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## Vets Celebrate with Community



Veterans and members of the community came together on Saturday at the Grahamsville Fairgrounds to celebrate a day of fun, great music, food, and much more, all devoted to enhancing the quality of the lives of veterans.

Throughout the day Veteran Green Beret Derek Stoner along with local artists, Albi and Jesse Noren entertained with expressive music creating a memorable mood.

Among the demonstrations and workshops were: Skilled artisans presenting beautiful woodworking crafts; Fly Tying and Lure Making for the angler; Horseshoe tournament, Guided Hunts; Archery and xe throwing; a writing workshop and a storytelling workshop; an animal therapy demonstration; and Touch-A-Truck for the children with many other activities for the children.

According to Dr. Lauren Roman, Veteran and Veteran Advocate Project Manager/Vet Fest, "Vet Fest is not just about activities; it's a platform for veterans to connect, share experiences, and build lasting relationships. Network with fellow veterans, discover new hobbies, and explore occupational opportunities that can help enrich your life."

"Vet Fest is a day dedicated to honoring our veterans and celebrating their contributions to our community."

## The Evolution of the Neversink Rondout Antique Machinery Association and Its Annual Antique Tractor Show

The Neversink Rondout Antique Machinery Association, commonly referred to as NRAMA, recently hosted its 24th Annual Antique Tractor Show on September 21st at the Grahamsville Fairgrounds. While this has become a yearly tradition in the Town of Neversink, there is a lot of history behind NRAMA and its show.

In early 1999, some good friends, Paul Kelly, Dave Pomeroy and Al Hall, from the Neversink-Grahamsville area were working on their tractors, as they usually did, when they came up with the idea to form an organization comprised of members interested in restoring and preserving antique farm equipment. (Contd. Pg. 4)



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Psalm 50:7

## OBITUARIES

**Pauline Kocijanski**, of Woodbourne, NY, passed away on



September 17, 2024 at Garnet Health Medical Center, Harris, NY. She was 87.

She was the daughter of the late Andrew Rusin and Katherine Katiz, born on January 16, 1937 in Brooklyn, NY, she had two bother George & Joseph.

Pauline worked & retired as a Teacher's Aide for Tri-Valley Central School District with over 25 years of service. She enjoyed summer vacations with family, which included camping, boating fishing, bicycle riding & traveling to family adventure parks. She was a devoted member of the church & had strong faith & values in religion.

She is survived by her sons John of Monticello, Jim and Frances of Sparks, Nevada; granddaughters of Katie of Albany and Meghan of Arlington.

She is predeceased by her husband Thaddeus (Ted) Kocijanski; her parents Andrew and Katherine Rusin; son Michael Kocijanski; brother George Rusin & sister-in-law Joan Rusin, daughter in-law Theresa Kocijanski, brother-in-law Stanley Kocijanski and sister-in-law Wanda Cypert.

A funeral service will be held on Friday, October 4th at 11am at Grahamsville United Methodist, 350 Main Street, Grahamsville, NY 12740. Burial will follow at Grahamsville Rural Cemetery.

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

### October 20, 1954

Hurricane Hazel put 480 telephones out of order in the exchanges of Grahamsville, Ellenville and Kerhonkson on Friday night. Gales of wind broke heavy limbs and branches and blew down trees, poles and wires. With extra crews from Kingston, Albany, Troy and Schenectady, restoration was completed quickly by Sunday evening.

Two important occasions are being observed at the Robert Many home this Thursday. It is the 95th birthday of Mrs. Mary Ann Many and the wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Many.

Wild creatures in fur and feather,  
and finely dressed for any weather  
And the hunter wearing  
Woolrich clothes  
prepares for any wind that blows.  
For the hunter,  
KUM TO KRUM'S

### September 30, 1964

Sharon E. Van Keuren, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Van Keuren of Meyers Road, Neversink, entered the Roosevelt Hospital School of Nursing on September 8th as a member of the class of 1966, the second class to be enrolled in the school's recently innovated two-year diploma program. Miss Van Keuren is a 1964 graduate of Tri Valley Central School.

Francis J. Stangel, 79, of Woodbourne, died September 23, 1964 at Veterans Memorial Hospital, Ellenville after a long illness. He was born in Centerville N. Y. on March 26, 1885, the son of Ambrose and Caroline Kless Stangel. He was married to the late Catherine O'Hara Stangel on December 29, 1907. He was a member of the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Woodbourne. He is survived by three sisters: Mrs. Mary Distel of Ellenville, Mrs. Josephine Dill and Mrs. Cecelia Eidel, both of Woodbourne and several nieces and nephews.

### October 20, 1974

Star Scout Douglas Hamilton of Grahamsville Troop 187, recently received the Boy Scouts of America Meritorious Award for his quick and outstanding actions in December of 1972 in preventing severe burns and further injury to his younger brother, John whose clothes had caught fire. (Contd. Pg. 3)

## Days of Yore...

### Today's History

(From Pg. 2) Douglas put the fire out with his hands and received burns to them in doing so. Douglas is the son of John Hamilton Sr. of Westbrookville, N.Y. and Barbara Hamilton of Grahamsville.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Strangeway of Grahamsville have announced the engagement of their daughter, Pamela to William Lake, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Lake of Roscoe. Miss Strangeway, a graduate of Tri Valley Central School and SCCC, is now majoring in Elementary Education at the State University of N.Y. at Oneonta. Her fiance graduated from Roscoe School and SCCC and is also attending Oneonta State majoring in Science.

### October 25, 1984

Karla M. Ferber and John Leyden were married October 20, 1984 in the Dutch Reformed Church in Grahamsville with the Rev. Harlan Nyhof officiating. The bride is the daughter of Hulda Ferber of Grahamsville Robert Ferber of Saranac Lake, N.Y. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Leyden of New City, N.Y. The bride graduated from Tri Valley Central School and the Beauty School of Middletown. She is employed at Le Salon of Liberty as a hairdresser. The groom is employed by the Highway Department in Denning.

## LOOKING BACK

Beatrice Akerley  
Published July 30, 1998

On looking back, life was much simpler when I was growing up in Grooville. I had no expensive Barbie Doll with an expensive wardrobe to play with. On very hot days my sisters Edith, Kathryn and I played on the back porch of our home.

We were truly happy to have the celluloid dolls with the dents in them that dad gave us. He couldn't sell them in the store as they were not perfect. I liked the five inch dolls the best because they had movable arms and legs. This made it easier to make dresses for them. I begged mother for scraps of material left over from her sewing projects for doll clothes. Often I would swap cloth scraps with my sisters, thus giving my doll a greater variety of colors and prints.

I used no pattern, I just folded a piece of cloth, cut it to fit right and made sure that the slit opening at the neck would fit over the doll's head. Then I sewed up the sides and "voila", I had a doll dress. We kept our dolls and clothes in an old trunk that dad said we could use and it was on the back porch. We'd sit and chat while we sewed and outfitted our dolls and we enjoyed doing it too.--"inexpensive fun."

When my sisters and I grew tired of snipping, sewing and chatting, they usually went to their bedroom to read and I hurried to my favorite spot in my maple tree, my friend and companion. My mother would say that the tree "never let the cat out of the bag" regardless of the many secrets that I shared with it.

### Household Hint:

#### Stock a Rag Bin

Grandma was thrifty so she never, ever threw out a scrap of fabric. Clothes that were too worn became cleaning cloths. Use cotton diapers, or tear old flannel sheets and cotton T-shirts into square cleaning rags. They'll last forever.

### Nature Column - L. Comando

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

## Much Ado About Pumpkins

This is the week that almost everyone in the Tri-Valley area is talkin' pumpkin! People are busy baking pumpkin pies, pumpkin bread, pumpkin muffins, and pumpkin cookies. Pumpkin is the subject of many conversations. Why? It's time for the **Annual Giant Pumpkin Party and the Children's Parade! Fun! Fun! And more fun!**



Interestingly, pumpkins are believed to have originated in Central America. Seeds from related plants have been found in Mexico, dating back over 7000 years to 5500 B.C. There is evidence that the Native Americans depended on pumpkins as a main food source long before the arrival of European explorers. They used the sweet flesh in numerous ways: roasted, baked, parched, boiled and dried. They ate pumpkin seeds and also used them as a medicine. The blossoms were added to stews. Dried pumpkin were stored and ground into flour. They pounded strips of pumpkin flat, dried them, and wove them into mats for trading.

The pilgrims living in the new world, heartily embraced the sweet, multi-purpose fruit using pumpkin not only as a side dish and dessert, but also in soups. They even made beer from pumpkin!

A pumpkin is actually a squash. It is a member of the Cucurbita family which includes squash and cucumbers!

Pumpkins, like other squash, are native to North America. They typically have a thick, orange or yellow shell, creased from the stem to the bottom, they contain the seeds and pulp. Traditional Cucurbita pepo pumpkins generally weigh between 6 and 18 pounds, with the largest cultivars of the species C. maxima, reaching weights of over 75 pounds.

The color of pumpkins is derived from the orange pigments abundant in them. The main nutrients are lutein and both alpha and beta carotene, the latter of which generates vitamin A in the body.

Pumpkins produce both a male and female flowers. Honeybees play a significant role in fertilization.

The world record held at 459 pounds until 1981, when Howard Dill of Nova Scotia broke the record with a pumpkin weighing 493.5 pounds. Dill patented the seeds used to grow this giant pumpkin, deeming them Dill's Atlantic Giant seeds, and drew growers from around the world. Dill was credited for all of the giant pumpkins, most of which are borne from crossing and re-crossing his patented seed with other varieties. By 1996, giant pumpkins had crossed the 1,000-pound mark. The current world record holder is Mathias Willemijns of Belgium who set the world record in October 2016 with a humongous 2,624 pound pumpkin!! I wonder who will win this year's giant pumpkin competition at the Pumpkin Party, and how big that pumpkin will be! We will just have to wait until Saturday, go to the Giant Pumpkin Party and see this year's Giant Pumpkins for ourselves.

**... and now, it's time to get ready for the 38th Annual Giant Pumpkin Party this Saturday from 9:00 am to 4 pm at the Grahamsville Fairgrounds.**

## The Evolution of the Neversink Rondout Antique Machinery Association and Its Annual Antique Tractor Show

(From Pg. 1) The first meeting, held on February 17, 1999, was an organizational meeting called together with its first members: Al Hall, Dave Pomeroy, Paul Kelly, Buster Terbush, Harold Buley, Stephen and Tom Cypert, Al Welch, Herb Lepke, Dwight Coombe, John Noren, Bob Ehrhard, Preston Kelly, Josh and Bob Drown, Ray and Donna Denman, Pete Furman, Ray and Dot Muthig, Carl Denman, Ron Wright and Archie Dean. It was decided to meet every month. At the March 17, 1999 meeting the Neversink Rondout Antique Machinery Association (NRAMA) was officially born. The organization had already recruited over 15 members for these first meetings, and membership continued to grow each month. NRAMA currently has over 95 members from Neversink-Grahamsville and several neighboring areas.

Al, Dave and Paul created NRAMA as a way to bring together members of the community that wanted to preserve the history and equipment used on the farms. The first year the members focused on learning what's needed to be an official organization. They also attended various tractor and antique equipment shows throughout NY, participating in parades and "showing off" the tractors, engines and farm machines they had restored and preserved. They have been an integral part of the Grahamsville Little World's Fair for several years, hosting a tractor parade and having an area devoted to displaying tractors of all makes and models.

In October 1999 the organization started planning for their very own show. The first show, held on September 23, 2000, was called the "Neversink Rondout Antique Machinery Association Antique Power Equipment Show and Swap Meet". It had antique tractors, trucks, fire trucks, motorcycles and snow mobiles; several antique engines and machinery; pedal tractors and pedal tractor pulls; tractor parade; music; and lots of delicious food. The show was a great success, and it sealed the path of the Annual Tractor Show, with the organization voting to hold the show every year in September. As the show continued, several features were added that became the attendee favorites such as the hayrides and Timmy the Train.

In addition to the annual show, in 2004 NRAMA decided to sponsor a Farm Home Garden Lawn Expo which focused on providing the community with hands on information to help them in their everyday lives. There were educational sessions and demonstrations on lawn and garden equipment; home repairs; equipment rentals; landscaping and excavating; real estate and banking; and the list went on with over 80 service agencies, dealers and vendors at the show. This show was held in April of each year from 2004 until 2006. In February 2007, the club members decided to combine the Farm Home Garden Lawn Expo with the annual tractor show. This decision was a difficult one for the members, but was necessitated by the shortage of volunteers available to help with both shows.

2004 was also the beginning of one other important achievement for NRAMA. This was the year of the very first scholarship awarded to help students advance their education in the machinery field. The idea of the scholarship was born from a suggestion by NRAMA President Paul Kelly as a way to not only thank the communities but to further the interest in heavy machinery and auto mechanics. The first scholarship was awarded to Michael Green, a graduate of Liberty Central School and the Sullivan County BOCES Automotive Technology program. NRAMA has continued this tradition of awarding scholarships every year to students who want to pursue their dreams in the mechanical industry.

Over the years NRAMA continued to complete several restorations of farm machinery, attend many shows including their own and participate in several parades. Aside from these, NRAMA gives back to the community in many ways. They have sponsored educational classes for the youth on farm equipment safety and how to use this equipment. They successfully worked with the Sullivan County Farm Bureau to develop a resolution which would exempt antique tractors from the new government ruling on truck emissions. And they continue to preserve history by restoring and preserving tractors, engines and other farm equipment.

The NRAMA show tradition continues. While some things have changed for the show over the years, the primary focus remains the same "to educate, demonstrate, and preserve" farm equipment and machinery. This year's show had tractors of all makes and models, with the focus on the John Deere; demonstrations of hit & miss engines, sawmills and shingle mills; a showroom of antique household and small farm equipment; pedal tractors, hayrides, face painting and Timmy the Train rides; vendors of all kinds. This year's events included live entertainment with Jon Zanger and DJ Mark Hyser; a beer garden featuring our local Bridge & Tunnel Brewery and food galore including the Grahamsville Fire Department's famous chicken barbeque and our Tri-Valley Little League delicious slushies and finger foods; and the highlight of the show –the popular Tractor Parade.

There is a small fee to attend the show with a portion of the proceeds going to support our Tri-Valley Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) who handle the entrance gate, and the remainder going towards the annual scholarship. NRAMA also has a great raffle each year with proceeds supporting the scholarship.

Plans are already underway for the 25th Annual Antique Tractor Show next year. If you would like to participate, you can contact Paul Kelly (NRAMA Board Director Member) at 845-985-0081 or Cher Woehl at 845-985-2401 or [cherwoehl@gmail.com](mailto:cherwoehl@gmail.com). If you call and there's no answer, please leave a message. And for more information on the show and other NRAMA activities check-out our NRAMA Facebook page.

NRAMA is so much more than just a "group of people" talking about their tractors. NRAMA is more than just an antique tractor show. It is an organization that strives to promote the preservation of antique tractors and machinery. It fosters education, promotes interest and encourages the exchange of information and support on said equipment. It looks to bring together men, women and youth of all ages interested in farm equipment, its uses and its preservation. It is a charitable, non-profit organization that gives back to the communities and supports the advancement of our youth.

Over the years many of NRAMA's members have passed on, but their legacy remains. Existing members continue to support and sustain the founding members goals and vision. NRAMA is always looking for new members, young and old, to help them carry on the legacy of our founding members and to continue with the preservation and education of antique farm machinery. NRAMA has meetings from April through December, open to the public, every 3rd Wednesday of the month at 7:30 pm at the Grahamsville Fire Department. For more information on the organization contact NRAMA President Eric Akerley at 845-707-1483 or via email at [ericakerley@gmail.com](mailto:ericakerley@gmail.com).

(Contd. Pg. 5)

# The Neversink Rondout Antique Machinery Association Over the Years

### Scenes from 2002 Tractor Show:



Smaller tractors all in a row



And the larger ones



Fire Trucks from all over joined the show

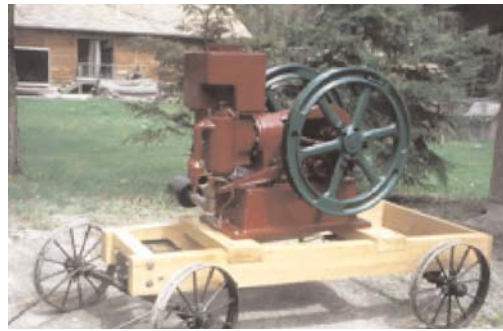


Cars cruised in to be on display



In 2002 Security came on horses

### Over the years with NRAMA:



The Hit & Miss Engine restored by the club



From the larger tractors



To the smallest



To the minimalist and ...



The Ugliest (as awarded to Paul Kelly)

### And the 2023 Show:



Tractors .....



The Shingle Mill Demo by Russ Turner & Tim Rexford on his Farmall Tractor



The Tractor Race judge by Paul Kelly Lining up for the tractor parade



The Laundry Station run by the Hit & Miss Engine



Gearing up for the 2024 Tractor Show: Lloyd Greer, Paul & Kathy Kelly, Eloise



McKeon & Seymour Streigold at the 2024 Grahamsville Fair

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## The Dirty South

### Legacy Mysterious Book Report No. 102

by John Dwaine McKenna

## Mysterious Book Report No. 420

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In the NOW, a man who's pledged to destroy evil, an extraordinary detective, ace P.I., and ex-NYPD Homicide Investigator named Charlie Parker, senses "wrongness approaching and trouble circling" at the start of John Connolly's newest: *The Dirty South*, (Emily Bestler Books/Atria, \$28.00, 438 pages, ISBN 978-1-9821-2754-1). He walks home and waits . . . for whatever misfortune is about to come his way. So, he's ready when the phone rings and a voice he hasn't spoken to in decades says, "They pulled a body from the Karagol." That's followed two sentences later by: "*In the end, the past claims us all.*"

And so begins THEN, which tells the story of who, what, how and when the body came to be in the lake . . . and most importantly . . . why.

It's sometime in the 1990s. Bill Clinton, the former Governor of Arkansas, has been elected President of the United States and the residents of Cargill, a small town located smack-dab in the middle of the poorest county in Clinton's former state, are breathlessly, eagerly and impatiently awaiting the arrival of prosperity. *It's been promised*, is the often heard, often repeated mantra of the long-suffering residents. *We have to be patient. It's gonna come. It's been promised . . .*

Cargill is still waiting, late into Clinton's second term. The Cade family, under the leadership of aging patriarch Delane "Pappy" Cade, has been amassing a real estate empire in anticipation of a boom – and better times – coming to their small corner of the world. It finally might happen too, that long-dreamed of prosperity, if Cargill and Burdon County Arkansas is picked to be the place where a huge multinational corporation by the name of KOVAS, builds its new facility. Cargill, and somewhere in Texas are the finalists. It's come down to one or the other, with Cargill the apparent favorite because of subtle help from President Clinton.

There's only one problem. The ritualized and savage murders of three teenage girls . . . two in the last three months, and another back in 1993. The nature of the killings are what's drawn Charlie Parker to town . . . he's tracking the serial killer who tortured and murdered his wife and daughter . . . and after a rocky start in which Parker spends his first night in the Cargill jail, he agrees to put his expertise to work, helping to solve the monstrous slayings, before word gets out and blows the KOVAS deal. The fate of the entire county hangs in the balance.

The electrifying action and relentless pacing, combined with Mr. Connolly's engaging writing style, will keep new and old fans alike, face-down in the pages, reading until late, late at night. As his work is becoming more widely read and recognized for its originality and sheer genius, John Connolly is at last receiving the world-wide fame that he so richly deserves. Read him for yourself and discover why!

