Mrs. Ralph Caldwell and Mr. Jack Donaldson.

Mr. George D. Van Aken, 54, died October 10, 1953 at Liberty Maimonides Hospital after a long illness. He was born in Liberty August 27, 1899, the son of Sanford Van Aken and Emma Barber. He had spent his lifetime in Claryville. Surviving are his wife, the former Agnes Ingram; a son, George Van Aken Jr. of Monticello; a daughter, Marie Hemstead of Liberty; two sisters, Bertha Lewis and Myrtle Brown of Claryville; two brothers, Floyd Van Aken of Grahamsville and Theodore of Holly Oaks, Delaware. October 9, 1963 - The painting "Midday Solitude" by Manville B. Wakefield of Grahamsville has been selected for hanging at the Smithsonian Institution in Washington, D.C. from November 3rd to the 24th. The show, sponsored by the American Artists Professional League, is the focal point of the 1963 American Art Week Exhibition.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. John Dill who became proud parents of a son, Michael John, on October 4th weighing 7 lbs. 2 oz. This was the fifth wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Dill. The young man was born at Maimonides Hospital in Liberty. Mr. and Mrs. Howard Dill are the paternal grandparents and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Shannon of the Bronx are the maternal grandparents.

October 31, 1973 - Mr. and Mrs. Oland Erath of Grahamsville were recipients of the Honorary American Farmer Degree at the 42nd National Future

Farmers of America Convention, held in Kansas City, Missouri last week. This certificate is presented to the parents of all National Officers at the completion of their term. Bruce S. Erath, retiring Vice President of the North Atlantic region, made the presentation to his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Osterhout of Woodbourne, N.Y. announce the engagement of their daughter, Kathy, to Michael A. Currey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Horace Currey of Claryville, N.Y. Miss Osterhout is a student at Tri-Valley Central School. Her fiancé, a 1970 graduate of Tri-Valley Central School, is employed at the Rehabilitation Center, Woodbourne. Wedding plans are incomplete.

October 13, 1983 - Floyd Ackerley of Green Acres Ct., Ellenville, a retired Nash car dealer at Moosehead Garage in Ellenville; a former mayor and village trustee of Ellenville and a lifelong area resident, died Sunday, Oct. 9, 1983 in the Ellenville Community Hosp. after a short illness. He was 91.

The son of the late William and Sophrona Sheeley Ackerley, he was born June 27, 1892 in Sundown. He was the widower of Harriette Belle Grant Ackerley. Survivors include a daughter, Ruth Ackerley of Ellenville; an aunt, several cousins, nieces and nephews.

From Tri-Valley Topics by Tom Higgins - In case you're interested, that huge pumpkin on display in the window of Bill and Jan Davies General Store in Grahamsville weighs over 140 lbs. and was grown by John McGuire of Neversink. Tid Bids...Every United States president with a beard was a Republican....The Peanut Advisory Board says that if all the peanuts grown in the U.S. annually were lined up end to end, they would extend into space some 17.5 million miles.

**Pack 87 Visits West Point** (From Pg. 1) The boys and their families were able to see and learn about a lot of the different monuments and buildings and ask questions. The boys were given several compliments by different staff members on their behavior and how they conducted themselves. Cubmaster Chip Furman was very proud of the scouts. After the tour they were able to go and visit the free West Point museum. If you have never been to this museum, it is worth the trip. There are three floors with a lot of different artifacts from different time periods. It was a very enjoyable trip for the scouts and they hope to return and see a game some time. For more information on the Cub Scouts. Email or call Chip Furman ehretsj@yahoo.com or 985-7248

**USPS Transition**

(From Pg. 1) We have learned that our local mail is no longer being sent to Newburgh, but rather to Albany before it is sent back for delivery to our local mailboxes. There are several issues regarding this transition that are effecting our mail delivery. While there is no specific date when the problems will be remedied, we understand that the problems are temporary and our mail will once again arrive on time in the near future.

The Townsman staff does apologize for this inconvenience and we are currently assessing what measures we can take to make sure that our readers can get the news on time.

**Grahamsville UMC; New Thrift Building Procedures**

First of all, the members of the Grahamsville UMC would like to thank everyone who donates to the THRIFT BUILDING. This has been functioning for many years as a resource for the people of the Tri Valley School District and Town of Neversink. It serves the needs of the recipients who shop, as well as to the donators who are able to recycle quality goods for others to benefit from. This could not function and be so successful in this community without the support of many people. At least 15 community members spend many hours each week sorting, sizing, and preparing the building for sale days.

We recently placed a red shed behind the garage of the parsonage near the Thrift Building. The location was prepared by Jim Sheeley and the shed was donated and moved to the spot by Grey's Woodworks. This is an example of two great local businesses supporting the community and this mission project. The shed will now be used as the collection area for donations. Please place all donations in the shed and remember to close the doors after making the drop off. Volunteers will routinely take the donations to the thrift building where they can be sorted and prepared for the next sale day. Signs have been installed to remind you of this new location.

For folks who are donating, please keep the following in mind:

- Providing donations that are clean and ready for sale is greatly appreciated
- Bags of clothing and medium boxes of toys may

- be placed in the red shed
- Please call Phyllis Thomas-Moore (985-2746) or Louise DuBois (985-2938), if you have larger items that can not be placed though the shed doors
- We are not able to accept TV's, computers, mattresses, large furniture, or any appliance containing a refrigerant
- Books may be donated to the Daniel Pierce Library

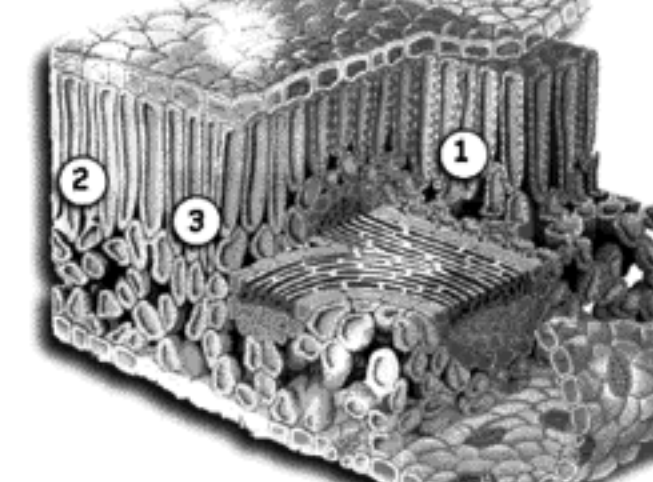
Once again, we are very grateful for the support of our entire community. If you are interested in learning how you can help or have any questions about making donations, please call the phone numbers listed above. Thanks!!!

**Nature Column - Linda Comando**

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

**Autumn Leaves of Red and Gold**

Until the rain this past weekend the leaves were looking mighty pretty against the blue sky. If the rain and wind today don't blow the rest of the leaves off the trees, we should continue to enjoy the beautiful fall colors for a little while longer.



Did you ever wonder how and why a fall leaf changes color? Why a maple leaf turns bright red? Where do the yellows and oranges come from?

The annual change in tree leaf color actually starts just after the longest day and first day of summer, June 21 in the Northern Hemisphere, when the earth tilts to the point where the sun returns on a path back toward the Southern Hemisphere. You will not see the change yet but internal changes begin to occur then. Chemical changes that turn leaves from pale green in spring to dark green in summer to yellows and reds in fall are quite complex. The green pigment in chlorophyll, and stored in plastids, diminishes and is replaced by a pigment color without chlorophyll. The exact color is determined by each tree species. There are three major components for pigment change in leaves. Plastids (1) are minute leaf structures that carry green chlorophyll and color the summer forest. Carotenoids (2), stored in plastids, and anthocyanins (3) in leaf sap are the leaf paints (pigments) that color the forest of autumn.

During the summer there is so much chlorophyll in an active leaf that the green masks other pigment colors. Light regulates chlorophyll production, so as autumn days grow shorter, less chlorophyll is produced. The decomposition rate of chlorophyll remains constant, so the green color starts to fade from leaves.

At the same time, surging sugar concentrations cause increased production of anthocyanin pigments. Leaves containing primarily anthocyanins will appear red. Carotenoids are another class of pigments found in some leaves. Carotenoid production is not dependent on light, so levels aren't diminished by shortened days. Carotenoids can be orange, yellow, or red, but most of these pigments found in leaves are yellow. Leaves with good amounts of both anthocyanins and carotenoids will appear orange.

Leaves with carotenoids but little or no anthocyanin will appear yellow. In the absence of these pigments, other plant chemicals also can affect leaf color. An example includes tannins, which are responsible for the brownish color of some oak leaves.

Temperature affects the rate of chemical reactions, including those in leaves, so it does play a part in leaf color. However, it's mainly light levels that are responsible for fall foliage colors. Sunny autumn days are needed for the brightest color displays, since anthocyanins require light. Overcast days will lead to more yellows and browns.

And now as we head toward the next season, winter, there will not be enough light or water for photosynthesis. The trees are shutting down their food-making factories. They will live off the food they stored during the summer.

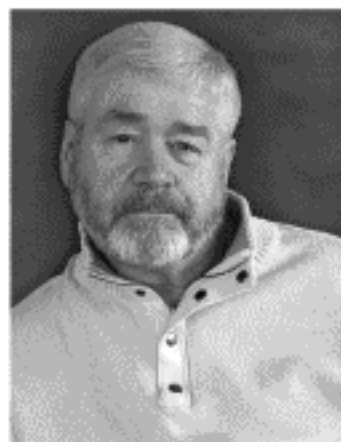
It is time for the trees to take a rest before starting the whole process again next spring.

**Household Hints**

**Deodorize your garbage disposal**

Here's an incredibly easy way to keep your garbage disposal unit sanitized and smelling clean: Mix equal parts water and vinegar in a bowl, pour the solution into an ice cube tray, and freeze it. Then simply drop a couple of "vinegar cubes" down your disposal every week or so, followed by a cold-water rinse.

Light of the World - Mysterious Book Report No. 118 by John Dwaine McKenna



This week's MBR is a review of an author I've admired and read diligently for the past twenty-some years... ever since I heard him interviewed by Terry Gross on National Public Radio one afternoon as I waited in the car.

The Light of the World, (Simon & Shuster, \$27.99, 548 pages, ISBN 978-1-4767-1076-1) is Burke's thirty-second novel and his twentieth in the Dave Robicheux series.

Although long-term readers of Burke's work may find it a bit on the formulaic side, the story arc, action and, oh yes, the author's musings about the eternal battle between the forces of good and evil will be enough to make any reader, like me, a fan of James Lee Burke.

You can meet all of the legendary authors at your local library, just by visiting. Yup! It's true. And it won't cost you a dime.

I'd like to give a shout-out to all of you who've liked me on Facebook and followed me on Twitter and Goodreads. You too, can check it all out by visiting our websites.

We'd love to meet and greet you there and welcome any and all of your comments about books, reading, publishing or whatever else is on your mind. Have you seen Colorado Noir? It's our newest Rhyolite Press release and It's a walk on the dark and seamy side of America's most controversial city...

