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## TOWN OF NEVERSINK FLU CLINIC AT NEVERSINK TOWN HALL

There will be a Flu Clinic at the Town of Neversink Town Hall on Thursday, October 21, 2010 from 10:00 am to 12:00 noon. The Town Hall is located at 273 Main St. in Grahamsville. Flu vaccine is FREE to adults who bring their Medicare card, all others will be charged. The fee for the flu vaccine is \$15.00. A limited supply of pneumonia vaccine will also be available. For more information please call the Public Health Information Line at 292-5910 option 2.

## VETERANS OF THE GREATER KINGSTON AREA HOST RECOVERING VETERANS

The Veterans of the greater Kingston Area once again hosted a group of recovering veterans from Walter Reed Army Medical Center, in support of "Warrior Weekend". These veterans were wounded during action in Iraq and Afghanistan and are presently receiving medical care and rehabilitation in Washington. They came to Kingston this past weekend where they were given the opportunity to visit various sites in the Hudson Valley, at no charge to them. They were honored with a dinner on Saturday and returned the Washington on Sunday October 10th.

They arrived at the Rhinecliff Train Station and then were taken to the Kingston Holiday Inn.

Area residents were joined together as they waved flags to welcome the veterans when they arrived.

## NEW ATTRACTION AT THE DANIEL PIERCE LIBRARY GIANT PUMPKIN PARTY

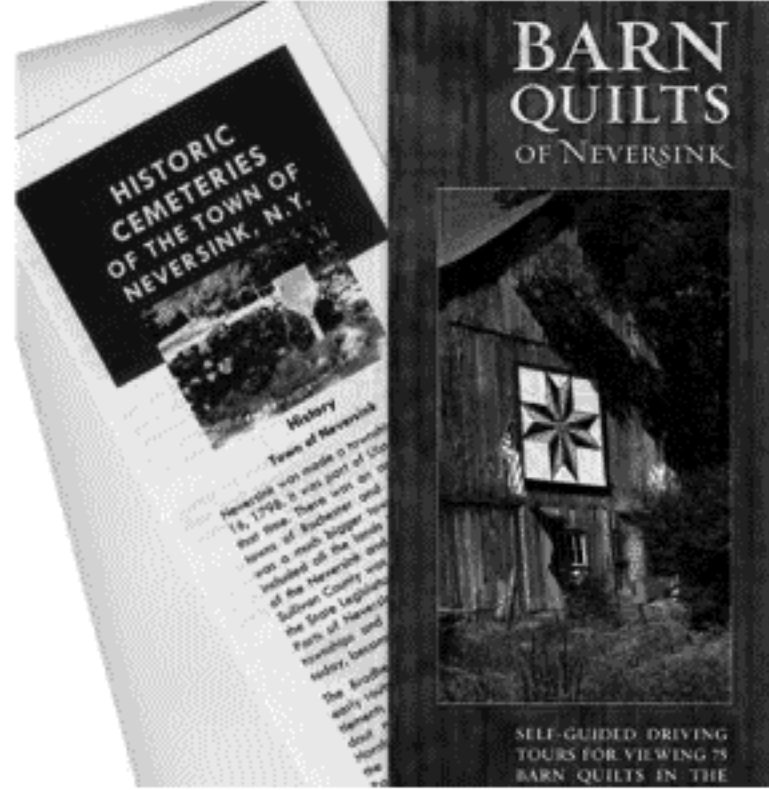


There was a new children's attraction at the 25th Annual Daniel Pierce Library Giant Pumpkin Party at the Grahamsville Fairgrounds on a sunny Saturday, October 2nd called the "Grahamsville Tractor Races." It is 26 feet long starting from the top. Many tractors, cars and 16 wheeler trucks crashed. Winners got prizes and lollipops donated by Jeff Bank and Bank of America. This delightful speed monstrosity was built by William Brenner.

## HALLOWEEN THEMED WEEKEND AT FROST VALLEY

On Friday-Sunday, Oct. 15-17: A Halloween Themed Weekend (also Oct. 22-24 & Oct. 29-31) will be held at Frost Valley YMCA, Claryville, NY. Check-in starts at 5 p.m. Includes haunted tours, hay rides, apple cidering, games, and traditional camp activities. Information/registration: (845) 985-2291, e-mail: [info@frostvalley.org](mailto:info@frostvalley.org) or visit: [www.FrostValley.org](http://www.FrostValley.org). Frost Valley YMCA camp and conference center is located in the Catskill Mountain high peaks.

## FOLLOW THE HISTORY TRAIL TO GRAHAMSVILLE



Follow the history trail to Grahamsville and help celebrate NYS Archives Month. The program will be held on Saturday, October 23, 2010 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Neversink Town Hall on St. Rt. 55 in Grahamsville, Sullivan County. (Contd. Pg. 3)

## WINTER WONDERLAND CHAIRPERSON NEEDED!

Over the past three years our community has come to anticipate the beautiful holiday display "Winter Wonderland" in Bicentennial Park. Approximately 20-25 businesses and community organizations have each decorated a Christmas tree with a theme unique to their organization. The display has been available for viewing throughout the month of December. (Contd. Pg. 3)

## SLAC MEETING

SLAC, the Senior Legislative Action Committee of Sullivan County, invites you to their monthly meeting in the Legislative Hearing Room at the Government Center in Monticello on Friday, October 29, 2010, at 10:00 a.m. (Contd. Pg. 3)

## THE FLOOD WATERS RECEDE



The devastating flood at the beginning of this month has revealed its devastation in the Roundout Creek in Sundown. Landowner, Bob Pecoraro, returned to his Sundown home, to find that his property was unscathed, despite the ravaging water's claim to the huge rock wall (in background) that was recently constructed to hold back the flood waters.

Pecoraro installed rock-filled cages (foreground) along his property that bordered the stream several years ago. Local residents of Sundown joined in the wonderment, that the rock-filled cages are still working, holding in check any erosion to Pecoraro's property, while the huge, 5-ton rocks tumbled and fell into the raging waters causing further erosion downstream.

## SULLIVAN COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY ANNUAL DINNER

The Rockland House, Roscoe, NY, will host a Dinner, Sunday, October 17, 2010, at 4:00 p.m., sponsored by the Sullivan County Historical Society, at its Annual Dinner, honoring Sullivan County Veterans, all are welcome, cost \$30.00 per person. For information or reservations please call 845-434-8044.

## GRAHAMSVILLE UMC MISSION TEAM TO SHARE STORIES AND PICTURES

On Sunday, October 24, 2010, from 5-7 p.m., the entire community is invited to a Pot-Luck Supper, and a program of stories and pictures, shared by the Grahamsville UMC Mission Team.

The Team looks forward to sharing about the experiences from their August, 2010 mission trip to Henderson Settlement in Frakes, KY. Henderson Settlement is part of the Red Bird Missionary Conference of the United Methodist Church. Fourteen folks from Grahamsville and Neversink made the trip to the Appalachian Mountains, where they worked on building an addition onto the home of a single Mom and her three sons.

Plan to come, bring a dish-to-pass, and a friend! A free will offering will be taken. For more information, please call 985-2283.

## ARMY HUMVEE ARRIVES IN THE NICK OF TIME



An army-surplus humvee was deployed by the Ulster County Sheriff's Office during Friday's flood, just 12 hours after arrival. The vehicle was the first equipment received by the agency, since New York State reinstated the 1033 Federal Excess Property Program. This program makes surplus military equipment available to police agencies with certain types of mission needs. Please see the attached article on the humvee's rescue work Friday (photo also attached).

## HEAP PROGRAM KICKS OFF NOVEMBER 1

County Manager David P Fanslau has announced that plans are in place for the accepting of applications for the HEAP program. "Sullivan County residents should be advised that the 2010-11 Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP) will begin on Monday, November 1, 2010. HEAP is a federally-funded program that issues heating benefits to supplement a household's annual energy cost, and may help residents pay for electricity, propane, natural gas, wood, oil, kerosene, coal or any other heating fuel. HEAP also offers an emergency benefit for households in a heat or heat-related energy emergency, and also offers a furnace repair and/or replacement benefit for households with inoperable heating equipment," said Fanslau. (Contd. Pg 4)

**YE OLDE TRI-VALLEY TOWNSMAN**  
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- NEW:** (Full back page in Color - 10" x 14") - \$450.00

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**Deadline for all submissions is 3:00 p.m. Friday. NO EXCEPTIONS**

If you are submitting your advertising by email, our email address is: [tvtownsman@yahoo.com](mailto:tvtownsman@yahoo.com) If you do choose to send ad copy via the internet please send it in either PDF (Acrobat) files or JPG format. All press releases/articles should be sent as Microsoft Word Documents (**Word Document with an extension of .doc**).

Have a question- please call: Linda Comando (845) 985-0501.  
As always, thank you for your support.

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**ON THE FRONT BURNER:** For whosoever will save his life shall lose it; but whosoever shall lose his life for my sake and the gospel's, the same shall save it. St. Mark 8:35

**OBITUARY**

**Harry M. Castiglione** of Plochman Lane, Woodstock died Friday, October 8, 2010 at his home after a courageous 5-year battle with pancreatic cancer. He was 78. He was born in East Kingston a son of the late Salvatore and Marguerite Fay Castiglione. Mr. Castiglione attended Grammar School in East Kingston and graduated Kingston High School, Class of 1950. He married Mary-Ellen Merigliano on October 5, 1962. Born in to a musical family, Mr. Castiglione studied under Simone Mantia in New York City. He then played in the Franko Goldman Concert Band in New York City. Over the years he played with his father's band "Sal Cas" in this area. Mr. Castiglione toured with the Big Bands and performed on television in New York City. He performed in Kingston with his own bands and performed from the late 1950's till the late 1990's. Mr. Castiglione had his own marching band that performed in parades and patriotic holidays. Since age 16 he belonged to Local 215, American Federation of Musicians. He was the current President and previously served as a board member. He has been honored at SUNY Ulster with the "Harry Castiglione Memorial Scholarship." For over 40 years he chaired and played at the "Christmas Eve Committee" in Woodstock and distributed thousands of Christmas stocking and baskets of cheer to the elderly. Mr. Castiglione served as U.C. Democratic Elections Commissioner for 21 years. He was a Life Member of the NYS Election Commissioners and served as president from 1997-1998. His wife, Mary-Ellen Castiglione died June 11, 2009. One brother Vincent Castiglione and one sister Marguerite McDonough both died previously. Surviving are two daughters Pamela Robinson and her husband Clifford of Blaine, Washington and Cara Castiglione of Woodstock; one son Michael H. Castiglione of Wilmington, Delaware; one brother Richard Castiglione of Elliot, Maine, one sister Sally Hendrickson of Kingston; one grandson Cecil Robinson; many nieces and nephews. A Funeral Mass will be celebrated on Wednesday, Oct 13, at St. John's Church, Holly Hills, Woodstock at 10:00 a.m. Interment will follow in St. Mary's Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to St. John's Church, Woodstock Emergency Squad, Benedictine Health Foundation (for Cancer Center) or the Woodstock Christmas Eve Committee, c/o Bank of America, 81 Mill Hill Rd, Woodstock, NY 12498.

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

**October 11, 1950** - Among the nominees for the board of directors of the Sullivan County Historical Society are George Smith of Sundown Road and Bruce Denman of Grahamsville. Slates of nominees will be presented for approval at the next meeting.

A new camp site is being developed by the State Conservation Department at Long Pond, about 4 miles from the Willowemoc Post Office. A lean-to of spruce logs cut on the property is being constructed. A new trail will be cut and marked sometime in the near future.

Miss Gerry Christensen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Christensen of Greenville, became the bride of Mr. George Oliver Gray on Saturday at 4 pm. in the Parsonage of Christ Lutheran Church in Ellenville.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hyatt of Easton, Pennsylvania, are the parents of a daughter, Betty, born Saturday, October 7 in Easton Hospital. The baby weighed 6 lbs. 12 oz. Mrs. Hyatt is the former Miss Shirley Doughty, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Doughty of Grahamsville.

Options have been secured for right of ways for construction of a county road over South Hill. Weather permitting, it is possible work may be started this fall.

**October 12, 1960** - Miss Nancy Louise Simpson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Earl F. Simpson of Livingston Manor and Allen Bruce Clark, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Clark of Curry, were married in the Grahamsville Methodist Church, Sunday afternoon, September 25th at 2 pm. The Rev. Paul Williams performed the double ring ceremony.