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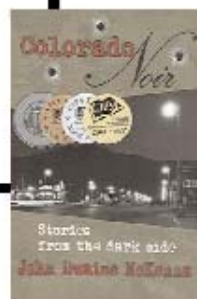
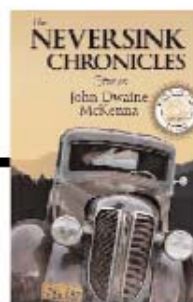
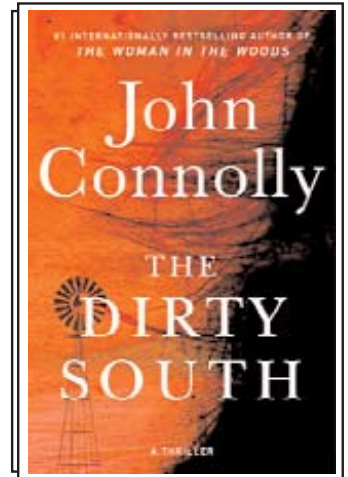
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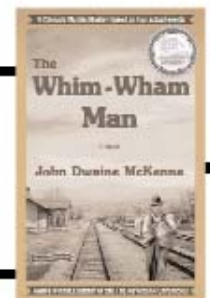
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# The Olive Jar

by Carol Olsen LaMonda

## Pumpkins Everywhere

In case the calendar didn't remind you about the autumnal equinox, Mother Nature uses pumpkins to turn out attention to sweatshirt weather and early sunsets. Pumpkins are everywhere: fields, front porches farm stands.



Orange shouts, "Look at me!

I'm over here!" We usually

reserve orange for danger and safety signs, but Mother Nature uses the color liberally in the fall. Leaves demand we look at them to appreciate the beauty around us in autumn. Pumpkins remind us that the harvest is the last opportunity to stock up for winter. Jack-O-Lanterns encourage us to have some fun at Halloween and keep the

tradition of costumes and decoration as little ones ring doorbells seeking a treat. Orange transitions

us from the marigolds of summer to the chrysanthemums of fall. It is our last hurrah before the bright crayons are put away for another season that requires only browns and grays.

I keep procrastinating ( my natural state, for sure). about bringing my houseplants in from the porch. They, my annuals, and my new mum plants and giant pumpkins are so beautiful, but I know that frost is just around the bend.

Here is a poem I wrote about Orange:

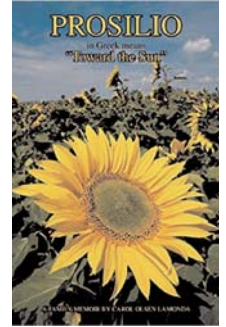
Orange is gregarious;  
 Orange never whispers;  
 It shouts and screams,  
 In outrageous sunrises and sunsets,  
 Flaunting and spotlighting Fall's  
 wardrobe.  
 It out-shines, in vivid hues of mums,  
 The pale petals of summer.  
 Orange asks us to slow down,  
 Like a traffic light  
 Changing from green lawns  
 To dull grasses and bare trees,  
 Screaming, "Look Out!  
 Red is coming next  
 In Santa suits and bows on green  
 wreaths."  
 Orange cautions us,  
 "Snow is coming." Prepare!



### The FamilyMemoir, PROSILIO...

... in Greek means "Toward the Sun," was written by Carol Olsen LaMonda. Carol writes the column "The Olive Jar" for *Ye Olde Tri-Valley*

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## Mark Your Calendars!

GPP, bingo, and LEGO programs offer Autumn fun

By Lisa Carroll

GRAHAMSVILLE –We're just days away from our **38th annual Giant Pumpkin Party**; hoping the weather holds out (fingers crossed) for this most festive extravaganza! Join us Saturday, October 5 at the Grahamsville fairgrounds from 10AM to 4PM and partake in a fabulous lineup of activities, entertainment, food and vendors. It's sure to be a day filled with fun, laughter and great memories.

For a complete listing of GPP contests, costume march details or a map please visit our website or come to the library. New this year, we will be conducting a healthy, non-perishable food drive to support our community's nutritional needs. Please drop off food donations in the boxes by the rock climbing wall at the GPP Adventure Zone. Also keep in mind that the library will be closed this Friday, October 4 in preparation of GPP.

Speaking of a great lineup, please visit the library or check out our upcoming events on our website



*Our fall adult paint and sip program on Thursday, September 26 was a big hit. Many enjoyed the guiding advice of local artist, Robin Raykoff, as they painted their custom fall gnomes. All the paintings came out so well! Keep on the lookout for more creative programs available at the DPL.*

for our full listing of fall activities. We just held our adult paint and sip program where participants unanimously agreed it was a fantastic time. A huge 'thank you' to Robin Raykoff for guiding the group



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as each painted their very own fall gnome masterpiece. Our fall children's programs will begin the week of October 14 and the Halloween Event for Tri-Valley students in grades 7 through 12 will be held October 23 from 5:30 to 6:30. Teens will be designing their own custom trick-or-treat bags, just in time for Halloween or the Tri-Valley PTO Truck or Treat set for October 26. Then, kicking off October 30, will be our three children's fall LEGO programs. To register for any of these programs please visit our website and complete the online registration form.

Also, stop by the library ASAP to purchase Sportsmen's Bingo tickets. The Grahamsville Fire Department-along with the DPL-are excited to announce this year's bingo will be on Saturday, November 2. Doors open at 6PM with calling starting at 6:30PM. There will be seven games with great prizes-including a 2 person guided fishing trip, smart TV, pelican kayak, camping equipment package, a Pit Boss BBQ Grill and Smoker and a variety of meat packages. Contact the library or a fire department member to purchase a ticket, each is \$35. These tickets go fast, so make sure you grab one as soon as possible. Besides all the incredible bingo prizes there will be additional tricky tray prizes to take a chance on.





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## The Scene Too

By Jane Harrison

So much going on! It's hard to know where to start. We lost another music venue when THE HASBROUK TAVERN closed indefinitely a little over a week ago. The leak in the enormous steel piping in one of the Roundout Reservoirs is finally being addressed. Hurricane Helene plowed far inland, devastating so much including Asheville where a dear friend moved two years ago. (No word from her or her family yet.) And then there was the Sunday power outage here. Hurleyville was completely out by 11:30am, forcing the concert at the museum quickly to find another place and try to reach out to who were planning to attend to let them know. By one, I had heard a good share of Fallsburg was out along with the entire shopping plaza with Shoprite in Monticello. And Walmart closed. Then parts of Liberty were out. I DO NOT want to hear that a squirrel chewed a wire. My electric has been winking out momentarily some random part of each day for months.



But last week on Sunday, I had the chance to catch THE JOHNNY JULES BAND at CABERNET FRANK'S. It was great seeing everyone, JOHNNY, RICK TYLER on bass, MANGO MIKE on mandolin, and BOBBY D on Dobro. I ran into RICK a few weeks ago in a medical waiting room where I had the chance to hear all about his new upright bass and the pragmatic plan he has to learn to play it. On stage, they surprised me with several tunes I had not heard before! I know the repertoire is vast and Johnny constantly revises the song list for a gig to the configuration of the band, which keeps his performances always interesting without losing that Americana/bluesy/country-ish feel. What a great afternoon!

Then came the rest of the week. I spent most of the week fighting a viral something with chills, sneezing, coughing and exhaustion that came on super early Tuesday morning and left late Thursday night just as fast as it came on. (Yes, I tested for CoVid. Negative) Just in time for me to get in the car and a drive to Syracuse to see the great DOOBIE BROTHERS 50TH ANNIVERSARY TOUR stop at the ONCENTER WAR MEMORIAL ARENA, (the ticket was a birthday present)

This group, unlike so many others, can boast of four of the original members TOM JOHNSTON, who has a voice that is instantly recognizable in many of their hits (LISTEN TO THE MUSIC, ROCKIN' DOWN THE HIGHWAY, IT KEEPS YOU RUNNIN'), as is PATRICK SIMMONS with BLACK WATER and SOUTH SIDE MIDNIGHT LADY. Then you have JOHN McFEE. Not with his voice but with his highly recognizable violin, harmonica and pedal steel guitar riffs.

MICHAEL McDONALD came along a bit later with iconic voice that is recognizable as TOM JOHNSTON'S that, in my opinion, helped extend the era. McDONALD did do his WHAT A FOOL BELIEVES and was a back up on a song that is usually his, TAKIN' IT TO THE STREETS (which was sung that evening by TOM JOHNSTON as McDONALD seemed to be having trouble with his voice)



*As close as I could get*

And the additional touring musicians were stellar: JOHN COWAN (bass/vocals) MARC RUSSO (saxophones - yes more than one), ED TOTH {on the drums} and MARC QUINONES (percussion). Each of these guys can be found throughout THE DOOBIE BROTHERS recordings.



*All here for the Doobie Brothers concert*



This is one of the few major groups that I had never seen live but have all their music. If this writing is a bit dry it's because I'm still basking in the experiences. What a perfect way to end summer!! And my column.

Please keep my friend Bonnie and her family in Asheville, and another friend who is facing surgery this week in your thoughts and prayers.

Until next time.....

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# Kiwanis of Woodridge Hosts Successful Weekend Events

Saturday, September 21st the Kiwanis of Woodridge, New York Foundation, Inc. hosted its 4th annual Fallsburg Fall Festival on Green Avenue in the Village of Woodridge. Musicians, vendors, food, crafts, fun and games were on tap for all to enjoy as well as raffles and Duck Race tickets for the adults to partake in. The place was jumping with corn hole games, free face painting, crafts and contests for the kids, great music to sing along or dance to, and fabulous food. All involved had an amazing time.

Special thanks go to the wonderful sponsors of the Festival: Jeff Bank, Murray's Chicken, Mountain Service Distributors, Colonial Memorial Funeral Homes, and Catskill Hudson Bank. Thanks also go to the Village of Woodridge Mayor, Joan Collins, and the Village Board for allowing us to hold the Festival in their village. We couldn't have asked for a nicer day or more accommodating community.

Sunday, September 22nd saw our second annual Duck Race at Morningside Park in Hurleyville, NY. Another gorgeous, though chilly, day. Only one problem.....no water in the stream. Lack of substantial rains throughout the summer meant that the stream coming from Morningside Park Lake was completely dry. The day was saved, however, by the Hurleyville Fire Department. Chief Charles Payne and several of the members of his Department brought their tanker truck and flooded the stream, saving the day for our Duck Race. We cannot thank them enough!

Duck race winners were as follows: 1st place - Rozalind Curless; 2nd - Christine Blakesley; 3rd - Charles Decker; Last Pokey Duck - Luis Velez. Congratulations to them all!

# Fallsburg Students Inducted into National Honor Society

FALLSBURG - The annual National Honor Society and National Junior Honor Society Induction ceremony took place at the Fallsburg Junior-Senior High School auditorium on

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The 2024 National Honor Society inductees are as followed: Angelina Alvarado, Saladin Basic, Karrine Bennett, Andrew Bensimon, Bintou Darbou, Marcos Deras Lopez, Lee-Ann DiNapoli, Jaecob Espinoza, Jeffrey Evangelista, Emmabella Ferreira, Hector Jami Cocha, Daris Koljenovic, Tyiese Mack, Brianna McManus, Douglas Medina Carcamo Jr., Carmen Montes Velasco, Allannah Owens, Madeline Pantel, Marilyn Santos, Emy Sierra Meji, Skylar Wright, and Nataly Zempoaltecatl.

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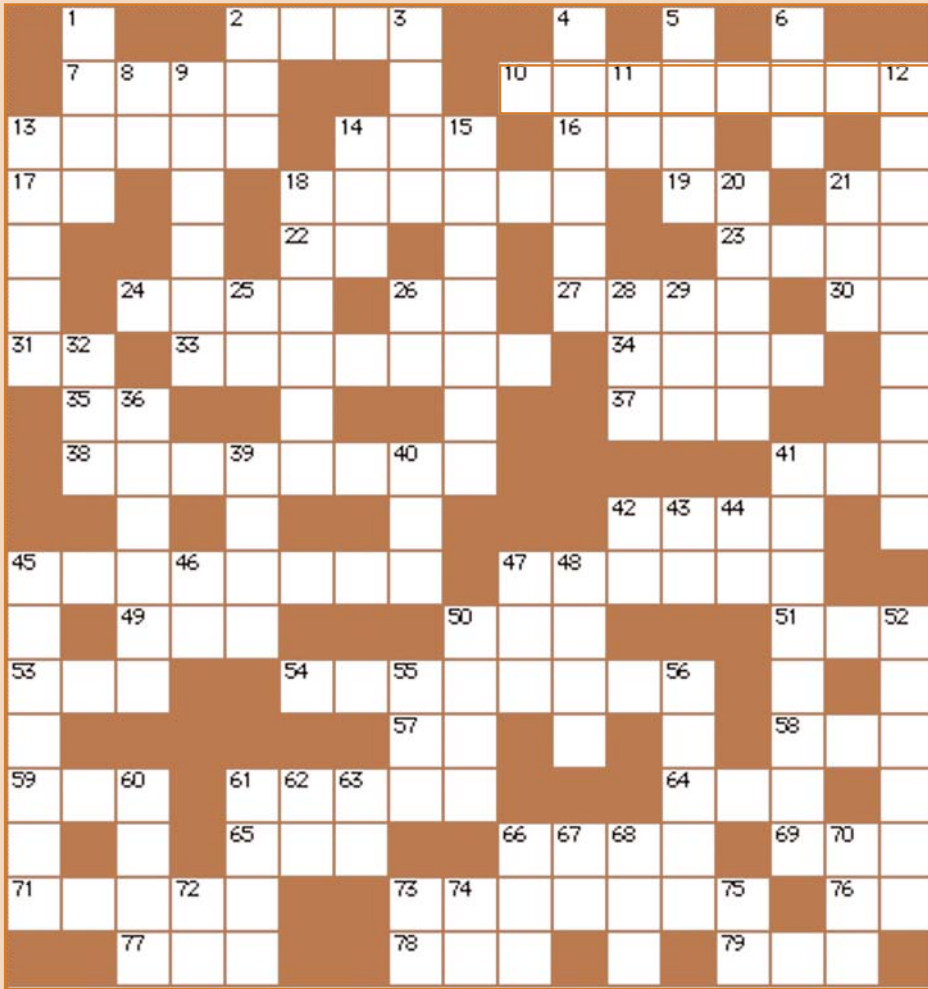
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 10 What Saturday's festivities in Grahamsville will center upon  
 13 Decorated vehicle carrying a tableaux in a parade  
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 16 Large body of salt water  
 17 At the age of  
 18 A public promenade  
 19 Pound  
 21 Father  
 22 Amidst  
 23 Utter a loud deep sound  
 24 Trick  
 26 Anglo-Norman  
 27 Labyrinth  
 30 Northeast  
 31 Extraterrestrial  
 33 Treasure hunters  
 34 Substance used for washing  
 35 From a lower to a higher place  
 37 Dry fruit or seed vessel  
 38 Supports for then ends of a row of books  
 41 Corporate Executive Officer  
 42 Flintstone's dinosaur  
 45 Versed in literature  
 47 Disembodied spirits  
 49 Faster than walking  
 50 Central Intelligence Agency  
 51 Pair  
 53 Purchase  
 54 Inventive  
 57 Lieutenant (abbrev)  
 58 Missing in Action  
 59 White vestment worn by clergy  
 61 Literary compositions  
 64 Adjective that refers to a person, place or thing  
 65 Noah's ship  
 66 Meeting  
 69 Hang loosely  
 71 To be filled with longing  
 73 Arachnids  
 76 Delaware  
 77 Born  
 78 Wheel with series of projections  
 79 Spanish 'river'
- DOWN**  
 1 Bundle of hay  
 2 Rug  
 3 Almost  
 4 A place to preserve and exhibit historical objects  
 5 Birthstone for October  
 6 A favorite delicious pumpkin treat  
 8 Look! See!  
 9 Cosmetics  
 11 Objective case of "I"  
 12 Figure used to scare away birds from a garden  
 13 Story with a moral lesson  
 14 Tin container  
 15 Pennant  
 18 Founder of Tr-Valley's public library  
 20 Baked flour, water and yeast  
 21 Skillet  
 25 16th letter of the Greek alphabet  
 26 Near by  
 28 Poisonous snake  
 29 Collection of animals for public showing  
 32 Large container used for bathing  
 36 Poetical works  
 39 Adjust space between letters  
 40 24 hours  
 41 Halloween disguises  
 42 Perform  
 43 Exists  
 44 New Testament  
 45 Systematically referenced large collection of books  
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 52 Color of most pumpkins  
 55 Large moose-like deer  
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**Pumpkin Bread**

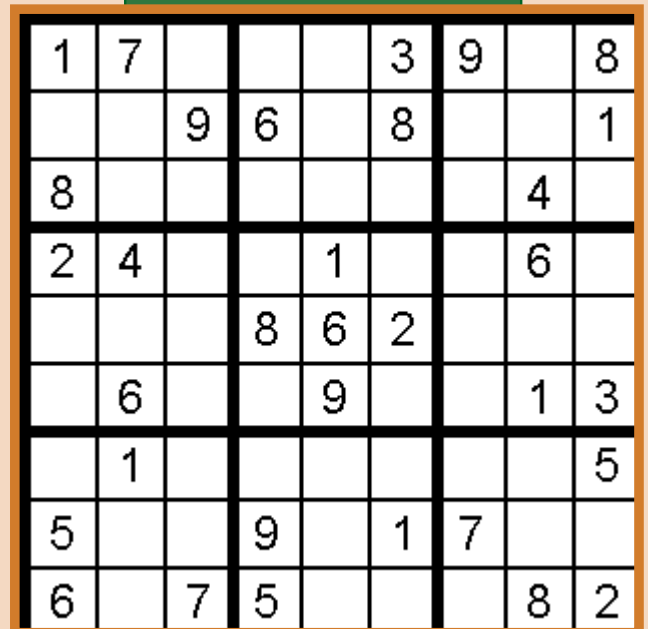
- Cooking spray  
 2 cups granulated sugar  
 1 (15-ounce) can pumpkin purée (about 2 cups)  
 1/2 cup vegetable or canola oil  
 3 large eggs  
 1 tablespoon pumpkin pie spice  
 1 1/2 teaspoons baking powder  
 3/4 teaspoon baking soda  
 1/2 teaspoon salt  
 2 1/4 cups all-purpose flour

Arrange a rack in the middle of the oven and heat to 350°F. Coat a 9x5-inch loaf pan with cooking spray; set aside.

Place the sugar, pumpkin purée, oil, and eggs in a large bowl and whisk until smooth and combined. Add the pumpkin pie spice, baking powder, baking soda, and salt, and whisk to combine. Add the flour and fold it in with a rubber spatula until just combined. Pour the batter into the prepared bread pan and spread into an even layer.

Bake until a toothpick comes out mostly clean with a few moist crumbs attached, 65 to 75 minutes. Let cool 10 minutes in the pan, then transfer to a cooling rack and let cool completely.