That's it for now... we'll see you next week with another new, fascinating and entertaining MBR. Oh, yeah! Keep reading. --JDM

Division of the Budget Details Estimated Revenue Allocation of Upstate New York Gaming and Economic Development Act- Statewide estimate is \$430 million, annually, for additional school aid, property tax relief, and local government aid

The New York State Division of the Budget today detailed the estimated fiscal impact of the Upstate New York Gaming and Economic Development Act. The Act authorizes up to four destination gaming resorts in Upstate New York and provides additional revenues from existing Native American gaming facilities to local governments, contingent on voter approval.

The Act was passed by the Legislature, and signed by the Governor on July 30, 2013. A referendum to amend the New York State Constitution to permit destination gaming resorts will go before voters on November 5, 2013.

The Act would result in new revenue for all regions of the State. As defined by the statute, 80 percent of the State's tax revenues will be used statewide for elementary and secondary education or property tax relief.

The Division of the Budget projects the Upstate New York Gaming and Economic Development Act will produce \$238 million, annually, in additional aid for education or property tax relief across the entire State, plus an additional \$192 million in annual local government aid.

Counties to receive Indian casino revenues

Under the Act, for the first time, every county in an Indian exclusivity zone will share in Indian gaming facility revenues. Ten percent of the net gaming revenue retained by the State from Native American gaming facilities will be distributed to the counties in each respective exclusivity zone.

Seneca exclusivity zone will receive \$50.4 million annually in local government aid. North Country counties in the Niagara Mohawk exclusivity zone will annually receive \$8.9 million.

The regional fiscal impacts of the Act are as follows:

- Western New York/Finger Lakes: \$93.1 million annually
-North Country: \$16.8 million annually
-Central New York/Mohawk Valley: \$44.2 million annually
-Eastern Southern Tier\*\*: \$20.1 million annually (includes \$6.4 million in host county aid)
-Capital Region\*\*: \$35.5 million annually (includes \$11.4 million in host county aid)
-Catskill/Hudson Valley\*\*: \$51.0 million annually (includes \$13.7 million in host county aid)
-New York City: \$94.4 million annually
-Long Island: \$63.3 million annually
-A potential fourth destination gaming resort would provide an additional \$11.7 million annually to counties in one of the eligible Upstate gaming regions.

\*The allocations reflect the Act's preservation of Tribal exclusivity payments to localities in Niagara, Erie, Cattaraugus, St. Lawrence and Franklin counties, and expansion of such payments to Oneida County.

\*\*These regions and municipalities within would receive aid for hosting destination gaming resorts.

"From Our Kitchen to Your Market" Value Added Production for Food Processors

LIBERTY, NY- All budding food entrepreneurs are invited to a full-day educational workshop on "value added" food production on Thursday, October 17, 2013. The session will run from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm at Cornell Cooperative Extension Sullivan County's Gerald J. Skoda Extension Education Center on 64 Ferndale-Loomis Road in Liberty.

Topics covered will include:

- The importance of a business plan, and how to start one
- Legal considerations and insurance requirements
- Licensing and regulations governing food production
- Product development and the role of the Food Venture Center at Cornell University
- Processing, packaging, branding, labeling
- Marketing (including pricing) and communi-

cations; how to reach the consumer

- How to use Liberty's Entrepreneurial & Teaching (EaT) shared-use Kitchen and co-packers
- Q&A session and networking opportunity
Panelists and presenters will include:
- Liz Beals: Manager of Beth's Farm Kitchen, Stuyvesant Falls, NY
- Herb Cooley: Cornell Food Venture Center
- Beth Linsky: Owner of Beth's Farm Kitchen, Stuyvesant Falls, NY
- Mary Ann Johnson: Hudson Valley Agribusiness Development Corporation
- Gregory Sandor: Cornell Cooperative Extension Sullivan County
- Heinrich Strauch: Liberty Community Development Corporation
- Jeri Woodhouse: Owner of North Fork Specialty Kitchen, Cutchoque, NY

Pre-registration with payment is required in advance by calling 845-292-6180 or emailing mal395@cornell.edu. No refunds will be issued.

Advertisement for John Dwaine McKenna's books. Includes 'The Whim-Wham Man' and 'The Neversink Chronicles'. Features book covers, promotional text, and order forms for autographed copies.

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## The Olive Jar - By Carol LaMonda

### Holy cow, Charlie Brown, It's the Great Pumpkin Patch

The call went out to Kate McGloughlin. We need volunteers to unload a tractor trailer full of pumpkins to the lawn of the Reservoir Methodist Church on Route 28 in Shokan. At 8:30 on Saturday morning, a workforce of strangers (but all friends of Kate) came to unload the crop of orange pumpkins ranging in size from "Spookies" which will sell for \$1.50 to Jumbo (bring two people to lift it) pumpkins which are \$30. All sizes and prices in between are available too. Most are in the \$3, \$6, and \$10. range.

The pumpkins are a fundraiser for a church who, in turn, supports prison ministries, soup kitchens, migrant ministries, foreign ministries and disaster relief. The pumpkins are delivered from an organization that has contracted with Navajo Agricultural Products Industry (NAPI) to grow pumpkins. They lease over 2,000 acres on the Navajo Reservation, growing 28 varieties of pumpkins, gourds, and corn, and employing over 1,000 native americans during the harvest season.

It is believed that 10,000 motorists pass by the big white church, so hopefully many will stop to buy their porch decorations or pie fillings from the congregation that will man the stand afternoons everyday in October until Halloween.

The spirit of Halloween will also be rampant on Route 28 as cars gaze at our fine Catskill foliage, past the Pumpkin Patch to the Shokan Square Plaza where the Boy Scouts conduct their haunted house excursions. If they continue up the highway they will get to the Onteora School for some rites of autumn sports there. Nothing says "Fall" like Football, and Onteora's Indians have two remaining games. Next week, Columbus Day Weekend, has Homecoming events on Friday night and Saturday. The Olive Fire Department will be supervising the bonfire on Friday night, and Saturday will be the parade of champions and home game at Onteora High School.

Come and support your school and its athletic program, your fire department, Boy Scouts, and local ministries. Here in Olive, houses are spread out and often isolated, so the Pumpkin Patch, Homecoming, and the Haunted House events will be there to liven up this fun time of year for children of all ages. The spirit will be Onteora Red and Pumpkin Orange at the time when fall colors are just peak in these beautiful mountains. Excuse the pun, but ORANGE YOU glad you live in this great town?



**RESERVOIR MUSIC NOTES** - Fred Perry-Owner of Reservoir Music Center -  
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Due to internet outage from the storm, no column from Fred this week. You can read the full column on his website after midnight on Tuesday - [reservoirmusiccenter.com](http://reservoirmusiccenter.com)

### ULSTER COUNTY CULTURAL HERITAGE WEEK- Historical and Cultural organizations throughout the County are offering events during Ulster County's third Cultural Heritage Week

Kingston, NY- County Executive Mike Hein announces that Ulster County will be celebrating Cultural Heritage Week from October 11th through October 20th. As in past years, this Week will commemorate Ulster's rich legacy and traditions with events throughout the County: in Marlboro, New Paltz, Kingston, Saugerties, and more. "This beautiful time of year is a great chance to sample the history that is all around us," said County Executive Hein. "The events and activities scheduled for this week provide a great opportunity for visitors of all ages to learn, have fun and appreciate the history and culture that surrounds and enriches us. We invite everyone to visit the various sites and structures that remind us of Ulster County's historic past, including landmarks of the Revolutionary and Civil Wars and to experience some of the many cultural events that make Ulster County such a special place to live, work and visit."

To highlight this weeks activities, the Ulster County Historical Society at the Bevier House Museum in Stone Ridge on October 17th at 7:00 pm will have a program at which County Executive Hein will speak. The County Executive invites the public to join him at this special event during which the Ulster County Historical Society will be presenting a letter from George Clinton to George Washington, dated May 1779 regarding an incident with a group of Tories and Indians on the Ulster County Frontier. William Rhoads will give a short talk on the significance of the letter followed by champagne and dessert.

During Ulster County Cultural Heritage Week, other activities being offered to the public include: Ulster County Clerk's Building Curricula: Teaching Tools from the Ulster County Archives Exhibit; Byrdcliffe Arts Colony and White Pines' Walking Tour through more than 100 years of historic buildings and grounds; and the Friends of Historic Kingston's Greetings from Kingston: A Story of Postcards. The Matthew Persen House Museum will have a Rondout Revisited Exhibit and The Civil War Soldiers Exhibit, the Senate House in Kingston is hosting With Malice Toward None: Ulster County and the Civil War, Historic Huguenot Street is offering Night Shift Tombstone Tours, and the Ellenville Public Library and Museum is presenting Murder & Mayhem in Ulster County.

Asha Golliver, Community Relations Specialist of Ellenville Public Library and Museum stated, "We wanted to do something unusual, fun and interesting for Cultural Heritage Week and that is why we invited A.J. Schenkman and Elizabeth Werlau who are the authors of Murder & Mayhem in Ulster County. They are both teachers and local history buffs and will be presenting Murder & Mayhem in Ulster County

on October 16th at 6:30pm. We are pleased that County Executive Hein is promoting Ulster County history and additional historical items from the Ulster County Clerk's Office can be viewed in our gallery."

"This is a wonderful opportunity for Ulster County residents and visitors to the area to learn about the vast cultural history of the County. The many cultural heritage organizations in our area have a great deal to offer and I appreciate County Executive Hein's support of local history," said Ulster County Tourism Director Richard Remsnyder.

The National Register of Historic Places lists more than 160 sites in Ulster County alone. A calendar of events and additional information about Ulster County Cultural Heritage Week activities is attached and can be found on the County's websites, at [www.UlsterCountyNY.gov](http://www.UlsterCountyNY.gov) or [www.UlsterCountyAlive.com](http://www.UlsterCountyAlive.com) or by calling the County Executive's office at 845-340-3800.

### Trends in County Revenue Sources - Dangerous Time for Sales Tax Politics - Signs of Life in Housing Market

Kingston NY (October 7, 2013)... Ulster County Comptroller Elliott Auerbach has issued an economic indicators report focusing on County revenues from sources other than property taxes. The Report concludes that these sources of revenue generated nearly \$1.3 million less in the first half of 2013 than in the first half of 2012.

The revenue in question is largely derived from sales tax, licensing and permit fees, and deed and mortgage recording fees. While the largest percent decrease is seen in the category of licenses, permits and fees (6%), Auerbach noted that the largest dollar decrease can be seen in the category of sales tax revenues, which declined over \$1.5 million, or roughly 3%, during the sample period.

Auerbach points out that the decrease is worthy of concern because it is these sources of revenue which feed municipal budgets without having to increase property taxes. "Particularly in light of the sales tax crisis faced by the County at the state level, the decrease in these revenue streams is alarming. With sales tax revenues already trending downward, this is a dangerous time to allow Ulster's sales tax rate to decrease as well," said Auerbach, referring to the failure of the State to extend Ulster's 1% sales tax increase request. "Our Office certainly hopes that our representatives in Albany unite in getting that sales tax request reinstated as quickly as possible."