Mr. and Mrs. George Walter Erts moved from Denning to a new home in Tillson last

week. Mr. Erts was Justice of the Peace in Denning for 30 years. He had also served as Denning Township Supervisor for one term and had been active in the fire department.

Charles B. Rose of Sundown, N.Y. died at his home Saturday, October 8th. He was 73 years old. He was born in Sundown March 17, 1887, the son of Peter and Cecelia Mulford Rose. He was married on October 12, 1935 to Pauline Stout.

Miss Loretta Mitchell was guest of honor at a bridal shower given by Mrs. Guy Curry at the Grahamsville Fire Hall on Saturday. Miss Mitchell will become the bride of Donald Ackerley and will live in a trailer on the Ackerley farm.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray McNamara of Olmstead Falls, Ohio are the parents of a son, Patrick Raymond, born on September 25th. Mrs. McNamara is the former Betty Foster and she and Ray were both former residents here. They have another son, Michael.

**October 21, 1970** - Mr. and Mrs. George W. Erts of Tillson, former residents of the Town of Denning, were given a surprise dinner by their two children in honor of their 50th wedding anniversary. They were married at Halls Mills on October 20, 1920.

A beautiful baby shower was given in honor of Donna Conklin at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Hill on September 26th.

Tri-Valley Central School District brought out a near record number of voters last Thursday for the BOCES referendum. 511 qualified voters cast their ballots. Of these, 390 voted against the BOCES project, 117 favored it. These results are unofficial.

**October 16, 1980** - Congratulations to Arlene and Warren Graham on the birth of a baby girl, Louise Marie. Louise arrived on September 30th weighing in at 7 lbs. 15 oz and she was 20 inches long.

The Sullivan County National Bank, Grahamsville is once again exhibiting paintings of a local artist, Norman DeWire of South Hill Road, Grahamsville. Two of the oils show local scenes, a South Hill farm and Thunder Hill.

Due to a large number of ads and legal notices, the news for this issue was a bit skimpy. Hopefully the next issue will be more fruitful!!

**ACCLAIMED PAINTER JAKE BERTHOT SHOW "RECENT WORK" AT SUNY ULSTER AS VISITING ARTIST**

The Hudson Valley landscape is the inspiration for recent paintings and drawings that acclaimed painter Jake Berthot will exhibit at SUNY Ulster's Muroff Kotler Visual Arts Gallery as the college's visiting artist. Opening Oct. 12 with a slide presentation at 7 p.m., his "Recent Work" exhibit will run through Nov. 5 at the Stone Ridge campus.

Berthot, a largely self-taught artist, has been exhibiting in solo and group shows, including the Venice Biennial and two Whitney Biennials, since the late 1960s. He has been awarded a Guggenheim Fellowship, an NEA Grant and an Elizabeth Foundation Grant, among many others.

His work can be found in numerous public collections, including the Museum of Modern Art, the National Gallery of Art, the Whitney Museum and the Yale University Art Gallery, where he taught painting for 10 years. Currently, Berthot teaches at the School of Visual Arts in New York City and is represented by the Betty Cuninghame Gallery.

After living and showing modernist abstract paintings in New York City for more than 30 years, the artist moved to Accord in 1996, where his surrounding landscape has provided inspiration for his recent works. His new landscape paintings have been described as "quiet" and "contemplative," with the "central deep meditative space of his earlier work: in the 1970s, a gently touched rectangle; in the 1980s, a bar or hovering oval; and now a quietly emerging tree or glimpse of light."

The gallery is open Mondays through Fridays, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., and by appointment. It is closed on college holidays. The exhibit is free and open to the public. For more information, call (845) 687-5113.

**HERE AND THERE**

Sorry, no column today. I'm waiting for a hard freeze to get rid of all the pollen. .... (pah)

**NEVERSINK NEWS - Hulda Vernooy**

No news this week.  
Have a good week and God Bless.  
(Call Hulda at 985-2268 with your Neversink news.)

**FOLLOW THE HISTORY TRAIL TO GRAHAMSVILLE** (From Pg. 1)

Activities include:

- Self guided tour of Neversink Barn Quilts - a self guided map to large and colorful quilting designs painted on local area barns will be available that day.
- Self guided tour of nine area cemeteries - a project to help stabilize and restore historic cemeteries (funded through Sullivan County Renaissance), also produced a self guided cemeteries map available that day.
- The gallery photo show: Saved by the Camera: Functional Farm Buildings of the Past
- Opportunity to do research in the Museum's archival holdings, including burial records, census records, new records from the Town of Denning and 50 years of the local newspaper.
- Volunteers will be available to help plot the tours and to help researchers

Held to celebrate ARCHIVES MONTH and raise awareness of the importance of preserving local history, this project is sponsored jointly by the Town of Neversink and the Time and the Valleys Museum. Admission is FREE and open to people of all ages.

For more information, please contact Carol Smythe, Registered Historian, Town of Neversink at 985-2262 ext. 313, [historian@townofneversink.org](mailto:historian@townofneversink.org).

The Time and the Valleys Museum is a living and interactive resource that preserves the past, educates the present and ensures the uniqueness of the Rondout and Neversink watersheds for all generations. Currently located in the Neversink Town Hall, the Museum provides educational programming for the public and is actively raising funds to install exhibitions in the Museum's future home, co-located in the new addition to the Daniel Pierce Library.

**GRAHAMSVILLE UMC THRIFT STORE UPDATES**

The season of Tuesday Thrift Sales and Lunches is winding down at the Grahamsville United Methodist Church. Tuesday sales and lunches are scheduled for October 19, and November 2. Once again this winter, the first floor of the Thrift Building will remain open to receive donations of gently used clothing, household goods, and toys. In addition, Thrift Sales will be held on the third Saturday of each month throughout the fall and winter from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Don't miss these opportunities to shop and find special items and treasures!

The Food Pantry is gearing up for heavy use, responding to ever-increasing needs of individuals and families in our community. Donations of non-perishable food items and cash are always gratefully received. We are preparing now for delivery of Thanksgiving and Christmas food baskets. Thank you to all of you who so generously support these ministries.

**SLAC MEETING (From Pg. 1)**

GREG OLSEN, Deputy Director of the New York State Office for the Aging will speak on "What's Ahead in Albany for Senior Services? Budget? Legislation?"

Bring your concerns! Bring Friends! All are welcome. Questions and Answers will follow.

Reminder! Sullivan County Office for the Aging Budget Hearing will be at 9:00 a.m. (with breakfast!!) at the Ted Stroebele Center on Wednesday, October 20th.

SLAC is affiliated with StateWide Senior Action Council and can be reached through the Office for the Aging, 794-3000, Ext. 2, or P.O. Box 1065, South Fallsburg, NY 12779.

**A SINGLE POINT OF ENTRY FOR LONG TERM CARE**

The Long Term Care Council is the advisory board for SULLIVAN NYCONNECTS, the single Point of Entry for information on long term care services in Sullivan County. The Council is working to increase awareness of The Green House Project, an alternative to the traditional skilled nursing facility.

The next meeting of the Long Term Care Council will be Wednesday, October 20, from 3:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the Legislative Committee Room (2nd floor) in the Sullivan County Government Center. Meetings of the Long Term Care Council are open to the public.

For further information about the (Next Col.)

Long Term Care Council, please contact Martha Scoppa, Point of Entry Coordinator, SULLIVAN NYCONNECTS, Office for the Aging, 100 North Street, P.O. Box 5012, Monticello, New York 12701 or (845) 807-0257

**CHILDREN'S TUMOR FOUNDATION RAFFLE FUNDS VITAL RESEARCH**

Brianna Worden and her mom, Janna are once again raising funds for The Children's Tumor Foundation. They plan on attending the 2010 Annual Benefit Dinner in NYC. This year raffles are being sold in addition to ticket sales and the live auction. The Grand Prize of the Raffle is \$5000!!! Raffles are \$100 each. If you are interested in buying a raffle please call Janna at 845-985-7691 or email at [janna\\_25@yahoo.com](mailto:janna_25@yahoo.com).

The annual benefit has raised millions of dollars to fund the vital scientific research. The Children's Tumor Foundation is the largest non-government funding source of neurofibromatosis (NF) research in the world. NF is a progressive disorder that causes tumors to grow on nerves throughout the body. NF affects more than one in every 3,000 children born, more than cystic fibrosis, Duchenne muscular dystrophy and Huntington's disease combined. Research, the Foundation funds, is shedding new light on cancer, brain tumors, learning disabilities and bone abnormalities.

**About the Children's Tumor Foundation**

The Children's Tumor Foundation is a recipient of a four-star (highest) rating from Charity Navigator. The Foundation is dedicated to improving the health and well-being of more than 100,000 Americans living with neurofibromatosis (NF). Our research program has played a key role in the discovery of the genes that cause NF, understanding the biology of NF, creation of the NF Clinic Network, and preclinical screening of drug compounds that appear promising in treating the disorder.

**BASIC CAREGIVING SKILLS - 'MOVING EASY!' - Transferring & Positioning Skills**

BASIC CAREGIVING SKILLS on positioning and transferring will be offered on Tuesday, October 26 from 4-6 pm at Cornell Cooperative Extension of Sullivan County. The class is free (there is a suggested donation of \$5) sponsored by the NYS Caregiver Resource Center grant. This class will help prepare family caregivers in safely moving and positioning a care receiver with limited or no ability to move. The film Moving Easy will be shown in its entirety for family caregivers to see these techniques used in real-life situations. Objectives include: how to use good body mechanics, safety, and the importance of repositioning. Class is free and light refreshments will be offered.

There is a minimum class size of 5 & a maximum of 15 ~ please RSVP at 292-5250 by October 22 to hold your seat!

Instructor: B. Lewis, RN/Caregiver Resource Center Coordinator.

Cornell Cooperative Extension of Sullivan County is located at 64 Ferndale-Loomis Road, Liberty.

**WINTER WONDERLAND CHAIRPERSON NEEDED (From Pg. 1)**

Barbara Purcell envisioned this program as a Neversink Renaissance winter activity. In the past, she has coordinated the recruitment of participants and the placement of the trees. Barbara is now working busily to help in the preparation of our new Time in the Valleys Museum and needs someone else in the community to step up to coordinate this community activity.

We are looking for an individual who would be willing to continue this wonderful community tradition. The individual would be responsible for sending applications to potential tree participants, and finding a few volunteers to assist in the setting up of trees in late November. Town employees will continue to assist in delivering the trees for our use. The decorating of the trees will be completed by community organizations.

If you are interested in learning more about chairing this wonderful event, please contact Dave Moore at 985-2746 no later than October 27, 2010.

**SULLIVAN COUNTY OFFICE FOR THE AGING PUBLIC HEARING AND SENIOR SAFETY FORUM**

A Sullivan County Senior Safety Forum, to be held on October 20th from 9 am to 2 pm at the Ted Stroebele Recreation Center (Monticello Neighborhood Facility) 2 Jefferson (Next Col.)

Street, Monticello, invites all Sullivan County residents and seniors to join TRIAD for a day of informative speakers and fun. It will follow the Office for the Aging's Annual Public Hearing. Hosted by TRIAD (a collaborative partnership of senior representatives, law enforcement and county senior advocates) the membership continues to focus on senior concerns and strives to reduce the victimization of the elderly as well as improve the quality of life for our area seniors.

Registration for the Office for the Aging's Public Hearing begins at 9 am, to be held from 9:30 to 10:15 am, followed by a delicious light breakfast buffet. The Safety Forum, starting at 10:30 am with host speakers presenting three different panel discussions that relate to senior safety and the prevention of violence:

-Self Defense - Quick and Easy Measures for Seniors

-Emotional and Verbal Elder Abuse - Don't put up with it and how to find help.

-Financial Abuse, banking, fraud and scams - The newest tricks and how to protect yourself.

During the forum participants will be able to enjoy lunch, door prizes (must be present to win). The Forum will conclude at 2 pm. The event is free but donations are appreciated.

For further information or questions, please call the Office for the Aging at 807-0241 or the Caregiver

**WOOLLY BEARS**

By Peggy DeWire



It's woolly bear time again and surely you've seen these familiar caterpillars hurrying across a road on sunny fall days looking for a snug place to hibernate.

All two hundred American species of woolly bears belong to the tiger moth family, Arctiidae.

Besides the familiar black and tan variety, the colors range from the yellow-bear of gardens and in the South all-black ones. These caterpillars are so thickly furred that even parasitic wasps are repelled.