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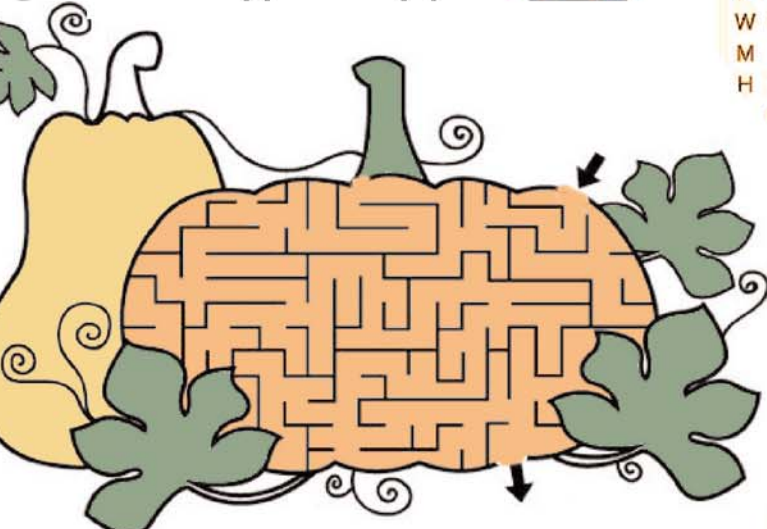
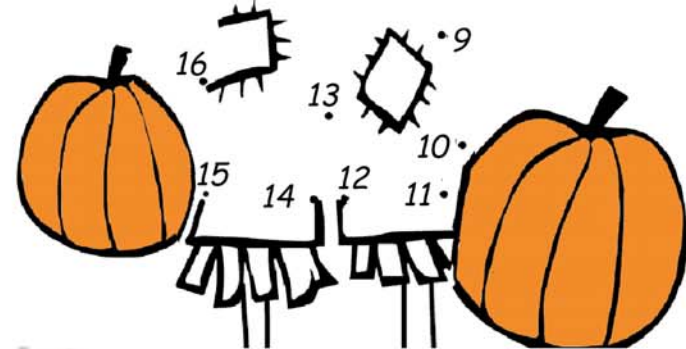
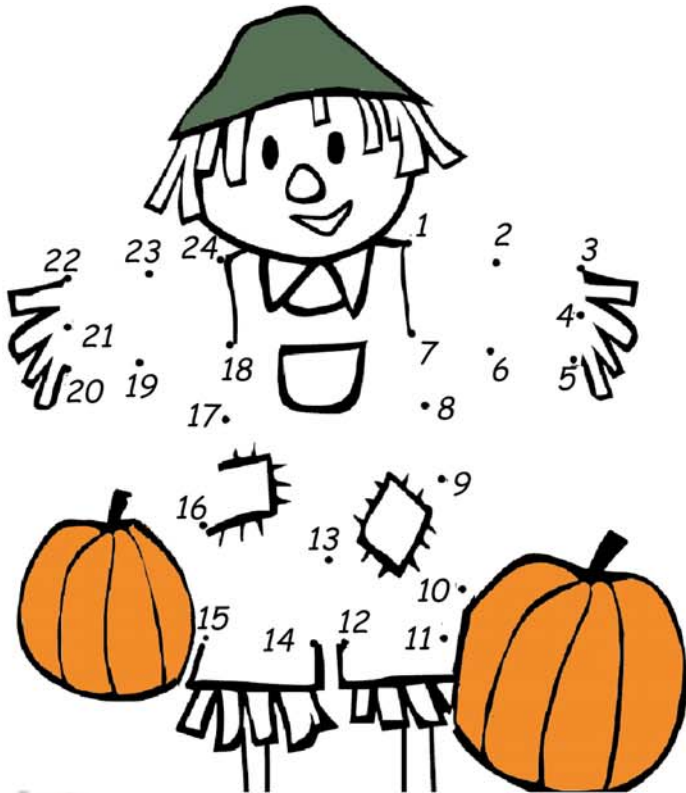
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- It's a Great Pumpkin, Charlie Brown

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# Kids' Giant Pumpkin Party Fun Page

- L. Comando

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## LEGALS/PUBLIC NOTICES

### Specification & Instructions to Bidders Plowing 2024-2025 Season - Neversink Fire District

The Neversink Fire District Board of Commissioners require the following specifications to be included in any bid submitted for plowing of the district parking lots.

1. One Year Contract for **November 1st 2024 - April 31st 2025** with the option for a one year extension with an agreed upon percentage/ inflation rate increase.
2. Hourly rate per snowfall event
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Please include the above stipulations in your bid and pricing. Awarded bidder is required to submit rate adjustments by **September 1st, 2025** if they would like to extend their contract. If the awarded bidder chooses not to extend the contract another year, they must also notify the District by **September 1st, 2025**. Bids are due by **Thursday, October 11th, 2024**. Bids will be opened and awarded on **Thursday, October 17th, 2024**.

If you have any questions or concerns, please call (845) 866-2525 and leave a message or email [neversinkfiredistrict@gmail.com](mailto:neversinkfiredistrict@gmail.com)

Sincerely,

Dana Vogler, Secretary  
Neversink Fire District

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### **Denning Residents, Please Take Notice:**

2025 Budget Workshop;

Pursuant to New York State Law § 108 a **WORKSHOP** for the Town of Denning 2025 Preliminary Budget will be held after the adjournment of the regularly scheduled Town Board and Town Business Meeting to be held on Tuesday, October 8th, 2024 at the Denning Town Hall, 1567 Denning Road, Claryville, NY 12725.

By the Order of the Denning Town Board  
Nancy Parrow  
Town Clerk  
Sept. 23rd, 2024

9/26; 10/5

### NEVERSINK FIRE DISTRICT

### NOTICE OF 2025 BUDGET HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that a Budget Hearing to vote on the upcoming year's budget will be held for the Neversink Fire District on Thursday, October 17th, 2024 at 7:00PM at the Neversink Firehouse located at 7486 State Rt. 55 Neversink, NY 12765. There will be a regularly planned Commissioners' Meeting to follow.

Dated: September 27th, 2024

Dana M. Vogler, Neversink Fire District Secretary

9/26 - 10/17

## 2024 FALL CLEAN-UP

# OCT. 16<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup>

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## **LEGALS/PUBLIC NOTICES**

### **Tri-Valley CSD Board Meeting**

**Thursday, October 10, 2024  
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### **UC Executive, Legislature Authorize Purchase of Kingston Office Building for Office of the District Attorney, Victims' Advocacy Centers**

KINGSTON, NY - Ulster County Executive Jen Metzger has authorized the purchase of a new office building located on Joys Lane in Kingston to consolidate the various offices of the Ulster County District Attorney, the Family and Child Advocacy Center, and the Crime Victims program of the Probation Department at one centralized location. The Ulster County Legislature approved the purchase during their September session for \$3.6 million and approximately \$105,000 in closing costs.

The newly-acquired property includes a 17,000-square foot office building, which previously served as the headquarters of the Kingstone Insurance Company, and is in close proximity to the Ulster County Courthouse - an important precondition for a property housing the District Attorney's Office. The Office of the DA is currently spread across three locations, including the former Key Bank building next to the Courthouse, which is leased by the County, as well as offices at two other locations.

The building to be purchased was constructed in 1985 and has an on-site back-up power system and ample parking. The purchase would also include a duplex that is also owned by the current property owner just next door, and would serve as the new home of the Family and Child Advocacy Center (FCAC) and Crime Victims Unit. The FCAC is currently in leased space on Hurley Avenue in Kingston and the Crime Victims Unit is currently in a County-owned building on Pearl Street.

The new facility will enhance operations and improve efficiency in the DA's Office and in its coordinated work with the FCAC and Crime Victims Unit.

The Family and Child Advocacy Center (FCAC), a joint initiative of Social Services and the District Attorney's Office, seeks to employ the resources and experience of the Ulster County Department of Social Services, the New York State Police, the Ulster County Sheriff's Department, the Kingston Police Department, and the Ulster County District Attorney's

Office to investigate incidents of child abuse, domestic violence, and assaults on the elderly. The FCAC, which will relocate to this facility, will benefit from a multidisciplinary team approach in a non-threatening, child-focused environment.

The Crime Victims Unit of the Probation Department will also be relocated to this facility, ensuring that interactions with children, families, and crime victims take place in a setting that meets the highest standards for privacy, comfort, and support. This consolidation will enhance privacy for both staff and victims and improve coordination between units with related work areas.

"This new property is absolutely ideal for the District Attorney's Office, and its co-location with the FCAC and Crime Victims Unit will enhance coordination and the critical support services these offices provide," said County Executive Metzger. "The purchase of the property and consolidation of these offices at one location will also enable the County to eliminate leases for two other buildings, resulting in major savings to taxpayers over time."

"The acquisition of the Joys Lane properties will enhance the efficiency of our District Attorney's Office and Victim Advocacy Center by bringing the entire team together at one location," said Peter Criswell, Chair of the Ulster County Legislature. "This move will better support staff and strengthen the critical services they provide to our community."

"After a long, often disappointing search, we have finally found a new location for the Ulster County District Attorney's Office. I believe it was worth the wait. Joys Lane could not be a better fit to house the hardworking people of the District Attorney's Office, including the Family and Child Advocacy Center and the Crime Victims program of the Probation Department," said Gina Hansut, Ulster County Legislator and Law Enforcement and Public Safety Committee Chair. "The moment we walked in the door, it had the 'feel' and presented as a proper location that a District Attorney's Office is deserving of. Accommodating everyone at the same location will be such an asset to the committed individuals that make up this office. The search has been a priority of our Legislature. We all look forward to the next few months as the move unfolds."

"The need for the District Attorney's Office to be housed in a more conducive space for our dedicated staff, the public, and victims has been well-documented over the years, and I included my goal of housing 'Under One Roof' in my mission statement released in January 2024," said Ulster County District Attorney Emmanuel Nneji. "The Legislature and Executive visited our courthouse space to observe firsthand the seriousness of prioritizing our space needs. Since then, County Executive Jen Metzger and her staff, Law Enforcement Committee Chair Gina Hansut, and Legislature Chair Peter Criswell, have worked collaboratively to acquire space for us; they worked diligently and persistently to find such space and acted with alacrity when 15 Joys Lane became available. The purchase of this space represents Ulster County Government's commitment to public safety, the men and women of the District Attorney's Office, crime victims of all abilities and age, and appropriate working environment for the rigorous and challenging work we must do. On behalf of everyone in the DA's Office, I express our gratitude to Executive Metzger and her staff, Chair Criswell, and Chair Hansut for the time, energy, and dedication to achieve this necessity."

"The acquisition of this space is a positive step forward that will make it possible for the County to consolidate several key offices in one location facilitating both collaboration and the delivery of services among law enforcement, probation and social services," said Michael Iapoce, Ulster County Department of Social Services Commissioner. "Specifically, the relocation of the multi-disciplinary team of DA and DSS Staff comprising the Ulster County Family and Children Advocacy Center (FCAC) to this space will ensure the continuation of our collective ability to deliver the unique and essential services that are provided to child victims of abuse and neglect and their non-offending caretakers by the FCAC." (Contd. Pg. 19)

## Shane Rennison Announces Music Video Premiere Event at Hurleyville Performing Arts Centre on Thursday, October 10th



Hurleyville, NY - **Shane Rennison**, the indie pop-rock singer-songwriter from the Catskills, is excited to announce the premiere of two brand-new music videos, set to take place on **Thursday, October 10th, 2024** at the **Hurleyville Performing Arts Centre**. This special event, sponsored by a collection of local businesses, will be a night to remember for music lovers and the Catskills community.

### Event Details:

Date: Thursday, October 10th, 2024

Time: 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (Doors open at 5:00 PM for a pre-screening social)

Location: Hurleyville Performing Arts Centre, 219 Main Street, Hurleyville, NY 12747

Admission: **Free Entry / Suggested Donation: \$10**

The event will feature the exclusive premiere of two music videos:

### **Irrational (Live at the Outlier Inn 2)**

### **Long Road Official Music Video**

Both videos are produced by the talented filmmaker **Brandon Worden**, and showcase the depth and emotion of **Rennison's** unique sound.

In addition to the screenings, the evening will include a pre-screening social where attendees can mingle and enjoy complimentary food and drinks from some of the Catskills' finest local businesses.

Merchandise pop-ups will be available from **Shane Rennison Music** and **All That Glitters Is Old**, offering exclusive products for attendees **After-Party Open Mic at The Dale:**

The celebration continues with an after-party open mic at **The Dale**, hosted by **Faith Kelly** and **Caswyn Moon**. The after-party will feature performances by some of the Catskills' top musicians, making this a truly immersive night of music and community.

### Sponsors:

This event is generously supported by Sullivan Catskills Visitor's Association, Catskill Brewery, Hurleyville Performing Arts Centre, What's Poppin' Kettle Korn, La Salumina, Decant Wine & Spirits, All That Glitters Is Old, Forthright Cyder and Mead, Barthel's Farm Market, Ottrageous Cookie Co., and Seminary Hill.

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"Ulster County Probation is looking forward to the anticipated co-location of the Ulster County Crime Victims Assistance Program, Ulster County District Attorney's Office, and the Family and Child Advocacy Center," said Valerie Naccarato, Ulster County Probation Department Director. "We believe this move will lead to both increased collaboration and streamlined communication between departments, resulting in higher levels of collaborative support for survivors of crime in Ulster County."

## SC Legislature Seeks Members for Human Rights Commission Volunteers Needed to Serve on Board of Commissioners

Monticello, NY - The Sullivan County Legislature is looking for community members to serve on the board of the Sullivan County Human Rights Commission, starting in 2025.

"The Commission needs a full-time executive director and a reconstituted board," explained Legislature Chair Nadia Rajsz. "All nine legislators have an opportunity to nominate someone to the board, but we need volunteers to step forward and let us know they're interested."

Established by the Legislature in 2004, the Human Rights Commission is charged with fostering mutual respect and understanding among all racial, religious and national groups within the County, and on a broader level seeks to promote equality and prevent discrimination.

The role of the commissioners is to ensure individuals' concerns are heard and guide people through the reporting process, while also supporting outreach, education and compliance regarding anti-discrimination and consumer rights laws. While intended to feature nine community members (along with an executive director), the board has been inactive for several years, with the County's Division of Human Resources handling concerns and complaints in the interim.

"It is essential that we restore the Human Rights Commission to fulfill its original mission, and I am eager to engage with individuals who are committed to advancing this important work," remarked District 8 Legislator Amanda Ward, chair of the Legislature's Human Resources Committee. "If you or someone you know is interested, please talk to your legislator or send a letter of interest to Legislature Clerk AnnMarie Martin at [annmarie.martin@sullivanny.us](mailto:annmarie.martin@sullivanny.us) or 100 North Street, Monticello, NY 12701."

Letters of interest will be accepted through December 31, 2024. Commissioners will be selected by a majority of the Legislature and will serve three-year terms. They must be residents of Sullivan County, 18 years of age or older, and willing to serve on a volunteer basis (although expenses for travel outside the County can be reimbursed, if for Commission purposes).

## SHADOWLAND STAGES PRESENTS WORLD PREMIERE WESTERN- 'THE ROAD TO JERUSALEM'



Eilis Cahill

Ellenville, NY – SHADOWLAND STAGES is thrilled to announce the world premiere of *The Road to Jerusalem*, a gripping new play by Nicky Glossman, running from October 4th through October 20th. Closing out SHADOWLAND's MainStage Season, this production boasts an all-star cast and tells seven interconnected stories set in Jerusalem, Arizona, in 1889.

Leading the cast are acclaimed performers Adam LeFevre, Jay O. Sanders, Eilis Cahill, and Ken Marks. Adam LeFevre is known for his roles in *The Manchurian Candidate* (2004), *Fool's Gold* (2008), and *She's Out of My League* (2010). He has also recently appeared in TV series such as *Ozark* and *The Sinner*. Broadway veteran Jay O. Sanders ('Purlie Victorious', 'Girl From the North Country') is also recognized for his performances in such films as *The Day After Tomorrow* (2004), *Kiss the Girls* (1997), and *Edge of Darkness* (2010) and most recently in the new hit netflix film *His Three Daughters* alongside Natasha Lyonne and Elizabeth Olsen. Eilis Cahill stars in the British indie film *Mind-set* and the American indie film *MAD*. She was last seen at SHADOWLAND in *Safe Home* and *The Cripple of Inishmaan*. Ken Marks has had an



Ken Marks

illustrious Broadway career, with credits including *Spider-Man: Turn Off the Dark*, *Airline Highway*, *Spring Awakening*, *Hairspray* (Wilbur Turnblad), and *Dancing at Lughnasa*. His TV work includes recurring roles in *Elementary*, *The Exorcist*, *Life on Mars*, and guest appearances on *Billions*, *Blue Bloods*, *The Good Wife*, *Madam Secretary*, and various *Law & Order* episodes.

SHADOWLAND veteran director James Glossman directs. "This exciting western tells seven stories- some dark, some comic; most are both," states Glossman. "It's a thrill to bring this story to life with this all-star cast."

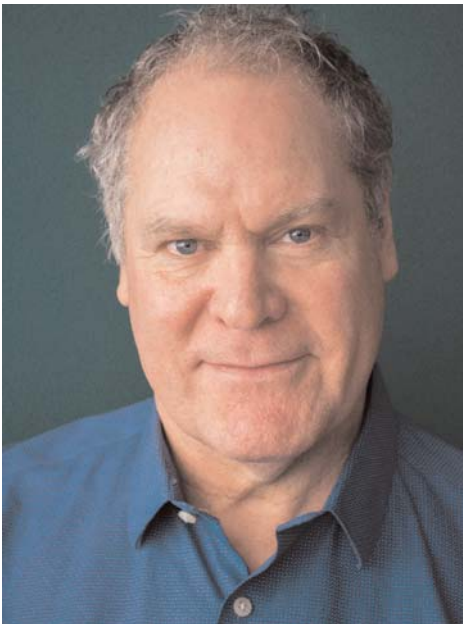
*The Road to Jerusalem* intertwines the stories of rugged characters as they navigate hope, hunger, and destiny in the unforgiving American West. Glossman's world premiere promises an emotionally charged, thought-provoking journey through the challenges of making a new world from the remnants of the old.

The production opens with preview performances on Friday, October 4th at 8 PM and Saturday, October 5th at 2 PM. The official opening night will be held on October 5th at 8 PM, featuring a pre-show tasting at 7:15 PM in the MainStage Lobby and a post-show gathering at Aroma Thyme Bistro in Ellenville.

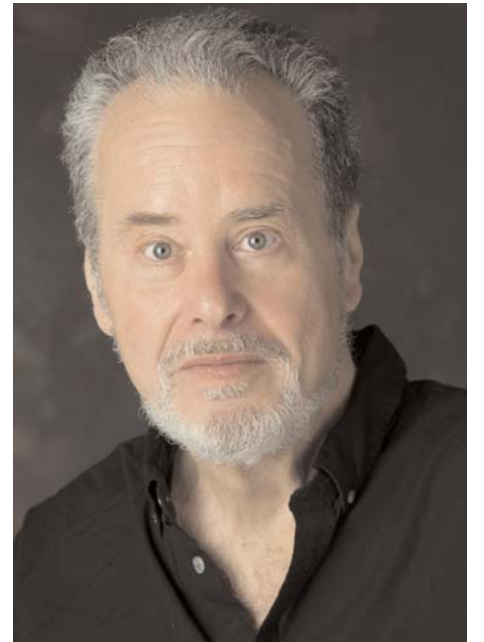
*The Road to Jerusalem* will run Thursdays through Saturdays at 8 PM and Sundays at 2 PM, with the final performance on October 20th.

Tickets are now on sale, with evening show tickets priced at \$43 and matinee tickets at \$39.

Tickets can be purchased online at [shadowlandstages.org](http://shadowlandstages.org) or by calling the SHADOW-



Jay O. Sanders



Adam LeFevre

LAND STAGES box office at (845) 647-5511.

SHADOWLAND STAGES, entering its 39th year, is a professional Equity theatre located in New York's beautiful Hudson Valley. The theatre produces a season between May and December of seven shows, including two musicals and a holiday production. Shadowland also houses the Academy at Shadowland Stages, a separate education program providing classes in acting, dance, and music for kids and adults.

## Youth News

This past July, TVCS senior, Nicholas Bender, attended the National Youth Leadership Forum for National Security, Diplomacy, Intelligence & Defense, held at the University of Maryland.

The 8-day program gave high school participants a unique opportunity to hear directly from U.S. national security experts, learn about the latest intelligence strategies, and experience public service in action. They attended classroom workshops and worked in teams to address and solve complex security problems. They also were able to tour the Pentagon, US Department of State, the Naval Academy and Arlington National Cemetery.

Nick participated in a voluntary essay contest, where four of the nearly 200 students would be selected to take part in the wreath laying ceremony at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. The highlight of this trip is that he WAS selected, and represented his family, school, church and community in this honorable ceremony.