One piece of potentially encouraging news is that the revenues earned through deed and mortgage taxes saw a 12% increase the first half of 2013 compared to the first half of 2012, which indicates an increase in real property purchases. A recent report from the Ulster County Board of Realtors indicated that both the number of sales and sale prices increased year-over-year in September, a further indication of a continuing and hopeful trend.

"Our Office participates in data gathering and reporting in partnership with the U.S. Department of Commerce and in doing so develops a measurable information baseline. It's important that Ulster resi-

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dents and lawmakers know the facts and trends that impact the taxpayers so that they can plan and budget for the future," said Auerbach.

The report, entitled ULSTER COUNTY NON-PROPERTY TAX AND FEE REVENUE: ECONOMIC INDICATORS REPORT, can be found on line at [www.ulstercountyny.gov/comptroller](http://www.ulstercountyny.gov/comptroller)

### Volunteer Aboard the Half Moon

Join the Half Moon for a fun, day-long transit trip from Albany NY to Athens NY.

For this transit trip, crew will board no later than 7am on Sunday, Oct 20th at the OGS Water Pumping Station in Albany NY and depart between 5pm & 6pm at Peckham Wharf in Athens NY.

If you are interested in joining the crew, please send an email with your name, phone number, location and information for an emergency contact to: [hmvolunteer@gmail.com](mailto:hmvolunteer@gmail.com) [mailto:[hmvolunteer@gmail.com](mailto:hmvolunteer@gmail.com)]

No previous experience with the Half Moon is necessary; all training will be provided.

Priority will be given to those who have volunteered dockside with the Half Moon this season. Hope to see you aboard!

### Shandaken Animal Volunteer Effort Autumn Harvest Fundraiser

SAVE (Shandaken Animal Volunteer Effort) is having an Autumn Harvest Fundraiser for the shelter on Saturday October 19th from 11am to 5pm at the Shandaken Town Hall at 7209 State Route 28 in Shandaken.

We will be having a Bake Sale, Tag Sale and Dog Portraits done by photographer, Vincent Bilotta. \$10 gets you a 4"x6" framed portrait of you and your dog. Green screen photography allows you to choose the Catskill location background. All proceeds go to support SAVE.

### Read It Again!

Don't miss the bargains! The Read It Again Book Store is having a not-to-be-missed book sale on Saturday, October 26th from 10 a.m.- 4 p.m. All kinds of books: fiction, including westerns, science fiction, mysteries; nonfiction, including classics, biographies, cook books, history, health and fitness, and much more! Children's books too!

The Read It Again Book Store is the largest book store in Sullivan County. Books are donated and are gently used. Read It Again is a not-for-profit bookstore and the proceeds benefit Literacy Volunteers of Sullivan County.

Read It Again is located in The Literacy Center at 63 North Street in Monticello. For more information or directions, please call Literacy Volunteers at 845 794-0017.

### SUNY Ulster Gives Back to Community for 50th Anniversary with Book Fair

As part of its 50th anniversary community service efforts, SUNY Ulster will hold a Scholastic Book Fair and used book drive on campus.

The event, "Honoring Our Community: SUNY Ulster Promotes Reading!" will be held Oct. 22-23, from 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., in the cafeteria. New books can be purchased at the Scholastic fair and donated. Gently used children's book for pre-K to 8th grade also will be accepted for donations.

Books will be collected and distributed through The Lisa Libraries to children at The Children's Home who use the Ulster County Community Action's new community room in Kingston and participants in the county's Preventative Services Program.

Used books will be accepted at drop off boxes on campus the weeks of Oct. 7 and 14. For information, contact Mindy K.

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MONTICELLO - If you're interested in starting a career in the medical field, now's your chance. The Adult and Continuing Education Program at Sullivan BOCES is starting a Dialysis Technician, EKG Technician and Pharmacy Technician Certification course in the month of October.

The Dialysis Technician Program begins on October 16th and runs to December 11th. Classes are held at the St. John Education Center in Monticello from 6:00 pm to 9:30 pm on Mondays and Wednesdays. The fee for the course is \$999.00, which includes your textbooks. The Dialysis Tech Program provides you with the knowledge and skills needed to perform the duties of Dialysis Technicians working under the supervision of physicians and registered nurses. Dialysis Technicians operate kidney dialysis machines, prepare dialyzer reprocessing and delivery systems as well as maintain and repair equipment.

The EKG Technician Certification Course will start on October 16th and run through December 11th. Classes run on Mondays and Wednesdays from 6:00 pm - 9:30 pm at the St. John Street Education Center starting. The cost of the course is \$999, which includes textbooks.

This comprehensive 50-hour EKG Technician

Certification Program prepares students to function as EKG Technicians and prepares them to take the ASPT Electrocardiograph Technician. The course includes the study of medical terminology, anatomy and physiology of the heart, disease processes, medical ethics, legal aspects of patient contact, and electrocardiograph and stress tests. Additionally, you will receive hands-on training in using EKG equipment.

The Pharmacy Technician Course is a comprehensive program that prepares students to work as a pharmacy technician in retail or another pharmacy setting and prepares participants to take the Pharmacy Technician Certification Board's PTCB exam. Classes start on October 15th and run through December 5th on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6:00 pm to 9:30pm at the St. John Education Center in Monticello. The cost is \$999.00 (textbook included).

This comprehensive 50-hour program will Course content includes: pharmacy medical terminology, the history of pharmacy, the pharmacy (Contd. Pg 10)

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Artwork by Linda G. Comando



magnificent pieces of sculpture. By the '90s, he was baling hay and riding horses...and at the same creating modernistic works of intense color using paint, ink, torn fabric, and other media.

"It's my love affair with the land that inspires my art," says Sheehan, noting that his latest works all bear signs of "the fields, mist, light, trees and stone all around me."

The wide range of Sheehan's art will be on display starting November 3rd at the Old Stone House of Hasbrouck, a community-based gallery convenient to Liberty, Monticello, Grahamsville, and the surrounding Catskill region.

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**The Myth of Progress, A Book Talk with Author Tom Wessels**

On Thursday, November 7 at 7:00pm, Grahamsville welcomes Tom Wessels, an ecologist and Faculty Emeritus at Antioch University New England, to Neversink Town Hall for his book talk titled *The Myth of Progress: Toward a Sustainable Future* (2006). The event is free and sponsored by Rondout Neversink Stream Program, a project of Sullivan County Soil & Water Conservation District in partnership with NYC Department of Environmental Protection. In his presentation, Wessels will elaborate on his optimistic viewpoint that "For 3.8 billion years life has not only sustained itself, but has thrived in this planet. To create sustainable systems, we don't need to reinvent the wheel, we only need to embrace the foundational scientific principles that govern sustainability in all living systems." Check local listings for details on a follow-up event on Friday, November 8, a Woods Walk with Tom Wessels, who also wrote the popular field guide *Forest Forensics: The Myth of Progress, A Book Talk with Author Tom Wessels*

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Was there ever a major catastrophe like a fire or a wind storm that brought trees down? The author says "For those interested in enhancing their sense of place, I know of no better way than by becoming intimately acquainted with their local forests and the stories they tell."

The event is free and sponsored by Rondout Neversink Stream Program, a project of Sullivan County Soil & Water Conservation District in partnership with NYC Department of Environmental Protection. Registration is required: 845-985-2581.

Wessels, who resides in NH, is an ecologist and Faculty Emeritus at Antioch University

**Forest Forensics: A Woods Walk with Tom Wessels**



On November 8, 2013 from 9:00am - 12:00pm Tom Wessels, author of the popular book *Reading the Forested Landscape*, leads a hiking tour in the Town of Denning. The outing might be called an exercise in forest forensics. Wessels has created a key - a fascinating series of either/or questions - to guide you through the process of analyzing what you see. Using evidence such as the shapes of trees, scars on their trunks, the pattern of decay in stumps, the construction of stone walls, and the lay of the land, it is possible to unravel complex stories etched into our forested landscape. Was this forest once farmland? Was it logged in the past?

New England, and has conducted landscape level workshops throughout the United States for over 30 years. His books include: *Reading the Forested Landscape*, *The Granite Landscape*, *Untamed Vermont*, *The Myth of Progress*, and *Forest Forensics: A Field Guide to Reading the Forested Landscape*.

**Traveling by Horse, Tractor or Bike... His Destination Was Always The Art**



Peter Sheehan is an artist of truly unusual background and artistic dimension. Back in the '70s, he was milking a herd of cows...while also producing

After a traditional liberal arts education, Peter Sheehan attended The School of Visual Arts, earning a Masters of Fine Arts from SUNY New Paltz. For a time, he taught photography and 3-D design. When the State expanded its programming at Wallkill Correctional Facility, Peter ran a woodworking craft shop. He later expanded that to include instruction in painting and drawing, with several of his prisoner-students exhibiting in a statewide show titled "Corrections on Canvas."

New Paltz was then substantially pastoral, and Sheehan lived in a typical area farmhouse. When not working at the prison, he was busy milking dozens of cows, making hay, and growing corn. Later, he farmed another local field with 400 acres of hay, cows and pigs. Even now, while carrying on his substantial art career, he continues caring for 95 land-conservancy acres that include both hay and horses.

Farming and art not being sufficiently satisfying for him, Sheehan took early on to bicycle racing, and competed in both road and mountain bike events. And his horse-riding enthusiasm, still a big part of his life, brought him to cross-country jumping competitions. A typical week might find him switching back and forth from saddle to tractor seat, with a bike trip in between.

"My experiences working the land and making art have by now blended completely," says Sheehan. "The plowed fields, the light at dusk and dawn, the mists of morning, the shadows and shades, all define my work. They show up in the lines, colors, materials and patterns, and it's increasingly hard to recognize where the hedgerow stops, and the artistic rendering begins."

Peter Sheehan's exhibit begins with an opening reception from 1-4 pm on Nov. 3, which will include all the makings for a pleasant luncheon while enjoying his work. Thereafter, viewing is by appointment; just call the artist at (845) 901-3743 or (845) 633-0306.

The Old Stone House of Hasbrouck is at 282 Hasbrouck Rd., in the wider community of Fallsburg, NY. For driving directions and more information, visit the web site at [www.TheOldStoneHouseOfHabrouck.org](http://www.TheOldStoneHouseOfHabrouck.org).

**This Halloween Season Marks the 40th Anniversary for Locally Owned Store**

(Kingston, NY) -Assemblymember Kevin Cahill (D-Ulster, Dutchess) celebrated the opening of the 2013 Halloween season by commemorating the 40th anniversary of the Hudson Valley's premier costume shop, Columbia. The store, formally known as Columbia Beauty Supply, is located on North Front Street in the heart of uptown Kingston.

"Since 1973 Columbia has been a fixture in our community. We have seen it develop through many phases where it has served a variety of needs in the area," said Assemblymember Cahill. "The store is the only one of its kind from Albany to New York City and I am honored that Columbia calls Kingston home."

With original owner Shirley Kobran and her daughter Laura, Assemblymember Cahill celebrated this milestone while dressed in colonial attire appropriate for this mainstay location in historic Uptown Kingston. "When you



go to Columbia it is not just about the elaborate and unique costumes they have available, it is the experience that makes customers return each year," said Assemblymember Cahill.