Ultimately, woolly bears become a medium-sized apricot colored moth called Isabella, easily identified by its black-spotted body. All tiger moths have spotted abdomens. But before this happens, a woolly bear feeds on the last green plantain and grass of autumn - final meal before hibernation.

The it scurries across roads looking for a sheltered spot where it can weave a skimpy cocoon of its own body hairs and silk threads.

It hibernates in the larva stage all winter in a state of suspended animation. Very few other kinds of caterpillars can survive in this life stage.

When spring comes, the woolly bear rouses and hustles around for its favorite food, plantain and first grass.

Very soon it begins to weave a sturdy cocoon using most of its body hair bound tightly together with silk threads. It's weatherproof and waterproof.

Scientists are intrigued by a woolly bear's ability to resume life as a caterpillar and advance to the next stage of metamorphosis - the pupa.

Inside the cocoon, two weeks later, the pupa has reorganized itself and emerges as a perfect moth with apparently no ill effects from a winter's suspended animation.

Woolly bears and people have been friends for centuries. In 1608 Puritans called them "Beareworms" because of their furry ruggedness. Two hundred years later the poet John Keats marveled at the "Tiger Moth's beauteous wings of damask colors."

It's okay to hold a woolly bear in your hand and watch it curl up in a tight ball. This a defensive position. No bird or animal will eat the ball of irritating hairs that burn their throat lining, but are harmless to human skin.

How do woolly bears predict how long or short the coming winter will be? Legend says that the black bands of body segments forecast weeks of cold winter, the rust band in the middle, mild summer weather.



ISABELLA MOTH

**PUBLIC NOTICES/LEGALS**

**Legal Notice of Public Hearing on the Budget**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Proposed Budget of the Claryville Fire District of the Town(s) of Neversink and Denning, State of New York, will be presented to the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Claryville Fire District, for its consideration.

A PUBLIC HEARING will be held at 7:00 p.m. at the Claryville Fire Department Community Hall, 1500 Denning Rd., in the Town of Denning, State of New York on the 19th day of October 19, 2010.

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 public hearing, 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 it is submitted, or for or against any item or items contained in the proposed budget, and hearing all persons interested in the subject concerning same.

That a copy of the proposed budget is available at the Office of the Town Clerk of the Town of Neversink, at the Town Hall in Grahamsville, and at the Office of the Town Clerk of the Town of Denning at the Town Hall on Denning Rd. in Claryville, where the budget may be inspected by any interested person during office hours.

Dated: October 7, 2010

Board of Fire Commissioners  
Claryville Fire District  
Claryville, NY 12725

**Independent Audit Report Legal Notice**

Notice is hereby given that the fiscal affairs of the Tri-Valley Central School District for the period beginning on July 1, 2009 and ending on June 30, 2010, have been examined by (the Office of the State Comptroller or an independent public accountant), and that the (report of examination performed by the Office of the State Comptroller or report of, or management letter prepared in conjunction with the external audit by the independent public accountant) has been filed in my office where it is available as a public record for inspection by all interested persons. Pursuant to S35 of the General Municipal Law, the governing board of the Tri-Valley Central School District may, in its discretion, prepare a written response to the (report of examination performed by the Office of the State Comptroller or the report of external audit or management letter by independent public accountant) and file any such response in my office as a public record for inspection by all interested persons not later than December 3, 2010.

Martha Lee Ter Bush  
District Clerk  
October 6, 2010

10/14; 10/28

**ANNOUNCEMENT**

The following positions are available at Tri-Valley Central School for the 2010-2011 school year Fall/Winter Sports Seasons:

- \*\*\*\*\*
- JV Cheerleading Coach
- Alpine Skiing Coach

Please submit a letter of interest and coaching credentials to Derek Adams, Athletic Director/Dean of Students, Tri-Valley Central School District, 34 Moore Hill Road, Grahamsville, New York 12740. Phone: (845)985-2296 x 5303.

Deadline to apply: October 25, 2010

**PUBLIC HEARING**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the 2011 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 7:00 pm at the Neversink Firehouse in the Community Hall, Neversink, NY 12765 on the 19th day of October, 2010.

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 it is 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 St., Grahamsville, NY where it may be inspected by any interested person during the hours of 8:30 am to 4:00 pm, excluding holidays.

Dated: October 4, 2010  
Board of Fire Commissioners  
Neversink Fire District  
PO Box 394, Neversink, NY 12765

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Neversink Fire District Board of Commissioners regular meeting for the month of October will take place at the Neversink Fire House, Route 55, Neversink, New York on Tuesday, October 19, 2010 at 7:30 pm with the public meeting at 8:00 p.m.

DATED: October 8, 2010  
By Order of the Neversink  
Board of Fire Commissioners  
Kim J. Moore, Secretary

**HEAP PROGRAM (From Pg. 1)**

Any household which includes a vulnerable individual (a person over the age of 60, a child under 6 or a disabled individual) who received HEAP benefits during last year's program will have an application for the 2010-2011 HEAP benefits mailed directly to them at their residence. The application can be mailed back with the supporting documentation. Recipients who do not meet the above criteria and who received a benefit from last year's program may request a application be mailed to them effective November 1, 2010 and may return it through the mail or by dropping it off at the Sullivan County Department of Family Services Travis Building. Although a face to face interview is not required for these applicants, the supporting documentation is required.

"Even with the large volume of applicants anticipated this HEAP season, HEAP is a federally-funded program that has never "run out" of money or benefits in Sullivan County," Fanslau added. County officials are suggesting to residents that unless residents are at or below tank of fuel, they should try to file their application later in November. If residents are at or below of a tank, they are advised to apply as soon as possible. If you have never applied for HEAP in prior years, an application must be completed and a face to face interview conducted.

Senior citizens (60 and over) and disabled individuals are asked to apply at the Sullivan County Office for the Aging, 1st Floor, County Government Center, 100 North Street, Monticello, New York. All other applicants can apply at the Sullivan County Department of Family (Next Col.)

Services, Travis Building, 16 Community Lane, Liberty, N.Y. The Travis building will be accepting regular applicants from 8:00am to 1:00pm, Monday through Friday, and emergency applicants until 5:00pm.

Eligibility for the program is based on income and your housing situation. Your total gross monthly income for your household size must be at or below the following:

1 person	\$2,129
2 people	\$2,784
3 people	\$3,439
4 people	\$4,094
5 people	\$4,749
6 people	\$5,404
7 people	\$5,527
8 people	\$5,650
9 people	\$5,773
10 people	\$5,896
11 people	\$6,029

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You must also live in an eligible housing situation. This generally means that you must pay directly for heating costs with the bill being in the recipient's name. Some limited assistance is available, if specific criteria is met, to some renters that have heating costs included in the rent. If you live in subsidized housing, you must pay heating costs separately from your rent. Individual applicants must be U.S. citizens or qualified aliens.

In order to be eligible for emergency benefits, a household/applicant must be in an emergency situation. An emergency situation is defined as having at or below of a tank of fuel. If utility service is terminated, or utility service is scheduled for termination, then HEAP may be able to assist with the problem if the utility is required for the heating source. The household/applicant must meet the above income guidelines and:

- Be the customer (bill must be in recipient's name)
  - Reside in the dwelling
  - Having insufficient liquid resources to meet the emergency
- To apply for benefits you will need to provide a completed application along with the minimum:
- Proof of everyone who lives in your household (birth certificate & social security card, driver license, etc.)
  - Proof of total household income (any kind of income)
  - Proof of total house hold expenses, verifying that you live at the address provided on the application.
  - Heat vendor information, including account number

You may be asked to provide additional information at your individual interview. You will have 10 days in which to provide any requested documents.

For more information about HEAP, please contact the HEAP office at 845-807-0142, or visit [www.otda.state.ny.us/main/heap/apply.asp](http://www.otda.state.ny.us/main/heap/apply.asp) for state information. A brochure is also available in English at [www.otda.state.ny.us/main/publications/4735.pdf](http://www.otda.state.ny.us/main/publications/4735.pdf) or in Spanish at [www.otda.state.ny.us/main/publications/4735-SP.pdf](http://www.otda.state.ny.us/main/publications/4735-SP.pdf).

**UC SHERIFF PAUL VAN BLARCUM WILL NOT SEEK A RAISE IN PAY**

Sheriff Paul VanBlarcum affirms that he will not seek a raise in pay. Ulster County's Compensation Review Committee recommended a 5% pay raise for the Sheriff, according to published reports this week.

Sheriff VanBlarcum offers this comment: "During these tough economic times, it would not be appropriate for me to accept a raise. The rank and file of this agency is doing without pay increases, and I should do likewise. The Committee's comments show that it is also sensitive to this issue."

"I'm completely appreciative of the Compensation Review Committee's work in surveying the compensation of elected officials in New York State counties and for bringing this information to light."

**"STROLLERS, TRIKES AND TRAINING WHEELS!" A kick-off event for Mommy & Me & CCE groups in Sullivan County.**

On Sunday October 17th 3-4pm Cornell Cooperative Extension, Ferndale-Loomis Rd. Liberty will hold a casual event for parents and children ages 0-5. Bring your children and whatever types of "wheels" they utilize, for enjoyment on our "kiddy fun track" which will be set up in the parking lot (or indoors if weather prohibits). Mothers will learn more about the possibilities of growing a Mommy & Me & CCE group with other mommies from their part of Sullivan County. Daddies are welcome too!

For more information call Amanda Speer at 292-6180 or e-mail [ags97@cornell.edu](mailto:ags97@cornell.edu).

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SUNY Ulster Continuing and Professional Education will offer several non-credit courses in response to a new certification for Clean Energy Professionals.

Photovoltaic Technical Sales Specialist will start Oct. 18 at the Business Resource Center (BRC) in Kingston. The course is based on North American Board of Certified Energy Practitioners' (NABCEP) recently passed Job Task Analysis (JTA) for a new Technical Sales Certification.

The course prepares students for the NABCEP Certificate of Knowledge Exam in this area. The JTA is a comprehensive list of all the measurable tasks that a practitioner performs and guides the development of the exam.

The new credential will target those involved in the non-installation aspects of the sale and commissioning of a PV system. This includes analyzing customer needs and conducting a site analysis to develop a proposal that includes a conceptual design, financial analysis and performance projections for the system. The launching of this Certification broadens the career path opportunities for those who are successful PV Entry Level Exam candidates," said Ezra Auerbach, executive director of NABCEP.

Don Warfield, Chair of NABCEP's Board, said, "Having a NABCEP credential for sales people is a key step in consumer protection. With the launch of this certification consumers can have as much confidence in the sales process as they do in getting a NABCEP-certified crew leader to perform their installation."

Other course offerings in this growth area include:


- Introduction to Photovoltaics (PV) Systems, starting Oct. 29
- Residential PV Site Assessor Training, Oct. 18 and 19
- Solar Sales Training, Oct. 20 and 21
- Conquering the Forms and Regulations of Solar Incentives, Oct 22
- Solar Hot Water Installation and Design class, Oct 23 and 24

For more information or to register, contact SUNY Ulster Continuing and Professional Education at (845) 339-2025. Pre-registration is required for all courses.

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**BOCES RESIGNATION**

The Mid-Hudson School Study Council is announcing the resignation of its Executive Director, Susan Doyle, effective December 31, 2010. After 18 years of service to the study council, Ms. Doyle has made public her decision to step down as chief executive officer of MHSSC as of January 1st.

Ms. Doyle is widely recognized throughout the region and beyond as a strong advocate and spokesperson for public education. Equally a home reminding elected officials of their campaign promises or leading a workshop for those thinking of running for their local school board, her no-nonsense leadership style has effectively bridged the gap among various constituencies. In the words of Dr. Richard Hooley, Valley Central Superintendent and current President of the Council, "Susan has long been a major resource for anyone involved in improving public education, not just locally but throughout the state. She will certainly be missed."

The Mid-Hudson School Study Council is a nonprofit corporation dedicated to improving education in the Hudson Valley and serving the needs of its member school districts from the seven Mid-Hudson Counties. This is accomplished through focused research into common issues, the diffusion of effective practices, professional development opportunities, communications links, and a strong advocacy at the regional, state, and national levels. Chartered by the Board of Regents in 1949, the Council is located in New Paltz at the State University of New York Campus. Through its collaborative efforts with the college, the Council serves as a critical link between the resources of higher education and local school districts and through the Council's unique relationship with the School of Education, an important partnership between research and field experience. The Council's membership includes approximately 70 school districts and operates with an annual budget of \$145,000.