Congratulations to Nicholas on this achievement and best wishes in your senior year.

## NEVERSINK RIVER CRAFT CO-OP SHOW

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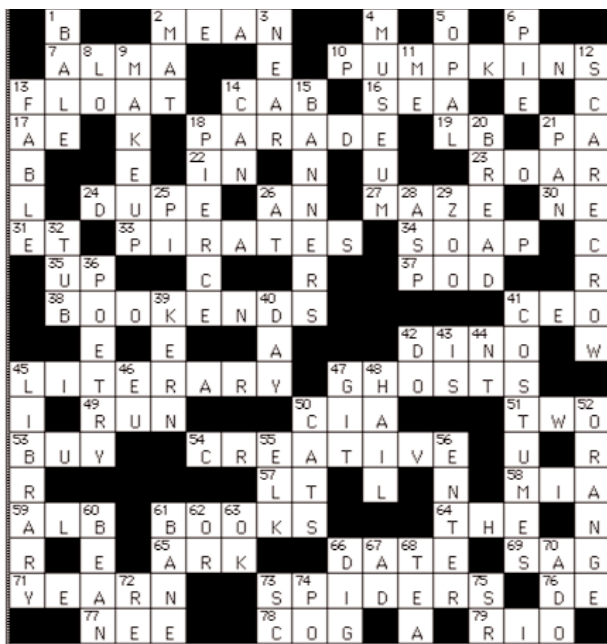
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**Sundown United Methodist Church**  
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 Saturday,  
 October 5th, 2024 5:30 pm  
 at the Church Hall  
*Check out the tables with Yard Sale items available for sale*  
*(Covered Dish Suppers are held the First Saturday of each month at 5:30 pm at the Church Hall)*

## PRAYER TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN

(Never known to fail)

Oh most beautiful flower of Mt. Carmel, fruitful vine splendor of Heaven, Blessed Mother of the Son of God, Immaculate Virgin, assist me in my necessity. Oh Star of the Sea, help me and show me herein you are my Mother. Oh Holy Mary, Mother of God, Queen of Heaven and Earth I humbly beseech you from the bottom of my heart to succor me in this necessity. (Make request)

There are none that can withstand your power. Oh show me herein you are my Mother. Oh Mary conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee. (3x).

Holy Mary I place this cause in your hands. (3x).

Say this prayer for 3 consecutive days. You must publish it, and it will be granted to you.

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10/2/24	Town of Neversink Planning Board Meeting
10/5/24	<b>Sundown UMC Covered Dish Supper</b> 5:30 Church Hall
10/8/24	Denning Town Board & Business Meeting 6:00 pm Denning Town Hall
10/9/2024	Town of Neversink Board Meeting 7:00 pm
10/12/24	<b>Grahamsville UMC Thrift Sale</b> 9 am - 12 noon
10/17/24	Claryville Fire District Budget Meeting and Monthly Meeting 6:30 pm
10/17/24	Neversink Fire District Commissioner Meeting 7:00pm
10/17/24	Denning Town Planning Board Meeting 6:00 pm Denning Town Hall

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

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

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

Town of Denning - <http://www.denning.us>  
Town of Neversink - <https://townofneversink.org>

## Ulster County Legislature Weekly Calendar Update

for the Week Of  
**September 30 - October 4, 2024**

Legislative Committee Meetings are Livestreamed at  
<https://www.youtube.com/@UlsterCountyLegislature/streams>

### Monday, September 30

o No Meetings

### Tuesday, October 1

o **4:30 PM - Energy, Environment & Sustainability Committee**, in the KL Binder Library, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston & Via Legislature Livestream

o **6:00 PM** (Or Immediately Following Energy, Environment & Sustainability Committee) - **Economic Development, Planning, Education, Employment, Arts & Agriculture Committee**, in the KL Binder Library, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston & Via Legislature Livestream

### Wednesday, October 2

o **5:00 PM - Law Enforcement & Public Safety Committee**, in the Ulster County Law Enforcement Center, Main Training Room, 380 Boulevard, Kingston & Via Legislature Livestream

o **6:00 PM - Ulster County Human Rights Commission**, in the Restorative Justice & Community Empowerment Center, 733 Broadway, Kingston

o **7:00 PM - Ulster County Planning Board**, in Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston

### Thursday, October 3

o **3:00 PM - Housing Subcommittee**, in the KL Binder Library, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston

o **4:00 PM (Or Immediately Following Housing Subcommittee) - American Rescue Plan Act Special Committee**, in the KL Binder Library, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston & Via Legislature Livestream

o **5:00 PM (Or Immediately Following ARPA Committee) - Health, Human Services & Housing Committee**, in the KL Binder Library, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston & Via Legislature Livestream

### Friday, October 4

o No Meetings



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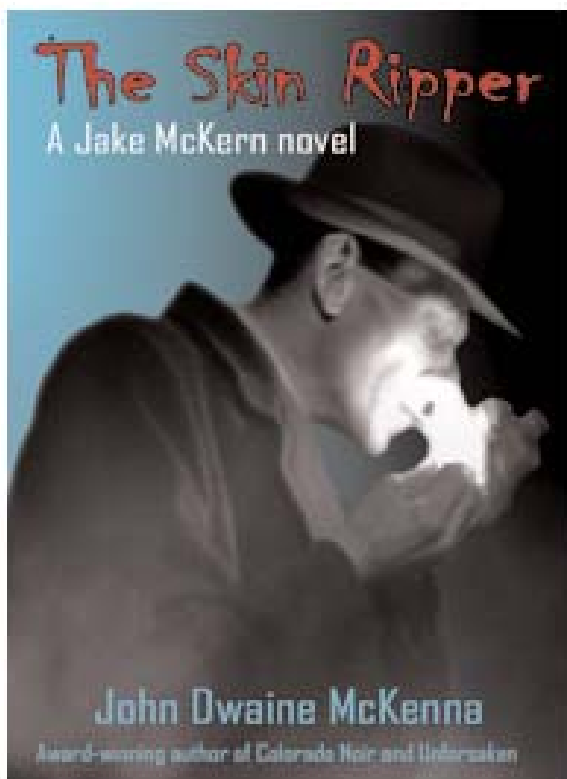


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# Frost Valley YMCA and Wallkill River Center for the Arts Host Plein Air Retreat *Three days of Connection, Nature and Painting En Plein Air*

CLARYVILLE — Frost Valley YMCA and Wallkill River Center for the Arts invites artists and art enthusiasts to the beautiful Catskills



Mountains from October 4 - 6, 2024 for a weekend retreat to Paint En Plein Air; connect with new friends; and enjoy a weekend to unplug and reconnect with themselves in nature! This year's retreat features seasoned painting instructors Laura Martinez-Bianco and William Noonan, who have a combined approach of using oils and pastels. This retreat is open to all levels of painters, including beginners.

This weekend away in the beautiful Catskills is offered for artists to reconnect their craft to the natural world. Guests will participate in Plein Air Painting classes, horseback riding, nature hikes, craft classes, and boating. Guests will stay in the historic Forstmann 'Castle,' a historic estate located on the Frost Valley YMCA property. Each guest room has custom antique woodwork and charming details. When you're not in the room, you can relax in the grand common rooms for critiques and social time in the evening; or take advantage of this unique opportunity to enjoy living in turn of the century beauty from a bygone era. Registrations can be for a shared room or you can upgrade to a private room.

During this all-inclusive weekend, nourishing meals are provided, and as always, Frost Valley offers a variety of delicious options to accommodate nutritional needs and restrictions of nearly every sort. A variety of lodging is available, from hotel-style lakefront accommodations, to rustic cabins, to lodges for multiple groups.

If you're interested in joining the event, contact Frost Valley soon, as spaces will fill up quickly.

You can find more information at [frostvalley.org](http://frostvalley.org) or by calling 845-985-2291, ext. 450.

## About Frost Valley YMCA

*Frost Valley YMCA is a values-driven organization that fosters youth development, healthy living, and social responsibility through outdoor educational and recreational programs for all.*

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## Fallsburg CSD to Host Fall Family Engagement Day Extravaganza

FALLSBURG - The Fallsburg Central School District is excited to announce that they will be hosting their Fall Family Engagement Day Extravaganza on November 16, 2024 from 11:00am to 2:00pm at the Fallsburg Junior-Senior High School. All are welcome to attend the free-of-charge event, which will include live music, fun games for the children, food, and raffle prizes! The community pool at the high school will be open during the event. It is recommended for guests to bring their own swim gear if they plan to visit the pool.

Free transportation by Rolling V Transportation Services will be provided for this event. Here are the following pick-up times and locations:

### Bus One

10:15 am: Mountaintale Post Office  
10:30 am: Woodridge Town Hall  
10:45 am: Woodbourne Fireman's Parking Lot  
2:00 pm: Drop-Off - Return in opposite direction

### Bus Two

10:00 am: Loch Sheldrake Municipal Parking Lot  
10:15 am: Hurleyville Post Office  
10:30 am: Laurel Avenue by Apartments  
10:40 am: Griff Court  
10:50 am: Main Street Houses in South Fallsburg

For more information about the event, please contact (845) 434-6800 ext. 1220 or visit the district's website at [www.fallsburgcsd.net](http://www.fallsburgcsd.net).



# COSTUME MARCH

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**Saturday, October 5th  
10:00 a.m.**

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## Children's Registration Information

The Costume March will take place at the Grahamsville Fairgrounds, under the pavilion. Registration will begin at 9:30 a.m. No fees.

For more information, please contact Deirdre McHugh at 845 985-7233 x101.

Any costume will do. Everyone who participates will receive a special prize book and a delicious Frost Valley Chocolate Chip Cookie!

There will be a separate book raffle in each of the following age groups:

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- ◆ 6-9 year-old
- ◆ 10 years and older
- ◆ Group all ages-with theme



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He too is an indoor outdoor cat, but mostly indoor. I have been taking care of them for a month and have not let them outside, and they are fine with that.

Their owner was my brother who recently passed away and he had both cats for at least 12 years. They have had all of their shots, and will come with a supply of food, kitty litter and pans, bowls for food and water, and toys.



Smokey

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# Closing Reception and Auction Bittersweet Memories: Lost Towns of the Catskill Watersheds

Sunday, October 6th 2 p.m.  
at the Time and the Valleys Museum

[Grahamsville, N.Y] A closing reception and auction for the exhibit: Bittersweet Memories: Lost Towns of the Catskill Watersheds will be held on Sunday, October 6 at 2 p.m., at the Time and the Valleys Museum on St. Rt. 55 in Grahamsville, Sullivan County.



Seventeen talented local artists joined together to create this exhibition, and their beautiful art creations along with photos, stories and artifacts tell a heartbreaking story of the price of eminent domain or the taking of land without owners consent for the building of New York City's water system in the early to mid 1900s.

Meet the artists and take a last look at the beautiful artwork of homes and businesses taken by New York City to build their Delaware Water System, including the towns of Neversink, Lackawack, Rock Royal, Gilboa and many more. The closing reception



includes light refreshments, admission to all museum exhibitions and auction of artwork included in the exhibition. Admission is FREE.

Some of the artwork is available for sale through a silent auction. Artwork can be viewed by going to [timeandthevalleymuseum.org](http://timeandthevalleymuseum.org), and clicking on the banner at top. To place a bid, please send an email including your name, address, title of artwork and highest bid to [director@timeandthevalleymuseum.org](mailto:director@timeandthevalleymuseum.org) or call 845 985-7700 with the bid information. Bidding is open now through the closing reception. A portion of the proceeds from the sale of each painting will go to the Museum and be used to help fund future exhibitions. For more information email [info@timeandthevalleymuseum.org](mailto:info@timeandthevalleymuseum.org) or call 845 985-7700.



**About the Time and the Valleys Museum:** Connecting water, people and the Catskills, the Time and the Valleys Museum has three floors of interactive exhibitions, the 1930s Lost Catskill Farm, a local history research center and gift shop with fun and educational gifts, books and locally made crafts. The Museum is open weekends Memorial Day to the end of September, noon to 4 p.m..

Located at 332 Main Street in Grahamsville (St. Rt. 55), Sullivan County, admission for adults is \$5, children under 16 \$2, and children under six are free.

**All Museum exhibitions are interactive and both fun and educational for all ages:**

- o Water and the Valleys, an exhibit on the history of the Rondout and Neversink watershed area from early geological times to the 20th century. This exhibition includes interactives such as a Native American artifact guessing game, grinding corn with a mortar and pestle, videos and more.
- o Tunnels, Toil and Trouble: New York City's Quest for Water and the Rondout-Neversink Story, an interactive exhibit on NYC water supply system and the towns that were removed to build the system, which includes computer interactives, games, puzzles, videos and building a dam and tunnel.
- o 1930s Lost Catskill Farm, a farmhouse, outhouse, barn, electric plant, milk house and working waterwheel help visitors experience life in the 1930s through displays, videos, games and hands on activities, including the new exhibition As the Wheel Turns: Water Powered Industries in the Catskills.
- o Bittersweet Memories: Lost Towns of the Catskill Watersheds a collaborative augmented reality art exhibition of the buildings and homes taken for NYC's water system.



The Time and the Valleys Museum is proud to be a Blue Star Museum, a collaboration between the National Endowment of the Arts, Blue Star Families, the Department of Defense and over 1,500 museums across America to provide free admission to active duty military members (with ID) and up to five family members. This free admission for members of the military and their families runs from Memorial Day to Labor Day. For more information call 845 985-7700, e-mail [info@timeandthevalleymuseum.org](mailto:info@timeandthevalleymuseum.org) or visit [www.timeandthevalleymuseum.org](http://www.timeandthevalleymuseum.org). To schedule a group tour for children or adults, please call 845-985-7700.



# *Bittersweet Memories*

## Lost Towns of the Catskill Watersheds

### ARTISTS

LaVerne Black  
Kate Hyden

Marcia Fink  
Margaret McLaughlin

Caroline Harrow  
Valerie Taggart

Ann Higgins  
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Maureen Winter

# Closing Reception & ART AUCTION!

Sunday, October 6, 2024 2 p.m.

Bids can be placed NOW through October 6th  
at Museum, by phone or email.

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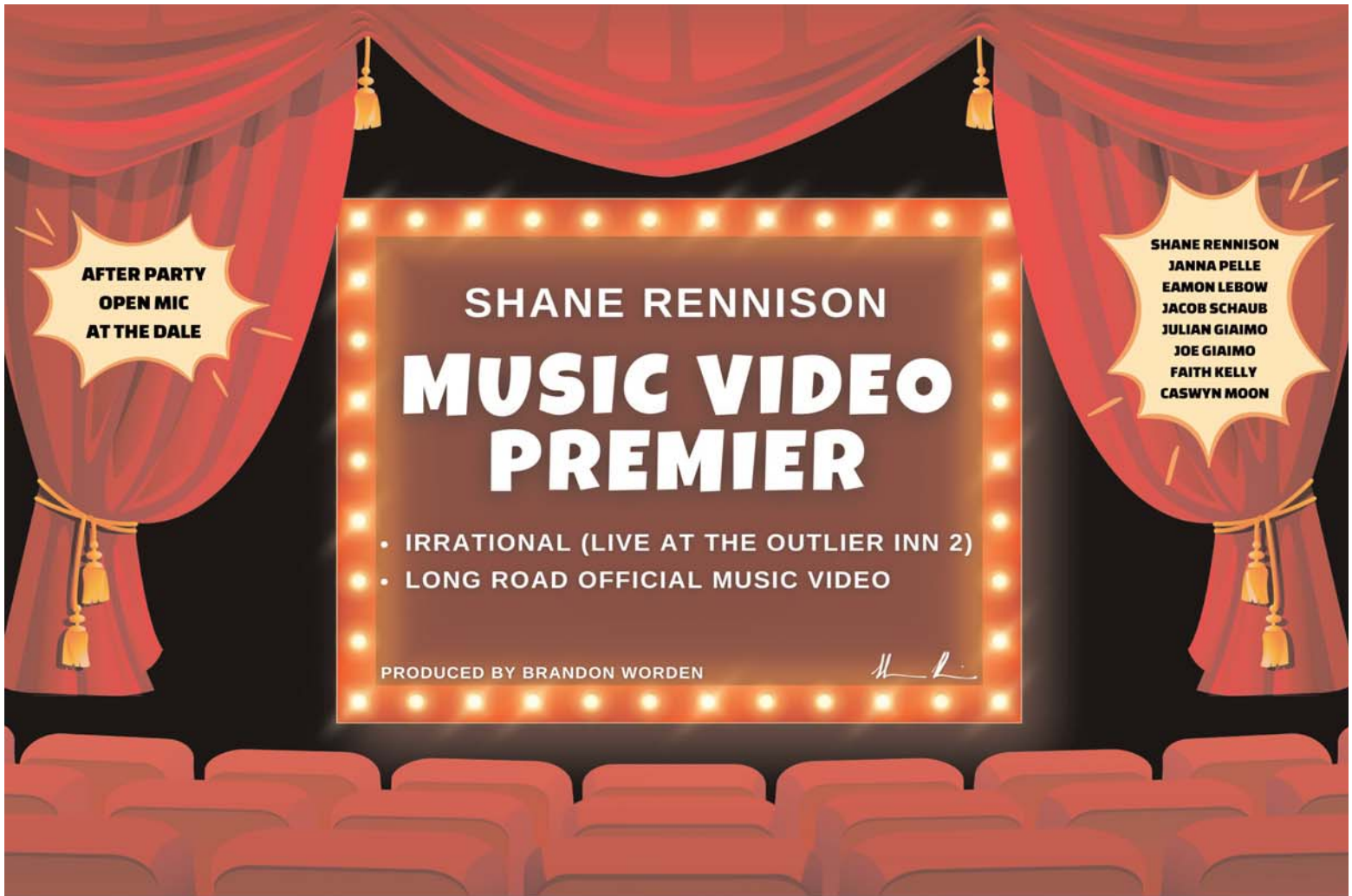
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## "DEC Does What?!" Podcast Episode 12 Now Available: DEC Dispatch: Who You Gonna Call?

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) released the latest episode of "DEC Does What?!", the bi-weekly podcast that features conversations with DEC experts about the agency's wide-ranging efforts to protect New Yorkers and the environment. Episode 12—"DEC Dispatch: Who You Gonna Call?"—gives listeners an inside look at the critical work of DEC's communications operators who each year receive more than 100,000 emergency and non-emergency calls for public assistance involving Forest Rangers, Environmental Conservation Police Officers, and Spills Response experts.

Recorded on location at DEC's Region 5 Ray Brook Regional Office in Essex County, hosts Interim Commissioner Sean Mahar and Chief of Staff Erica Ringewald speak with two of DEC's communications operators working at DEC Dispatch Alicia Bodmer and David McCasland about expecting the unexpected and how they stay calm and focused when speaking to people during challenging circumstances. Alicia and David share their most memorable rescue calls—including one involving an owl who isn't a fan of Garth Brooks—and tips on being prepared before visiting the outdoors.

All episodes of "DEC Does What?!" are available on Apple Podcasts, Spotify, YouTube, Amazon Music, and all major podcast platforms.

For more information on "DEC Does What?!", visit DEC's website. <https://dec.ny.gov/news/podcast>

## Environmental Conservation Police on Patrol

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation's (DEC) Division of Law Enforcement enforces the 71 chapters of New York State's Environmental Conservation Law (ECL), protecting fish and wildlife and preserving environmental quality across New York. In 1880, the first eight Game Protectors proudly began serving to protect the natural resources and people of New York State. In 2023, the Division of Law Enforcement fielded more than 101,500 calls, resulting in Environmental Conservation Police Officers (ECOs) and Investigators across the state responding to more than 30,932 complaints and working on cases that resulted in nearly 16,900 tickets or arrests for violations ranging from deer poaching to solid waste dumping, illegal mining, the illegal pet trade, and excessive emissions violations.