"The best thing about my business is that it makes people happy; we are a house of smiles," said Laura Spaey, owner of Columbia. Laura took over the family beauty supply business from her parents in 1982 and created the theatrical department/day wear wig section, which gave it the reputation that it is known for today.



Open seven days a week, Columbia offers an exciting collection of costumes for both rent and purchase. They have make-up, wigs, props, magic tricks, sunglasses, hair products, novelties and skin care products and accessories for your Halloween costumes and beyond.

"It is a pleasure to be able to celebrate independently owned family businesses in an economy that is increasingly dominated by chains. The Kobran and Spaey families and Columbia exemplify the entrepreneurial spirit that strengthens this city and make us unique," said Assemblymember Cahill. "The Uptown area is dotted with small shops that make Kingston interesting. I encourage shoppers from all over New York to visit this special place."

**Hasbrouck Old Stone House Sets Autumn Ballet Classes**

An autumn series of ballet classes for kids aged 3-10 has been set for the Old Stone House of Hasbrouck. The 10-class series will be taught by local resident and certified Dance Therapist Alana Sherman, who led the successful spring classes and brings 30 years of experience to the task. The one-hour sessions begin at 10:30 am Saturday, October 12, and continue on all subsequent Saturdays except November 23. The last class is scheduled for December 21.

"There's no competition in the classes," says Ms. Sherman. "They'll all be no-pressure beginner lessons, so everybody can have fun dancing, and learning about ballet, no matter their background or athletic ability."

The classes will, however, follow the customary ballet class structure -- warm-up exercises, then use of the horizontal railing known as a barre, plus so-called "center" work, with students learning how to adjust their positions and movements in relationship to all their classmates.

Tuition for each student is \$10 per class, or \$80 for all ten sessions. Each additional child in the same family costs \$70.

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NY. It's convenient from Grahamsville, Monticello and Liberty, plus the surrounding area. For directions, visit the web site at [www.TheOldStoneHouseOfHasbrouck.org](http://www.TheOldStoneHouseOfHasbrouck.org).

For complete ballet class information and registration, email Alana Sherman at [sherman\\_alana@yahoo.com](mailto:sherman_alana@yahoo.com), or call her at (845) 436-0070.

**The Pumpkin Parade from the Wayback Perspective**



Thanks to Bob Drown for having his camera ready while driving the Wayback Machine in this year's Annual Pumpkin Parade.

It was a perfect day. Mother Nature did a perfect job decorating the town with colorful leaves that enhanced the vibrant floats and other festivities not only along the parade route, but also at the fair grounds where so many folks gathered to celebrate the Giant Pumpkin Party.

On another particularly beautiful autumn day, Bob, his wife, Patty and Cooper went for a ride in the "Wayback Machine" up Big Hollow and points beyond, where he stopped to take this photo.

Bob states, "I think this is one of the prettiest spots in the eastern Sullivan County."

There are still colorful leaves painting the hills around town. Before they blow away, why not do what Bob did, take a ride and enjoy the beautiful vista in our backyard!



## SC Jakes Annual Event (From Pg. 1)

Once again the demonstrators were wonderful, there were 38 stations in all including the Osteological Presentation table, which consists of numerous animal skeletons, is always a big hit. Three large tables are filled with animal skeletons of all kinds. They even bring along the half cleaned ones with beetles visible so the kids can see how it is actually done. John Kelder was there with his trained retrieving labs and gave a great show as well. There was cider making, bird house building, turkey call assembling, the Civil War Re-enactors had a very nice set up complete with children dressed in Civil War garb, the kids just love the NASCAR Simulator car and the archery booth was manned by some of our older boys who committed to working and giving instructions to the younger children (of course with supervision from our adult members). The older youth also helped with giving out the prizes for JAKES members which consisted of \$4500.00 worth of guns, binoculars tents and flashlights. They did a wonderful job and we thank them and are very proud of them. We hope they continue on with community service especially involving our youth and hunting heritage. We also would like to thank the many local businesses that have donated their time and monies to the event, our local friends and supporters who give their time to help us, this and every year to make this one of the best events in the State. You are all appreciated and we know you sometimes sacrifice other plans in order to help. Thank you again! We could not be the successful organization that we have become without you all!! One last big shout out to Roscoe Fireman for the generous donation of their facility! You guys are very much appreciated!

There is a little sad news, however, Hank who has been Chairman for Events for the SCLB for the last 12 years is retiring due to some health issues and of course Fran will be retiring with him. If you have any questions regarding the Long Beards events you may contact the President, Butch Kortright @ 845 292-4325.

## Agriculture Awareness Day in October

JEFFERSONVILLE, NY-An "Agricultural Awareness Day" will take place on Saturday, October 19, 2013 from 10 am to 3 pm at Stone Wall Farms on 139 Callicoon Center Road in Jeffersonville. Sullivan County Cornell Cooperative Extension and BOCES are teaming up to offer education from businesses and educators in agriculture about products for consumers and businesses.

"The goal of Ag Day is to invite the community and the public to meet local agriculture businesses and educators, learn about available products, and find out about opportunities for Sullivan County in this industry," said Michelle Lipari, CCE Agriculture Community Educator.

This free event, hosted at Stone Wall Farms by Ed and Barbara Moran, will have refreshments and door prizes available. Registration and more information can be obtained by calling 845-701-2435 or 845-482-5302.

## Creepy, Crawly: A Members' Exhibition

The month of Halloween conjures thoughts of the spirit world, but for October's show, our members look down into the darkness of earth and into the deep, dim recesses of our queasiest imagination. What's behind that tree in the moonless night, in that crevice in the crawlspace, under the boulder that sits

in the yard? Look into the dim light. What's that thing slithering out of sight!? That thing that just brushed past your face!? Eek, 'tis the time to tread carefully, lest we disturb all the creepiness that nature gives our imaginings.

The Arts Society of Kingston (ASK) is proud to welcome the "SUNY New Paltz Student Exhibition" to the Lounge Gallery, and "Creepy, Crawly" A Members' Exhibition to the Main Gallery during the month of October. The shared opening reception will take place during First Saturday, October 5th, 5-8 pm. Both exhibitions will run until October 26th.

## Tannis Kowalchuk in "Shakespeare's Will"

Written by award-winning Canadian playwright, Vern Thiessen, the full length one-act solo performance "Shakespeare's Will" will be performed at the Tusten Theatre in Narrowsburg, NY on Saturday, October 19 at 8 p.m. The play sheds light on William Shakespeare's wife, Anne Hathaway. Performed by NACL Theatre's Tannis Kowalchuk, with music by Kurt Knuth, costumes by Karen Flood, and directed by NACL resident director Mimi McGurl, the play looks through the eyes and heart of a woman and mother who spent a lifetime with and without the great playwright. This work is a celebration of a life unbowed by tragedy and unapologetic in the face of public scorn. Tickets are \$20 (\$18 advanced sales for DVAA members).

The drama begins with Hathaway arriving home after the funeral, holding a copy of Shakespeare's will. She reminisces about her first meeting with Shakespeare, their courtship, their strained marriage, their children, and his death from fever. In his will he leaves Anne with a big surprise. Kowalchuk premiered "Shakespeare's Will" in Sullivan County last season at NACL Theatre, and will travel to Pontine Theatre in Portsmouth NH in 2014 to perform the play.

Tannis Kowalchuk is co-founder, actress, and artistic director of NACL Theatre and has created and performed in over 18 original NACL productions. With her collaborators, Tannis leads programming and the creative projects at NACL Theatre, including the NACL Deep Space Performance Residency program for guest artists and ensembles, the presentation of innovative performances from across North America, and theatre education classes at both NACL and a local Montessori School. In 2008 she began raising a son and flowers at her family's organic farm. A graduate of The University of Winnipeg theatre department, Tannis was a core member of Primus Theatre, a prominent experimental theatre troupe based in Canada from 1990-97.

The Tusten Theatre is located at 210 Bridge Street, Narrowsburg, NY. The fall series is presented by Delaware Valley Arts Alliance. For tickets or information call 845-252-7272 or visit [www.ArtsAllianceSite.org](http://www.ArtsAllianceSite.org).

## UC Sheriff Sponsors NYS Young Operators and Adult Certification Course for Snowmobiles

Ulster County Sheriff Paul J. VanBlarcum announces that the Sheriff's Office will be sponsoring a New York State Young Operators and Adult Certification Course for snowmobiles. It is offered free of charge and takes place on consecutive Saturdays from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the locations specified: October 26, Tillson Firehouse, 5 Tillson Rd., Tillson; November 2, West Hurley Firehouse, 24 Wall Street, West Hurley; and November 9, Milton Fire District, 21 Main St., Milton.

The course is required for riders between the ages of 10 and 17 by New York State law and is suggested for riders of all ages. The intent of the course is to instruct young snowmobilers in proper riding habits, safety equipment, and laws and rules of the trail. It further teaches the

history of snowmobiling and the components of a snowmobile. The New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation: Bureau of Marine and Recreational Vehicles prescribes this course. Training is by certified instructors with more than 50 years of combined experience snowmobiling in both the U.S. and Canada.

Anyone interested in enrolling oneself or one's child should contact the Ulster County Sheriff's Office at (845) 340-3803. A parent or guardian must accompany a child to the first class to sign a state-required permission form.

This course is part of the Ulster County Sheriff's Office youth-oriented training to make recreational sports safer.

Co-sponsoring the course are the TT Trailblazers Snowmobile Club of Rosendale, NY; the Fire Departments of Tillson, West Hurley and Milton; Arctic Adventures, Antonio's Pizzeria of Rosendale, Kirky's Deli of Milton, Hannaford Stores, Stewart's Shops, and United Parcel Service.

## Best Selling Author, Poet and Naturalist Diane Ackerman to Read at SUNY Ulster

Best-selling author, poet and naturalist Diane Ackerman will present a book reading on Nov. 5 at SUNY Ulster as part of the Herbert H. and Sofia P. Reuner Library Writers Series presented by The Ulster Community College Foundation Inc. The reading will take place at 1:15 p.m., at the College Lounge, Vanderlyn Hall.

Joe Donahue, Vice President of News and Programming at WAMC Northeast Public Radio, will facilitate the interview and audience discussion. Donahue hosts The Book Show and The Roundtable.

Ackerman is the author of two dozen highly acclaimed works of nonfiction and poetry, including the best-selling *A Natural History of the Senses* and *The Zookeeper's Wife*. Her most recent book, *One Hundred Names for Love*, about her husband's recovery from a stroke was a finalist for the Pulitzer Prize, the National Book Critics Circle Award and the Books for a Better Life award.

Ackerman's poetry has been published in leading literary journals and her essays about nature and human nature have appeared in *The New York Times*, *Smithsonian*, *Parade*, *The New Yorker*, *National Geographic*, and many other journals.

Ackerman recommends that writers follow their own curiosity and passions. "Water flows into empty spaces and so does my curiosity," she says. "I've always been fascinated by human nature and nature, and the cross roads where they can throw light on the other."