With the resignation of Susan Doyle, the council is seeking a part-time executive director with a strong record of success as an educational leader, a working knowledge of public education in New York State, a proven ability to plan and execute large events and programs, a demonstrated ability to forge partnerships, and successful experience in resource development. Interested individuals should send a cover letter and resume to Terrence L. Olivo, Chief Operating Officer of BOCES and Search Consultant for MHSSC. c/o O/U BOCES, 53 Gibson Road, Goshen, New York 10924-9777. MHSSC is an AA/EOE employer.

**TEA PARTY NEWS**

A meeting was held on October 7, 2010. One of the discussions was on how to educate people to the fact that the Tea Party is not a political party. We support anyone that understands our concerns such as government being the problem, not the solution; our constitution is our country's supreme law; and candidates must be honest.

Also discussed was our Candidates Night on Wednesday, October 20, 2010, at Mr. Willy's in Monticello at 6:30 p.m. There is no cover charge and refreshments will be served. The Tea Party is in the process of calling candidates to speak. Maurice Hinchey, Cindy Barber, Michael McGuire, and George Phillips have been contacted already. A question and answer session will follow each speaker.

Also discussed was the use of the *Townsmen* for flyers and news. The paper is well read and highly regarded.

## SUNY ULSTER HOSTS VETERANS SHOWCASE ON OCT. 30th

SUNY Ulster will host a Veterans Showcase on Oct. 30 at the Stone Ridge campus to provide information to veterans, active duty personnel and their families about the GI Bill, Veterans Administration (VA) benefits and free community resources. The event, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., is free and open to the public.

The Veterans Showcase will feature presentations, mini workshops and an information fair. Among the topics that will be covered are Post 9/11 GI Bill benefits, starting a small business, employment assistance and college admissions and transfers.

Speakers include SUNY Ulster President Donald Katt who will make welcoming remarks and Jolene M. Kent-Stanley from Military OneSource who will speak on "Adjusting to Civilian Life and the Cycle of Reintegration" at 10:30 a.m.

The day offers an excellent opportunity to speak face to face with representatives from a host of veteran-serving agencies, including Ulster County Veterans Service Agency, NYS Division of Veterans Affairs, Yellow Ribbon transfer schools, Social Security Administration, Small Business Development Center (SBDC) and the Office of Employment and Training.

SUNY Ulster was recognized in 2009 and 2010 for its policies and outreach to recruit veterans of the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan and facilitating access to new Post 9/11 GI bill benefits by G.I. Jobs magazine with the "Military Friendly School" designation. It also is a Servicemembers Opportunity College.

Children's activities also will be available throughout the event. For information, call (845) 687-5022.

## FRIDAY NIGHT CABARET AT ASK

ASK will be hosting a new night of cabaret on Friday, October 22nd at 8 p.m. The evening will be a combination of music, theater and spoken word from a number of renowned talents. Doors open at 8 p.m. with a suggested donation of ten dollars. Reservations are recommended. For more information and to schedule reservations contact ASK at 845-338-0331.

Music - Ron & Aysa Morehead - In addition to being husband and wife and co-founders of Crown Productions, Ron and Aysa Morehead have performed together for nearly 15 years. They will take the stage to share some of the most enchanting and charming duets of the contemporary American theatre. Having worked with such illustrious Broadway composers as David Shire and Jason Robert Brown, Ron and Aysa will sing some of their most popular numbers and others from shows including Chess, Closer Than Ever, Songs for a New World, In The Heights and more.

Theater - People's Choice Winners from ASK's 2010 Short Plays Festival -(Victoria Sullivan's "Impulse" and Ty Adams' "Mooning Lon Chaney")

Victoria Sullivan's "Impulse", directed by Ralph Elias and starring Sherry Skinker, reminds us that many of life's decisions are made on a whim. When the successful but disaffected Harriet Marchand meets a college student who wants to delve into her art with passion, Harriet discovers that he has lit a little flame of desire. But is the age gap between them impossible to leap? Sometimes seduction is more complicated than we imagine.

Victoria Sullivan, both a poet and playwright, has had seven Equity Showcase productions of her work performed in New York City, as well as an STS production of her one act play *The Meet in Phoenicia*. She writes theatre criticism for culturecatch.com, and performs her poetry locally at the Colony, Cafe Mezzaluna, Upstairs at Joshua's and Harmony, as well as various bookstores and other venues. Her poetry chapbook *Eating Figs at Twilight* is available at local bookstores. Victoria is a regular co-host on radio station WDST 100.1's *The Woodstock Roundtable*.

Ralph Elias was for seven years artistic director of Blackfriars Theatre, termed "a San Diego treasure" by that city's Commission for Arts and Culture. Acclaimed productions included unique stagings of I.B. Singer's "Tebele and Her Demon" and Beth Henley's "Abundance", the first American production ever to tour Far-Eastern Russia. He has directed four productions for the internationally acclaimed Maxim Gorky Theatre of Vladivostok, the most recent being Shakespeare's *Romeo and Juliet* in 2005.

Sherry Skinker has performed on Broadway in "Dinner at Eight", "Design for Living", and "The Ride Down Mt. Morgan"; her experience on regional stages has included major theatres in Philadelphia,

Washington and St. Louis. Sherry's television and film credits are as varied as they are extensive, ranging from soaps and prime time series to PBS.

Ty Adams' "Mooning Lon Chaney", directed by Karen Rich, starring Leif Grund and David Marks. Under a full moon at the approach of midnight, a would-be werewolf makes an appearance on a late night radio show to face his demons. Whether you howl in laughter or cringe in terror, this play will strike a nerve. "Mooning Lon Chaney" was first presented at The Neighborhood Playhouse in New York City in 1998.

Ty Adams began his playwriting career in New Orleans with "The Camel Shepherds", his first play, winning first prize at the Contemporary Arts Center's Festival of New Plays. He later joined Circle Repertory Theater Company in New York City and studied with Lanford Wilson. Since then dozens of his plays have been produced on stages across the country. In 1997, his radio play "Save Me" was broadcast for 3 years by National Public Radio. His screenplay, "The Falcon", was commissioned by French film director Raschid Kerdouche. Other commissions include an adaptation to the stage of "Concuh People" by Wade Hall and an original play about the family of George Wallace and their coming of age. At the time of his passing in 2010 he was working on a film, "Getting Lost", about a man dying of cancer. In 2004 he became a founding director and facilitator of the playwrights lab at the Arts Society of Kingston and has been a mentor to many local playwrights.

Karen Rich has written several short plays produced in the Mid Hudson Valley including "The H Word", "Goodness of Fit", "Once Upon A Session" and "Animal Rescue". In addition she has produced 3 annual short play festivals at the Arts Society of Kingston and an evening of dramatic monologues titled "Is It Over Yet? Stories of the Recession" in December 2009.

David Marks is a playwright, novelist, graphic artist, director and actor. He has appeared in several locally produced plays including "The Princess and the Unicorn" by Lewis Gardner and "It's Only Lunch" By Paul Cooper. He has directed over a dozen plays or monologues for productions at the Arts Society of Kingston. He has extensive experience in radio, which prepared him well for the role of NASH in *Mooning Lon Chaney*.

Leif Grund is an actor, political commentator and performance artist who has appeared at several local venues and is known for his satiric wit and trenchant observations of human nature. As for his experience as a Werewolf...speak to him personally.

Spoken Word - Sandra Gardner - Sandra Gardner's poetry has been published in a number of literary journals and anthologies. Word Press in the 2004 Word Journal published a chapbook of her poetry collection, *Mythmaking*. Gardner is the author of four nonfiction books, one of which received a Book Award from the National Federation of Press Women. She is currently at work on a mystery novel.

About ASK

The Arts Society of Kingston, a regional center for the arts, presents a diverse range of visual art exhibitions, performances, workshops, classes, and other arts-related programming for the benefit of artists, art-lovers, and the general community of the Hudson Valley. Through its initiatives, ASK provides opportunities, resources, and education for artists. In carrying out this mission, ASK enriches the quality of life, bridges cultural gaps, and increases awareness and appreciation of the arts. For more information, please visit [ASKforArts.org](http://ASKforArts.org).

## FRIDAY NIGHT FLAVOR SERIES AT SUNY SULLIVAN: IT TASTES AS GOOD AS IT SOUNDS

You're invited to turn an ordinary Friday evening into an extraordinary one with the Friday Night Flavor series at SUNY Sullivan. Two special three-hour classes will be offered:

- Fabulous Food, Fast - November 5 from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m.

The course focuses on tips and techniques to get you in and out of the kitchen fast, with a terrific meal to show for your efforts. You'll learn methods of ingredient preparation with a clean-as-you-go system that will not only enhance your proficiency in the kitchen but will also show you how to have time to enjoy your meal - and your dinner guests. The course will teach you how to prepare easy, healthy, meals all in less than an hour.

- Effortless Entertaining for the Holidays - December 3 from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m.

Just in time for the holiday season. You'll discover some great tips and ideas to make your holiday entertaining seem effortless! We'll focus on traditional holiday fare, from appetizer to main course to dessert; as well introduce you to some unconventional dishes that may make you consider starting

new holiday customs in your kitchen.

"The Friday Night Flavor" series is presented by award-winning chef, Michael Bel, a graduate of Johnson & Wales University. Chef Bel was the recipient of the Gold Medal of Honor bestowed by Les Amis d'Escoffier Society of New York

Ingredients will be provided for all classes, and students will enjoy eating what they prepare...and also have fun participating in the professional 'clean-up' which is part of the program. Students need to provide their own apron, a paring knife and an eight-inch chef's knife.

The fee for each course is \$50. For kitchen-safety reasons, classes are limited to 16 participants. Classes will be held in Statler Hall (parking lot 2), room H028.

To register for "The Friday Night Flavor" series, call 845.434.5750, ext. 4213 or register by email at [SCCCWorkforce@sullivan.suny.edu](mailto:SCCCWorkforce@sullivan.suny.edu). The series is presented by the Office of Workforce Development Continuing Education and Lifelong Learning at SUNY Sullivan.

## OUR AREA ON THE BIG SCREEN SHORT LOCAL FILMS AT TUSTEN THEATRE

On Sunday, October 24, Delaware Valley Arts Alliance and NACL present an afternoon of short local films: documentary and dramatic stories with a connection to the Upper Delaware Valley. Screening starts at 2 p.m. at the Tusten Theatre, 210 Bridge Street, Narrowsburg, NY. Works to be presented include:

*Mary Last Seen* (2010) by Sean Durkin, a short film beautifully shot on location in Sullivan County, which screened at this year's Sundance and Cannes Film Festivals. A pre-cursor to Durkin's feature film *Martha Marcy May Marlene* currently in production in Lew Beach and Monticello, the short traces the journey of a young woman (Alexia Rasmussen) who embarks on a trip to the Catskill Mountains with her boyfriend (Brady Corbet). But we soon suspect that her destination is not what she had in mind. Never shown before in the area.

*Everything You Always Wanted to Know About the Callicoon Center Band* (2010, work in progress) a documentary work-in-progress that celebrates 75 years of the beloved Sullivan County band and the community that makes it possible. Directed by Academy-Award-nominated filmmaker Alice Elliott.

*Home* (2010), a documentary portrait of performer, organic farmer, and mother Tannis Kowalchuk, who co-founded NACL Theatre in Highland Lake 10 years ago. Directed by Narrowsburg's Tina Spangler.

*Demon on Wheels* (2010, work in progress). Meet Mike, a master mechanic who grew up in the small Catskills town of Margaretville, and who's rebuilding a classic muscle car. In the process, he finds a vehicle to renew his connection to his community. Fresh from the editing room, this documentary is a work in progress directed by Christina Eliopoulos.

*Lucky Lake* (2009), Tina Spangler's historic documentary short about Narrowsburg's little-known African-American vacation community, a place where the American dream came true... until the water was stolen.

Plus, local historical footage from Narrowsburg's 1953 bicentennial parade, celebrating the 200-year anniversary of the town, shown courtesy of the Tusten Historical Society. And Sullivan County logging industry footage (circa 1930), shown courtesy of Alice Elliott.

Also, time-lapse video studies from Narrowsburg's SkyDog Farm by Kevin Vertrees and Andrea Reynosa, artists and co-founders of Brooklyn's Smack Mellon Studios. (5 min)

The show begins at 2 p.m. and tickets are \$8. For more information, visit [www.ArtsAllianceSite.org](http://www.ArtsAllianceSite.org) or call 845-252-7272.