"Environmental Conservation Police Officers and Investigators serving in DEC's Division of Law Enforcement are working tirelessly across the state to protect natural resources and public safety while holding poachers and polluters accountable," DEC Interim Commissioner Sean Mahar said. "DEC looks forward to continuing to work with our local, State, and federal law enforcement partners to ensure compliance with New

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York's stringent environmental conservation laws and promote the safe and responsible enjoyment of the outdoors."

### Illegal Deer Take - Sullivan County

On Sept. 14, ECO Boyes responded to the Bashakill Wildlife Management Area in Mamakating for reports of a deer shot from a vehicle. Officer Boyes met New York State Police units at the location and assisted with the investigation. A complainant reported seeing the subject placing a gun back in their vehicle but did not witness the shot being fired. ECO Boyes eventually located two subjects in the woods near the vehicle in question and observed hunting equipment inside the truck. Two individuals returned to the vehicle dragging a dead deer within minutes and one of them walked Officer Boyes and the New State Police Troopers to the location where he had shot the animal. Police recovered a spent casing at the location matching the shooter's rifle. State Police then used a laser rangefinder to determine the distance from which the hunter shot from a nearby residence. Although the subject did not shoot from a vehicle as first reported, he was too close to a residence when he discharged the firearm. ECO Boyes ticketed the hunter for discharging a firearm within 500 feet of a dwelling, illegally taking a deer, and failure to properly tag deer. His accomplice was charged with illegally taking a deer for assisting in the efforts. The tickets are returnable to Mamakating Town Court.

# Governor Hochul Announces Next Steps in Plans to Strengthen Home Care Services for NY'ers Statewide Partnership To Deliver High-Quality Services to Home Care Users, Support Caregivers, and Ensure Long-Term Stability of Vital CDPAP Program

Governor Kathy Hochul announced a statewide partner and a diverse alliance of more than 30 regional partners that will strengthen New York's Consumer Directed Personal Assistance Program (CDPAP), which provides vital home care services to approximately 250,000 New Yorkers. This statewide partnership will take effect by mid-2025. This follows on the plan for CDPAP that was passed in April by the State Legislature and approved by the Governor as part of the FY 2025 State Budget.

"We're committed to protecting home care users, supporting caregivers and ensuring the vital CDPAP program continues serving the New Yorkers who rely on it," Governor Hochul said. "Our plan will deliver a stronger CDPAP and leverage a diverse, statewide partnership to ensure the high-quality, personalized care that New Yorkers need."

New York's statewide partner is Public Partnerships LLC (PPL), which will move its national headquarters to New York State and create more than 1,200 jobs for New Yorkers along with supporting CDPAP caregivers currently working throughout the State.

As part of this process, CDPAP eligibility for home care users will not change, and individuals who receive care through the program will not need to reapply. Additionally, this process to strengthen CDPAP will ensure caregivers continue to receive timely payments and avoid any disruptions in services for those who rely on the program.

As part of New York's ongoing commitment to protecting home care users, the Governor also announced that State officials and partners will now begin a comprehensive transition process that will include direct meetings with CDPAP users and caregivers, disability and aging advocates and other stakeholders throughout the coming months.

By engaging in a statewide partnership with PPL, the State will also activate PPL's diverse alliance of subcontracted partners throughout the State, which will ensure multilingual, culturally sensitive home care is easily accessible for CDPAP users on a regional basis. Subject to State approval, this diverse alliance is expected to include:

- o Four Core Regional Home Care Partners:
- o Chinese American Planning Council, the lead regional partner for New York City, Long Island and Westchester County.
- o Concepts of Independence, Inc., the lead regional partner for the Hudson Valley region including Rockland, Dutchess, Putnam and surrounding counties.
- o Angels In Your Home, the lead regional partner for mid-state areas including Albany, Saratoga, Rochester, Buffalo, Syracuse and surrounding counties.
- o Consumer Directed Choices (CDChoices), the lead regional partner for Upstate and Southwestern areas including Allegany, Oswego, Hamilton, Clinton and surrounding counties.
- o Strategic Partnership Alliance of Community-Based Providers:
- o More than 30 different home care agencies currently active in New York's CDPAP who provide a wide array of multilingual, culturally sensitive care to communities across the State. The list of additional agencies participating in this strategic partnership alliance will be announced in the near future.

Concepts of Independence CEO Anthony Caputo said, "We are "

Additionally, Governor Hochul highlighted that State officials and partners will now begin a comprehensive transition process focused on ensuring communication, dialogue and support for CDPAP home care users and caregivers.

This transition process will continue throughout the coming months and will ensure home care users and caregivers are protected before the new statewide partnership takes effect.

This process will include:

- o Direct in-person and virtual meetings with home care users and caregivers throughout the State.
- o Coordination with disability and senior advocacy groups.
- o Open dialogue with elected officials across the State.
- o Ongoing review by State officials to ensure the needs of home care users and caregivers are thoroughly addressed before the new statewide partnership takes effect.

Additionally, PPL highlighted that the new statewide partnership will include a robust, multilingual, accessible communications plan that is focused on print, digital and social media content to ensure that home care users and their families understand the



# NYS Small Game Hunting Season Regulations and Maps

<https://dec.ny.gov/things-to-do/hunting/small-game/seasons>

This information is excerpted from the Hunting and Trapping Regulations Guide and presented here as a summary. Consult the regulations guide before heading afield.

For complete reference, please consult the NYS Environmental Conservation Law, Chapter 1, Volume 6 of the Codes, Rules and Regulations of the State of New York, and Title 50, of the Code of Federal Regulations, Part 20.

## Squirrel, Rabbit, and Hare Hunting

Opportunities to pursue squirrels and rabbits can be found throughout the state, including on many public lands. Squirrel seasons started Sept. 1 in upstate New York and begins Nov. 1 on Long Island. Rabbit hunting begins Oct. 1 in Upstate New York and on Nov. 1 on Long Island. With ample opportunities and mild weather, squirrel and rabbit hunting are great ways to introduce novices to hunting.

Snowshoe hare (or varying hare) season starts Oct. 1 in the Northern Zone. Hare hunters in the Southern Zone, where the season starts in late fall or early winter, are encouraged to report their observations to DEC through DEC's website.

## Youth Waterfowl and September Canada Goose Seasons

Waterfowl seasons in New York begin with a September Canada goose season designed to help manage resident or less migratory local Canada goose populations. The season in upstate New York and eastern Long Island is open from Sept. 1 through 25. The season closes when migratory Canada geese return to New York at the end of the month.

In addition to September Canada goose seasons, New York also offers youth waterfowl hunting days and Military waterfowl hunting days. Military season dates vary by zone, but the youth waterfowl dates in all upstate zones are the weekend of Saturday, Sept. 28 and 29. On Long Island, the youth dates are Nov. 9 and 10.

## Pheasant Season and Pheasant Program Update

DEC has made significant efforts to modify the pheasant propagation program to more effectively recruitment new hunters and to retain or reactivate existing hunters. Changes include:

- o DEC's Reynolds Game Farm hatched roughly 13,000 pheasants for cooperators across the state to raise to adulthood and release on public hunting areas;
- o Improved hunting experiences by increasing the number of stocking locations, targeting areas closer to populated areas, increasing the number of days pheasants are stocked and the number of birds released per day, and releasing birds into December in some upstate regions (avoiding southern zone firearms deer season);
- o DEC reserved up to 6,000 birds for the Sponsored Hunt Program. Sponsored hunts are free, non-competitive events coordinated by a group, club, individual, or organization to benefit youth, women, first-time hunters, veterans, people with disabilities, and other under-represented groups. Sponsored hunts can occur any time during the hunting season, not just during special seasons. DEC is still accepting applications from people interested in hosting an event; and
- o DEC developed a new HuntFishNY registration page for mentored hunting and fishing opportunities. Hunters interested in attending a mentored hunt can find opportunities in their area and register directly through the website for sponsored hunts.

An interactive map of statewide pheasant release sites, approximate timing of stocking, and number of birds stocked can be found on DEC's website. If hunters prefer to search based on the property name, region, county, or township, they can use the table view. Please note that stocking in some regions extends later into the hunting season. Late season stockings are snow depth-dependent and stocking locations and the number of birds released are subject to change.

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## Ruffed Grouse Hunting

Ruffed grouse hunting season runs from Oct. 1 through the last day of February in most parts of the state. In Northern New York, the season opens Sept. 20 and runs through the last day of February. In New York City and on Long Island, the season is closed.

Ruffed grouse hunters in the Northern Zone are reminded to positively identify quarry before shooting. The Northern Zone, specifically Wildlife Management Units 5C, 5F, 6F, and 6J, is also home to the spruce grouse, a State-endangered species that is illegal to hunt. Loss of a single spruce grouse, particularly a female, could be a significant setback for a small local population. For tips on how to discern the two species, view the Hunting and Trapping Regulations Guide or the Ruffed Grouse Hunting Information page on DEC's website.

DEC encourages ruffed grouse hunters to take part in the grouse hunting log program and submit feathers from harvested birds to assess recruitment (number of young produced per adult female grouse) for different parts of the state. Interested hunters should visit the DEC website to learn more. <https://dec.ny.gov/nature/animals-fish-plants/biodiversity-species-conservation/citizen-science/grouse-and-woodcock-hunting-log> (Contd. Pg. 39)

## THE THANKSGIVING PLAY at River Rep Theatre

River Rep Theatre is thrilled to close its 2024 season with MacArthur Genius Larissa FastHorse's hit comedy THE THANKSGIVING PLAY, which follows a troupe of (very) well-intentioned theater people as they scramble to create a pageant that somehow manages to celebrate both Turkey Day and Native American Heritage Month.

"Very, very funny ... [it] skewers liberal pretensions with glee - this clever satire is something for which to be truly thankful." -Hollywood Reporter

Rambunctious, thorny and not quite politically correct, THE THANKSGIVING PLAY serves up the hypocrisies of woke America on a big, family-style, platter. Get ready to laugh, gasp and have a smorgasbord of things to talk about!

Featuring Arthur Aulisi, Amy Laird Webb, Josh Liveright, Lexee McEntee and James Sullivan. Directed by Christopher Peditto. Costumes by Alyena Galvin-Bliefernich.

October 5 & 12 at 8pm | October 6 & 13 at 2pm at the Delaware Valley Opera Center, 6692 NY-52, Lake Huntington, NY.

All tickets <https://myrivertickets.com/organizations/river-rep-theatretickets>  
<https://myrivertickets.com/organizations/river-rep-theatre>\$30.

The poster features the River Rep Theatre logo in the top left corner. The main text reads: "OCTOBER 5 & 12 AT 8PM" and "OCTOBER 6 & 13 AT 2PM" at the Delaware Valley Opera Center in Lake Huntington, NY. The title "THE THANKSGIVING PLAY" is prominently displayed in large, bold letters. Above the title, it says "Larissa FastHorse's hit comedy". Below the title, it says "Directed by Christopher Peditto". At the bottom, it lists the cast: "Featuring Arthur Aulisi, Amy Laird Webb, Josh Liveright, Lexee McEntee and James Sullivan". The background is a warm, golden-brown color with illustrations of a turkey and a Pilgrim. At the bottom, there are three photographs of the cast members: a woman on the left, a man in a Pilgrim hat in the center, and a woman on the right.

## NYS Small Game Hunting Season Regulations and Maps

(From Pg. 38)

### Furbearer Hunting Seasons

With 16 species of furbearers in New York, furbearer hunting and trapping opportunities are abundant. Coyote hunting season begins Oct. 1 across much of the state and hunting seasons for other furbearers such as bobcat, raccoon, and fox begin Oct. 25.  
(Contd.)

As a reminder, hunters that harvest a bobcat in New York must complete a furbearer possession tag (PDF) and get the pelt or unskinned animal sealed. DEC is also interested in examining coyotes that exceed 50 pounds as part of an effort to better understand the genetic makeup of these uncommon specimens. Hunters can contact a regional wildlife office or DEC law enforcement (1-844-332-3267) to arrange for DEC to collect a biological sample.

Season dates and zone boundaries for all furbearers can be found on DEC's website and in the Hunting and Trapping Regulations Guide.

New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) Interim Commissioner Sean Mahar announced the opening of small game hunting seasons across New York State. Depending on species and location, New York offers small game hunting opportunities from Sept. 1 through March 30. "New York offers abundant opportunities for hunters seeking small game, from a variety of game birds to a diverse cross section of furbearing mammals," Interim Commissioner Mahar said. "New for this year, DEC has expanded pheasant stocking programs in an effort to bolster small game hunter recruitment, retention, and reactivation and to provide greater opportunity for current pheasant hunters."

Season dates, bag limits, and other hunting regulations for New York's small game species are available in the Hunting and Trapping Regulations Guide (PDF)

<https://dec.ny.gov/sites/default/files/2024-07/huntingtrappingregsguide.pdf>

which can be obtained from any license-issuing agent or on DEC's website.

# Claryville Fire Dept.

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## All You Can Eat Pancake Breakfast



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# Claryville Schoolhouse Restoration

**B**uilt by 1848, this one room school operated until merging with the Tri-Valley School District in 1956. The building was given to the Claryville Reformed Church by the school District for use as a Museum.

## The Project:

- Repair, restore and preserve the building
- Gather and catalogue school records, books, memories and photos
- Restore the interior & open to the public
- Create programs for children and adults

## We need:

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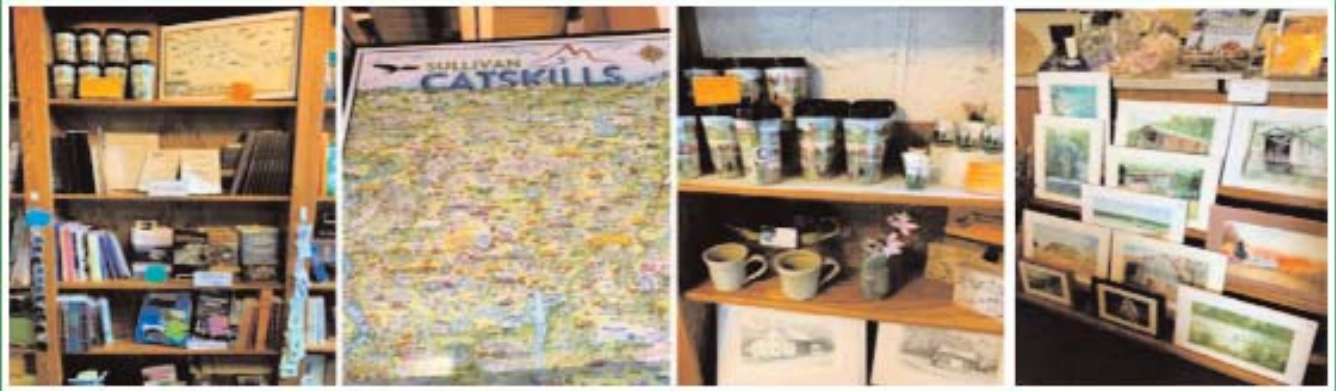
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# Homeschooling Group

4th Tuesday of each month

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at the Daniel Pierce Library

We invite all homeschooling families to join a self-guided group that meets monthly at the Daniel Pierce Library.

Together this group will share lessons, network, set up future field trips, have various guest speakers and programs.

You can also... borrow books, check out DVD's, access the internet, research online databases and utilize library space! (If you have a RCLS library card).

Please join in, the possibilities are endless!

**Text or call Dana  
for more information:  
845 707 – 2489**



**Beginning  
September  
24th**



## Shane Rennison Announces Release of *Live at the Outlier Inn 2*, Featuring Interpretations of **IRRATIONAL** in a Captivating Live Setting

Grahamsville, NY - Indie singer-songwriter **Shane Rennison** is excited to announce the release of **Live at the Outlier Inn 2**, a unique live music project set to debut on **October 25th, 2024**. Recorded at the iconic **Outlier Inn** in New York's **Catskill Mountains**, this project is the second installment in Shane's **Live at the Outlier Inn** series, which invites top-tier musicians to collaborate and reimagine his songs in a live setting.



In January 2024, Shane gathered with a group of world-class musicians at the Outlier Inn for two days of immersive, spontaneous music-making. With no specific agenda beyond exploring new interpretations of songs from his debut album **IRRATIONAL**, the group captured a series of raw, authentic performances, all documented by filmmaker Brandon Worden.

“The magic of these sessions lies in the collective energy of everyone involved,” Shane reflects. “It’s not just about playing the music, but about the conversations, the vibes, and the inspiration that comes from being in a space like the **Outlier Inn**. I’m grateful every time I get to be part of such a musical tapestry.”

**The Outlier Inn**, a 12-acre retreat in the southern **Catskills**, provided the perfect backdrop for this creative journey. With its world-class recording studio, surrounded by serene nature, the setting offered a peaceful and inspiring environment for this project.

The musicians joining Shane for **Live at the Outlier Inn 2** include **Eamon Lebow** on guitar, **Janna Pelle** on piano, **Joe Giaimo** on bass, **Jacob Schaub** on drums, and **Julian Giaimo** on guitar, piano, and vocals. Together, they breathe new life into Shane's songs, creating fresh, live versions that retain the emotional core of **IRRATIONAL** while adding layers of spontaneity and innovation.

**Live at the Outlier Inn 2** will be available on all major streaming platforms on **October 25th**. Fans can also experience the live energy of this project during the upcoming **Music Video Premier** event on **October 10th** at the **Hurleyville Performing Arts Centre**, where Shane will showcase additional work from this creative collaboration.

## Ulster County Executive Submits Resolution for Purchase of Kingston Office Building for Office of the District Attorney, Victims' Advocacy Centers

(From Pg. 18) The purchase of this space represents Ulster County Government's commitment to public safety, the men and women of the District Attorney's Office, crime victims of all abilities and age, and appropriate working environment for the rigorous and challenging work we must do. On behalf of everyone in the DA's Office, I express our gratitude to Executive Metzger and her staff, Chair Criswell, and Chair Hansut for the time, energy, and dedication to achieve this necessity."

"The acquisition of this space is a positive step forward that will make it possible for the County to consolidate several key offices in one location facilitating both collaboration and the delivery of services among law enforcement, probation and social services," said Michael Iapoce, Ulster County Department of Social Services Commissioner. "Specifically, the relocation of the multi-disciplinary team of DA and DSS Staff comprising the Ulster County Family and Children Advocacy Center (FCAC) to this space will ensure the continuation of our collective ability to deliver the unique and essential services that are provided to child victims of abuse and neglect and their non-offending caretakers by the FCAC."

"Ulster County Probation is looking forward to the anticipated co-location of the Ulster County Crime Victims Assistance Program, Ulster County District Attorney's Office, and the Family and Child Advocacy Center," said Valerie Naccarato, Ulster County Probation Department Director. "We believe this move will lead to both increased collaboration and streamlined communication between departments, resulting in higher levels of collaborative support for survivors of crime in Ulster County."

## CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS 20th Annual Small Works Exhibition at DVAA

Narrowsburg, NY (September 23, 2024) - The Delaware Valley Arts Alliance is calling for entries for our 20th annual "Art in Sixes" small works exhibition (November 16 - December 23, 2024) at 37 Main Street, Narrowsburg, NY. Artists of all ages are invited to submit. Show off your creative spark within the parameters of 6 inches in any dimension (including run-time for video)!

Two special drop-in art-making days hosted by teaching artist Adrienne Hldorwsi will be held at DVAA giving young artists a chance to share their creative voices with our community! In 2023, this annual exhibit encompassed all of DVAA's galleries and featured nearly 600 small-scale artworks by more than 190 local and regional artists.

### SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- o Artwork can be no larger than 6 inches in any direction (not including frame or base).