Ackerman was born in Waukegan, Illinois. She received an MA, MFA, and PhD from Cornell University and has received many prizes and awards, including a D. Litt. from Kenyon College, a Guggenheim Fellowship, the John Burroughs Nature Award, and the Lavan Poetry Prize, as well as being honored as a Literary Lion by the New York Public Library. She has taught at a variety of universities, including Columbia and Cornell.

Started in 1998, The SUNY Ulster Herbert H. & Sofia P. Reuner Library Writers Series is a special program that brings renowned writers to the Stone Ridge campus every fall. The event is free and open to the public. For more information, call (845) 687-5262 or visit [www.sunyulster.edu](http://www.sunyulster.edu).

## Cunningham Family Farm "Fresh Air and Family Fun"

Emergency Services Appreciation Weekend at Cunningham Family Farms To say thank you to our first responders - firefighters, EMTs, paramedics, law enforcement, and support staff - Cunningham Family Farms will be offering \$1 off admission for any emergency services personnel and their families the weekend of October 12-14, 2013.

"Our first responders do so much to keep us safe and we'd like to give back and show our appreciation," said Chris Cunningham. "We hope they enjoy their experience here on the farm."

October 26-27, the weekend before Halloween, Cunningham Family Farms is offering \$1 off admission to anyone who comes to the farm in costume. Saturday night, October 26, there will be a flashlight night from 7-9pm in the corn maze. Bring your own flashlight or rent one of theirs.

It should be a spooky good time.

And of course, October 31 is Halloween. The farm will be open from 4-7pm to welcome trick-or-treaters. Creative costumes are appreciated and encouraged.

So come out to Cunningham Family Farms this October. We've got lots to do from our corn maze and ghost scavenger hunt to our hay ride and pumpkin patch. Fresh air and family fun.

## SUNY Ulster Offers Water and Waste Water Operations Courses for Renewal CEU's

SUNY Ulster's water operator program is offering the Grade A-Laboratory Course for water plant operators needing renewal CEUs. This course is approved by the New York State Department of Health for 0.5 CEUs. The course meets on the Stone Ridge Campus on Tuesday and Thursday, Oct 22, and 24, from 6:00 - 8:30 p.m. The cost is \$85.

For waste water operators, SUNY Ulster is offering the Technical Module of the Grade 3 Supervision & Technical Operations course. This module is intended to go with the Supervision portion of the course that is taken as home study using California State University Sacramento's Manage for Success document. The one-day module will train supervisors in the technical operations of the treatment plant, including the topics of toxic substances, toxicity testing, odor control, multimedia issues, pollution prevention, and nutrient removal. Prerequisite: self-study completion of Manage for Success from the California State University Sacramento State Office of Water programs. The course meets on the Stone Ridge Campus on Saturday, Oct 26, from 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. The cost is \$140. For more information call 845-687-5012 or email [songayla@sunyulster.edu](mailto:songayla@sunyulster.edu). To register, call 845-339-2025. Waste water operations courses will be offered starting in January 2014.

## Get Started on Your Path as a Technician in the Medical Field (From Pg. 10)

practice in multiple environments, pharmacy calculations and measurements, reading and interpreting prescriptions and defining drugs by generic and brand names. Through classroom lecture and hands on labs, students will review dosage calculations, drug classifications, the "top 200 drugs", I.V. flow rates, sterile compounding, dose conversions, aseptic technique, the handling of sterile products, total parental nutrition (TPN), dispensing of prescriptions, inventory control and billing and reimbursement. In addition to classroom lecture and labs, this program includes a clinical externship through a local pharmacy. To be eligible for a clinical externship, students must successfully complete the 50-hour program, submit to a thorough background check, drug screening and meet other requirements.

To register or for more information, contact the Adult and Continuing Education Program at (845) 295-4900 between the hours of 8:30 am and 7:30 pm or visit us at [scooces.org](http://scooces.org). For program updates Like Sullivan County BOCES on Facebook and follow us on Twitter.

## Congressman Gibson Joins with Bipartisan Group of Members to Unveil Solution to Reopen Government

(From Pg. 1) "Repealing the 2.3% medical device tax would be a significant win for Upstate NY. We have over 18,000 jobs in this industry, including over 5,000 in and around our District. Although this would be the 9th partial repeal of the ACA, it would be without question the most significant action to date for our area.

"This proposal evolved in part from discussions in the "No Labels" group I'm part of - Republican and Democrats who have built friendship and trust across the aisle, allowing us to work together. We need leadership, and I'm proud to be a part of a group that is moving us forward together. We're calling on House and Senate leadership to bring this proposal up immediately to reopen the government.

"Meanwhile, in the long-term, I will be continuing to advocate for the two provisions I voted for several nights ago - repeal of the special treatment for Congress and protection of the American people from a tax that big business has already been exempted from for 2014. I will also continue to advocate for health care reform that drives down costs, expands access while retaining quality care.

"Without question, we have more to do - but today's proposal is bipartisan, helps Upstate New York, and reopens our federal government so we can continue to negotiate long-term solutions for economic growth, a balanced budget, and health care reform."

## Washington Update from Congressman Chris Gibson

As you know, over the last six days - since October 1 - federal appropriations have lapsed and we have been in a partial government shutdown. Much has been reported in the media on this, with varying degrees of accuracy. I wanted to take this opportunity to review the last week, and my thoughts on the way forward.

First, to clarify, many government functions and operations continue uninterrupted during this period. This includes the issuance of social security checks, medicare processing/reimbursements, military/DOD civilian pay, veterans benefits, US Postal Service mail delivery, national defense operations, and others. Most other government operations continue as well, but at reduced capacity until this impasse is resolved.

In my view, this government partial shutdown should never have happened in the first place.

Although there are real differences on budget priorities and the direction of future national public policy, just hours before the lapse of appropriations, the House passed a simple, fair, and reasonable bipartisan Continuing Resolution (CR) that funded the government at the agreed upon level with two simple provisions: one, it would ensure that Members of Congress wouldn't be treated differently than the American public in regards to the Affordable Care Act (ACA)/Obamacare and two, it would allow individual Americans to have the same tax/penalty delay that the Obama Administration gave to big businesses if they don't sign up for the ACA in 2014.

Contrary to some media accounts, this CR would not have delayed Obamacare, but it would have ensured fairness in its implementation. Despite intense partisan pressure on the part of Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi and her Whip Team to reject this reasonable proposal, nine Democrats, including Reps. Sean Patrick Maloney from the Hudson Valley and Dan Maffei from Central NY, joined the Republicans in

voting for this measure. It should have passed in the Senate and been signed into law by the President that evening, avoiding the government shutdown. Instead, the Senate refused to even debate this bill, choosing instead to "table" it.

Since that time the President and the Senate have refused to negotiate, demanding instead the enactment of the partisan Senate CR that received no bipartisan votes in the Senate.

This isn't the American way, we need to work together and compromise - particularly in an era of divided government. The President and the Senate need to negotiate, and I'm confident, if that happens, we can find a solution.

In addition to House CR that ends preferential treatment for Congress and ensures fairness for the American people regarding the penalty/tax for not participating in the exchanges for 2014, I've also joined with a group of my Republican and Democratic colleagues on a bipartisan plan that would fund the government while repealing the medical device tax. This tax was enacted as part of the Affordable Care Act/Obamacare, and significantly hurts jobs in Upstate New York. The Senate already expressed support for the repeal of this tax in an overwhelmingly bipartisan vote (79-20) earlier this year. If enacted, this CR proposal would also end the government shutdown.

These are all reasonable approaches on a way forward that Democrats and Republicans in the House have supported, and the Senate should - at a minimum - debate and show us which of these approaches they support or why they are opposed. Unfortunately, they continue to refuse to take part in our governing process.

Significantly, in the absence of Senate action, the House has continued to pass a series of Bills this week to reopen parts of our government as we continue to seek negotiations on the whole budget.

First, on September 30, the House passed a Bill that was then approved by the Senate and was signed into law by the President that pays our troops and DOD civilians as we continue to negotiate. Yesterday, the Secretary of Defense announced he will follow this law, and have DOD civilians return to work - a step I strongly support as there was no need for them to be furloughed in the first place.

Second, on October 2, we passed by unanimous consent a spending bill that appropriates money for the District of Columbia. This request for a separate bill came from Eleanor Norton Holmes (D-DC). This Bill awaits action in the Senate.

Third, on October 5, we passed a Bill ensuring back pay for all federal workers - which passed unanimously 407-0.

Fourth, on October 5, we passed a Bill to ensure chaplains can continue to provide services to the military during the shutdown - passed 400-1 - Rep. Enyart (D-IL) the only dissenting vote.

In addition to these separate funding Bills that nearly ALL Republicans and Democrats agree upon, the House has passed the following:

- \* Funding for the Department of Veterans Affairs - passed 259-157 (including 35 Democrats, including Reps. Tim Bishop, Bill Owens, Dan Maffei, and Sean Maloney from NY)
- \* Funding to pay our National Guard and Army Reserve - passed 265-160 (including 36 Democrats, including Reps. Tim Bishop, Bill Owens, Dan Maffei, and Sean Maloney from NY)

- \* Funding for the National Institute of Health (so that cancer research and trials can continue) - passed 254-171 (including 25 Democrats, including Rep. Sean Maloney from NY)

- \* Funding for national parks, memorials, and monuments - passed 252-173 (including 23 Democrats, including Rep. Sean Maloney from NY)

- \* Funding to make sure resources are available to provide disaster relief - passed 247-164 (including 23 Democrats, including Rep. Sean Maloney from NY)

- \* Funding for the Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) program - passed 244-164 (including 22 Democrats, including Rep. Sean Maloney from NY)

Like the Military Pay provision enacted earlier this week, all of these bipartisan bills could be enacted now if the Senate passes them and the President signs them. There's no reason why these parts of the government should be shut down with such bipartisan support for action now.

Without question, we need an agreement to reopen the entire federal government as we continue to negotiate a major, longer-term plan that grows the economy, guides us back to a balanced budget, and reforms health care to drive down costs and expand access while retaining quality care. These pro-growth, fiscally responsible actions will also require us to pay our past bills, lifting the debt ceiling, while envisioning the day we balance the budget and begin to pay down our debt. We owe future generations these disciplined actions to ensure they have the same choices and freedoms our generation has enjoyed.

But, while negotiations continue, the Senate should act on the individual pieces of legislation the House has passed. The President has said he'll support back pay for federal workers - like he did pay for troops - but he also should support cancer research, veterans funding, disaster relief and the rest of the bills we've passed. While there are areas of real disagreement, these bills are all things we can come together on now.

Finally, to lead by example, in addition to participating in bipartisan talks to resolve the impasse, since October 1, I have stopped my Congressional pay (this in addition to returning my military pension to the US treasury each month, which I have been doing since elected in November 2010 and will continue throughout my time in Congress) and I have furloughed half my staff.

I appreciate your time reading this update. There is a lot going on, and I know it was lengthy. For those interested, I have included a few media links in the upper right where you can learn more, including getting a historical perspective on previous government shutdowns (there have been 18 of them since 1976), what caused them, and how they were resolved, and other coverage from the past week. As we move forward, I'll keep you posted of significant developments and please continue to weigh in with your views.