The 80-year old art deco-style Tusten Theatre is located at 210 Bridge St, Narrowsburg, NY and features an eight-month schedule of cultural programming including jazz, opera, performance art, folk music, and theatre. This event is funded in part by a grant from the New York State Council on the Arts, celebrating 50 years of building strong, creative communities in New York State's 62 counties.

## WOODSTOCK CHIMES' CEO PRESENTS "TUNING BY NATURE" WORKSHOP AT SUNY ULSTER

The community will get an insider's look at how instruments are tuned from the founder of the Woodstock Chimes business when Garry Kvistad presents "Tuning By Nature," as part of his fall Larry Berk artist-in-residency at SUNY Ulster.

Kvistad, a Grammy-winning musician who has performed around the world and has grown an international business of instrument building, will present the workshop on Oct. 13, 7 p.m., at the Vanderlyn Hall Student Lounge.



Kvistad will share the ancient *Just Intonation* system that is used to tune his company's wind chimes and instruments. The session also will include demonstrations of special musical equipment built for tuning and exercises on rhythmic patterns as building blocks of pure musical tones.

Russell Hartenberger, Acting Dean of the Faculty of Music and Professor of Percussion at the University of Toronto, will join Kvistad as a special guest to play two works by Steve Reich, "Clapping Music" and "Marimba Phase." Both Kvistad and Hartenberger have performed with Reich for more than 30 years, have won Grammy awards for their recordings with him, and are members of the Toronto-based percussion group Nexus that will perform as part of the series on Nov. 20.

Hartenberger, who holds a PhD in world music, has studied music and performed around the world with groups, musicians and leading orchestras, including the Paul Winter Consort, Ensemble Modern of Germany, John Wyre's World Drums, Woodstock Beat and New Music Concerts of Toronto.

The event is open to the public with an \$8 suggested donation. For more information, call (845) 687-5262 or visit [www.sunyulster.edu](http://www.sunyulster.edu).

**SENIOR WRITING WORKSHOP IN WOODSTOCK**

Writers at all levels of experience, beginner to expert, are invited to the Writers Workshop of the Woodstock Senior Recreation Program. Whether interested in non-fiction, memoirs, short stories, plays or poetry, writers age 55 and above may join the group, which meets in the Community Center, Rock City Road, Woodstock, from 12:00 to 2:00 p.m. on the first and third Thursdays of each month.

The workshop stresses trying out new forms and content in a supportive atmosphere. No fee is required. The workshop is led by experienced writer, editor and instructor Lew Gardner. For further information, phone (845-679-2880)

**OCTOBER IS NATIONAL FIRE PREVENTION MONTH AMERICAN RED CROSS IN GREATER NY URGES PEOPLE TO HAVE SMOKE ALARMS IN THEIR HOMES**

As the country marks National Fire Prevention Month the American Red Cross in Greater NY is urging everyone to help save lives by making sure their home is protected by smoke alarms.

"Nearly two-thirds of home fire deaths occur in homes with no smoke alarms or alarms that don't work," said Bob Imbornoni, American Red Cross in Greater NY Chief Response Officer. "Smoke alarms provide a few minutes of advance warning in the event of a home fire, and that extra time can save lives."

People who do not have smoke alarms in their home should have them installed, and those with smoke alarms should make sure they have been properly maintained and updated.

Smoke alarms should be installed on every level of the home, as well as inside bedrooms, and outside sleeping areas of the home. People should test their smoke alarms once a month by pushing the test button, and replace alarm batteries at least once a year. Other smoke alarm safety recommendations include:

- o Installing a new smoke alarm battery immediately if an alarm chirps, warning that the battery is low.
- o Teaching children what the smoke alarm sounds like, and what they should do when they hear it.
- o Keeping the alarm clean by vacuuming over and around it regularly. Dust and debris can interfere with the alarm's operation. Do not paint over the smoke alarm.
- o Moving the alarm farther away from the kitchen or bathroom if the device is sounding nuisance alarms. Never disable a smoke alarm.

The Red Cross also recommends that families create and practice a home fire escape plan, which should include at least two escape routes for every room in the home. Families should choose a convenient meeting place outside of the home and practice their escape plan at least twice a year with all family members.

Nationally, the Red Cross responds to thousands of local fires throughout the country every year. Last year, the Greater New York Chapter alone responded to 1,500 fires which accounted for 72% of the Chapter's annual responses.

Red Cross NYC Director of Disaster Response and former FDNY Emergency Response Services Chief Charlie Wells reminds people in a short video of the following important fire safety tips they should take:

- o Keep all sources of fuel (paper, clothing, bedding, and carpets or rugs) at least three feet away from all heat sources when cooking, or using alternative heating like a space heater.

- o Don't leave the kitchen while frying, grilling or broiling food, and don't leave home while cooking.
- o Keep matches and lighters away from and out of the reach of children.
- o If a fire occurs, get out and stay out. Call the fire department from a cell phone or neighbor's home.
- o If smoke or fire blocks the first escape route, use a second way. If someone must exit through smoke, they should crawl low under the smoke to the exit. If escaping through a closed door, feel the door before opening it. If the door is warm, get out a different way.
- o If smoke, heat, or flames block the way out, stay in the room with the door closed. Signal for help using a brightly colored cloth at the window. If there is a telephone in the room, call the fire department and tell them the location

More information on home fire safety is available on [www.nyredcross.org](http://www.nyredcross.org). People can help those affected by home fires and other emergencies by making a financial donation to support American Red Cross Disaster Relief. Your gift enables the Red Cross to prepare for and provide shelter, food, emotional support and other assistance in response to disasters. Visit [www.nyredcross.org/](http://www.nyredcross.org/) or call 1-877-REDCROSS (1-877-733-2767). Contributions may also be sent to American Red Cross in Greater New York, 520 W. 49th Street, New York, NY 10019.

About The American Red Cross in Greater New York - The American Red Cross in Greater New York (ARC/GNY) is a key humanitarian partner and a vital participant in New York's plans and programs to help over nine million people in New York City and Orange, Putnam, Rockland and Sullivan counties prevent, prepare for and respond to emergencies. The Chapter responds to an average of 7 emergencies a day-fires, floods, building collapses-and provides immediate humanitarian aid to as many as 100,000 people affected by these disasters each year. Additionally, the Chapter helps New York residents and businesses prepare for emergencies by offering hundreds of lifesaving courses and emergency preparedness training programs and resources.

The American Red Cross in Greater New York is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, not a government agency, and relies on donations to fund its free humanitarian services. For more information about how you can help, call 1-877-RED CROSS (1-877-733-2767), or visit [www.nyredcross.org](http://www.nyredcross.org). You can also follow us on Twitter [www.twitter.com/redcrossny](http://www.twitter.com/redcrossny).

**BROWNIE AND GIRL SCOUT WEEK-ENDS PLANNED AT FROST VALLEY YMCA**

Girl Scouts and Brownies can earn badges and enjoy the spectacular surroundings of the Catskill Mountain high peaks at a series of theme weekends at Frost Valley YMCA in Claryville.

A Brownies Try It! Weekend will be held from Friday-Sunday, Oct. 29-31. Brownies will complete their 'Eat Right, Stay Healthy' Try It! and the 'My Body' Try It!

Rounding out the fun for the Brownies will be plenty of frightfully fun activities with a Halloween theme, including Frost Valley's legendary Haunted Trail.

A Girl Scout Adventure Badge Weekend is planned for Nov. 12-14. Participants will complete their 'Adventure Sports Badge,' which includes challenging outdoor activities like low ropes, tower climbing, knot tying, tree identification, and shelter building.

A Healthier You will be the theme of a Girl Scout weekend from Friday-Sunday, Dec. 10-12. Scouts are encouraged to bring their friends and earn two badges 'A Healthier You' and 'Be My Best.'

All of these weekends are specially priced and designed as a combination of fun and skill building. Frost Valley also has a full schedule of Scouting weekends planned for 2011. These include:

- Winter Sports Weekend, Feb 11-13: Scouts work toward winter sports badges with activities like cross-country skiing and snowshoeing.
  - Eco-Challenge Weekend, March 18-20: Scouts learn about their surroundings and work toward their Adventure Sports badges.
  - Girl Scout Earth Day Celebration, April 8-10: Participants explore how they can better protect and become a steward of the natural world.
  - Horsemanship Weekend: May 20-22: Scouts spend a weekend working with horses and earning their 'Horse Fan' and 'Horse Rider' badges.
  - Camping Adventure Weekend, June 3-5: Girls spend the weekend outdoors earning their 'Camp Together' and 'Outdoor Cook' badges.
- Special pricing is in effect for all of these weekends. For additional information, please e-mail: [info@frostvalley.org](mailto:info@frostvalley.org) or call (845) 985-2291, or visit: [FrostValley.org](http://FrostValley.org). To keep up with daily happenings, join Frost Valley at [twitter.com/frostvalley](http://twitter.com/frostvalley) or

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 Frost Valley YMCA, located at 2000 Frost Valley Road in Claryville, provides four seasons of outdoor educational opportunities for more than 35,000 children and adults each year of all ages, backgrounds and abilities. All Frost Valley YMCA programs incorporate the values of caring, honesty, respect, responsibility, inclusiveness, stewardship, diversity and community. The camp is located just 2.5 hours drive from metro NY / NJ in the Catskill Mountains.

**CWC NEWS**  
**AN ARMOR/ARBOR PROJECT**



Hard rock and sturdy trees and shrubs planted last month along the Schoharie Creek in Prattsville faced floodwaters October 1, and though there were some vegetative losses, the project remains intact. The riparian project involved the CWC, the NYC Department of Environmental Protection and the Student Conservation Association (SCA). CWC, under its Stream Corridor Protection program, funded stone rip-rap to armor the toe of the stream bank on the O'Hara farm just above the Schoharie's juncture with the Batavia Kill. The bank was graded to decrease the slope and make it more stable, and the meander bend of this reach was also adjusted to make it more functionally appropriate. Enter the DEP, which provided 4,000 tree and shrub seedlings raised from Catskill native seeds at the DEP's nursery on Staten Island. In September, 30 members of the SCA Hudson Valley AmeriCorps program spent three days planting them in a volunteer effort coordinated by Robyn Worcester, an SCA member and an intern with the Greene County Soil & Water Conservation District's Watershed Assistance Office in Tannersville.

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT DAY RESCHEDULED FOR OCT. 20**

The 10th Annual Catskills Local Government Day, canceled on October 1 because of widespread flooding in the region, has been rescheduled for Wednesday, Oct. 20. It will be held at Catskill Mountain Foundation's Doctorow Center for the Arts in Hunter. Registrants have been notified of the change. Those who did not register for the event but are interested in attending can find the agenda and other information at [www.cwconline.org](http://www.cwconline.org), where they can also register. Deadline: October 15.

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**LETTER TO THE EDITOR:**

I'd like to take a brief moment to thank the Administration and Staff of Tri-Valley Central School. Our community was shocked and affected by the terrible criminal happenings at the Renaissance Project last Wednesday. As a parent of three middle-school students I feel the need to recognize the diligence of Tri Valley School staff. Although I was over an hour's drive away from home, the school was constantly in contact with my cell phone and email accounts. I felt confident in my children's safety. I was able to make adequate arrangements in order to have my parents meet my children at my home upon dismissal from school. Thank you for keeping our children safe.

Best regards,  
Janna Comando-Worden  
Grahamsville, NY

**THEY ARE GETTING CLOSER, GET READY TO ENJOY THE HOLIDAYS!**



With the leaves turning and falling giving us signs, we know it is time to make sure our homes are ready for the 'long winter's nap'!

If you enjoy holiday preparations over housekeeping, here are a few tips that will give you more time to spend on crafts and holiday fun!

Spend 5 minutes a day tidying the main rooms of your home. A day's worth of dirt is easier to tackle than a week's accumulated mess. Then, every two weeks, do a quick, deep clean. Clean each room from top to bottom, dry to wet. Knock dust and dirt from high places down to low places. And always dust before mopping and dry-wipe before cleansing. When your home is clean and organized you will be able to relax and enjoy the holiday fun with everyone else. If you are a crafter, or re-cycler, How about making a recycled light bulb pumpkin?