- o Framed works cannot exceed 10 inches in any dimension.
- o All artwork will be juried from actual submitted artwork (no email submissions) - not all work will be accepted.
- o Each artist may submit up to four (4) works.
- o All media welcome.
- o Artwork must be ready to hang and professionally presented.
- o Gallery shelves are available for small sculptures.
- o All artwork must be for sale - prices can start no lower than \$60.
- o Work previously exhibited at DVAA is not eligible.
- o All artwork must be original (no digital print reproductions of original works).
- o Each artist must fill-out the entry submission form and art label forms completely, and bring them with the artwork when dropped off.
- o Forms and guidelines can be found online at <https://delawarevalleyartsalliance.org/art-in-sixes-requirements/>

### SUBMISSION DATES

- o Artists may drop off work at 37 Main St., Narrowsburg, NY during Gallery Hours (Thursdays - Sundays, 11 am - 4 pm) or by appointment beginning Saturday, October 5, 2024.
- o The last drop-off day is Sunday, Nov. 3 till 4 pm.

### KIDS MAKE SIXES

HEY KIDS! You can be a part of DVAA's annual art extravaganza too!

- o DVAA will provide a 6"x 6" canvas and art-making supplies.
- o Stop by during DVAA's gallery hours (Thursday-Sunday, 11 am - 4 pm) and pick up a canvas board or two to work on at home!
- o Families are welcome to join us on Saturday, October 12th, and Saturday, 26th from 10 am -12 pm to make your very own entry for Art in Sixes with teaching artist Adrienne Hloderwsi.

### ABOUT ADRIENNE

Adrienne Hloderwsi is a local teaching artist, Montessori guide, and pedagogy consultant. Over the years she has enjoyed sharing her love and learning of fine art mediums and techniques with children and adults alike. Often inspired by 3D mediums like ceramics, textiles, and stained glass, she blends natural elements with everyday functionality.

### ABOUT DVAA

DVAA serves as the arts hub of the Upper Delaware Valley and Sullivan Catskills Region, supporting artists through platforms to share their voices in our galleries, on our stages, and at our festivals, including Riverfest in July and the Big Eddy Film Festival held every fall. DVAA funds Sullivan County creatives and cultural organizations through our role as the county's Arts Council.

Located at 37 Main Street, Narrowsburg, NY. Walk-ins are welcome. DVAA's galleries are ADA-accessible. Gallery & Shop Hours are Thurs.- Sun., 11 am - 4 pm & by appointment.

For more information, visit [DelawareValleyArtsAlliance.org](http://DelawareValleyArtsAlliance.org) or call (845) 252-7576.

### SUPPORT

DVAA's programs are made possible thanks in part to the New York State Council on the Arts, a State Agency with support from the Office of the Governor and the New York State Legislature; the Nancy Stevenson Memorial Fund; our Business Sponsors; DVAA members; and individuals.





## Adult Education Fall 2024

(October 14th - December 19th)

To sign up visit: <https://www.trivalleycsd.org/district/about-us/adult-education/>



### Hall Walking Monday - Thursday - 6:00 p.m.- 8:00 p.m

*Enjoy the benefits of regular exercise in a comfortable and safe environment. Indoor walking is perfect for all fitness levels and provides a great way to improve your cardiovascular health and boost your mood.*

### Basketball Monday 7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. (SS gym)

Open rec basketball is open to all skill levels. Come join the fun!

### Painting Monday - 6:00 p.m.- 7:30 p.m. (ES Art Room)

*Four painting projects. Sign up for one or all four! (\$10 supply fee, per project, paid to instructor)*

### Woodshop Tuesday- 5:00 p.m.- 7:00 p.m. (SS Shop)

*Our popular Adult Education Woodshop class is returning! Whether you're a seasoned craftsman or just starting out, our experienced instructor will guide you through every step.*

### Quilting Tuesday- 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. (SS Rm 51)

*Whether you are just starting or have been quilting for a while, this class is for adults interested in learning and sharing different techniques for making table runners, wallhangings, or bed quilts.*

### Yoga Wednesday- 6:00 p.m.- 7:15 p.m. (SS Library)

*Come join our adult yoga class and discover the benefits of stretching and relaxing. Whether you're a beginner or have a regular practice, our class offers a welcoming and supportive environment for all levels*

### Chess Wednesday- 6:00 p.m.- 8:00 p.m. (SS Bear Den)

*Learn the game of kings from a master! Join our Adult Ed chess class taught by a member of the UCSF and former tournament director. Benefit from expert guidance and insights as you develop your strategic thinking skills. Whether you're a beginner or a seasoned player, our instructor will tailor the class to your level and help you improve your game.*

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Chronic Kidney Disease (CKD) progresses in stages and, if untreated, can lead to complete loss of kidney function. At CKD stage 5, when both kidneys fail completely, the only options for survival are dialysis or a kidney transplant. Nick is at stage 5.

*If interested in donating please contact Westchester Medical Center and speak with a Living Donor Coordinator at 914.493.1990*

### More about our warrior Nick....

Nick was diagnosed with Tuberous Sclerosis Complex (TSC) at birth. TSC is a neurological disorder that produces seizures, tumors, and lesions that effect the organs of the body and can cause Autism. Nick has been battling with seizures his whole life from infantile spasms to adult grand-mal seizures. May 2019 we heard the worst news that Nick's function was under 10% on both kidneys. Since then Nick has had multiple surgeries so he could get the proper dialysis preformed. Nick goes in center for 4 hours 3 times a week. Not what the sweetest, kindest, 31 year old should be going through.

Nick has such a big heart and is loved by so many in our community. We all want Nick to have the best quality of life and going through dialysis does not provide that quality. We hope and pray a kidney comes to us and that Nick will be able to live a happy and healthy life doing what he loves and that is to bicycle all throughout our town making people smile. Nick is a big part of the community, he takes pride with his volunteer work with the EMS and is the Honorary member of the Monticello Fire Department.

Lets all band together for Nick and help him find a kidney so he can live life to the fullest!

*For any other questions  
845.798.2077 [nickneedsokidney@gmail.com](mailto:nickneedsokidney@gmail.com)*

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*Along with the blessing of ultimate peace with the coming of Moshiach!*

**Rabbi Hanoch & Tzivie Hecht & Family**

## Shane Rennison to Perform Live Acoustic Set at The Art's Nest in Lake Huntington

Lake Huntington, NY - Shane Rennison, acclaimed indie pop rock singer-songwriter from the Catskills, will perform a special acoustic set at The Art's Nest in Lake Huntington, New York, on Saturday, October 26, 2024, from 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM. The evening promises a soulful and stripped-down performance, featuring a mix of Rennison's original tracks and covers that have captivated his growing fan base.



Fans and newcomers alike will have the chance to hear Rennison's signature sound in the cozy, artist-friendly atmosphere of The Art's Nest. Known for his authentic, emotive performances, Rennison's live shows are both personal and engaging.

Guests can enjoy drinks and small plates from The Art's Nest throughout the evening, making it an ideal setting for music lovers to relax and immerse themselves in a unique, intimate concert experience.

### Event Details

**Date: Saturday, October 26, 2024**

**Time: 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM**

**Location: The Art's Nest, Lake Huntington, NY**

**Tickets: Available at the door**

## DEC Forest Rangers Week in Review

Ulster County Wildland Fire - Plattekill:

On Sept. 27 at 12:30 p.m., Forest Rangers Horn and Rusher responded to a fire call in the Hemlock Ridge Multiple Use Area. They joined volunteer firefighters to suppress the 0.25-acre fire. By 5 p.m., the surface fire was extinguished. Rangers patrolled the fire and declared it out the following morning.



*Hemlock Ridge Multiple Use Area fire*

Ranger Horn at Hemlock Ridge Multiple Use Area fire  
Be sure to properly prepare and plan before entering the backcountry. Visit DEC's Hike Smart NY, Adirondack Backcountry Information, and Catskill Backcountry Information webpages for more information.

If a person needs a Forest Ranger, whether it's for a search and rescue, to report a wildfire, or to report illegal activity on state lands and easements, they should call 833-NYS-RANGERS. If a person needs urgent assistance, they can call 911. To contact a Forest Ranger for information about a specific location, the DEC website has phone numbers for every Ranger listed by region.

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# MONTIGRAM President's Corner

Lori Orestano-James



Rotary 101 was on the docket with Rotary District 7210 District Governor Elect Beau O'Loendorf. Beau shared the great opportunities available to Rotary Clubs and Members through Rotary International Foundation. Monticello Rotary is proud to have most of its members as Paul Harris Fellows. We are striving to accomplish the designation of "Every Rotarian Every Year." Funds raised for the Foundation come back to our community through grants and resources. In addition the funds are used to help support the great work of Rotary International. Thank you for joining us, Beau. Having a better understanding of how our funds are utilized helps us to continue to support all that is The Magic of Rotary!



Our Speaker this coming week is Douglas (DJ) Shindler - The Black Library. Thank you to all who participated in the Walk to End Alzheimer's on Saturday at Bethel Woods. A great time was had by all while raising awareness and funds to fight this debilitating disease. If you haven't made your tax-deductible donation to this cause yet,

please click here:

[https://act.alz.org/site/TR?fr\\_id=17798&pg=team&team\\_id=910154](https://act.alz.org/site/TR?fr_id=17798&pg=team&team_id=910154)

Our Club was honored to present a club check to Chair Barbara Carr in the amount of \$350 toward the efforts of this year's walk.



Always making a difference - Past President Dr. Jeff Weinstein once again participated in the St. Baldrick's Shave Your Head to Fight Childhood Cancer, having raised funds to fund research. We were honored to support Jeff in his efforts to make a difference, presenting him with a check for \$250 to help him meet his goal!

## Committee Meeting Reminder:

Our Motto: Service Above Self - How have you meet that goal lately?

Dates to Remember can be found below.

Agenda for October 1, 2024

1. Meeting Called to Order - President Lori Orestano-James
2. Pledge Of Allegiance - Led by Newest Member Shivani Patel
3. Introduction of Guests of Members - Full Membership
4. Guest Speaker - Douglas (DJ) Shindler - The Black Library
5. Committee Reports:
  - Alzheimer's Walk at Bethel Woods - Barbara Carr
  - Joint Club Blood Drive (Lori James) -
  - Community Unity - Lori Orestano-James 10/5/24
  - Coat Drive - Jackie Rutledge
  - Food Drive - Cris Spinner
  - Rotary Radio - Rick Stein
6. Regional Updates/District Updates - Learning - Rotary Learning Center Live
7. Old Business
8. New Business
9. Happy Dollars
10. 50/50 Raffle
11. Adjourn

Link for Zoom Meeting Sign-on:  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88506100931?pwd=MUNmWnhZanR6M21CSy9McjNQSTBudz09>

## Some upcoming important dates to mark on your calendar:

Coat Drive - Month of October

Monticello Rotary Board of Directors Meeting - October 15, 2024 at 5:30pm.

Humpback Friday, Friday, October 18, 2024 - El Sombrero, Rock Hill, NY

Liberty Rotary Scholarship Spaghetti and Meatball Dinner, Tuesday, October 29, 2024 5pm - 7pm at the Liberty High School Cafeteria (We will be holding a social meeting that night at the Liberty High School in place of our regular meeting.) See Les for tickets.

Rotary Learning Center Live - October 26, 2024. To learn more and register, click here: <https://rotarydistrict7210.org/page/learning-center-live>

Lastly, our meetings are hybrid. We would love to see you at our meetings either in-person or and/or Zoom. For those of you who attend regularly, we thank you for your commitment.

With Rotary Pride,

Lori Orestano-James

President Monticello Rotary 2024-2025

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Walking to Make a Difference!

The Monticello Rotary Annual Sullivan County Walk to End Alzheimer took place at Bethel Woods on Saturday, September



28, 2024. Alzheimer's Disease is 6.7 million people of all ages have Alzheimer's disease in the United States. In Rotary District 7210, all Rotary Clubs are working hard to help find a cure through events like these. The Monticello Rotary Club is a strong supporter of the cause. You can help by making a donation today. We are able to accept donations through December 2024. To donate, click here: [https://act.alz.org/site/TR?fr\\_id=17798&pg=team&team\\_id=910154](https://act.alz.org/site/TR?fr_id=17798&pg=team&team_id=910154)

## EMILE BRUNEL (1874-1944): THE MAN, THE LAND, THE ART OF BRUNEL PARK



**Shandaken Historical Museum 26 Academy Street Pine Hill, New York**  
**Sunday, October 13th 1:00pm-3:00pm**

Emile Brunel, a man of vision and innovation, left a significant mark on both the photographic and cultural landscapes of America. His journey in 1904 from Chateaufort de Chabre, France to the United States led to a series of remarkable achievements, including a collaboration with Cecil B. DeMille and the founding in 1910 of what is now the New York Institute of Photography. He became a respected portrait photographer with over 35 photographic studios across the Northeast. His pioneering work in developing the one-hour photo process was a game-changer for the film industry, allowing for rapid review of daily footage.

Acquiring land that once housed the old Brown's Hotel in Boiceville in 1921, Emile created Le Chalet Indien, a resort dedicated to the indigenous spirit that had captured his heart upon first arriving in America. Brunel threw himself into crafting a visionary, dreamlike retreat and sculpture park—a personal testament of his love for Native American peoples and the land they stewarded for centuries. The resort became a sought-after destination for celebrities, artists, and political figures from the late 1920s to the late-1950s, including the Roosevelts, Enrico Caruso, Harold Prince, and Irving Berlin. It was not just a place of leisure but a creative sanctuary that inspired many of its distinguished guests. The legacy of Le Chalet Indien continues to be preserved, with Brunel's sculptures and the resort's history capturing the imagination of visitors and historians alike.

The Friends of Brunel Park is a non-profit organization, founded in 2018, dedicated to the stewardship of the Brunel Sculpture Garden, a cultural and educational community hub, situated on the Esopus Creek in Catskill Park, traditional home of the Munsee Esopus Lenape within the Mahicannituck River Watershed. The volunteer-run organization supports, programs, manages, and maintains the Brunel Sculpture Garden, which features over a dozen statues, sculptures, bas reliefs, and totem poles created by Emile Brunel, all framed by a naturalistic garden setting. Their mission extends to celebrating and supporting the cultural heritage of the Native American tribes of the region, promoting the arts, and maintaining the garden as a serene destination for both locals and visitors.



Cynthia Nikitn, Friends of Brunel Park Co-Founder and Trustee, will give a free illustrated lecture entitled; "Emile Brunel: The Man, The Land, The Art of Brunel Park" at the Shandaken History Museum, 26 Academy Street Pine Hill, NY at 1pm on Sunday October 13, 2024. A concurrent exhibition on the life and works of Emile Brunel is on display at the Museum.

For more information about Brunel Park go to [www.brunelpark.org](http://www.brunelpark.org).  
 For more information about the Shandaken History Museum call 845-254-4460.  
<https://shandakennymuseum.org/>

## Acting UC Clerk Taylor Bruck Welcomes The Society for Creative Anachronism to the Persen House for “Life in the Middle Ages” on October 5th

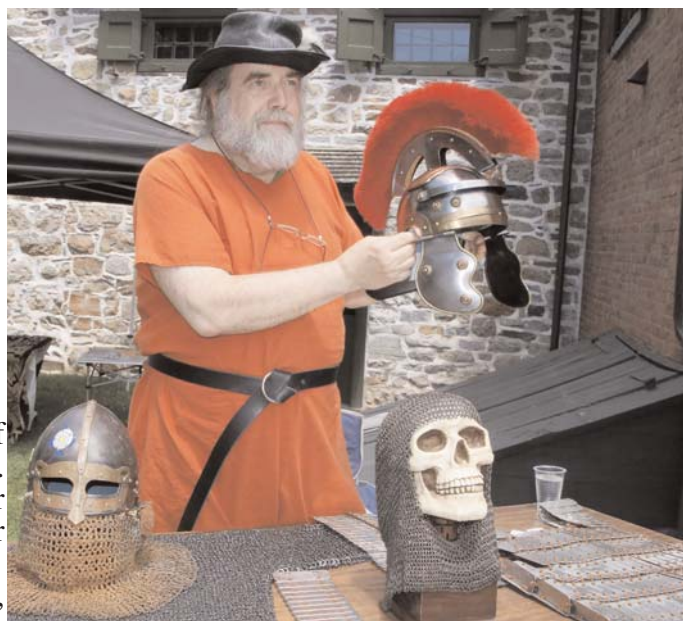
Kingston, NY - Acting Ulster County Clerk Taylor Bruck is pleased to announce that on Saturday, October 5th, the Society for Creative Anachronism, Shire of Nordenhal, will host “Life in the Middle Ages” at the Matthewis Persen House Museum, located at 74 John Street in uptown Kingston, at the corner of John and Crown Streets. Admission is free and all are welcome.

This Saturday, from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm, the Society for Creative Anachronism (SCA), Shire of Nordenhal, will host “Life in the Middle Ages” at the Persen House. The SCA is an educational organization dedicated to reproducing and exploring the very best aspects of pre-17th century cultures. Join members of the SCA's Shire of Nordenhal for family-friendly activities and discussions on period clothing, calligraphy, fencing, archery, and a host of other



engaging activities. Visitors can participate in medieval games, try their hand at inkle-loom weaving, and experience demonstrations of traditional arts throughout the day.

“We are excited to have the SCA back at the Persen House this season,” said Acting County Clerk Taylor Bruck. “Their vibrant reenactments bring history to



life, offering a unique, family-friendly opportunity for visitors of all ages to immerse themselves in the world of the Middle Ages. Events like these not only entertain but also foster a deeper understanding of our shared past, which is a cornerstone of our educational outreach efforts.”

To learn more about the Society for Creative Anachronism, visit their website at [nordenhal.eastkingdom.org](http://nordenhal.eastkingdom.org). For further information about the Matthewis Persen House Museum and other outreach programs of the Ulster County Clerk's Office, please contact (845) 340-3415 or [archives@co.ulster.ny.us](mailto:archives@co.ulster.ny.us). You can also stay updated by visiting our Facebook page. Don't miss this chance to step back in time and experience life as it was in the Middle Ages!

# Ulster County Executive Jen Metzger's 2025 Budget Includes Initiatives on EMS, Transit, Housing, Energy, and Infrastructure, with No Property Tax Increase

NEW PALTZ, NY - Ulster County Executive Jen Metzger delivered her 2025 Executive Budget Address at New Paltz Justice Court on Tuesday afternoon. The 2025 Budget will keep property taxes flat while making investments to improve infrastructure and transportation, address the housing crisis, bolster emergency medical services, protect the environment, and expand programs and opportunities for youth, veterans, and small businesses. When presenting her budget, the County Executive noted that the County government has received the lowest possible score of zero in the State Comptroller's annual Fiscal Stress Score, and is in a strong fiscal position.

The 2025 Executive Budget includes \$432 million in spending, up from \$412 million in the 2024 Adopted Budget. This increase is exclusive of transfers to the newly-created internal service fund. \$8.8 million of this increase is funded by federal and state grants at no cost to the County and \$16 million is mandated and required contractual spending, with the majority (\$10.2 million) of that cost driven by social services, including Temporary Assistance, Child Welfare Services, and Early Intervention.

Ulster County's Fund Balance Policy, as amended last year, requires the unrestricted fund balance to be between 15% and 20% to protect taxpayers against changing economic and fiscal conditions from one year to the next. The 2025 Executive Budget maintains a 19.9% unrestricted General Fund balance after appropriations and reserves.

"We are in a very strong fiscal position as a County going into 2025, and we're working to keep it that way by making operational improvements and strategic investments that will produce long-term savings for taxpayers," said Ulster County Executive Jen Metzger. "At the same time, this Executive Budget reflects our continued focus on initiatives that expand opportunities for our residents, improve people's health and quality of life, and exemplify good stewardship of the environment and planet."

## 2025 EXECUTIVE BUDGET TOPLINES:

- o \$432 million total budget, an increase of \$20 million from 2024.
- o The budget increase includes:
  - o \$10.2M in state mandated social services
  - o \$2.0M in retirement cost increases
  - o \$3.8M in additional state and other funding for mental health and substance use disorder services
- o Property Tax - The 2025 Executive Budget keeps the property tax levy flat.
- o Sales Tax - The 2025 Executive Budget projects Sales Tax to remain flat from current year projections.