## POLITICAL SLANT By Frank Comando -

### LOCAL ELECTIONS,

I cannot believe the chain of events that has brought us to this moment. The democratic caucus has brought us an election with a **Democratic Candidate for Town Councilman, John Kuhner (D)**. A fine young man, new to politics here, smart and eager, solving problems, with a sense of, "I have this great new idea". Before we put this into practice, let's see how it stands up to the tried and true of the past. I like that kind of thinking. Good luck John.

**Democratic endorsed candidate for Town Councilman Gregory Vurckio**, a man of vast construction experience, Greg is a long time businessman in our

area that gets the job done. Good luck Greg

**Re-elect democratic endorsed candidate for Highway Superintendent Daniel Van Saders (R, DE)**. All I can say is, 'yes'. When the chips were down, and Irene hit, roads were wiped out, and town equipment was quickly on the scene, both, on the Sundown side, and the Claryville, Frost Valley side. Dan Van Saders (R, DE) was on the job, along with then Councilman, Dave Brooks (R). Mr. Brooks was not endorsed by the democrats for Supervisor, but thanks for the great job. Good luck to both of you.

**Re-elect Democratic Endorsed Candidate for Town Clerk / Tax Collector Joy Ann Monforte (R, DE)**. Everyone loves Joy. Well Joy, gets the job done. Thank you, for your past service to our community, and good luck. **Democratic Endorsed Candidate for Supervisor, Mr. Carl Landon, (at first Mr. Landon, stated he was running independently.**

**I looked him up, and he is a registered Republican, He has, according to himself, his own independent line at the end of the ballot, and the Democratic line at the top.** Mr. Landon you have a lot of great new ideas, but I worry about your knowledge of electronics.

### Point of Information;

In this column, I am not endorsing any candidate. This decision came about, since an occurrence in the 2012 congressional campaign. I had stopped by the Julian Schribmen campaign headquarters to drop off the Townsman, with I believe Julian on the front page, when approaching Julian, who I had not seen in a month or so, and I asked, how have you been? Hope its going well for you, how's the family? I was then rudely interrupted by Julian's campaign manager, Mr. Leavy, stating, "Julian, you can't talk to him. You will lose the election if you talk to him." Imagine this is you, talking to someone could lose the election for them? In fair and free elections, this does not happen. Maybe if you are convicted of some heinous crime, and had your day in a fair court, convicted, I could understand, but this a group so powerful, that an innocent man is convicted without trial, and had felonies committed against him, and his public image destroyed by rumor, and innuendo. This is not constitutional. Mr. Schriebman didn't win. Was it because he spoke to me? And said how's the family. I do not know. However, I will not make the same mistake again, I make no endorsement of any candidate.

### THE SHUTDOWN

The rhetoric is that the Democrats shut down Mt Rushmore. No! The Tea Party vote on the "Shutdown", shut down Mt. Rushmore, and other federally financed Government entities. This action is just another ploy in destroying the United States economy, its Constitution, and our sovereignty; another treasonous act going unpunished. Add to this the loss of Habeas Corpus, under the Patriot Act, and foreign troops on American soil under the Defense Authorization Act, plus the destruction of the family, by creating an economy where both parents have to work, while technically training our youth instead of educating them, switching the control of our children to the state is not ethical, legal or constitutional. Hitler did the same thing! Last statement on this for today but there is more. Vote wisely, study your candidates. Your freedom is at stake.

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### DENNING DEMS VOTER REGISTRATION/ABSENTEE BALLOT DEADLINES (See Page 14 for more information)

### Ulster County Democratic Phone Banking

Election is only a month away. Please think about volunteering a couple of hours of your time on Mon or Thursday, nights to call prime NOPS for Elliott and the other candidates in your town or village. You can e-mail me or call me at 845-797-9648. We call from Dem HQ from 5:30 to 8:30pm. Soon, we will be switching to Dem calling if you find that easier. Either way the candidates need you. Thanks, Judy Frank Comando Democratic Chair, Town of Denning

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**CLARYVILLE FIRE DEPT.**  
**ALL YOU CAN EAT**  
**PANCAKE BREAKFAST**



**SUNDAY, OCT. 20**  
 Serving 7:00 until 12:00 Noon  
**ADULTS \$7**  
**CHILDREN AGE 5-11, \$3**  
**UNDER 5 FREE**  
\$50 FROM THE BREAKFAST IS DONATED TO THE CLARYVILLE REFORMED CHURCH FOOD PANTRY

**Pulled Pork Barbeque**  
 Saturday, November 2nd  
 4:00 - 7:00 P.M.  
 Liberty Free Methodist Church  
**Benefitting the**  
**Sullivan County Pregnancy**  
**Support Center**  
 Eat In/Take Out Menu:  
 Baked Beans • Cole Slaw •  
 Roll • Dessert •  
 Adults \$12 •  
 Children 8 and under \$6.00  
*Pulled Pork Barbeque catered by*  
*Mark McCarthy*

**Roast Pork Dinner**  
 Saturday October 19, 2013  
 4:00pm to 7:00pm  
**Claryville Reformed Church**  
 Adults: \$12.00  
 Kids 5 to 10 Years: \$5.00  
 Under 5: Free  
 With all the trimmings  
 and homemade desserts  
 Street Address: 946 Claryville Road,  
 Claryville, NY 12725

**WOODBOURNE FIRE DEPARTMENT**  
**ANNUAL**  
**BREAKFAST FOR DINNER**  
PANCAKES, SAUSAGE, EGGS, COFFEE, TEA AND JUICE  
**FRIDAY**  
**OCTOBER 4, 2013**  
 4:00PM - 8:00PM  
 WOODBOURNE FIRE HOUSE  
**ADULTS - \$7.00**  
**CHILDREN 12 AND UNDER - \$5.00**  
**CHILDREN 5 AND UNDER - FREE**  
 FOR MORE INFO. CALL 434-6763  
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**TO BENEFIT**  
**CHRIST LUTHERAN**  
**CHURCH**  
**ELLENVILLE, NY**  
 Corner Ann & Center  
 Streets  
**RUMMAGE &**  
**YARD SALE!**  
 Dates  
 Oct. 3 - from 9 - 2  
 Oct. 4 - from 10 - 3  
 Sat., Oct. 5 - Bag Day!!!!  
 Tel. 845-647-9054 or  
 845-647-9866

**My Tree By the Road**  
 - Vera Atkins  
 There's a big maple tree by the  
 side of the road  
 It holds many memories for me  
 of a time long ago  
 When a child I would go  
 And swing on her branches so free  
  
 When I was unhappy  
 I'd run to my tree  
 And climb to the top for a hug  
 She would reach out her branches  
 And hold me real tight  
 I felt like a bug in a rug  
  
 Often I think of my tree by the road  
 And wonder if she's like before  
 I hope that some day  
 I'll be passing that way  
 And I'll swing in  
 her branches once more

**Sundown United**  
**Methodist Church**  
**Annual**  
**HOLIDAY FAIR**  
**October 26, 2013**  
**9am - 3pm**  
 Come and start your holiday  
 Shopping early  
 Lunch will be served

**Grahamsville Reformed**  
**Church**  
**Roast Turkey Dinner**  
 October 12, 2013  
 Saturday, 4 pm to 7 pm  
**Menu:** Roast Turkey, Stuffing,  
 Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Lettuce  
 Salad, Cranberry Sauce, Bread,  
 Peach Short Cake, & Drinks  
 Adults: \$12.00, Child 5-10 \$5.00  
 under 5 free  
 Grahamsville Reformed Church Hall  
 For more information please call:  
 845 985 7480  
 Thank you for your support and God Bless You All!

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**TIME & THE VALLEYS**  
**MUSEUM**  
 GRAHAMSVILLE, NY

**2013 Hours - Memorial Day to Labor Day**  
 Thursday to Sunday, noon to 4 p.m.  
 September and October-Saturday and Sunday, noon to 4 p.m.  
 Other days and times by appointment.  
**2013 Admission Fees**  
 Adults suggested donation: \$5  
 Children (6 to 17) suggested donation: \$2  
 Children under 6: FREE  
 Town of Neversink Residents: FREE every Thursday  
 Town of Denning Residents: FREE first Saturday of the month  
 Call: 985-7700  
 Time and the Valleys Museum has copies of every  
 Townsman printed since the beginning (1947) classified by  
 year for anyone to research.  
[timeandthevalleymuseum.org](http://timeandthevalleymuseum.org)

**The Hurleyville and Woodridge United**  
**Methodist Churches**  
 invite you to weekly worship:  
**9 am in Hurleyville,**  
**10:30 am in Woodridge.**  
 For more information, call  
 Pastor Susan Woodworth 845-794-6325



**ST. ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL MISSION**  
 The Little Church with the Big Heart  
**Sunday, 8:15 am Service of Holy Communion**  
 Music by Susan and Fred Van Wagner  
 Coffee hour follows service  
 All are welcome!  
 5277 State Rt. 42  
 South Fallsburg  
 845-436-7539  
[www.standrewsepiscopalmission.org](http://www.standrewsepiscopalmission.org)

**CrossWay Assembly of God**  
**Service Times**  
 Sunday School 9:30 am  
 Sunday Worship  
 Service/  
 Children's Church 10:30 am  
 Monday Night Home  
 Bible Study 7 pm  
 Tuesday Night Youth Home  
 Bible Study 7 pm  
 Friday Youth Night 7 pm  
**Ismael Berrios**  
 Lead Pastor  
 P. O. Box 480  
 507 Hasbrouck Drive  
 Woodbourne, NY 12788  
 845-434-8263  
 Email:  
[crosswayaog@aol.com](mailto:crosswayaog@aol.com)  
[www.crosswayaog.com](http://www.crosswayaog.com)

**Sundown United**  
**Methodist Church**  
 Sunday Worship Service • 8:30am  
  
**Grahamsville United**  
**Methodist Church**  
 Sunday Worship Service  
 10:30am  
 985-2283

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 Serving Sullivan County Since 1896  
 66 John Street, Monticello, New York (845) 794-2700  
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 Route 55, Kauneonga Lake, New York (845) 583-5445

**Loucks Funeral Home**  
**Geoff and Heather Hazzard**  
**& Anthony Perito**  
 79 North Main Street  
 Ellenville, New York  
 (845) 647-4343

**Claryville Reformed**  
**Church**  
 Claryville Road  
 Claryville, NY 12725  
 845-985-2041  
 Bible Class 9:00 am  
 Worship Services @ 10:00 am  
**Rev. Paul Nulton**  
 John Bult, Organist



**CATHOLIC PARISH OF THE**  
**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION**  
 (embraces Fallsburg, Neversink, Sundown  
 and Ulster Heights)  
**6317 Rte. 42, Woodbourne, NY**  
**Weekend Mass schedule:**  
 Saturday afternoon: 5:00.  
 Sunday morning: 9:00 am and 11:30 am  
**Holy days of obligation:** as announced in church bulletin.  
**Daily Mass schedule:**  
 Monday afternoon 5:45 (Holy Rosary at 5:30); Tuesday,  
 Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday mornings: (includes Morning  
 Prayer)- 8:30 am (starting Sept. 3 - 8:50 am.)  
**Saturday afternoon confessions:** 4 to 4:45.  
**Rev. John J. Lynch, Ph.D., Pastor.** 434-7643.