Items Needed - Burned out light bulb; Can of clear acrylic spray paint; Acrylic Paints: Orange, Black, Green, & White; Raffia; Toothpick; Paint Brush

Paint your light bulb using orange paint. Allow your paint to dry. Once your orange paint is dry, paint the socket section of your bulb with green paint and extend the green paint down the bulb slightly. Now using a toothpick or fine liner, paint tiny lines with black paint, adding little dots between the lines. (See photo for details), paint the face using black paint and add teeny lines with white paint to highlight the eyes. Let dry and then outdoors, spray your pumpkin with clear acrylic spray paint.

Tie a small raffia bow around the socket area and, if you like, you can tie a small ribbon or string around the socket to use for hanging. These little pumpkins look so cute added to colorful fall leaves and will make a great centerpiece.

**HINCHEY, HALL HELP SECURE NEW HOUSING IN WALDEN FOR FEMALE VETERANS RETURNING FROM IRAQ AND AFGHANISTAN**

Congressman Maurice Hinchey (D-NY) and Congressman John Hall (D-NY) today announced they helped secure a federal investment to help pay for new supportive housing in the Village of Walden for female veterans returning from Iraq and Afghanistan who face difficult economic and other challenges. The \$575,000 investment will support the redevelopment of a nursing home into supportive housing for 20 veterans and will also be used to purchase a vehicle to provide transportation to and from the shelter.

"As our men and women in uniform return home many of them face serious obstacles and challenges," said Hinchey who wrote a letter in support of the grant. "As a result, homelessness among Iraq and Afghanistan veterans, and particularly women veterans, has increased and become a tremendous concern. Homelessness for our veterans is an unacceptable situation, and this federal funding, along with several other initiatives I've voted for, will help to address this problem in Orange County."

"For a nation as great as ours, there are far too many homeless veterans living on the streets after returning home from their extraordinary service," said Rep. Hall. "This funding provides the hundreds of homeless veterans in the Hudson Valley with the care we promised to provide them when we sent them off to war. We have as much of an obligation to care for our soldiers while on the fields of battle as we do when they are in living in our communities."

Hinchey, a senior member of the House Appropriations Committee, and Hall, who serves on the House Veterans' Affairs committee, are strong supporters the Homeless Providers Grant and Per Diem Program, which is funded through the Military Construction and Veterans Affairs Appropriations bill. The program provides funding and per diem payments to help public and nonprofit organizations establish and operate new supportive housing and service centers for homeless Veterans. The funding announced today will be administered by the Regional Economic Community Action Program (RECAP) in Orange County.

President of the RECAP Board of Directors John D. Pagan stated, "On behalf of RECAP and its Board of Directors, we would like to thank Congressmen Hinchey and Hall for their assistance in the procurement of this federal grant. This funding will allow RECAP to rehabilitate a 20-bed nursing home to provide supportive housing for homeless single female veterans returning from the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan."

Hinchey, who enlisted in the U.S. Navy after graduating from high school, and Hall have supported a variety of additional measures designed to address homelessness among veterans. Earlier this year the congressmen voted to pass the Caregivers and Veterans Omnibus Health Services Act of 2010, now law, which expands the number of places where homeless veterans may receive supportive services. They also voted to pass the End Veteran Homelessness Act of 2010, now law, to increase funding for successful programs for homeless veterans, requires each VA medical center that provides supporting housing services to provide housing counselors, strengthens permanent housing programs, and pays special interest to the needs of homeless women veterans and homeless veterans with children.

Established in 1965, RECAP is a registered non-for-profit, anti-poverty, private organization, committed to helping Orange County residents meet their most basic and fundamental needs. Working in conjunction with federal, state and community agencies, both public and private, RECAP takes a proactive stance in combating the symptoms of poverty, by mobilizing, coordinating, and administering the much-needed funds and services to local area residents.

A veteran of the U.S. Navy, Hinchey served in the Pacific on the destroyer U.S.S. Marshall after graduating from high school. As a strong proponent of veterans issue on the House Appropriations Committee, Hinchey traveled to Afghanistan in December 2001 following the U.S. invasion. Last year, during the week of Thanksgiving, he visited the country for a third time to have a holiday dinner with the troops, and recently made a fourth trip to the country earlier this year.

Since his election to the US House of Representatives in 2006, and as Chairman of the House Veterans' Affairs Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs, Congressman Hall has been a tireless advocate for the proper care of our veterans.



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U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand will host a roundtable tomorrow to discuss how clean energy production can power New York into the new energy economy of the future. The Senator will also discuss new legislation to provide grants and tax credits to manufacturers of goods and components that are used in clean energy projects. Clean energy development is essential to spurring economic development in the Hudson Valley, creating jobs, breaking America's dependence on foreign oil and fossil fuels, and protecting the environment.

Solar energy has the potential to be a major job creator in the Hudson Valley. According to a recent study by the University of California at Berkeley, solar energy creates more jobs for every megawatt installed than any other energy technology. New York State is already a leader in both the solar manufacturing and installation fields, with more than 7,000 solar firms employing over 75,000 people.

**HINCHEY TALKS SC JOBS WITH WORKS AT MURRAY'S CHICKEN**

Fallsburg, NY - Congressman Maurice Hinchey (D-NY) today toured the Murray's Chicken facility in South Fallsburg with owner Murray Bresky. The congressman talked with the plant's management and workers about his efforts to create jobs for residents of Sullivan County. He emphasized the important role of small business in restoring the economy and reiterated the need for middle class tax relief. As a strong proponent of small businesses, agriculture and local infrastructure development, Hinchey has focused extensively on promoting economic development in the Catskill region. The visit to Murray's Chicken was the congressman's first since he mediated and resolved a recent issue with the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) during which the facility was shut down for a brief time.

Q" Murray's Chicken is one of the most important local employers and businesses in this area, and we are proud that this local business continues to operate in South Fallsburg, offering high quality, naturally-raised poultry. In light of that, I spent many hours working to resolve the recent issue between the USDA and Murray's, knowing that every day the plant was closed, local workers and their families were losing money from their paychecks," said Hinchey. "Over 350 people make their living at this facility, and in this difficult economy, we should be promoting small businesses rather than straining them further. That's why I remain committed to doing everything I can to protect the jobs we have in our local community while pushing to attract and create new opportunities. In Sullivan County, that starts with middle class tax relief, supporting small businesses, being more innovative about the way we pursue agricultural opportunities, and by delivering strategic federal investments for infrastructure to lay the groundwork for economic development and reduce the burden on local taxpayers."

QHinchey was a leading proponent of the Making Work Pay Tax Credit, which cut taxes for 95 percent of working families. The congressman is also supporting an extension of tax credits for middle income earners, but said that now is the wrong time to provide new tax cuts for millionaires and billionaires that could only be paid for by borrowing from China. Specifically, the congressman said he would oppose new tax cuts for those earning more than \$250,000 a year.

Hinchey also discussed a series of initiatives he supported to help small businesses create jobs. The congressman voted to create the Small Business Lending Fund to extend \$300 billion in loans to small employers, and voted to pass the HIRE Act, which provides tax exemptions and credits for every new worker a company hires. Hinchey also worked to help small businesses provide health care benefits with a tax credit to cover 35 percent of health insurance premiums.

The congressman is also working directly with Fallsburg Town Supervisor Steve Vegliante to ensure that the Town of Fallsburg remains eligible to receive infrastructure investments through USDA Rural Development. Hinchey has been working with the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Agriculture to fix a recent USDA rule change that is preventing certain local governments, including Fallsburg, from accessing millions of dollars in loans and grants through the Water (Next Col.)

and Waste Disposal program

Hinchey has worked to deliver a number of critical federal investments that are helping to move Sullivan County's economy forward. Hinchey was instrumental in securing \$800,000 in funding move forward the construction of the Southern Catskills Red Meat Processing Facility, which is expected to create over 50 jobs in the local agriculture industry. The congressman also recently announced that two USDA Rural Development grants were moving forward to help promote expanded broadband access and community wind energy development in Sullivan County.

**BONACIC ASKS STATE AGRICULTURE COMMISSIONER TO HELP WITH SC EFFORT TO BRING FEDERAL AGRICULTURE SECRETARY HERE**

State Senator John J. Bonacic (R/I/C - Mt. Hope) has asked New York State Commissioner of Agriculture and Markets Patrick Hooker, for help bringing Federal Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack to Sullivan County.

Sullivan County Leaders are attempting to have Vilsack visit the County as part of Secretary Vilsack's rural communities tour. Bonacic has received the "Circle of Friends" award from the NYS Farm Bureau for his continuous support of Agriculture.

"Agriculture is New York's number one industry. Sullivan County is ideally suited to expand its agricultural sales to New York City. Bringing Secretary Vilsack here can certainly help promote Sullivan County's tremendous agricultural service," Bonacic said.

Bonacic also has helped support the agricultural industry by working to help develop the Dairy Assistance Act - which provided aid to Dairy Farmers in the State before the program was eliminated by Senate Democrats. Bonacic also was key to promoting the State Department of Agriculture and Markets Purchase of Development Rights program, which helped farmers by using a combination of aid to purchase development rights - preserving key agricultural lands and assisting farmers.

Bonacic indicated that he felt if Republicans regain control of the State Senate next year, as expected given recent publicly available polling data, that agriculture will again be a priority for State government. "When your three decision makers are Sheldon Silver and David Paterson from Manhattan, and John Sampson from Queens, the rest of the State is not represented, and agriculture gets put on the chopping block. We must work to reverse that and I believe this coming year it will be reversed, and agriculture will be given the support it deserves," Bonacic said.

**OFFICIALS REQUEST SULLIVAN COUNTY ADDED TO USDA RURAL TOUR - INVITE SECRETARY TOM VILSACK FOR PERSONAL VISIT**

Monticello - County Manager David P Fanslau has announced that the County Legislative leadership issued a joint letter with his office to the Honorable Tom Vilsack, Secretary of the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), requesting that Sullivan County, New York be added to the USDA's Rural Tour: Renewing America's Promise.

President Barack Obama launched the Rural Tour, an effort to engage in a more robust dialog with folks living in rural America. The USDA Rural Tour mission is in part, building a foundation for success and prosperity for the new, 21st century economy. This will require a collective and collaborative effort amongst all stakeholders working together.

"The USDA's Rural Tour will provide a much needed focus on Sullivan County's uniquely situated location to provide farm fresh food and products to the New York City metropolitan area's "food belt". Furthermore, providing an opportunity to link the farm to table needs of the metropolitan area will create agribusiness opportunities in Sullivan County," said Jonathan F. Rouis, Chairman of the Sullivan County Legislature.

"Our rural communities would be well-served by a Rural Tour visit by you and your staff. In September of 2007, Sullivan County adopted a "Green Vision Statement" resolution that promotes renewable energy and farmland protection, among other initiatives," added Legislator Kathleen M. LaBuda, Majority Leader of the County Legislature and Chair of the Planning, Environmental Management, and Real Property Committee.

Sullivan County, New York is uniquely situated to link local farm production to local consumption, and link local farm production to the supply chain of the NYC metropolitan area food (Next Col.)

belt, which would provide for farm fresh products and food security to the more than 21.2 million residents and businesses in the metropolitan region, including Connecticut and New Jersey area populations.

"We believe that a Rural Tour stop will also place a renewed spotlight on our tourism industry that capitalizes on our outdoor recreational opportunities, agribusiness opportunities, and ecosystem markets," said Legislator Leni C. Binder, Minority Leader of the County Legislature and Chair of the Public Safety Committee. "A Rural Tour Stop in Sullivan County will strengthen the "food belt" initiatives and needs that have been highlighted by the New School and Columbia University of Manhattan," added Binder.

Sullivan County has received notice of a recent federal EDA grant of \$800,000 for the Southern Catskills "red meat processing facility" that is expected to support the creation of more than 50 new agricultural jobs and three to five direct jobs at the plant itself.

**CAHILL EARNS TOP MARKS ON ENVIRONMENTAL SCORECARD Annual Voter Guide Highlights Cahill's Leadership on Clean Energy and the Environment**

Assemblyman Kevin Cahill (D - Ulster / Dutchess) tied for the highest mark in the Legislature in the Environmental Planning Lobby / Environmental Advocates 2010 Voters' Guide (<http://www.eplvotersguide.org/>). The scorecard considered lawmakers' positions on forty-seven measures taken up during the 2010 Legislative Session.

"Our energy and environmental policies are the keys to the future of our state, especially when it comes to our economy," said Assemblyman Cahill. "The effort to transition from fossil fuels to clean energy solutions is the industrial revolution of the 21st Century."