## 2025 EXECUTIVE BUDGET INITIATIVES:

- o Bridges & Roads - The 2025 Executive Budget proposes to establish a \$10M Bridge Reserve Fund to repair and build

more resilient infrastructure and reduce borrowing costs for the bridge replacement program, providing long-term savings to taxpayers. Additionally, the budget proposes increased staffing levels at the Department of Public Works.

- o Housing - The 2025 Executive Budget launches a new "Better Homes for All" initiative to help income-eligible renters and homeowners make energy upgrades that save on utility bills, improve safety and comfort, and reduce their carbon footprint. The Budget continues support for a suite of housing initiatives to expand the supply of new housing and prevent eviction and homelessness.

- o Public Transit - Includes dedicated revenue from the increase in occupancy tax to implement the soon-to-be-completed route optimization study to better meet riders' needs.

- o Emergency Medical Services -The 2025 Executive Budget includes a package of initiatives to enhance Emergency Medical Services (EMS) through recruitment, training, equipment, and support for multijurisdictional approaches to address service gaps. These include a County partnership with SUNY Ulster on new EMS certification programs and a new EMS training unit in the County Department of Emergency Services; legal assistance to support municipalities in collaborative efforts to close service gaps; and a new EMS grant program to help volunteer services purchase equipment that enables enhanced patient care. The County Executive will also establish an EMS Advisory Board to ensure continued collaboration to raise the level of care for residents.

- o Education: The 2025 Executive Budget provides additional operational support for the Ulster County Community College, bringing total County support to \$7.1 million, an increase of more than \$200,000.

- o Youth Programs -The 2025 Executive Budget supports programming for youth in emergency housing, and includes a new lead-hazard rental inspection program in high-risk areas with state funding.

- o Veteran Families - The 2025 Executive Budget expands support for family caregivers of veterans and active-duty service members by establishing a new family peer-support and assistance program.

- o Helping Local Governments Go Green - The 2025 Executive Budget includes a second round of grants to local governments for climate initiatives, utilizing remaining funds from the County's federally funded \$2.5M municipal solar and EV-charging program. The second round will include funding to offset the local share of NYSEERDA grants for local governments to hire an on-site energy manager for two years.

- o "Corrections to Careers" - The 2025 Executive Budget expands the program for individuals incarcerated in the County jail to include next-level training in the Carpenters' union apprenticeship program upon release.

- o Government Efficiency - The 2025 Executive Budget improves operational efficiencies by consolidating functions in two new departments, a Department of General Services and Department of Risk Management, to better meet departmental needs and produce long-term savings.

- o Expanding Economic Opportunities - The County Economic Development Department is applying for \$300,000 to fund a micro-grant program to support entrepreneurs and small businesses, especially those facing barriers to accessing traditional financing. The County will also revitalize its \$1.2 million Revolving Loan Fund to support small businesses, including minority-, women-, and veteran-owned businesses, with low-interest loans for a variety of needs.





From securing funding to keep our kids safe from drug addiction and fentanyl to honoring Hudson Valley's heroic veterans, here's what I was focused on this last week down in Washington and home here in the Hudson Valley:

### COMBATING YOUTH DRUG USE AND FIGHTING FENTANYL

Addiction is tearing Hudson Valley families apart and stealing the bright futures of our kids with gut-wrenching frequency. I'm pushing to end that vicious cycle.

This National Recovery Month, I'm proud to deliver \$1.25 million for the Alcohol and Drug Awareness Council of Orange County's Tri-County Prevention Coalition and The Council on Addiction, Prevention, and Education of Dutchess County, Inc. to prevent youth from ever falling into the spiral of addiction and to keep deadly fentanyl out of our communities.

I look forward to continuing to work with community partners and local officials as we fight to end youth drug use.

### HONORING HUDSON VALLEY VETERANS



Our veterans have led lives grounded in service - motivated not out of self-interest, but out of a deep belief in our country's principles of equality and freedom for all.

It was a privilege to honor and uplift their heroism and selflessness at my Veterans' Breakfast and to recognize three of the Hudson Valley's own - Staatsburg's WWII veteran Ralph Osterhoudt, Newburgh's Vietnam veteran Vincent Serrano, and Kingston's Afghanistan War veteran David Harris - for their extraordinary service to our nation and Hudson Valley community. Learn more about their inspiring stories here .

I want our veterans to know that their sacrifices do not go unrecognized. Today and every day, I'm fighting to make sure our men and women in uniform receive the benefits that they earned and that our government upholds the promises it made to them.

Image

It was truly moving to again join with so many members of the Hudson Valley veterans community at the Salute 2

Veterans Walkway Over the Hudson Appreciation Night.

Thank you to Ulster and Dutchess counties for hosting this great event, and a huge thank you to all our men and women in uniform for all you and your families have sacrificed for our country.

### BRINGING MY OFFICE TO YOU

Maria from my team had a great time bringing 1-on-1 assistance with federal agencies to the Middletown Farmers' Market.

Thanks to Mayor DeStefano and Economic Director Maria Bruni for joining.

If you need help navigating anything from IRS returns to Social Security, hope you'll join one of October's events!

### CONGRATULATING AN OUTSTANDING LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

A huge congratulations to Ulster County Sheriff's Lieutenant Chad Storey on his graduation from the FBI National Academy!

Lt. Storey's selfless service to our Ulster County community is inspiring - thank you for going above and beyond to keep our families safe. Read more here .

### USHERING IN FEDERAL RESOURCES TO HELP POUGHKEEPSIE THRIVE

Housing that's affordable.

Cleaner air for our kids to breathe.

That's what every Hudson Valley family deserves and what I'm fighting for.

Proud that \$500,000 from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and \$3 million from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) will help deliver just that for Poughkeepsie families. Read more about the transformative investments here .

I'll keep fighting to bring home the federal investments that uplift Hudson Valley families and help our communities thrive.

### BOLSTERING KINGSTON'S TREE CANOPIES



Tree coverage is an absolute necessity for a thriving city - I'm proud that an additional \$240,824 will add to the \$528,600 from the landmark Inflation Reduction Act that I delivered for Kingston's urban forestry program last year.

These historic investments will increase canopy cover, improve climate resilience, and create good-paying jobs along the way. (Contd. Pg. 58)

## Pat Ryan

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I'm looking forward to continuing to work with officials at every level of government as we make the Hudson Valley a sustainable and vibrant home for generations to come.

### CONTINUING THE RECOVERY FROM LAST YEAR'S FLOODING

Route 218 in Orange County suffered a catastrophic wash out in last July's devastating flooding - its recent reopening was a huge step in our continued recovery from the flooding.

I'm particularly proud that we took this opportunity not just to rebuild, but to upgrade the highway so that it is more resilient to the increasing impacts of climate change. This would not have been possible without partnerships across every level of government, especially the incredibly talented and hard-working team at the NYSDOT. Read more about the reopening here .

I'll keep fighting every day to deliver for our Hudson Valley community.

### PROTECTING ANIMALS 100%

As a rescue cat dad myself, proud to have received a 100% on the Humane Society scorecard.

Learn more about the scorecard here .  
<https://hslf.org/humane-scorecard>

### SUPPORTING PUBLIC SERVICE

A huge Happy Birthday to AmeriCorps this past week! Since 1993, AmeriCorps has provided limitless opportunities for our youth to lead lives grounded in public service.

Earlier this year, I was proud to secure \$1.2 million in AmeriCorps funding to expand the Student Conservation Association's Hudson Valley Corps right here in Poughkeepsie. Learn more about AmeriCorps and how you can volunteer to uplift our community here. <https://americorps.gov/serve>

I'm looking forward to continuing to partner with AmeriCorps to create more opportunities for Hudson Valley youth to serve our neighbors.

Here's to many more years of inspiring our youth to uplift our communities and improve our country through selfless service.

### TAKING ACTION TO END HUNGER

No child should go hungry - that's why a key component of my Youth Agenda is tackling food insecurity for families.

This Hunger Action Month, I'll keep pushing to get bills like the The Military Family Nutrition Act and my Lower Grocery Prices Act passed and signed into law.



Governor Hochul's failure to respond to my questions about the impeded CCP spy in her administration, sending a dangerous message not only to the CCP but to all foreign adversaries seeking to infiltrate our government. Clearly, Governor Hochul does not take this issue seriously and is content with CCP infiltration of her administration. We must hold Governor Hochul accountable and ensure any other CCP operatives within this administration are exposed and removed. In addition, Hochul must recognize the serious consequences this has had on the state's relationship with Taiwan and our economy. Her administration must immediately address these concerns and initiate a bipartisan investigation to ensure no compromised CCP agents remain employed by New York State.

READ MORE: House GOP presses Hochul on alleged CCP agent's influence in New York, including secret Chinese police station

<https://www.foxnews.com/politics/house-gop-presses-hochul-alleged-ccp-agents-influence-new-york-including-secret-chinese-police-station>

### Voting Against a Three-Month Funding Bill

With over \$35 trillion in national debt, it is unfortunate that we continue to write a blank check to the Biden-Harris administration, allowing them to spend at current levels. Once again, instead of making serious cuts to excessive federal spending, Congress is merely putting a band-aid on the problem by enacting a three-month funding bill that would extend bloated government spending and maintain current levels of excessive funding, which is why I voted against it.

House Republicans have passed five of the Fiscal Year 2025 spending bills, covering nearly 71% of overall discretionary spending. This includes the Defense Appropriations Bill and the Homeland Security Appropriations Bill, which provides \$600 million for building the wall along the Southern Border and funding for a record 22,000 Border Patrol Agents. Yet, Senator Schumer and Senate Democrats have refused to pass any of these bills, forcing a potential government shutdown. Schumer shut the government down in 2018, but he's threatening to do it again with a refusal to include priorities that the American people want and need in this dangerous world.

Unlike my Democratic colleagues in the House, I voted for a continuing resolution last week that would keep the government open while securing our elections and provide necessary supplemental funding to the Virginia Class Submarine program. However, unlike last week, this continuing resolution fails to include the SAVE Act, which would close loopholes requiring proof of citizenship to vote, thus enhancing election security at a critical time just weeks before the 2024 election. (Contd. Pg 59)

**This Week with Claudia**

(From Pg. 58) As Co-Chair of the Election Integrity Caucus, this legislation is paramount in ensuring that noncitizens, especially illegal aliens, cannot undermine or dilute the sacred right to vote, which is the heart and soul of our Constitutional system where we must protect self-governance against authoritarian control. Furthermore, this continuing resolution omits vital initiatives to strengthen border security, despite our border agents facing an unprecedented crisis, and does not provide supplemental funding for Virginia Class Submarines, threatening our supply chains and our military readiness.

**Being Recognized for Defending Second Amendment Rights**

As a Constitutional Conservative, defending the Second Amendment has always been one of my top priorities in Congress. I am honored to receive this prestigious ranking from the National Shooting Sports Foundation (NSSF) Dean's List for my dedication to protecting these rights during the 118th Congress.

This report card evaluates elected officials based on their efforts to uphold the Second Amendment and support law-abiding firearm owners. The assessment includes key factors such as voting records, co-sponsorships, committee involvement, floor speeches, and other official actions. My place on the Dean's List reflects my 100% voting alignment with NSSF priorities and full co-sponsorship of all scored bills.

I am grateful to the NSSF for this recognition and remain steadfast in opposing any efforts to strip law-abiding Americans of their constitutional freedoms.

House Republicans are committed to passing spending bills through regular order, allowing for robust debate and giving the American people a voice in the appropriations process. Therefore, I could not support this resolution that continues excessive spending, which, in many ways, prioritizes Democrats' initiatives over the needs of hardworking families - while also adding to the national debt and fueling the cruelest tax on all Americans - Inflation.

As your representative in Congress, my top priority is championing legislative initiatives that benefit you and your families. Each week, I review numerous bills and letters, engaging in thorough discussions with members of our community to determine which actions to support and address your needs. Below are a few bills I recently cosponsored.

H. Res. 1305 - This House resolution would rescind the subpoenas issued by the partisan January 6th Committee. This is a critical step toward restoring the integrity of Congress and protecting against the politicization of taxpayer-funded resources. We must reject partisan attempts to weaponize our institutions against Democrats' political opponents.

H.R. 7101 - the FTC REDO Act - This bill nullifies the Federal Trade Commission's (FTC) controversial Vehicle Shopping Rule and requires the FTC to follow basic regulatory safeguards - which it failed to follow - should the agency choose to redo the rule. Such safeguards include allowing for adequate public comment and conducting a cost benefit analysis on actual data. This rule was rushed through without proper feedback from the public and would be harmful to both consumers and automobile manufacturers.

H.R. 9763 - No Funding Without Freedom Act - This bill

would prohibit any funding for Afghanistan until American citizens that are wrongfully detained in Afghanistan, like Ryan Corbett, are freed. It is unconscionable that the United States provides humanitarian and economic support funding to Afghanistan as they have wrongfully imprisoned American citizens for years. This bill would terminate this practice and ensure that U.S. funds do not support a regime that detains Americans.

Transparency in Congress and a well-informed electorate are vital to preserving our self-governing Constitutional Republic. My constituents deserve to know how their members of Congress vote, which is why I have explained every vote I have cast in Congress since I was first elected.

To read more about my votes and see the full list with explanations of all the legislation considered this week by the House, please click here.

<https://tenney.house.gov/about/my-votes-explained>



## Welcome to Kirsten's New York Minute!

Here's what she's been up to this week:

### 1. Securing the northern border

With record numbers of migrants attempting to illegally enter the country through Canada, Kirsten introduced bipartisan legislation to help Customs and Border Protection update and strengthen security at the northern border.

Read more

<https://www.timesunion.com/state/article/gillibrand-introduces-bill-stem-rise-illegal-19791915.php>

### 2. Fighting for vets

Kirsten met with veterans in Rome and White Plains to talk about her bipartisan Blast Overpressure Safety Act, a bill that would address traumatic brain injuries in service members and vets caused by our own weapon systems.

Read more

<https://www.uticaod.com/story/news/state/2024/09/24/senator-gillibrand-announces-legislation-to-protect-veterans-from-traumatic-brain-injury/75350699007/>

### 3. WATCH: Kirsten on equal rights

Kirsten joined the Southampton Press to talk about her effort to certify the Equal Rights Amendment, funding to fight Lyme disease, and more.

Watch here. <https://www.27east.com/southamptonpress/senator-kirsten-gillibrand-talks-ticks-blast-overpressure-safety-act-and-the-equal-rights-amendment-27speaks-podcast-2292719/>

### 4. Celebrating Buffalo

Kirsten attended Buffalo Nite, a beloved Capitol Hill tradition celebrating the great city of Buffalo.

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## Welcome to Kirsten's New York Minute!

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### 5. Working for New Yorkers

When a disabled veteran and single dad needed help accessing his GI benefits, he contacted Kirsten's office for help. Kirsten's team contacted the VA, and within weeks, he was approved for benefits and back payment of \$20,000.

Individual casework is Kirsten's top priority. If you need help with a federal agency, contact her here. <https://www.gillibrand.senate.gov/help/help-for-new-yorkers/>

### GILLIBRAND INTRODUCES BIPARTISAN BILL TO STRENGTHEN NORTHERN BORDER SECURITY

Despite Dramatic Uptick In Unauthorized Crossings, Northern Border Security Strategy Has Not Been Assessed Since 2018

WASHINGTON, D.C. -Today, U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand held a virtual press conference on the Northern Border Security Enhancement and Review Act, bipartisan legislation that would update and strengthen security at the northern border. The legislation comes following a significant increase in unauthorized crossings in the last two years, which has placed serious strain on state resources. Additionally, a number of migrants have died while attempting to cross the border in winter.

"Customs and Border Protection agents along our northern border are struggling to address a dramatic increase in the number of unauthorized border crossings," said Senator Gillibrand. "This bill is a commonsense, bipartisan measure to give federal law enforcement and congressional leaders more data and strategic direction to address the situation. I look forward to getting it passed."

The number of migrant encounters at the northern border has roughly doubled over the past year. Officials reported more than 190,000 encounters in 2023, and apprehensions of migrants crossing illegally from Canada jumped 241% from 2022 to 2023. Gillibrand's bill would help ensure that Customs and Border Protection has the data and insights necessary to address the increasing apprehensions along the northern border and combat illegal drug and weapons trafficking.

Specifically, the Northern Border Security Enhancement and Review Act would:

1. Require a Northern Border Threat Analysis to be completed every three years;
2. Require that the analysis include an assessment of recent changes in the number and demographics of apprehensions at the northern border;
3. Require that the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Northern Border Strategy be updated within 90 days of the completion of the threat analysis, and have DHS brief Congress within 30 days.

Senator Gillibrand introduced this bill along with Senators Maggie Hassan (D-NH) and Kevin Cramer (R-ND). It unanimously passed out of the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs today.



### Rep. Molinaro Celebrates 100th Mobile Office Hour Event

Binghamton, NY - U.S. Rep. Marc Molinaro (NY-19) today announced his office has hosted 100 mobile office hours across all eleven counties in New York's 19th Congressional District. During these events, constituents have connected with representatives from Rep. Molinaro's office to share comments and resolve issues they're having.

Since coming to Congress, Rep. Molinaro has put an emphasis on constituent services. He has helped nearly 2,000 constituents solve issues they're having with federal agencies like the Social Security Administration, the IRS, and the Department of Veterans Affairs. From this work, he's had major success stories like getting a local Vietnam War veteran the Purple Heart he was due, helping connect Oneonta residents with local and federal support after an explosion devastated the community, and connecting families with assistance during the temporary closure of Sullivan County Head Start while successfully advocating for it to reopen.

Rep. Molinaro said, "When I came to Congress, I said we would be the people Upstate New Yorkers turn to when they need a problem solved. One hundred mobile office hours later and hundreds of success stories, we can say we're delivering on that commitment. There will always be more to do. If you need us, we're just a call away. Call my office at (607) 242-0200 or (518) 625-2100

### Molinaro Applauds Broome County Sheriff on New "Blue Envelope Program" to Improve Interactions Between Police and Individuals and Families with Autism

Dickinson, NY - U.S. Rep. Marc Molinaro (NY-19) today applauded Sheriff Fred Akshar for announcing a new program at the Broome County Sheriff's Office that aims to create a safer, more understanding environment for interactions between law enforcement and individuals and families with autism.

Joined by Congressman Marc Molinaro and representatives from Alive With Autism, ACHIEVE, Southern Tier Independence Center, GiGi's Playhouse, and Helping Celebrate Abilities, the Broome County Sheriff's Office announced the "Blue Envelope Program," a first-in-New-York-State initiative aimed at easing communication and preventing misunderstandings between individuals with autism and law enforcement during interactions like traffic stops or during an emergency. (Contd. Pg. 61)

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Being pulled over by a police officer can make anyone anxious. For someone with Autism Spectrum Disorder, it can cause an even greater issue, between the heightened situation, the flashing lights, the sounds of radios, and other noises.

Congressman Marc Molinaro said, "I started the Think DIFFERENTLY initiative in 2015 to encourage our community to rethink how we interact with people with disabilities. I'm grateful to Sheriff Fred Akshar for taking this step to make sure every interaction between law enforcement and a person with a disability is a safe one. The Broome County Sheriff's Office is setting a new standard for New York State, and I thank them for their ongoing efforts to strengthen the bond between the department and those they protect."

Sheriff Fred Akshar said, "We work every day to create a safer, more inclusive community for all our residents of Broome County. No matter where you are in our community, you deserve to feel safe, and today's partnership is an important step toward helping drivers and passengers with autism have positive interactions with police on the road."

The Blue Envelope Program is based on similar programs in neighboring states and focuses on the following points:

**Enhancing Awareness and Understanding:** The Blue Envelope provides officers with quick access to essential information about autism, fostering empathy and patience for more positive interactions.