**COVERED DISH**  
**SUPPER**  
**SUNDOWN**  
**METHODIST**  
**CHURCH**  
 Church Hall  
 Oct. 5, 2013  
 5:30 p.m.

**Grahamsville**  
**United**  
**Methodist**  
**Church**  
 Oct. 15, 2013  
 Thrift Sale 9am-1 pm  
 Luncheon 11am-1 pm  
 Thrift Sale Only  
 Oct. 19., 2013  
 9 am-1 pm

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

**Grahamsville Reformed Church**  
 Sunday School 9:30 A.M.  
 Worship Service 9:30 A.M.  
 Rev. Paul Z. Ruter, Pastor  
 845-985-7480

## **PUBLIC NOTICES/LEGALS: PUBLIC HEARING**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the 2013 Proposed Budget of the Neversink Fire District, located in the Town of Neversink, State of New York, will be presented to the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Neversink Fire District for its consideration.

A PUBLIC HEARING will be held at 7 p.m. at the Neversink Fire House in the Community Hall, State Route 55, Neversink, NY 12765 on the 15th day of October, 2013. The Board of Fire Commissioner's meeting will follow directly after the public hearing at 7:30 p.m.

Pursuant to Town Law 105, the Board of Fire Commissioners must hold a public hearing on the budget, make the proposed budget available to the public prior to the hearing, and allow the public to comment on the budget at the public hearing. This public hearing must be held to allow maximum public participation in the hearing.

The purpose of the public hearing is to allow any person to be heard in favor of or against the proposed budget as submitted, or for or against any item or items contained in the proposed budget, and hearing all persons interested in the subject concerning same.

A copy of the proposed budget is available at the Office of the Town Clerk of the Town of Neversink at 273 Main Street, Grahamsville, NY 12740, where it may be inspected by any interested person during the hours of 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding holidays.

Dated: October 2, 2013  
Board of Fire Commissioners  
Neversink Fire District  
PO Box 394, Neversink, NY 12765

### **Note from UC Election Commissioner**

Voter Registration is coming to a close. The last day to Register in Person at the BOE or have an application postmarked is Friday, October 11th.

Voter Registration forms are available at all Town Halls, The Post Offices, and on line at <http://www.voteulster.com>

Absentee Ballot Applications are available on line or at the BOE. Last day to request an application by mail is October 29th. The last day to apply in person at the BOE is Monday November 4th before 5 pm.

Last day to mail your Voted Absentee Ballot is Monday November 4th. Make sure you have the post office hand cancel it to ensure it is timely dated. You can also deliver the absentee ballot to the Board of Elections on Election Day prior to the Close of Elections.

Or you can vote in person from 6 am to 9 pm at the 79 Poll Sites in the County on Tuesday, November 5th, 2013.

This is an important election - Family Court Judge, County Clerk, County Comptroller, all 23 County Legislative Seats, all 9 aldermen in the City of Kingston, 20 Town Supervisors and many other town offices including clerk, highway superintendent, Town Justice and Town Council Members.

## **Town of Neversink Flu Clinic**

The 2013 Town of Neversink Flu Clinic will be held on Thursday October 17, 2013 from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm. The flu vaccine is free to all adults who bring their Medicare Part B card. Managed Medicare and all others will be charged \$25. Payment can be made by cash or check, no credit or debit cards. If you are unsure what plan you have, contact Medicare at 1-800-633-4227. For additional information call Sullivan County Public Health at 292-5910 or the Town Clerk's Office at 985-2262 ext. 300 or 307. Additional flu clinics will be held at other locations in the County, please call the Town Hall to find out where and when. No pneumonia shots will be available this year.

## **The UC Board of Elections is Seeking Election Inspectors**

The Ulster County Board of Elections is looking for public service minded women and men to work as Election Inspectors for the General Election on Tuesday, November 5th, 2013.

To qualify as an inspector you must be a resident of Ulster County, registered to vote, and at least 18 years of age. If qualified, compensation for working as an inspector includes \$25.00 for completing a mandatory training class and \$200.00 for serving on Tuesday, November 5, 2013.

Our needs are county wide, and additional compensation for mileage is available for anyone willing to travel within the county.

If interested, please call the Ulster County Board of Elections as soon as possible at 334-5470 and ask for Patty or Linda.

## **Long-Distance Catskill Trails**

(From Pg. 1) For some, it will be an evening of armchair travel, for others it might spark future hikes or backpacking adventures. Map lovers will enjoy the variety of topographic hiking maps that Jeff will have on hand. Fingers can trace a favorite trail and first-time hikers can find an outing that's just their speed.

RSVP by calling Morgan Outdoors 845 439 5507 and reserve your seat for this free public program, with refreshments. This is one of over 50 planned events for the 10th Annual Lark in the Park. For the full schedule, go to [www.catskill-slark.org](http://www.catskill-slark.org) or pick one up at Morgan Outdoors.

Morgan Outdoors is located at 46 Main Street, Livingston Manor. For more information, 845/439 5507. or [www.morgan-outdoors.com](http://www.morgan-outdoors.com). Hours: 10 - 6, Mon, Thur, Fri, Sat. and 10-4 Sunday.

## **ERH to Host Blood Drive**

The American Red Cross and Ellenville Regional Hospital will join together for a community blood

drive on Friday, November 1, 2013 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Ellenville Regional Hospital at 10 Healthy Way. The Red Cross blood drive will take place in a traveling donor center outside of the hospital in their parking lot.

Local blood donors are needed all year round to ensure the blood supply stays strong. Approximately every two seconds, a patient in the United States needs blood. That's why your blood donation through the Red Cross is so important. A blood donation may help save up to three lives and it only takes about an hour of time.

Your donation could help save the life of a real person in your community. It is the blood on the shelves today that helps save lives tomorrow. All presenting donors during November can enter the Turkey-A-Day raffle for a chance to win a \$50 grocery card.\* Walk-ins are always welcome, but donors are encouraged to schedule an appointment in advance by calling 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767), 845-647-6400 ext. 226 or by visiting [redcross-blood.org](http://redcross-blood.org).

### **About the American Red Cross:**

The American Red Cross shelters, feeds and provides emotional support to victims of disasters; supplies about 40 percent of the nation's blood; teaches skills that save lives; provides international humanitarian aid; and supports military members and their families. The Red Cross is a not-for-profit organization that depends on volunteers and the generosity of the American public to perform its mission. For more information, please visit [redcross.org](http://redcross.org) or visit us on Twitter at @RedCross.

\*Prizes not redeemable for cash and non-transferable

## **Skyola Bungalows Win \$10,000 in Community Mitzvah Award-Seasonal Communities Compete in Beautification Contest**

[SOUTH FALLSBURG] - Skyola Bungalows of South Fallsburg received a \$10,000 prize this summer for winning the Community Mitzvah Award contest sponsored by Sullivan Renaissance. The prize was awarded to the seasonal communities in Sullivan County that best maintained its grounds and beautified the look of its facility.

Five camps and colonies participated in the contest: American Theological on Route 42 in Monticello; Camp Skwere on Glen Wild Road in Woodridge; Florida Bungalow Colony on Mountindale Road in Mountindale; Mt. Hope Bungalows on Route 55 in Swan Lake; and Skyola Bungalows on Route 42 in South Fallsburg.

Each of the other four camps that finished the contest received a completion grant of \$500.

The contest began in June when participants were given a list of projects or activities that would beautify their grounds and facilities - and, if done correctly, would improve their score. Each camp and colony was then observed on a weekly basis by data takers who recorded what they saw from the road. The competition included an interactive discussion with campers regarding Halachas (codes) of the Shulchan Aruch (the book of laws) identifying a person's responsibility to the earth.

The sites were visited by a team of judges from outside Sullivan County on August 7, who reviewed the camps based on an objective set of criteria. The judges were: Rabbi Moshe Frank of Ellenville, Mary Lewis of Cornwall and Country Yossi Toiv of Brooklyn.

Results of the judges' decision were announced to hundreds of people at the Sullivan Renaissance Awards Ceremony on August 12 at SUNY Sullivan in Loch Sheldrake. The Community Mitzvah

Award was part of more than \$100,000 in grants and scholarships announced for communities throughout Sullivan County on that day.

"We are overjoyed to win! Our colony understood and embraced the whole concept of improving the look of our facility. We were glad to have the opportunity to participate and thankful to the Gerry Foundation for working with those of us who live here in the summer," said Mendy Reichman, who manages the colony.

The goal of Sullivan Renaissance is to help guide communities to improve their visual standards - efforts that have become widespread throughout Sullivan County.

"This was a wonderful learning experience for me both religiously and professionally. I had to do a lot to prepare for this program and it was rewarding to see some of the children really understand the concept of being responsible for the world around them as well as the community they live in," said Allen Frishman, who directed the Community Mitzvah Award program.

Since 2007 Sullivan Renaissance has also offered grants to seasonal residents to improve the appearance of their properties with projects that serve as an example for others. Funding ranges from matching grants up to \$2500 to reimbursable mini-grants up to \$250. Eligible projects include: fixing entranceways and gates, planting gardens or other landscaping, dumpster enclosures, replacing fencing, upgrading signage, and simply planting flowers in planters or hanging baskets. Improvements must be made in areas visible to the public.

For information about Sullivan Renaissance's seasonal program or how to apply for the 2014 Mitzvah Award, contact Allen Frishman at 845-295-2445 or [afishman@sullivanrenaissance.org](mailto:afishman@sullivanrenaissance.org).

Sullivan Renaissance is a beautification and community development program principally funded by the Gerry Foundation. Sponsors include Bold Gold Media Group/Thunder 102, Country Yossi Productions, FisherMears Associates, Kristt Company, Large Media, Robert Green Dealerships, Sullivan County Democrat, The River Reporter, Thompson Sanitation, and WSUL/WVOS.

## **Claryville Annual Roast Pork Dinner**

We hope you will come to Claryville for our annual Roast Pork dinner on Saturday October 19th from 4-7 PM in the church hall. Dinner is \$12 for adults and \$5 for children ages 5-10. We promise you a delicious dinner and wonderful homemade desserts!

Our congregation has been serving the community for more than 165 years. We currently operate a small food pantry, a community garden and participate in the Bread for the Journey Ministry with other area churches. We also preserve our fully furnished one room school house museum and maintain the Claryville Church Cemetery.

Recently the congregation decided that our historic church needed restoration for a sustainable future. Improvements include a new lighted sign, lights on the cemetery sign, new landscaping, chimney repairs, refinished entry doors, and reset sidewalk. Inside we have new carpet runners, fresh paint (the first since 1947!) and updated electric. New altar curtains and pew cushions are now being made. Dinner proceeds will help pay for these much needed improvements.

The sanctuary will be open on the 19th so you can view our face lift and see the period furnishings such as the walnut couch and chairs on the altar with horse hair cushions. You are also most welcome to join us for worship any Sunday at 10 AM. We all look forward to seeing you on the 19th.

Position Available  
Denning Town Court Clerk  
Light typing and filing,  
Some computer work

**Courtroom duties and interaction with Law Enforcement and Public.** Hours vary with case-load but generally Tuesday mornings and some evenings. Current salary approx. \$2,500/yr.