"Assemblyman Kevin Cahill is one of the environment's most consistent champions. A past 'Legislator of the Year' award winner, he's been especially committed to supporting clean energy initiatives that will save consumers money and create new jobs," said Robert Moore, Executive Director, EPL/Environmental Advocates. "In the only scorecard that grades New York State lawmakers according to their votes on important environmental bills, Assemblyman Cahill is one of our greenest legislators."

The Voters' Guide covered a wide range of issues related to climate change, water and air quality, waste, clean power and energy conservation. Among the measures examined were Assemblyman Cahill's efforts to enhance net metering, update the energy building code and improve consumer access to energy efficiency financing through the Green Jobs Green New York Program. Cahill also received high marks for his leadership on preventing state park closures.

"State park closures would have been devastating to our environment and the local businesses that depend on the people they bring to our region. That is why I led the fight to keep them open," said Assemblyman Cahill. "We have the opportunity to grow a new energy economy right here in the Hudson Valley. My agenda prioritizes policies that advance conservation and clean energy technologies so we have the tools to succeed."

Assemblyman Cahill routinely ranks at or near the top of the EPL / Environmental Advocates annual scorecard. In 2008, he was named Environmental Legislator of the Year for his work as Chair of the Assembly Energy Committee.

**CELEBRATE SUMMER READING WITH ASSEMBLYMEMBER CAHILL**

Assemblymember Kevin Cahill (D-Ulster, Dutchess) would like to remind area students and their parents that entertainment, prizes and fun are awaiting their arrival at the New York State Assembly Summer Reading and Exercise awards ceremony at the Kingston Library tomorrow, Friday, October 8th from 5:30-6:30pm. Celebrate your accomplishment with family and friends while enjoying entertainment by singer-song writer Cecilia St. King and a meet greet with Assemblymember Kevin Cahill.

Assemblymember Cahill would like to take the time to mention and thank the local merchants who helped to make this night a guaranteed good time for all: Target, Sam's Club, Woodstock Chimes, Anaconda Sports, Stewart's, Parisi Speed School, Hudson River Maritime Museum, Kentucky Fried Chicken and Modell's.

"I look forward to seeing familiar faces from years past as well as new participants at the awards ceremony in October," said Assemblymember Cahill.

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MARGARETVILLE, NY, Oct. 7, 2010 - The 10th Annual Catskills Local Government Day, a day of workshops, panel discussions and training for local government officials, Catskills residents and businesspeople, will be held Wednesday, Oct. 20 at Catskill Mountain Foundation's Doctorow Center for the Arts, Main Street, Hunter.

The event was originally slated for October 1 but widespread flooding in the region on that day caused the sponsoring Catskill Watershed Corp. to reschedule it.

The agenda remains largely the same, except that two separate classes for Code Enforcement Officers have been replaced with one four-hour, four-credit class on Stormwater Pollution Prevention.

Those who were registered for the original event will be given the opportunity to re-register. Others who

may be interested can register on-line at www.cwconline.org, where the agenda, workshop descriptions and presenter profiles may be found.

The fee for the day, including lunch, is \$10 and must be paid in advance. Deadline to register is Oct. 15. For information or to receive a hard copy registration form, contact Frieda at 845-586-1400.

Concurrent morning sessions will be held in the comfortable three-theater arts center operated by the Catskill Mountain Foundation (CMF). CMF Chairman Peter Finn will participate in a panel discussion titled "For the Good of the Community: Local and Regional Foundations and How They Work." Glenn Pontier of the Gerry Foundation, and Diane Brown of the Community Foundation of South Central New York will also be on the panel. A roundtable discussion with four area businesspeople will follow on the topic "Stimulating Business Through Public/Private Partnerships."

A team of planning experts will present a two-part workshop, "Putting the Main Street Toolbox to Work" which will be of interest to planning and zoning board members seeking to fulfill annual training requirements.

Following a buffet lunch, participants may choose from two field trips led by CMF staff: The Sugar Maples Arts Center and Farm in Maplecrest, where multidisciplinary art classes are offered all summer in a renovated former resort, and where the CMF operates a 4.5 acre farm utilizing the Natural Agriculture method taught by the Japanese organization, Shumei. The second field trip will be to the Orpheum Theater in Tannersville, a prime example of arts-based economic development of the local and regional area. CMF expects to open the new theater later this fall.

The CWC is a non-profit, local development corporation responsible for several environmental protection, economic development and education programs in the New York City Watershed West of the Hudson River. For more information, go to www.cwconline.org, or call toll-free 877-928-7433; or 845-586-1400.

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## NEW YORKERS SAVE \$30 MILLION WITH COUNTY Rx DISCOUNT CARD PROGRAM NYSAC/ProAct achieves "\$30 million in 30 months"

New Yorkers have saved more than \$30 million in prescriptions, under the Prescription Drug Discount Drug Program endorsed by the New York State Association of Counties (NYSAC). More than 30 counties are now participating in the ProAct Rx Discount Card Program, first endorsed by NYSAC two years ago.

"In just 30 months we have been able to help hard working New Yorkers save more than \$30 million on over 1.2 million prescriptions," said NYSAC Executive Director Stephen J. Acquario.

Program data through the end of August shows \$31,001,567.51 in savings, amounting to an average savings of 45% per script filled. Since the program's inception over 1.3 million scripts have been filled.

There are currently 35 participating counties across New York State that have partnered with ProAct to make this program available to their constituents, with another 2 counties slated for implementation in the month of November. "This program provides an effective way for counties to provide immediate and sizeable financial relief for their residents at the pharmacy counter," David B. Warner. "For many New Yorkers, this card is the difference in being able to afford their medications or not."

Monroe, Hamilton, Schuyler and Yates counties have been the most recent counties to move forward with the program, with Genesee and Greene counties coming on board over the next couple months. The ProAct Prescription Drug Discount Card Program is the only New York State based discount card program, and is endorsed by NYSAC, which represents New York State's counties.

"In these difficult economic times it is more important than ever for our counties to do as much as possible to help our residents. The ProAct Discount Drug Program is one way that we can provide real support and real savings to New Yorkers who need help with their prescription drugs," said Acquario.

ProAct has recently observed a surge in card use, attributed to the recent expansion of the discount card program to include discounts for vision care, LASIK surgery and hearing products and services. For details on these new benefits visit, [www.NYRxDiscountCard.com](http://www.NYRxDiscountCard.com).

The following counties are participating in ProAct's Prescription Drug Discount Card Program. Other counties interested in participating in the ProAct Program can contact Erison Rodriguez, 315-413-7780 ext.3212 or [erisonrodriguez@proactrx.com](mailto:erisonrodriguez@proactrx.com).

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## HINCHEY ANNOUNCES INITIAL APPROVAL OF \$5 MILLION FOR SUNY NEW PALTZ SOLAR INITIATIVE

Congressman Maurice Hinchey (D-NY) today announced he has secured a key House panel's approval of a major investment that will allow the State University of New York at New Paltz to develop a test lab for solar energy research and development on behalf of the Department of Defense. Hinchey, a senior member of the House Defense Appropriations Subcommittee, secured approval from the subcommittee for the \$5 million investment.

"This investment would allow SUNY New Paltz to work with The Solar Energy Consortium in developing cutting edge solar technology for the Department of Defense," said Hinchey. "It will also engage students and faculty in a growing American industry, helping prepare them for the jobs of the 21st century. It's going to allow us to continue attracting new solar energy companies to the Hudson Valley."

While the Hudson Valley's solar energy industry is growing, many of the companies are just beyond their startup phase. With the Department of Defense (DoD) seeking to adhere to a 50 percent "Made in America" requirement for all solar energy related purchases, many of the region's (Next Col.)

solar companies are positioned to play a major role in that effort.

The investment for which Hinchey has secured initial approval would allow for the creation of a "test and characterization laboratory" led and staffed by SUNY New Paltz Engineering and Science professors and students. In this environment, equipment, knowledge, and tools would be shared and guidance would be available to assist companies in meeting the thick array of regulations and technical requirements set forth by DoD.

The funding would also be used by the business school to develop a program to help the region's solar companies navigate the procurement process. Its professors and students will help these emerging and growing companies to understand the newest competitiveness models, develop a culture of innovation, and understand how to best service the DoD in its solar needs.

Hinchey was joined by SUNY New Paltz Interim President Donald Christian and Vincent Cozzolino, CEO and Founder of The Solar Energy Consortium (TSEC) who detailed how the program will work.

"Collaborating with the Department of Defense and The Solar Energy Consortium will lead to wonderful learning opportunities for our students and research possibilities for our faculty," said Christian. "And such partnerships are consistent with our campus mission to address regional economic needs and with Chancellor Nancy Zimpher's strategic plan for the SUNY System to support solar energy development and to help new and existing New York businesses to innovate, prosper, and grow."

"I am proud and pleased that TSEC and SUNY NP will work together, through this grant, to service the many new solar companies in the region," said Cozzolino. "This project will help the companies grow through technical, business innovation, and analytical research support provided by the college community."

Earlier this year, Hinchey successfully amended the House's version of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2011 to require all solar energy panels purchased by DoD through subcontracts be made by U.S. manufacturers. Hinchey's amendment built upon Buy American Act provisions, which require that products purchased directly by the federal government contain at least 50 percent of American content. The legislation must now be considered by the Senate.

"Every time I visited Afghanistan, I heard about the dangerous missions that are the source of a significant number of U.S. military casualties in Iraq and Afghanistan," said Hinchey. "By shifting away from a dependence on oil and instead using more solar energy for military equipment in the desert, we can help save the lives of our troops who will no longer need to go on as many refueling missions. And through this investment and others, we can achieve that goal with technology that is researched and manufactured right here in the Hudson Valley."

Hinchey led the effort to establish The Solar Energy Consortium (TSEC) to build partnerships between local universities and solar energy startups. The cooperative and coordinated approach has helped create more than 600 solar jobs, with nearly 1,000 additional jobs expected in the next two years.

## HINCHEY HIGHLIGHTS NEW LEGISLATION TO SUPPORT AND ASSIST U.S. VETERANS Meets to Discuss Needs of Veterans, Advancements in 111th Congress

Congressman Maurice Hinchey (D-NY) today met last week with fellow veterans at the Dusenberry-Flannery VFW Post 2064 in Maybrook to outline several new laws recently passed by the House of Representatives that have improved health care and education benefits while modernizing the Veterans Administration budgeting process to ensure proper planning and delivery of those benefits.

"Last year I made my third of four trips to Afghanistan to have Thanksgiving dinner with the troops," said Hinchey. "It once again reminded me of the tremendous debt we owe to those who serve, and one of the main reasons why I've been working so hard to improve veterans' benefits. When they come home, they deserve to have access to high quality health care, education and all of the benefits they've earned. I am committed to ensuring that veterans returning from the front lines don't have to then wait in line to get the services and benefits due to them. We've made important strides in the past several years making sure that the federal government provides the necessary financial support for these programs and succeeded in increasing funding for veteran services by 60%. However, as a result of fighting two wars, the needs only continue to grow, and we need to do more."

Last week, Hinchey voted to pass (Next Col.)

two new bills: the Veterans' Benefits Act, which will improve job opportunities, benefits, and programs for homeless veterans; and the Securing America's Veterans Insurance Needs and Goals (SAVINGS) Act, which requires life insurance companies to be more honest and transparent in order to help veterans avoid potential scams. Hinchey also highlighted several other accomplishments he has voted for during the last Congress.

-Updated the G.I. Bill for the 21st Century - Now law, Hinchey voted to pass the Post-9/11 G.I. Bill, providing the greatest overhaul of the G.I. Bill in over 20 years and covering the cost of a college education at a public university. Since August 2009, the VA has issued Post-9/11 G.I. Bill benefits to almost 250,000 individuals and \$1.2 billion in education benefits have been paid to veterans for education.

-Provided Advance Appropriations for Veterans Health Care - As a member of the Appropriations Committee, Hinchey voted to provide advanced appropriations for the VA to stabilize funding for medical care to veterans. Prior to this change, the VA lacked the ability to budget ahead, causing backups and delays in the delivery of services.

-Increased Funding for Veterans Health Care - Hinchey has voted to add \$23 billion for veterans' health care and services since 2007.

-Increased Support for Veteran Caregivers - Hinchey voted to pass the the Caregivers and Veterans Omnibus Health Services Act of 2010, which created a program to offer caregiver training, access to mental health counseling, and 24-hour respite care in the veteran's home. The Caregivers Act also allows eligible veterans of Operation Enduring Freedom and Operation Iraqi Freedom to select a caregiver to receive a financial stipend along with travel and lodging expenses associated with the veteran's care.