**Alleviating Stress and Reducing Anxiety:** Traffic stops can be overwhelming for individuals with autism. The Blue Envelope acts as a visual signal, helping officers modify their communication approach to ease the driver's anxiety.

**Facilitating Communication:** The envelope includes practical guidelines for officers, enabling effective communication with individuals with autism, even in high-pressure situations like traffic stops.

**Promoting Preparedness:** The Blue Envelope serves as a resource for individuals with autism and their families, encouraging them to organize important documents and confidently present them during a stop, enhancing their sense of security.

### How it works:

Participating individuals with autism and their families are provided with a blue envelope, insert card and Blue Envelope Program vehicle sticker. Outside of the blue envelope contains instructions for the driver, like keeping hands on the wheel, the officer may shine their flashlight in the car and the police car may have flashing lights. The envelope also tells the officers what to do, like simplifying requests and if the driver becomes upset and whether the driver/passenger is verbal/nonverbal. Inside the envelope is a fillable insert card containing emergency contact information.

When someone with autism is pulled over, the sticker helps inform the officer that either the driver or the passenger has autism and might need additional assistance or

understanding for a successful interaction. The driver can provide the officer with the blue envelope containing their driver's license, vehicle registration, vehicle insurance, and an emergency contact card inside.

"The Broome County Sheriff's Office is charged with the safety and security of our citizens of every ability," said Sheriff Akshar. "Any tool that can help us better communicate and interact with the people we serve can help make all the difference, turning a potentially difficult situation into one of trust, understanding and above all safety. I'd like to recognize Deputy Ed Hlebica, one of our Community Engagement Officers, for initiating this program and making it the first of its kind in New York."

### How to participate

The Broome County Sheriff's Office has provided hundreds of blue envelopes and stickers to local community organizations to help distribute them to individuals and families with autism they serve. Partnering organizations include Alive With Autism, ACHIEVE, Southern Tier Independence Center, GiGi's Playhouse and Helping Celebrate Abilities.

The Blue Envelope Program shares many similarities with the Yellow Dot Program, designed to help first responders provide life-saving medical attention immediately after a crash or other emergency. The yellow dot sticker on car windows helps alert first responders of vital medical information stored in the glove compartment.

For more information on either the Blue Envelope Program or the Yellow Dot Program or to request your envelope and sticker, please contact the Broome County Sheriff's Office Community Engagement Team at 607-778-1168 or email Deputy Ed Hlebica at

[Edward.Hlebica@broomecountyny.gov](mailto:Edward.Hlebica@broomecountyny.gov).

## FCC Set to Implement Molinaro Bill Rerouting 988 Crisis Lifeline Calls to Local Call Centers

Washington, DC - In response to bipartisan legislation introduced by U.S. Rep. Marc Molinaro (NY-19), the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) has announced it will vote this month on a rule that requires all 988 Crisis Lifeline Calls be rerouted to local call centers. Last year, Rep. Molinaro started an advocacy effort and wrote a bill to direct the FCC to make this change.

Unlike 911 calls, which are routed to a local call center based on the caller's current location, 988 calls are routed based on a person's area code. If someone moves or travels, their call to 988 could be sent to a call center hundreds of miles away. 988 is not as effective if the person answering a call is unfamiliar with the caller's location and cannot provide accurate, local resources.

In response to Rep. Molinaro's bill, the FCC rule that follows will require all U.S. wireless carriers to implement georouting technology, so those who call 988 are directed to local call centers.

Rep. Molinaro said, "People in crisis need local support from experts who know their communities. This change will make the 988 Crisis Lifeline more effective and accessible for everyone, and I'm proud to have led the effort to get it done."

## Molinaro Passes 7th Standalone Bill with Bipartisan Support Bill Helps Students With Disabilities Access Resources To Succeed in School

Washington, DC - U.S. Rep. Marc Molinaro (NY-19) today announced his Think DIFFERENTLY About Education Act has passed the House of Representatives with bipartisan support. Since coming to Congress, Rep. Molinaro has passed seven standalone bills, 57 bipartisan measures, and has had 12 measures signed into law. He was ranked the second most bipartisan member of Congress by the nonpartisan Lugar Center and is in the top five for most bills passed in Congress.

In an annual individualized education program (IEP) meeting, school staff and parents of a child with a disability meet to develop an educational plan for the student. Under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, parents have the right to bring a third-party advocate, such as a therapist, lawyer, or knowledgeable family member, to these meetings. However, most parents are not aware of this right. The Think DIFFERENTLY About Education Act requires K-12 schools to inform parents of their right to bring an advocate to IEP meetings.

Rep. Molinaro said, "I launched Think DIFFERENTLY in 2015. Since then, we've grown from a local initiative to a national movement, and I'm proud to once again pass a bipartisan bill that advances the cause. The Think DIFFERENTLY About Education Act guides and empowers students with disabilities to access the resources they need to get a quality education."

In 2015, Rep. Molinaro launched the 'Think DIFFERENTLY' initiative, which aims to break down barriers for individuals with intellectual, developmental, and physical disabilities. In Congress, Rep. Molinaro has built on the effort by crafting and passing a package of bipartisan legislation that removes barriers in key areas of society for individuals with disabilities. The Think DIFFERENTLY About Education Act was a part of this bipartisan legislative package.

## With Northern Border Crossings At All Time High, Molinaro Introduces Bipartisan Bill To Stop Criminals & Deadly Drugs

Binghamton, NY - With illegal crossings at the northern border at an all time high, a Peruvian gang leader living in Broome County, and New York's 19th Congressional District becoming the epicenter of the opioid epidemic, U.S. Reps. Marc Molinaro (R-NY-19), Chris Pappas (D-NH-1), and Claudia Tenney (R-NY-24) today announced the introduction of the Improving Coordination for the Northern Border Act.

Rep. Molinaro's bipartisan bill directs the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) to establish a Northern Border Coordination Center to strengthen its Northern Border Strategy. This strategy utilizes partnerships between federal, state, and local law enforcement to stop drug trafficking as well as terrorist and criminal threats. The Center will serve as a training location for DHS personnel, as testing grounds for new border security technologies, and help coordinate all northern border security initiatives.

Rep. Molinaro said, "Record illegal crossings, record overdose deaths, terrorists crossing regularly, and a Peruvian gang leader captured in Endicott, NY. We can't afford to just focus on securing our southern border - we have to look north. This bipartisan bill will create a central hub to implement a Northern Border Strategy that prevents drugs and criminals from making it across the northern border and into our communities."

Rep. Pappas said, "Strengthening operations at our northern border is critical to drug interdiction efforts and keeping dangerous sub-

stances out of our communities. The Coordination Center will provide a central hub for implementing the Northern Border Strategy, including enforcing our immigration laws and stemming illicit drug trafficking, while supporting coordination efforts between U.S. Customs and Border Protection personnel, local law enforcement, and other partners. I thank Representatives Tenney and Molinaro for partnering with me on this bill, and I will continue fighting to pass legislation that supports and invests in border security, law enforcement, and anti-smuggling technology."

Rep. Tenney said, "There has been an unprecedented spike in illegal crossings at our Northern Border, including an 846% increase in one sector alone, putting our national security and community safety at risk. Additionally, 85% of suspected terrorists that have illegally crossed our borders have done so over the Northern Border. By establishing a Northern Border Coordination Center, we can enable the Department of Homeland Security to effectively implement the Northern Border Strategy to enhance training and information sharing among federal, state, local, and international partners and secure our Northern Border to help keep our Northern Border communities, including NY-24, safe."



Dear Friends and Neighbors,

As we start the beautiful fall season, I want to take a moment to share some important updates and insights from our work in the State Senate. Your engagement is the driving force behind our efforts to create a better, stronger, and safer community for everyone.

In this edition of our newsletter, you'll find information on recent legislative initiatives, upcoming events, and key issues that impact our district. I am committed to transparency and open communication and I encourage you to reach out with any questions, concerns, or ideas you may have.

Thank you for staying informed and involved. Together, we can make a positive difference in our community.

Warm regards,

Peter Oberacker

### Fall Foliage Tracker

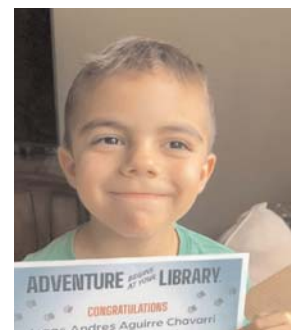
Happy fall! As the leaves start to change, it's the perfect time to get outside and enjoy the beautiful colors of the 51st Senate District. Be sure to check out the fall foliage tracker to catch the best views and plan your autumn adventures! <https://www.ilove-ny.com/things-to-do/fall/foliage-report/>

### Congratulations, Isaac!

Congratulations to Isaac on successfully completing the New York State Senate Summer Reading Program! Your hard work, commitment, and passion for reading have truly paid off.

By diving into new stories and expanding your imagination, you've shown that a love for learning can take you anywhere. Keep turning pages, exploring new worlds, and letting your curiosity guide you toward even greater accomplishments. We're so proud of your achievement-this is just the beginning of many more chapters in your exciting journey!

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## Senator Peter Oberacker (From Pg. 62) Honoring 36 Years of Service to Delaware Co.

Last weekend, we honored Deb Goodrich for her remarkable nearly four-decade career in the Delaware County Clerk's Office, where she served countless individuals with a warm smile and helping hand. Congratulations, Deb

### Kay Danchak Memorial Youth Outdoor Expo

I had a wonderful time at the Kay Danchak Memorial Youth Outdoor Expo and I even made a new feathered friend along the way. This event was a perfect way to celebrate everything we love about the outdoors.

### Hanofee Park



#### *Milkweek Garden*

Honored to cut the ribbon for the new Milkweed Garden at Hanofee Park during the Sullivan County Healthfest! Big thanks to Liberty Parks & Rec and the Sullivan County Dept. of Public Health for making this project a reality.

## Senator Peter Oberacker Announces Signing of Electronic Appearance Bill

ONEONTA – State Senator Peter Oberacker (R/C - Schenectady) and State Assemblyman Chris Tague (R/C - Schoharie) announced the signing of their electronic appearance bill (S6798A/A06738A) which expands the use of virtual arraignments to Delaware, Otsego, and Schoharie counties.

Senator Peter Oberacker said, "I am proud that we were able to pass this bill to make it easier for our district attorneys and law enforcement agencies to do their jobs. It's a transformative step that addresses an important need in our rural communities while saving valuable time and resources. This new law also enhances the safety and security for our law enforcement and judicial system. Thank you to Assemblyman Tague for your leadership in the Assembly, Governor Hochul for her decisive action on this bill, and to our local partners and advocates who were crucial in making this significant change a reality.

Click here to view the full release.

<https://www.nysenate.gov/newsroom/press-releases/2024/peter-oberacker/senator-peter-oberacker-assemblyman-chris-tague>

## ASK screening Oct 12

Kingston, NY - Arts Society of Kingston (ASK) is pleased to welcome the Woodstock Museum on Saturday, October 12, 2024 for a film screening of "Iroquois Power for the 21st Century." ASK is conveniently located at 97 Broadway. Admission is free, and the event is open to the public. Donations accepted. Doors open at 6:30PM.

Join Shelli Lipton and Nathan Koenig from the Woodstock Museum for a film screening of "Iroquois Power for the 21st Century" at Arts Society of Kingston October 12th from 7PM to 10PM. Producers Shelli and Nathan will be present to engage with the audience, answer questions, and serve vegetarian cuisine.

"Iroquois Power for the 21st Century" offers a compelling look at American history from the Iroquois perspective, shedding light on the crucial contributions and often overlooked role the Iroquois played in helping shape the United States government.

Carl Cox, Communications Director says, "We are thrilled to collaborate with Woodstock Museum to screen this important film at Arts Society of Kingston where we showed last year to a full house and received a standing ovation." The Haudensaunee aka Iroquois played a significant role as consultants to the United States' founding fathers to engage them in understanding Democracy and governmental structure. What was omitted has caused much of our dissension today.

To learn more about the Woodstock Museum, please visit their website at <https://www.woodstockmuseum.org/>. For further information about Art Society of Kingston, please contact [communications@askforarts.org](mailto:communications@askforarts.org)

## Local Lark in the Park Events

Hurleyville, NY All 5 counties in the Catskill Park will be celebrating the 20th Annual Lark in the Park, with 10 days of guided outings and programs from October 5 through 14, 2024.



Two of the free public events in Sullivan County are:

**Tuesday,**  
October 8, 2024,  
4:00-5:30 PM Join a Loop de Loop Hike in nearby Mongaup State Park. This beginner woodland hike offers a 2.2-mile loop around scenic

Frick Pond with the reflections of autumn colors across the pond with have you reaching for your camera. The experienced trip leader is Lisa Lyons of Morgan Outdoors.

Interested participants can learn more about trail conditions and what to bring at [catskillslark.org](http://catskillslark.org) where you must register by Oct. 7th.

Friday Oct. 11, 5:30 - 6:30 pm, Morgan Outdoors will host Topo Map Reading for Beginners at the store in Hurleyville. Learn what a topographic map is and how helpful they are when planning a hike. Come sit around the map table and we'll teach you the basics. Past participants have remarked that this old-school skill is not only fun but super useful when our electronics fail. One lucky registrant will win a topographic map to take home! Group size limited to 6, so register early at [catskillslark.org](http://catskillslark.org).

Morgan Outdoors is located at 234 Main Street in Hurleyville, NY. Hours are 10 - 6 pm Mon, Thur, Fri, Sat. and 10-4 Sunday. (845) 693-4181, [morgan-outdoors.com](http://morgan-outdoors.com)



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7:15pm Community Holiday Dinner

1ST DAY ROSH HASHANA  
THURSDAY OCTOBER 3

9:30am Morning Services Followed by Kiddush  
10:45am Torah Reading  
11:00 am Children's Program  
11:15am Shofar Blowing

5:30pm Tashlich at American Legion Park

7:14pm Light Candles after this time from a pre existing flame

7:15pm Evening services  
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Wednesday, October 16th

**Toddler Time (24-35 months)**  
Thursday, October 17th

**Story Hour (3, 4 and 5 year-olds)**  
Friday, October 18th

**Universal Pre-Kindergarten Story Hour**  
Our "Story Hour on the Road" program visits the three UPK classes at Tri-Valley Central School.  
(Children will be registered at school.)  
Tuesday, October 15th

Registration is open to Tri-Valley residents.  
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Oct. 9

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This program is supported with a grant from the NYS Department of Health, OFA, CCE/Caregiver Resource Center Program and the Alzheimer's Association.

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# ACCESSIBILITY IN THE WORKPLACE

New York System Change Inclusive Opportunity Network "NYSCION" Mid-Hudson Region will be hosting a 4-part virtual series for employers!

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4TH

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Northeast ADA Center  
10am-11am Via Zoom

SEPT  
18TH

*ADA & Employment Overview*  
Speakers: Joe Zesski  
Northeast ADA Center  
10am-11am Via Zoom

SEPT  
25TH

*Key Considerations for Recruiting and Hiring Job Seekers with Disabilities*  
Speakers: Jeffrey Tamburo  
Northeast ADA Center  
10am-11am Via Zoom

OCT  
2ND

*Making the Business Case: Strategy for Promoting ADA Implementation*  
Speakers: Jeffrey Tamburo  
Northeast ADA Center  
10am-11am Via Zoom

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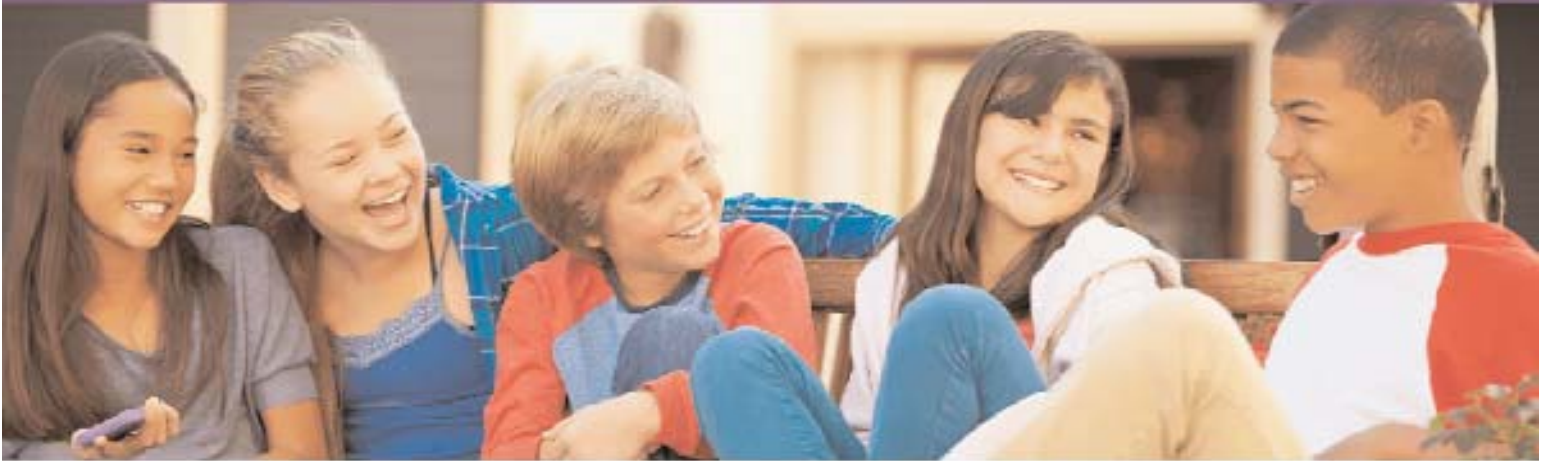
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- Listening
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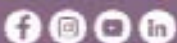
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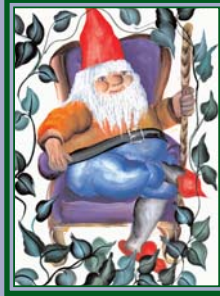
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(2008)



The thing about high-grossing movies is that they are often disappointing sequels to greater films. No Indiana Jones fan in good conscience would recommend the 2008 installment, but here we are because it made a boatload of money.



Indy, now a sexagenarian (Harrison Ford) takes on Soviet agents in search of a crystal skull with special powers, at the behest of a kid named Mutt (Shia LeBeouf). The search leads to a reunion with old flame Marion (Karen Allen), and you can work out the math on that one yourself!

(Contd. Pg. 80)

Answer to last week's Trivia Question: Billy Bob Thornton  
**This weeks' Trivia question:**

In which Hitchcock thriller is a man in a wheelchair convinced he has witnessed a murder?

*(From Pg. 79)*

## **KNARF'S CLASSIC MOVIE II**

STREAMING NOW ON NETFLIX & AMAZON PRIME

### **CASABLANCA**

(1942, 1H 42M, ADVENTURE-ROMANCE, TV-PG)



In the annals of great love affairs this is perhaps the most remembered –Bergman & Bogie as Ilsa & Richard in the adventurous tale of love, hate, and passion set against the background of World War II.



Richard Blaine an American saloon owner of the Bistro “Rick’s,” in Casablanca, North Africa, loses his love in Paris. He is drawn into World War II when he rediscovers his lostlove of his life and he tries get her back?



**Directed by Michael Curtiz. Starring Humphrey Bogart, Ingrid Bergman, and Paul Henreid**

## **KNARF'S CLASSIC MOVIE III**

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### **ADVENTURES OF DON JUAN**

(1948, 1H 50M | ADVENTURE | TV-PG)  
The legendary lover saves his queen from treason.



The story unfolds in the year 1620 when England and Spain are at odds, and heading toward war. Treason abounds in the highest ranks of the nobility. Fired by the presence of a weak king of France, and a strong, helpless, fair minded Queen (**Viveca Lindfors**), with no one to defend her being, or her Crown.



**Directed by Vincent Sherman. Starring Errol Flynn, Viveca Lindfors, and Robert Douglas**



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