Contact with short resume if available.  
Jonathan S. Follender, Esq.  
PO Box 511  
Arkville, New York 12406  
845-586-2307

**Town of Neversink Parks & Recreation Department**  
for details and information:  
[www.townofneversink.org](http://www.townofneversink.org)  
(845) 985-2262 extension 312

**Ice Skating, Ice Time**

Saturday, November 2. Leave the Town Hall 12:30 pm to ride motor coach bus to Ice Time, Newburgh, return at approximately 5:30 pm. If you plan to attend \$10 residents/\$23 non-residents must be paid no later than Tuesday, October 8.

**Disney on Ice**, Prudential Center, Newark, NJ  
Saturday, November 23. Leave the Town Hall 8:30 am to ride motor coach bus to Newark NJ, return at approximately 4 pm. If you plan to attend \$32 residents/\$68 non-residents must be paid no later than Tuesday, October 8.

**White Christmas Westchester Broadway Theatre** Sunday, December 1. Leave Town Hall 10 am and return 6:30 pm. If you plan to attend \$50 residents/\$86 non-residents must be paid no later than Oct. 8.

**Transportation to NYC** Saturday, December 7. Leave the Town Hall 8 am return approximately 8 pm. Get dropped off near Times Square. Spend the day as you wish. If you plan to attend \$21 residents/non-residents must be paid no later than Tuesday, November 5.

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



**Daniel Pierce Library** hours of operation beginning September 1, 2011.  
Tuesday: 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.  
Wednesday: 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
Thursday: 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.  
Friday: 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
Saturday: 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.  
Sunday and Monday: Closed  
If you have any questions, please call the library at 985-7233.  
*The Library Board of Trustees meets at 7:30 p.m. on the third Wednesday of each month. On occasion, a meeting date is changed. Please call ahead to confirm.*

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

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

**Ten Hearts Tapped for Annual Award**

The annual Heart of the Manor Award this year will go to the ten individuals who worked so hard on beautifying town for Sullivan Renaissance that Livingston Manor won the top award of \$25,000. A dinner honoring Jan Carlson, Gail Denman, Marge Feuerstein, Diane Foster, Kathy Fries, Dina Johnson, Lisa Lyons, Linda Miller, Maryann Perella, Valerie Taggart, will be held on Nov. 2 at the Rockland House. For information, call Carolyn Bivins @ 845-439-3333.

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- 10/10/13 Dept. of Motor Vehicles Neversink Town Hall 10:00 am - 2:30 p.m.
- 10/10/13 Town of Denning Planning Board Meeting 7 pm Town Hall
- 10/12/13 Grahamsville Reformed Church Turkey Dinner - 4:30 pm
- 10/14/13 **Town of Neversink Holiday - Columbus Day**
- 10/1/13 **Grahamsville United Methodist Church Thrift Sale (9am-1pm) & Luncheon (11am-1pm)**
- 10/15/13 Town of Neversink Zoning Board of Appeals - 7:30 pm
- 10/15/13 Budget Hearing. Neversink Fire District Meeting at 7:30 p.m.; Public Meeting at 8:00 p.m.
- 10/15/13 Claryville Fire District Public Hearing 6:30 p.m. at the Claryville FD Community Hall
- 10/16/13 Neversink Rondout Antique Machinery Assoc. Meeting - 7:30 PM
- 10/19/13 **Grahamsville United Methodist Church Thrift Sale Only (9am-1pm)**
- 10/19/13 **Shandaken Animal Volunteer Effort Autumn Harvest Fundraiser 11 am-5 pm Shandaken Town Hall**
- 10/19/13 **Roast Pork Dinner, Claryville Reformed Church 4-7 pm \$12 adults, \$5 children 5-10 yrs.**
- 10/20/13 Claryville Fire Dept. Pancake Breakfast 7 am - Noon
- 10/21/13 Grahamsville Fire Dist. Board of Fire Commissioners - 7:00 pm
- 10/22/13 Town of Neversink Parks & Rec 7:00 pm Neversink Town Hall
- 10/26/13 **Sundown UMC Holiday Fair 9 am - 3 pm - Lunch will be served.**
- 10/2/13 **Sundown Methodist Church Covered Dish Supper - 5:30 pm Sundown Church Hall**
- 11/6/13 Town of Denning Town Board Meeting - Denning Town Hall - 7 pm
- 11/6/13 Town of Neversink Planning Board Meeting- 7:00 pm
- 11/12/13 Caregivers Resource Center's Monthly Support Group 10 am in the Eureka Café in Grahamsville - FREE!
- 11/13/13 Town of Neversink Board Meeting - 7:30 pm
- 11/16/13 **Breakfast Sundown Methodist Church Hall - HUNTERS WELCOME! 5:30- 9:30 a.m.**

**Save the Date!!**

**2nd Annual Holiday Craft Fair** - Sundown Methodist Church Hall - October 26 9 am - 3 pm  
Cookie Walk/Breakfast - December 14, 2013 - Sundown Methodist Church Hall 7:30 am Breakfast • 9 am Cookie Walk

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

**Town of Olive Board Auditing Meeting** every **second Monday of each month**. This meeting is open to the public and all bills being reviewed are available for the general public to see.  
**Town Board** meets **every second Tuesday of each month**. Both meetings begin at 7:30 PM at the Town Hall on Bostock Road, Shokan, NY.  
**Town of Olive Planning Board** meets the **first and third Tuesdays of each month**. Meetings start at 7:30 PM at the Town Hall on Bostock Road, Shokan, NY. You can contact the Town Building & Zoning Department to confirm a meeting date if you would like to attend at 657-2015. If there is nothing on their agenda, they will cancel meetings.

**SC WIC Program Is Open**

Liberty, N.Y. - Sullivan County Public Health Services announced that although the Federal Government has shut down, WIC in New York State is able to continue to serve WIC participants until further notice.  
Please contact Sullivan County Public Health Services at (845) 292-5910 option 5, if you have questions.

**Just in Time for the Holidays: CCE Class on Canning Your Own Pie Filling**

LIBERTY, NY- Food preservation at home CAN be easy and fun with a little education! A workshop on how to successfully and safely make pie filling at home is being offered on Wednesday, October 16, 2013 by the Master Food Preservation Team of Cornell Cooperative Extension (CCE) Sullivan County from 5:30 to 9:30 pm. The workshop will be held at the Gerald J. Skoda Extension Education Center on 64 Ferndale-Loomis Road in Liberty, NY.

Just in time for the holidays, Master Food Preserver volunteers, Karen Mariner and Jessica Gibbons, will demonstrate why acid foods can be safely processed in a Water Bath Canner and how to use the canner properly. There will be a discussion of the variety of pie fillings available.

As with all food preservation programs this is a hands-on workshop where participants will be making and taking home a sample recipe made in class. Participants will take home a quart sample of the pie filling made in class and are asked to bring an insulated bag in which to carry the sample home.

All class materials are covered with a registration fee of \$30.00. Class size is limited so pre-registration with non-refundable payment is required by October 14. Registration and more information can be obtained by calling 845-292-6180 or emailing: srb46@cornell.edu.

**Thank You for Supporting "Caps for Cancer"**

A big THANK YOU to all who supported the "Caps for Cancer Project" for the Delaware-Sullivan District Order of the Eastern Star this past year.  
Many, many plastic lids have been donated to the Girl Scouts upstate for their recycling project to support cancer research.

With much appreciation,  
Fran Fuller, OES

**SC Philatelic Society**

Sullivan County Philatelic Society will hold its next meeting at the Ted Stroebele Recreation Center at 2 Jefferson Street, Monticello, NY on Oct. 13, 2013 at 1 pm, Monticello, NY. It will consist of a trading session, philatelic quiz and a five lot auction. Every member is asked to bring five packets of stamps to trade and also five lots of items to sell, as well as \$10 for their yearly dues. There will be a general business meeting. Refreshments will be served.

Next Sunday afternoon is our Annual Dinner. Please be advised we have changed the time as many members cannot drive at night.

**Margaretville Hospital Hosts Fall Health Fair**

Margaretville - The Margaretville Hospital and the Auxiliary Wellness Committee are sponsoring a Fall Health Fair on Friday, Oct. 11 from 7-11 a.m. at the hospital.

Flu shots will be offered throughout the fair, without an appointment. A prescription is not necessary. Medicare will cover the cost of the flu shots for those 65 and over. For those with no insurance, the charge will be \$28.

Free screenings during the Fall Health Fair will include: cholesterol testing (individuals must fast for 10-12 hours before the test, with no food or drinks), finger stick blood glucose, bone density, pulmonary lung test, oxygen pulse oximetry, blood pressure and body mass index.

The event will also include more than 20 exhibitors providing information on an assortment of health-related topics. The Auxiliary of Margaretville Hospital and Mountainside Residential Care Center Wellness Committee will be among those with a table, offering material promoting healthy lifestyles.  
The hospital is located at 42084 State Highway 28, Margaretville. For more information, please call (845) 586-2631, ext. 3145.

**Liberty Masonic Lodge #521 Blood Drive**

Liberty Masonic Lodge #521, Free and Accepted Masons, will be sponsoring an American Red Cross Blood Drive Friday, October 11, 2013 from 1:00 PM to 6:30 PM at the Lodge Meeting Room, 20 Eagle Drive, Liberty, New York. All donors will receive a hot meal courtesy of Liberty Lodge.

To schedule an appointment to donate, call 1-800-RED-CROSS (1-800-733-2767). By scheduling an appointment ahead of time by phone, you jump the line upon your scheduled arrival.

**Attention Watercolor Artists Beginners to Professionals**

It is not too late to take a watercolor workshop with James McFarlandAWS, sponsored by the North East Watercolor Society. There are still a few available openings. The days are October 14th - 19th at the Seligmann Estate in Sugar Loaf, NY. The cost is \$400 for members and \$430 for non-members.

This is an opportunity to learn from and paint with James McFarlane who is a well known artist, teacher, juror and speaker whose paintings have won awards in many local, regional, national and international art shows and is presently the president of the American Watercolor Society.

Anyone interested please contact Richard Price, NEWS, 866 Cadosia Rd., Hancock, New York 13783 or go to <http://www.northeastws.com/events.htm> to download a form.



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Interesting note: *In an answer to the German demand for surrender, Gen. McAuliffe decided to send that one word, "Nuts!" back to the Germans. McAuliffe then wrote down: "To the German Commander, "Nuts!" The American Commander." It was Patton's 3rd Armored division that relieved McAuliffe, and the famed 101st. Patton's men, finishing a battle, then marching 100 miles in winter, no hot meals, Patton's 3rd, kicking enemy butt, relieving Bastone, and the 101 Airborne division*

**See it on TCM 1:30 PM, Saturday, October 12, 2013, C-170 min, Rated TV-14. Quiz: 1. Who played Wolenski? 2. Who played Louise?**

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**GRAHAMSVILLE**

**Grahamsville Methodist Church Thrift Sale Tuesday October 15, 2013, 9:00 Am - 1:00 Pm, and Luncheon from 11:00 Am - 1:00 pm. DON'T MISS IT!**

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