-Improved Health Care for Iraq and Afghanistan Veterans - Hinchey voted to provide an additional three years of VA health care eligibility for returning Iraq and Afghanistan veterans (for a total of five years) and voted to improve and expand the VA's ability to care for returning Iraq and Afghanistan veterans suffering from traumatic brain injury.

• Addressed Urgent Mental Health Needs of Veterans - Hinchey voted to provide funding for a much needed and long-awaited study on veterans' suicide and to require the VA to provide counseling referrals for members of the Armed Forces who are not otherwise eligible for readjustment counseling. Hinchey also voted to create a 24-hour toll-free suicide hotline which has served more than 115,000 veterans, family members, and friends.

• Instituted Reforms to Address the Benefits Backlog - Hinchey helped pass legislation to hire 8,300 additional claims processors and to provide essential reforms to bring the claims processing system up-to-date for more accurate and timely delivery of benefits to veterans, families, and survivors.

• Updated VA Home Loan Program - Hinchey voted to provide veterans with the necessary time to readjust from the battlefield back to their homes or communities without fear of losing their home by prohibiting foreclosure for nine months after military service. Hinchey also voted to increase the VA loan limit to better match current home prices and voted to revamp the VA home loan program by enabling more veterans to refinance with VA loans.

• Expanded Veteran Homelessness Prevention and Care - Hinchey voted to expand the number of places where homeless veterans may receive support services and voted to require each VA medical center that provides supporting housing services to provide housing counselors.

Hinchey is the also the author of the Carmelo Rodriguez Military Medical Accountability Act, which would allow service members who become victims of medical malpractice at a military medical facility to hold those responsible accountable. Current law prevents malpractice lawsuits from being filed against the military regardless of the egregiousness of the situation. The bill is named after the late Sgt. Carmelo Rodriguez of Ellenville, New York, who died of skin cancer in 2007 after a series of extraordinary mistakes and misdiagnoses made by military medical personnel.

A veteran of the U.S. Navy, Hinchey served in the Pacific on the destroyer U.S.S. Marshall after graduating from high school. As a strong proponent of veterans issue on the House Appropriations Committee, Hinchey traveled to Afghanistan in December 2001 following the U.S. invasion. Last year, during the week of Thanksgiving, he visited the country for a third time to have a holiday dinner with the troops, and then made a fourth trip to the country earlier this year.

Town of Neversink Parks & Recreation Department
www.townofneversink.org
(845) 985-2262 extension 312

GAMES & SOCIALIZING -FREE fun every Friday afternoon 1 pm - 4 pm in the upstairs meeting room in the Town Hall.

Look for coming details about Breakfast with Santa on Saturday, December 4

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Quote of the Week

Free men are the strongest men.
Wendell Willkie

AL-ANON MEETINGS

Monday 7:00 p.m. United Methodist Church, 170 N. Main Street, Liberty
Thursday 7:00 p.m. Immaculate Conception Church Annex, 6317 Route 42, Woodbourne
Saturday 8:00 p.m. United Methodist Church, 170 N. Main Street, Liberty
http://www.al-anon.alateen.org

SULLIVAN BOCES ANNOUNCES DATES FOR 12 HR CLASS A&B, CDL WRITTEN TEST PREPARATION

Monticello: BOCES' Adult Education Program is now accepting students for its 12 hour Class A&B CDL Training.

This 12-hour course provides all the necessary skills to pass the written Class A&B CDL Test. This lecture and audio/visual presentation covers all the relevant Class A&B information, and endorsements. The course also includes valuable test-taking procedures that are helpful in obtaining your permit.

Choose a number of evening courses offered at the St. John Education Center in Monticello. The cost of the course is only \$154.00. Courses will run for the following groupings:

October 12th-14th Tues/Wed/Thrus 6:15-10:15 pm; November 8th-12th Mon/Tues/Wed/ Fri 6:00 - 9:00 pm; December 6th, 8th, 13th & 15th Tues/Wed 6:00-9:00 pm

You will also have the opportunity to sign up for the road practice training. The CDL A course requires 160 hrs. of training at a cost of \$17,182, there is also another CDL A that requires 80 hrs. of practice at a cost of \$9,122, and the CDL B which requires 21 hrs. of practice at a cost of \$2,899.

Registration is needed prior to the start of the class so call today (845) 791-4070 to register.

For more information about the other courses the Adult & Continuing Education Program at BOCES has to offer please call (845) 791-4070 or lo onto our website at www.scboces.org.

ARE YOU LOOKING FOR A NEW CAREER? HOW ABOUT BECOMING A PHLEBOTOMIST?

Monticello: BOCES' Adult Education Program is now accepting students for its Introduction to Phlebotomy Class starting on Oct 12th.

This is a 53-hour accelerated course with a 20 hour internship to be completed within 3 months after the 53-hour class. The focus will be on chemistry, medical hazards, and safety while learning other procedures necessary for the multi-skilled healthcare professional.

The classes will be held at the Rubin Pollack Education Center in Liberty from 4:00 pm to 7:00pm on Tuesdays and Thursdays from October 12th to December 21st.

The class does require prerequisites: The individual should be employed in the healthcare field or has completed a health related course or have a minimum of 6 months experience and have a High

- 10/14/10 Dept. of Motor Vehicles Neversink Town Hall 10:00 am - 2:30 p.m.
10/16/10 Claryville Reformed Church Penny Social -at 5:00 pm, calling 6:30.
10/17/10 SC Historical Annual diner - 4 pm 434-8044
10/19/10 Grahamsville Methodist Church Thrift Sale (9-2) and Luncheon (11-1)
10/19/10 Town of Neversink Zoning Board of Appeals
10/19/10 Claryville Fire Dist Public Hearing of Budget 7:00 pm followed by regular meeting
10/19/10 Neversink Fire District Monthly Meeting 7:30 -Public Meeting 8:00 pm
10/20/10 SC Office for Aging Budget Hearing at 9 am (with breakfast) Ted Stroebele Center
10/20/10 Neversink Rondout Antique Machinery Association
10/26/10 Town of Neversink Parks & Recreation 7 pm - Upstairs Meeting Room 10/2/10
10/26/10 Basic Caregiving Skills Cornell Cooperative Extension SC 4-6 pm -RSVP at 292-5250 by October 22
10/28/10 Time and the Valleys Trustees Meeting 7:00 pm
10/29/10 SLAC Monthly meeting Legislative Hearin Rm Govt. Ctr Monticello - 10 am
11/1/10 Time and the Valleys Work Committee Meeting 12:30
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11/2/10 TOWN OF NEVERSINK HOLIDAY - ELECTION DAY
11/3/10 Town of Denning Board Meeting 7:00 pm Denning Town Hall
11/3/10 Town of Neversink Planning Board Meeting
11/4/10 First Thursday Readers - Danial Pierce Library - 1:00 pm. All invited.
11/6/10 Sundown Methodist Church Covered Dish Supper - 5:30 pm Sundown Church Hall
11/6/10 12TH ANNUAL VETERAN'S DAY PARADE Rt 42/52 (Main St. ) Woodbourne - 1:00 pm
11/6/10 Grahamsville Reformed Church Roast Turkey Dinner - 4 - 7 pm
11/10/10 Town of Neversink Town Board Meeting
11/16/10 Town of Neversink Zoning Board of Appeals
11/9/10 Town of Denning Audit Meeting 7:00 pm Denning Town Hall
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SUNY ULSTER SCHEDULES NURSING INFORMATION SESSION OCT 21

Ulster County Community College will hold an information session about its Nursing degree program on Thursday, October 21, at 4:00 p.m. in room I21, at the Business Resource Center, in Kingston..

This session will provide information on the admissions process, the program curriculum including pre-requisites and co-requisites, as well as new testing requirements. For further information and reservations, phone the Admissions Office at (800) 724-0833 or email admissions@sunyulster.edu.

Further information about the Nursing program can be found at www.sunyulster.edu.

SUNY ULSTER WORKSHOP "BOOKS & BRIEFCASES" OCT 13

SUNY Ulster will offer a workshop "Books & Briefcases" on October 13, from 5:30-7:00 p.m. in room 116 of the Business Resource Center, located along Ulster Avenue, in Kingston.

Meet the Director of Career Services and learn how SUNY Ulster can help you explore the world of work and identify degree options to start you on the path to a meaningful career. Discuss your prior learning experience, alternate modes of earning college credit and the enrollment process with an Admissions Counselor.

A seat for this free information session can be reserved by calling the Admissions Office at (845) 687-5022 or by emailing:

admissions@sunyulster.edu.

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**Denning Democrats**

**Oil, Gas, and Halliburton Politics**

The U.S. Chamber of Commerce is the poster child for corporate corruption of our electoral system. **Halliburton** once headed by Republican, Dick Chaney, is a leader in transnational business. HB now sells about \$40 million a year worth of oil field services to the Iranian Government. Suspect? **We are at war with factions from there that support terrorism.**

In addition, **Honeywell manufactures** many of its products in **Iran**. Suspect? **We are at war** with factions from there that **support terrorism.**

However, a new report by the **Center for American Progress** reveals that some of that corporate cash might be coming from foreign entities, which would be a federal crime.

There is already entirely too much corporate cash spent on our elections. It is intolerable to think that our democracy should be further undermined by **illegal donations from foreign interests.**

This year alone the **Chamber** has pledged to **spend \$75 million on ads attacking candidates** who do not meekly cow-tow down to the biggest and wealthiest corporate interests.

**Needed solutions:** Strengthen disclosure. Require new disclaimers. Address coordinated spending. Guard against foreign influence. Enact shareholder protections. Loosen political party campaign spending laws. Provide public financing for elections.

This deception of foreign money influencing American lives is not acceptable. A new set of laws are needed defining corporations as business entities only with limited rights. Let us begin by stopping the doing of business as masked corporate contributors. As long as the corporation masks the identity of those not supporting the common good, we will have no jobs! No living wage! **No American Dream!**

Why do we do business with countries that are questionable? Is the bottom line for the corporate wealthy worth the lives of our children? I say no, it is not! Foreign corporations investing in our politics creates Twin Tower disasters.

Hinchey and Hall Secure \$3.75 Million in Defense Authorization Bill for C-17 Mission at Stewart <http://hinchey.house.gov/index.php>

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**Knarf's "Classic Movie Trivia**

**The Treasure of the Sierra Madre**



This 1948 classic is "Bogie" at his best. Bogart himself spelled his nickname, "Bogie," plus he was the originator of the "Rat Pack." Johnny Carson took over after Bogie's death, then Sinatra took the lead. *The Treasure of Sierra Madre* is the epic story of three prospectors fighting off bandits and each other after striking-it-rich in the Mexican Sierra Madre Mountains.

Cast: Humphrey Bogart, Walter Huston, Tim Holt, and Bruce Bennett Dir: John Huston BW-126 mins, TV-PG on TCM Saturday October 9, 10:00 pm.

Quiz,

- A. Who played the character "Howard?"
- B. Who played the character "McCormick?"

**What's going on in the Gnome Neighborhood™ this week?**

**Hurleyville**

Walking into one of our new advertiser's place of business, "**Nadia's Best**," reminded me of the late 1950's "Café Figaro," a Greenwich Village Bistro where you would find clientele enjoying the evening's fare! "**Nadia's Best European Home Cooking and Catering**," at 222 Main Street, Hurleyville, NY 845.434.0597 is located on the left, coming into Hurleyville from the Loch Sheldrake side. Open daily at 9:00 am, with a Thursday to Sunday special from 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm- only **\$12:00 per person BUFFET that includes Live Music** 4 nights a week and great food. BYOB if you like.

This past **Thursday's live jazz great musicians included** the very talented **guitar of "Al Defino,"** a man, who in his long career, has accompanied the best, from Frank Sinatra, Dean Martin, Sammy Davis Jr., and Liza Minnelli. Al Defino is one of the great solo guitarists. Among the diners on Thursday evening were, "Sundowners," Paul and Laura Nasierowski, joined by Mr. & Mrs. C., who enjoyed some of the old Italian songs, ala' Jimmy Rosselli, along with great food, and music. You cannot go wrong at "**Nadia's Best!**"

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**ANSWER TO KNARF'S MOVIE TRIVIA**

A. Steve McQueen  
 B. Brian Keith